From the Principal

Dear Parents

Just a reminder that our school now has a Facebook page to assist in our communication to the community; both school and local. We also like to share some of the things we are doing at school with you. Last term we sent home our state school consent form which allows us to use, record or disclose copyright material, image, recording or copyright material of/for your child. If this form is not returned giving consent to put your child’s photo on Facebook, the photo cannot be included.

Returning this form as soon as possible would be appreciated. Thank you to those parents who have already returned their forms.

Smiling for Smiddy

Mr Derek Hedgcock, who is involved in the ‘Ride for Smiddy’ fundraiser for the Mater Cancer Research Foundation, will be presenting an information session for students about cancer, in particular melanoma, its causes and prevention on Friday 27th May 2016. Prep to Year 3: 12.15-12.45pm, Year 4-6: 12.45 – 1.15pm.

Mr Hedgcock has designed the presentations to be age appropriate and supportive of students’ understanding of how to take good care of themselves. Parents and guardians are more than welcome to attend. There will be wrist bands available for sale for $5 each at the presentations as part of the fundraising. Our student leaders are also hosting a fun, crazy sock day (gold coin donation) on the Friday, to also raise funds for this great cause.

Athletics Carnival

Our Interschool Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday 9th June at Marist College. Our school day will commence and end at Marist. If you have any issues getting your child to and from Marist please contact me so we can look at other arrangements. Also, if your child is a bus child, please check with your bus company whether it goes to Marist as not all buses go to every school. The High Jump competition will be held at school in the lunch breaks before the carnival. Below is the timetable.

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Parents are welcome to attend

Interschool Chess Competition

Thank you to Mrs Nolan and Mr Grierson for organising our CHESS competitions at lunch times and also preparing our school team to compete in the Interschool Competition on Friday 27 May.
Emerald State School Newsletter

Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Reading Challenge is an annual State-wide initiative for state and non-state schools and home-educated students up to Year 9, as well as children (aged up to five years) enrolled in an early childhood centre, and individual home readers.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is not a competition but aims to improve literacy and encourage children to engage in reading for pleasure and learning.

Registrations are now open for the 2016 Premier’s Reading Challenge. The reading period for Prep to Year 9 students is 16 May - 26 August and the early childcare centre participation period is 15 - 26 August 2016.

For further information, please contact the Premier’s Reading Challenge organiser, Mrs Nolan.

Student of the Week

**WEEK 4**
- Karl C - Prep A
- Maddelyn F - Prep B
- Olivia R - 1A
- Cyrenah R - 1B
- Heidi C - 2A
- Jordan S - 2B
- Erika N - 3A
- Olivia H - 3B
- Lachlan G - 4A
- Brant - 4B
- Georgia B - 5A
- Harry P - 5B
- Randall W - 6A

**WEEK 5**
- Zahlia D – Prep A
- Kawlijah A – Prep B
- Max B – 1A
- Lachlan A – 1B
- Jeremy B – 2A
- Willow C – 2B
- All of 3A
- All of 3B
- Jasmin S – 4A
- Riley M – 4B
- Jhon Lloyd M – 6B

Tuckshop News

**Term 3 “Our Online Canteen” New Cut Off**
**Time 8:00am**

Please be advised that the time will be brought forward to 8:00am commencing from Term 3 Monday, 11 July 2016.

Tuckshop Roster

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**Tuckshop is NOT open on MONDAYS**

From the Office

Parade Items – Term 2
- Week 7: TBA
- Week 8: Show Holiday
- Week 9: TBA

- Week 10: Choir
- Week 11: Choir

P & C Thumbs Up

- Week 5: Jasmin L
- Week 6: Liz A

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers!

HPE News

Representative Sport

**Capricornia Rugby Union Trials:** Congratulations to Jett W and Dylan F for making it into the Capricornia Rugby Union team. The awesome Miss Richardson was the convenor of the trials and reported that both boys played really well and the selection was well deserved.

**Emerald State School Track and Field Interhouse Carnival** (Athletics Carnival)

Don’t forget to book Thursday 9th June in the diary for our Interhouse Athletics Carnival at Marist. The whole school will be at the Marist College for the day of events and please be reminded you are to make travel arrangements for your child to start and finish at Marist on the day. Spectators are most welcome.
This year we will be trialling a different procedure for high jump for children in the 9 to 13 years of age. In the past few years, the high jump trials have been held on one day prior to the carnival. This year, the high jump trials will be held through lunch time (11am to 11.45am). I will be running the trials with the help of Mrs Jones and Mrs Brosnan. If anyone is keen to watch, please peruse the timetable below. All trials will be from 11am to 11.45am. The age is how old the student is turning this year.

All children of that age are invited to trial. All those who trial will gain a point for their house.

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Have a great fortnight

Jill Ryan

Instrumental Music News

Congratulations to the Emerald State School and Emerald North State School band which performed on parade at Emerald State School on Wednesday May 11. You did an amazing job and the feedback was fantastic from staff and parents.

Eisteddfod - If your child would like to participate in a solo or duet at the Central Highlands Eisteddfod this year, to be held in Emerald from September 6 - September 8, please collect a form from the office and return it to school with the payment by Friday May 27. The Eisteddfod caters for Instrumental music, piano, verse speaking and singing. Only students enrolled at Emerald SS can nominate via the school. If nominating in a duet, both partners must be Emerald SS students.

Leanne Hilder

~ CHRISTMAS CRAFT & GIFT FAIR ~
Preparations are well under way for our much anticipated annual Craft Fair! Please “Save the Date” on your calendars now —

Friday 18th & Saturday 19th November 2016

We are yet to appoint a Friday night Bar co-ordinator so if you think you could help please contact Shae ASAP on 0419 811 963. Very minimal is required of this role - mainly need to be available the Friday night and hold or be willing to obtain a RSA certificate.

We welcome all help and encourage anyone willing to attend our next Craft Fair Meeting —
Tuesday 24th May @ 2pm in the Tuckshop

C.H. TRACK AND FIELD CARNIVAL

Hosted by
Emerald and District Athletics Club

Saturday & Sunday
18/19 June 2016

Nominations now open

Book Club

Issue 4 is out now! Spare copies are available in the library.

Please submit your orders on the LOOP App or return completed order forms to the box in the library by:

Thursday 2nd June

For any help/details please contact Shae on:
shae.stokes@aptn.net.au or 0419 811 963.