Emerald State School Newsletter

7 August, 2015

From the Principal

Dear Parents

School Opinion Survey
Thank you to the families, students and staff who completed the survey. Information regarding your opinions will come back to the school later this year for our use in our school improvement planning.

NAPLAN
Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN reports have been released and will be given out to students as soon as they arrive. If you have any questions about these results please book a time to meet with your class teacher to discuss them.

Year 5 Excursion
The Year 5s last week travelled to Rainworth Fort. From all the stories, I believe there was plenty of ‘hands on’ learning and lots of fun. Thank you to the Year 5 teachers for their work on this activity and the parents who supported us on the day. Our P&C helped us with costs which was great.

We have a range of curricula and extra-curricular activities on our agenda this month, with our Art Gallery (week 5), Book week and the Steve Bell/Josh Hannay Cup. Please keep an eye on the calendar for these events.

Best of Brass
Last week, on Friday afternoon we were lucky enough to have the Best of Brass perform for our whole school. The students and parents enjoyed the talents of these musicians. Also some of our Instrumental Music students had the opportunity to do workshops with these talented musicians and this then culminated in a concert on Saturday.

Eisteddfod
In week 6, our musical students will be competing in the Central Highlands Eisteddfod in Blackwater. I will be travelling down on the 19th August with the school band and the choir as they perform on that day. Thank you to Leanne Hilder and Vicki Ferguson for the work they have done with these students to ensure they are prepared for this event.

T 20 Cricket
Emerald State School will again be entering a team into the T20 competition which will be held on Friday 28 August. This team will be going to a development morning on the 18th August at EPIC to work with the Wanderers touring group.

P & C Meeting
A reminder that our next P & C meeting in on Thursday 20 August at 6:30pm in the conference room. This meeting, the committee are looking at a lot of their future projects and making decisions about where to from here.

Road Safety Week, 17–21 August
As we are coming up to Road Safety week, please spend some time talking with your child about safety, walking and riding to school.

Rhonda Jones

Student of the Week

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Cleaners Cup

Congratulations

Week 3 – 2A & Mrs Marsh
Week 4 – 4A & Miss Cahill

Tuckshop News

Tuckshop open on Mondays in Term 3

Term 3 Roster

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TUCKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS

MONDAY OPTION: FAIRBAIRN BAKERY PIES

• Plain Beef $4.20 add Peas $4.70
• Chicken & Corn $4.80

POLO SHIRT PRICE INCREASE TERM 4

At the June P&C Meeting, all present voted to increase Polo shirts from $25.00 to $27.50 commencing Term 4. This increase helps to cover the freight charges and is the same price as other local schools.

SPECIALS

Term 3 specials will be posted in our fortnightly School Newsletter, on our ESS P&C Associations Info & Updates Facebook page, and available for purchase from www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

Wk 5 Sweet Potato & Feta Cous Cous Salad
Wk 7 Sweet Potato, Onion & Pumpkin Frittata with Garden Salad
Wk 6 Hokkien Noddle Salad
Wk 8 Mediterranean Rice
Wk 9 Oven Fried Rice & Spring Rolls

THANK YOU FOR “SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS”

From the Office

EMERALD SS TEXT MESSAGING SYSTEM

When sending a text advising your child’s absence would you please enter the name of your child this makes it easier to find the relevant absence. Also, if you receive a text from an earlier absence, would you please advise the date of this absence and the reason when replying. Thanks.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2015

Notes regarding Religious Education classes this term went home on Monday 20th July to all students (with a follow up reminder note on Fri, 31st July to those students registered on enrolment forms to participate in RE). If you did not receive yours, please have your child collect one from the office. If your child is participating or you wish to change their permission for RE please send payment or note advising change as soon as possible. Some people noted on their return slips that they had already advised the school of their RE preference for their child. We understand this and the details will not change without your written permission, however this is one of the areas which parents constantly change for their children so we just wish to make sure our records are current and correct. This is noted in the letter. Thanks.

From our Master Teacher

Parent Workshops - Grammar and Punctuation

This workshop will help unlock some of the mysteries of grammar and punctuation.

✓ Come along and hear about Grammar Rants and Quickwrites.
✓ Learn how to write simple, compound and complex sentences.
✓ Find out when to use a semi colon.

When: 11.08.2015 (Tuesday, Week 5)
Where: Emerald SS, Library
Session 1: 8.30am – 9.30am
Session 2: 5.00pm- 6.00pm

RSVP: Jenni Farquhar
jfarg5@eq.edu.au
4983 9666
BOOK FAIR

Don’t forget the Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting the school library next week. Make time to come along and check it out at one of the times below:

8:15am to 9:00am & 2:30pm to 3:15pm
Monday to Friday
And also;
6:00pm to 7:30pm
Tuesday night (to coincide with the Art Gallery)

For any further details regarding Book Fair please contact Shae Stokes on:
0419 811 963 or at shae.stokes@aapt.net.au

P E News

Representative Sports Calendar for 10, 11 and 12 year old students

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<td>Cricket Boys and Girls</td>
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<td>Thurs 13 August Moranbah</td>
<td>Sun/Mon 6/7 Sept Gladstone</td>
<td>1-5 November Mackay</td>
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Tennis

We wish Lachlan V all the best as he heads off to Cairns for the State Tennis Trials. We wish you all the best.

Cricket

Congratulations to Lachlan V on gaining a position on the Emerald District cricket. Good luck next week at the trials. I would like to say congratulations to Phillip W who also played really well at the trials.

Rookies2Reds Rugby Union

Rookies2Reds is coming to an end. Although it is sad, we have many students who are coming away with some great skills. Next week is our last week with Joey on the oval on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

Touch Football

Good luck to Olivier Cave as she heads off to Toowoomba for the State Trials. We hope all your hard work pays off and you have a fun and successful carnival.

CH Track and Field Carnival

Congratulations to these people who made it into the Central Highlands Track and Field team: Bree D (LJ), Deborah M (SP), Jett W (800m), Harlan C (200m, LJ, HJ) and Kaden R (D). Good luck to you all as you head to Rockhampton next for the Capricornia Trials. I hope your training has been going well.

T20 Cricket

On 28 August, we will be competing in a T20 Cricket competition. This competition requires 8 players on the field and everyone gets a bat and a bowl. WE have entered a team but would love more people to nominate. It is open to boys and girls turning 10 to 12 years of age.

Rugby League

I would like to say a huge thank you to Ms Richardson for organising the Steven Bell and Josh Hannay Cup students. Good luck boys.

Have a great fortnight
Jill Ryan

What’s on !

Hi everyone , anyone for tennis!!!

The Emerald Tennis Clubs

2nd season of tennis is just starting up for both juniors and seniors. Juniors start from 4pm Mondays with seniors commencing 6:30pm also Mondays. All old and new players welcome.

Also a new season for junior and senior coaching will start up this week.

For more information please call Glenn on 0407 693 900.
Dear Parents,

This year, we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

We are not asking you to change your shopping habits, however, if you do shop at Woolworths we encourage you to participate in the program and collect your stickers for Emerald State School.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

The Cricket Season is upon us!!!!!!

We are inviting all keen cricketers to take part in a Cricket Coaching clinic commencing at 9:00am until 10am on Tuesday the 18th August and is “Open” for ALL of the School Children, who wish to attend the Cricket Coaching Sessions.

A Cricket Match between the Wanderers & the Epic All Stars commences at 10:00am, on the 18th August with the Wanderers batting first so that the Wanderers’ Players can continue to coach the School Children whilst their Team is batting.

The Cricket Coaching will be undertaken at Epic Oval where the Cricket Match is being played. Our Cricket Coaching Panel will be “Headed Up” by Brad “Spud” Murphy (currently the Head Coach at the Sunshine Coast “Scorchers”); John Buchanan (former Australian Cricket Coach); Dennis Lillie (former Queensland Sheffield Shield Leg Spinner – 1960’s & the 1970’s); plus Representatives from Qld Cricket – Coaches and Players.

We do understand that this is inside school hours, but the Wanderers only travel to country areas once every few years. As you can see, we have a great line up of past QLD and Australian Players and coaches, none more than John Buchanan who coached Australia through our golden era of cricket.

It is open to Boys and Girls in all ages. If there is any way that I can assist in making this easier, or you have any other questions, you can contact me on my mobile 0416884810.

Kind Regards

Reggie Parker, Vice President of Epic All Sports

The Central Highlands Multicultural Festival

Saturday 22 August 2015, 5pm – 10pm
Emerald Showgrounds, Capricorn Highway

www.chmfestival.com.au

The Central Highlands Multicultural Festival celebrates cultural diversity in our community through mouth-watering global cuisine, icy-cold international beers and dazzling dance, music and entertainment.

Get Started Vouchers Round 6 – NOW OPEN

Information for Parents/Carers/Guardians

Get Started Vouchers assists children and young people who can least afford or may otherwise benefit from joining a sport or active recreation club. Eligible children and young people can apply for a voucher valued up to $150, which can be redeemed at a sport or recreation club that is registered for Get Started Vouchers.

Children and young people are eligible to apply for a voucher if they are a Queensland resident aged from 5 to 17 (inclusive) at the time of application, and:

- the child, or their parent, carer or guardian, holds a Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or
- the child’s application is supported by two referral agents

Eligible children and young people who received a voucher in 2014 are eligible to apply for a voucher in 2015. If your child received a voucher in round 5, they are not eligible for a voucher in round 6.

Vouchers are issued on a first come, first served basis. Once the vouchers are fully allocated for a round, no further vouchers will be issued.

How to apply

- Step 1: check you can apply for a voucher
- Step 2: apply online using the QGrants system
- Step 3: present the voucher to a registered club

Important dates

- Voucher applications open 15 July 2015.
- Voucher applications close on 30 September 2015 or earlier if all available vouchers are allocated.
- Vouchers must be presented to a registered club by 15 October 2015.
- Vouchers must be redeemed by registered club online by 30 October 2015.

For further information or assistance please call
13 QGOV (13 74 68) or email getstarted@npsr.qld.gov.au

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