



THE BOUNDARY BULLETIN

TERM 1 WEEK 3 2012

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

VERY RESPONSIBLE/RESPECTFUL/ RESILIENT PEOPLE (VRP):

These names were drawn out of the stage boxes at last weeks, K-6 assembly. These names, along with others were added to the boxes by their teachers for showing one or all of our three school wide expectations, during the week.



Sophie 1BC

Samantha 3R

Anya 6J

I hope that you're all surviving the great 'wet season'. Here at ENPS we are flooding. The science room has been under water several times this month, despite DEC's efforts to rectify the problem. Old roof tiles and new sky lights are letting water in too. We used our new air conditioners to cool our rooms on the first day, and then used them to warm the rooms on the second. We thank the parent community and Bendigo bank for their financial contribution enabling us this luxury.

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Community Bank Branch **Bendigo Bank**



WELCOME

On Thursday we welcomed 57 new kindergarten students to our school. To you we extend a special welcome and wish you a long and happy association with our school. Most of our new students coped very well with the new routine of 'big school'. They waved mum, dad, grandma and grandpa off, without any hesitation. By ten o'clock, when I visited each classroom, every child was happy and comfortable in its new environment. Congratulations to their parents for the preparations you have made over the last six months to get them to this point. I'd also like to thank Mrs Johnson, Ms Bates and Ms White for your efforts to ensure the children remained happy and comfortable (although in their tight new leather shoes and stiff new uniforms) over the last two days. Kindergarten will spend the next few weeks getting to know their new environment, establishing routines and making new friends.

I welcome to our school 13 new families whose children

DIARY DATES		
Wk	Date	Event
3	Thursday 9 February	Leadership Camp for school captains & vice captains
	Friday 10 February	Leadership Camp for school captains & vice captains
4	Tues 14 February	Kindergarten Parent Info Afternoon 3.30—4.30pm. School Hall
		Stage 1 Parent Info Afternoon 4.30—5.30pm. School Hall
	Wed 15 February	Stage 2 Parent Info Evening 6—7pm. School Hall
		Stage 3 Parent Info Afternoon 4.30 - 5.15pm. School Hall



*Some of new Kindy Students on their first day at Big School
in Ms Bate's class*

began at ENPS from grades 1-6. We will make it our top priority to ensure your children feel just as happy and comfortable in their new school too. To this end we have placed each child with a buddy from each class to help show the children around. In the next two weeks each class will be allocated a buddy class. That is a junior class with a senior class. These two classes will begin to spend more time together, getting to know each other.

If you are unsure of any procedures please don't hesitate to see your child's teacher or by ringing the school office.

It was nice to see so many families attend the Welcome BBQ, sponsored by our friends at Ray White Real Estate, Epping on Friday night. Despite the weather m a n y families came along to enjoy the relaxed atmosphere.

Ray White

Epping

2012 CLASSES

Our classes for 2012 are:

KB Ms Bate

KJ Mrs Johnson

1/KW Ms White

1BC Mrs Barnett (M,T and alt W) & Mrs Colburt (alt W, Th & F)

1N Miss O'Dwyer

2M Miss Tan relieving for Mrs Meteyard until semester 2

2T Mrs Tomlinson

3R Ms Righetti

3B Mr Barnett

4A Mrs Bareham

4D Mrs Diver

4HD Ms Bryant (M,T) & Ms Harbridge (W,Th & F)

5C Mrs Fairley (M,T,W) & Mrs Garvin (Th, F)

5T Mr Taylor

6M Ms McLean

6J Mrs Torney

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 (K-2) supervisor Ms White

Stage 2 (3-4) supervisor Ms Harbridge

Stage 3 (5-6) supervisor Mr Taylor

The role of the Stage Supervisor, additional to their primary role as a classroom or support teacher, is the support of students and staff on their 'stage', liaison with parents, welfare and discipline, support of the principal, school planning responsibilities and a number of other roles specific to their stage.

Library Mrs Eggington (M,T,Th, F)

ESL (English as a Second Language) Mrs Hensley

RR (Reading Recovery) Mrs Hensley

STLA (Support Teacher Learning Assistance) Mrs Hensley

RFF Science Ms Hunter

RFF Drama Ms Braiding

RFF Music Ms Slawski

Writing Support program Ms Harbridge

School Counsellor Mrs James

School Administration Manager Mrs Maier

School Administration Officers Mrs Mahieu (M-F) & Mrs Toombes(W, Th)

General Assistant Mr Gallagher

Over the next few weeks I will give more detail about each of the above programs.

All teachers are qualified to teach classes K-6 and this year some have been given the opportunity to experience teaching a different grade from previously. I look forward to the fresh ideas and enthusiasm that different staff members bring to their stage.

MEET THE TEACHER INFORMATION EVENINGS

ES1& S1(K-2) Tuesday 14 February time TBA
S2 (3&4) & S3 (5&6) Wednesday 16 February time TBA

These meetings are an opportunity for parents to meet their child's classroom teacher, hear about routines, programs and expectations. Educating your child is a three-way partnership, between the school, the parents and the child. It is important we are all on the same page and aware of what the goals are. This way we can all play an active role in reaching that important goal. A note with specific details to you grade will follow shortly.

LEADERSHIP CAMP

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week our Year 6 captains and vice-captains will be attending Leadership Camp. This camp provides a great opportunity for the children to meet with school leaders from other schools in our area and develop skills to assist them in fulfilling their role as a school leader effectively. Upon their return they will train the school executive team (prefects), who will then train our SRC (School Representative Council). I will be away with these students at camp on Thursday & Friday.

INTRODUCING OUR SCHOOL CAPTAINS:



James:

Hi, my name is James and I am one of the 2012 Epping North School Captains. In my family I am the youngest of four boys and I enjoy a variety of sports including surfing, soccer, athletics and cricket. I like to read, but don't like maths, I love dark chocolate, but can't stand salami. As this year's school captain I understand how important it is for me to keep the promises I made in my speech last year and those include being a respectful, kind, honest, reliable and responsible school leader.

Thank you

Emily

Hi, My name is Emily and I am the Girl School Captain of Epping North Public School this year. I enjoy reading, hanging out with my friends and playing netball. One of my goals this year is to set the highest and exemplary standards for my peers and the school. I find my job as School Captain to understand, considerate, fair, mature and welcoming. I will make sure everyone feels they're in a safe and nurturing environment. I feel that besides being an excellent role model, my main priority is to uphold the importance of being a Respectful Responsible and Resilient person. I can't wait to put my words into action and I hope we all have a wonderful year!

P&C AGM

The February meeting of the P&C will be held on Wednesday 8th February 2011 starting at 7:45pm in the school library to be followed by the 2012 Annual General Meeting. Could any nominations for the following positions be sent to:

lugsdin4@bigpond.com.au

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Parent and Community Communications Adviser, Events Coordinator, Grounds Committee, Clothing Pool Committee, School Watch, Modern Jazz Committee, Resource Room Coordinator, French Coordinator, Chess Coordinator, Auditor.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Last week you received your first invoice for the year. That was for text books only. At ENPS we try to keep text books at a minimum. Our teachers use them to reinforce and consolidate new concepts. Payments for these books are due by the end of the week Friday 10 February. Please ensure prompt payment for these so that they may be issued to students to use. Years 5 & 6 were also issued with their Narrabeen Camp payment invoice. This camp is on the 22-24 February. As this date is not far away, we would appreciate families finalizing payments as soon as possible.

In the following weeks you will receive another invoice for planned excursions/incursions, sporting activities, consumables, levies as well as voluntary P&C contributions. You may pay with cash, cheque or credit card. If you have any trouble understanding what to pay please do not hesitate to call our office to speak to Ms Maier. All payments are collected via our payment chutes in the Admin Building only.

Please note we no longer operate the "Gold Sheet".

Families are invoiced at the beginning of each term for planned activities.

Update your contact details and email address:

If your contact details have changed please complete the chit on the following pages and return to us as soon as possible.

We like to communicate with you electronically via our newsletter, please send us your most updated email for your convenience. The newsletter is usually sent every Tuesday, unless of technical issues. This week it is sent on Wednesday as we are off site at the swimming carnival.

Betty Ploeg

Principal

NSW PUBLIC SCHOOL PRIMARY DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Places in the Primary Drama Ensemble are open to talented drama students from Years 5 and 6 attending government primary schools. Students selected for the ensembles experience a range of workshop activities leading to the NSW Public Schools State Drama Festival and are required to attend weekly rehearsals held after school in Sydney.

Auditions for the Primary Drama Ensemble will start on Thursday 8th March. Applications close on Monday 5th March and are available from <https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/programs/drama/drama-ensembles>.

Gaye Braiding, Drama Teacher

SICK BAY

Once again I would like to set up a roster of parents to help with the washing of sheets from the sick bay. I will get the sheets to your child or you can collect them from me on a Friday and return them to me the next week. If you are able to help please ring Ms Mahieu in the office 9876 5254 by Friday 17 February and depending on how many parents offer you may only be required to wash once a term. Many thanks

BAND NEWS

Welcome: Welcome back to all our current band members and welcome to our 32 new Training Band members for this year!

Rehearsals: All rehearsals start this week. Training Band commence rehearsals this Thursday (9th Feb) in the new hall. Please arrive by 7.50am. The first few rehearsals will be focused on learning the routine of setting up & packing up, and also learning to listen to each other. Concert Band rehearsals are on Monday & Wednesday mornings, please arrive at 7.50am, Senior Band rehearsals are on Tuesday & Friday mornings, arrival also at 7.50am.

Tutorials: Instrument tutorials also commence this week. Rooms for tutorials have been emailed to parents.

Band Camp Dates: Band Camp will be held on Friday 25th May – Sunday 27th May. Please make sure you diarise this date now.

Bunnings Fundraising: Saturday 24th March. If possible, please keep some time aside to help out with selling or cooking sausage sandwiches at Bunnings in Thornleigh. More details will be sent via email.

Contact Details: If any of your contact details have changed, please email enpsband@gmail.com. It is important we have accurate information, so we can contact you.

Committee Meeting: The first committee meeting will be held on Thursday 23rd February. Venue to be confirmed.

Parent Supervision Roster for the coming week
Wednesday 8th (CB) - Armstrong family

Thursday 9th (TB) – McCartney family
Friday 10th (SB) – McCarthy family
Monday 13th (CB) - De Lima family
Tuesday 14th (SB) – Williams family

Sally Dalton & Alison Hall
Band Co-ordinators

BOOK CLUB

Welcome back to Book Club 2012.

Every term our school runs Scholastic book club. Children will bring home brochures and you can place an order. Our school earns points from each order which we use to purchase books and resources for our classrooms and library. The different clubs are:

Wombat - For Kindergarten students
Lucky - For lower primary students
Arrow - For Middle primary students
Star - For Upper primary students
Special - For all ages

For more information please do not hesitate to contact me or visit www.scholastic.com.au

Brochures from Scholastic Book club will be given out to all students this week and orders are due back by Monday 13th February. Orders can be returned either to the classroom teacher or to the office. Please remember to:

Put your child's name and class on all order forms. Tally and total your order forms

If writing a cheque, make it payable to Scholastic Australia. Clearly write your child's name and class on the back of cheques.

Cheque and credit card are the preferred payment options for ease of processing and your security. Cash is also accepted but NO change will be given.

Lynn Stevens 9617 0740

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen Manager

Congratulations to Alison Brown who was the successful candidate for the canteen manager position. Alison is working closely with the canteen committee to provide a weekly canteen service to students and staff. The committee would like to welcome Alison and wish her all the best in this new role.

Canteen Menu & Service

The canteen service is starting this Friday 10th February. The canteen will be open for a recess and lunch service on each Friday of term. Information on placing canteen orders and the summer 2012 menu were sent home this week. In term 1 we are asking if you could place your orders by Wednesday of each week so that we have a better indication of quantities of food and drink to order from our suppliers. Please note that ice-blocks can be ordered as part of your lunch order with students getting a voucher in their lunch bag that they then redeem at the canteen window. If you have any questions in regards to the new canteen service or if you didn't receive your menu send an email through to the committee at enps.canteen@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed

The volunteer roster for term 1 is being finalised. Thank you to all the volunteers who have already put their hand up to help in the canteen. We are always looking for more volunteers so if you can help in anyway on Fridays please email the canteen committee at enps.canteen@gmail.com with your contact details. Please note that due to OH&S regulations no children are allowed in the canteen.

Canteen Duty

The following people are on canteen duty this week: Caroline Hale, Carolyn Booty and Jacqui Hoggan.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

A couple of working bees were held over the holidays to remove the carpet from the old hall, spread some mulch, and prepare the grounds for the return to school.

Thanks to Glenn Gallagher, David Cooper, John Woodhill, Herbert Volk, Craig Taylor, Jayden Taylor, Liam Taylor, Peter Michie, Ken Marchant, and Scott Parkinson.

A call for volunteers for 2012 should be going out in the next couple of weeks ... watch this space.

David Asper (davidasper@iprimus.com.au or 9876 2597)

MODERN JAZZ|BOYS DANCE GROUP

All modern Jazz classes will begin Week 5 - Monday 20th February.

The timetable for dance classes will be finalised this week. Please place your completed forms into the modern jazz box in the office foyer. Once classes are finalised you will receive a confirmation letter. Your child's class parent supervisor will be in touch re parent supervision rosters early next week.

Classes are almost full and dancers will now be received on a first come first served basis with regard to the waiting lists.

We are looking forward to a busy year with many happy dancers.

Tracey Hutcheson
98761766

Louise Daley
0410 531 025

SCHOOL BANKING

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School Banking is a great way to teach children to save and is now available with Bendigo Bank. Any deposit of 50cents or more is accepted.

Please leave your passbook and banking at the school office on a Tuesday and it will be processed and returned to you.

If your child would like to participate but does not have an account please call at the branch (Shop 9, 288 Malton Road, North Epping) and we can open one for them (identification requirements apply).

We are proud to have been supporting your school with grants, sponsorships and school banking for 8 years.

OPPORTUNITIES

EPPING JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB

Epping Junior Rugby Club are holding a Give-It-A-Go day to give children aged 5 - 9 an opportunity to try rugby, learn new skills and have some fun. The skills have been designed by the Australian Rugby Union accredited coaches and parents can gain an understanding of how junior rugby is structured.

When: Sunday 19th February from 2 - 4pm

Where: Somerville Oval, Blaxland Rd, Epping

The cost is FREE

A sausage sizzle and drinks will be available after the activities.

For more information visit: www.eppingjnr.rugbynet.com.au

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