PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

VRP Class Award - Refer to Principal’s Morning Tea

P&C Meeting: Wednesday 14 December 7:45pm in our library. All welcomed.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

School Resumes:
Monday 30 January 2017, years 1-6.
Wednesday 1 February 2017, Kindergarten

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays
The staff of ENPS wishes all families a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, a restful holiday and good health. 2016 has been an outstanding year. Epping North has offered our students an extensive array of opportunities which provide challenges, enrichment and inspiration far beyond the classroom. I thank all of you for your contribution. I look forward to all the opportunities of 2017 and continuing to work in such an excellent school where teacher and parents work in collaboration with each other to support the learning needs of every student to experience a sense of success, growth, achievement, well-being and belonging.

Thank you & Farewell
We wish all our year 6 students a very fond farewell and all the very best for their future. We look forward to hearing wonderful news from you no matter how far away you travel. We will also be bidding a fond farewell to a number of families who are moving away from the neighbourhood. We farewell the following families: Hemming, Vizesi Krix, Avery, Rattray, Trimby, Wang, Paksa, Bulin, Chan and Christison.

Farewell
It is with mixed emotions that I announce that Miss Claire Hayward has secured a Teacher Librarian role at Coogee South Public School. Ms Hayward is sad to leave but is happy and excited by this wonderful new opportunity. Claire is an outstanding, dedicated and professional teacher.

DIARY DATES

Week 10

- Wed 14 Dec 7.45pm P & C Meeting
- Fri 16 Dec Talent Quest
- Thurs 15 Dec All stages - Party day
- Fri 27 January Staff Development Day - No students

2017 Week 1

- Mon 30 Jan 2017 First day for Years 1—6
who approaches every aspect of teaching with a calm and gentle manner. She has enhanced the lives of not only the students but also her teacher colleagues with her innovative practice and knowledge of children’s literature. I know that Epping North students, staff and parents will miss her terribly however I also know that you will join me in sending our sincere thanks and best wishes for this new chapter in her career.

Stage 3 - High School Day
Senior Constable Deb Chrystal will once again help our Stage 3 students prepare for high school by participating in our ‘High School’ day. Snr Constable Chrystal will be speaking to students in regards to cyber safety and cyber bullying.

Poplars
Yesterday Jnr Veg and our percussion group went to Poplars Aged Care Facility to entertain the residents and share Christmas joy. It was wonderful to see our students bring such happiness to the residents as they sang and played a variety of songs. Thank you to Mrs Bryant, Ms O’Dwyer and our wonderful parents Lisa, Julien, Paula, Nicki, Kate, Josie, Suzanne, Karen, Eric, Rosie and Mel for assisting us with supervision and transportation.

2017
Staff return Friday 27 January. All students from year 1-6 return on Monday 30 January. Students are asked to arrive at school on this day, leave their school bag in the usual spot outside their old classroom or inside as they would normally do. All students should leave their bags on the silver seat outside their 2016 classroom. All new students from years 1-6, to our school will arrive at 10am to the school foyer and they will be shown to their new classroom. All new kindergarten students will complete the Best Start assessment from Monday 30 January and Tuesday 31 January at their designated appointment time. Kindergarten classes begin on Monday 3 February.

School Numbers
We are currently experiencing some significant movement out of North Epping. Therefore once again we find that our numbers are hovering between 16 and 17 classes. At the beginning of the 2017 school year we will need to hold in our 2016 classes to see if numbers settle, just as we did this year.

Jo Wilcher
Principal

Congratulations all students attending the Principal’s morning tea.
KG - Jack, Eliza, Jonathon, Annalie, Leah, Annabel, Valerie, Raul, Ben, Elijah, Connor
KC - Josiah, Rowan, Sophie, Ethan, Pippa, Sarah, Juliet, Jasper, Ava,
KL - Lucie, Cameron,
1L - Hayden, Rosie, Jamie
1N - Amali, Emily, Ruby, Edward, Annabella
2/1J - Rebecca, Isaac
2B - Ella, Myra
2R - Christian, Mitchell, Jayden, Yoshi
3B - Josh, Charlotte, Amelia, Max, Pheobe, Cody, Grace, Phillip, Katie
3M - Brad, Harrison
3T - Lara, Ellen, Mia, Tom, Jessica
4A - Ame, Sofia, Lucy, Grace,
4C - Nicola, Sophie,
5W - Emma, Nicola, Natalie, Ruby, Freya
5D - Emily, Ella, Yoon, Jasmine,
6/5M - Sophia, Imogen, Hugo
NON-RETURN/LATE RETURN IN 2017

If you know that your child/children are not return to ENPS next year or will be returning after the commencement of the 2017 school year on 27 January 2017 please complete the proforma below and return it to Mrs Mahieu in an envelope marked Leave or Late Return.

NON RETURN IN 2017

The following child/children will not be returning to ENPS in 2017.

Name: ____________________________________________ Class: ______________

Name: ____________________________________________ Class: ______________

Name: ____________________________________________ Class: ______________

Destination School: _____________________________________________________________

Signed: _______________________________________ (Parent/Caregiver) Date: __________

LATE RETURN IN 2017   The following child/children will be returning to ENPS in 2017 after the commencement of the 2017 school year. Please count them as returning to ENPS.

Name: ____________________________________________ Class: ______________

Name: ____________________________________________ Class: ______________

Name: ____________________________________________ Class: ______________

Reason for late return: ___________________________________________________________

Date of Return: _________________________

Phone No.: ____________________________

Signed: ________________________________ (Parent/Caregiver)

Date: __________________
BAND NEWS

Keyboard Players for Senior Band in 2017
We do not have any keyboard players for our gold award winning Senior Band in 2017 and hence desperately need to find one or two suitable students. So if your child will be in Year 4 to 6 next year, is playing piano at Grade 4 level and would like to join the Senior Band, we’d love to hear from you. Please contact the band at enps-band@gmail.com

Thanks
Glenn Thomson
Band Convenor

CANTEEN NEWS

Closing and Opening Dates
The last canteen of the year will be this Friday 16th December. Canteen will re-open for service on Friday 3rd February 2017 (there will be no canteen on Wednesday 1st February) and the usual 2 day a week service (Wednesday and Friday) will resume the following week.

Flexischools Update
If your child is leaving ENPS at the end of this year and they will not require a Flexischools account at their new school then you can close your account at the end of this year and you will be refunded any outstanding balance. When you log in under My Profile select the Account Status tab and then click “Close Account”. If your child is leaving ENPS but will still be requiring a Flexischools account at their new school (e.g. Epping Boys High School) then when you log into your account next year you can change these details by clicking on the link to “change class or school”.

Canteen Roster
If you’re available to help with canteen on a Wednesday or Friday during 2017, please contact Rosie at CooperFamily2121@gmail.com. All sessions are 9am – 12MD unless otherwise stated.

Wednesday 14th December
Michelle Rawson

Friday 16th December
Amanda Small (8.30am - 9.30am)
Karen Michie

Thank You
Huge thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers who have helped prepare over 13400 canteen orders this year! The canteen would not be able to run without you and your help is greatly appreciated.

MODERN JAZZ & BOYS’ DANCE NEWS

2017 Dance
At this stage we do not have a Dance Convenor for 2017 – this means the program will not be running. I will continue taking enrolments for the 2017 Dance Program until this Friday 16th Dec, in the hope that someone volunteers during the holidays. The dance e-mail will not be checked between Saturday 19th Dec and Sunday 29th Jan allowing our volunteers to have a well earned break. If you wish to register your interest for 2017 please follow the instructions below.

We are now taking booking for the 2017 Dance Program for students in Years 1 – 6 in 2017.
Bookings can be made using Flexischools
You will need to pay a $10 booking fee which will be deducted from your Semester 1 invoice
Bookings will close at 5pm on the 20th Dec
Classes will be formed and room and teacher allocations made based on the number of students enrolled by 20/12/16. Class numbers will be capped if required so please book early to avoid disappointment.
If there are vacancies, bookings will be re-opened once school resumes on Monday 30th January 2017. We will not be checking the Dance e-mail or taking any bookings over the school holidays.
ENPS Dance is open to all children (both boys and girls) in Years K-6 and almost half the students in the school currently participate. The program is coordinated by parent volunteers, but the classes are taught by external dance teachers. The cost of each class is $7.00. Classes run before school from 8.00am in either the school’s Performing Arts Studio (PAS) or the Library. If your child would like to join our dance program, or if you require further information about our program, please contact Carla enpspandcdance@hotmail.com or 04024666672.

Dance for Fun – located in the PAS

Kindy - Year 3 __________ Monday 8am - 9am ________
12/12/2016 Julien Rondfeldt

Year 4 – Year 6 __________ Wednesday 8am - 9am ________
14/12/2016 Trina Backstrom
UNIFORM SHOP

End of Year/beginning of 2017 Trading Dates
Flexischool orders for delivery in 2016 close this Tues 13th of December.
Last Uniform Shop Open day is Thurs 15th December, when final orders are delivered to classrooms.

Orders can be made through Flexischools throughout the holiday period, but will not be ready for collection until our first open days of 2017 as detailed below. We will send a text detailing pick up of items and date for collection in the new year.

Kindy Stationery Packs:
A reminder that Kindy Stationery packs are available from the Uniform Shop, these packs contain most of the supplies required for Kindy, including the elusive Oil Pastels, also Glue Sticks, Wipes, Tissues, Communication Folder, Whiteboard Markers, and a sheet of coloured Cardboard for the Art Folder. With a RRP of $62, the Uniform Shop sells these packs for $50.

Start of 2017 Open Days
We will be open prior to school returning for collection of Flexischool orders and last minute uniform items:
Friday 27th January 9:00 - 11:00am
Saturday 28th January 9:00 - 10:30am

We will also open on the first day of school:
Monday 30th January 8.30 – 9.30am

Then at normal opening times for Thursday 2nd Feb, onwards from 8:30 - 9:30am.

Upcoming open days (8.30 – 9.30am) & Roster
Thurs 15th Lisa Daly Malcolm Watson
2017
Fri 27th January Lisa Daly Sharlene Cook
Sat 28th January Jessica Grauds Sarah Marshall
Monday 30th Jan Jessica Grauds Sharlene Cook
Thursday 2nd Jan Lisa Daly Volunteer required

Sports House Polos:

All students are required to wear the new house sports polos in 2017. Sports polos are $30- each and available via Flexischools or in the shop.

Full details about the shop, the school uniform and how to lodge orders online through FlexiSchools, is available at https://sites.google.com/site/enpsuniformshop/home
Flexischool Orders are delivered to the classrooms on Thursdays each week.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.
Lisa Daly
Uniform Shop Manager
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