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Euroa Primary School

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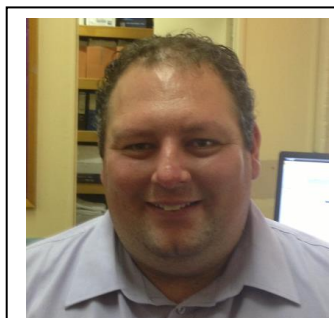
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SWIMMING SPORTS



Congratulations to the students in grades 3-6 who participated in the Senior School Swimming Sports. There was a lot of Effort shown by all of the competitors and certainly some Unity by all of the houses. There was a big cheer squad in attendance with parents, grandparents and other family members enjoying the day out in the sunshine.

EFFORT UNITY RESPECT ORDER ACHIEVEMENT

ROSS'S REPORT

Well done to all the students who participated in the Swimming Program over the past two weeks and to the teachers who have worked with all of the groups. Thanks to Mr Clinch for all of his planning and organisation and to Wendy and Melissa who provided extra instruction to the students. I would also like to acknowledge the teachers and aides who assisted throughout the program as well as the parents who came to the pool to help out. We appreciate your help in running this valuable program.

We have appointed a teacher to work in the grade 3 class starting next week. Stephanie Allwright will be visiting our school tomorrow and will start next week. I am sure you will join me in welcoming Stephanie to our school. Thank you to Michael Greenaway who has stepped in to the grade 3 class for the first few weeks, ensuring our students had a smooth and positive start to the year.



At Monday's assembly our House Captains were announced and were presented their badges by our Mayor, Colleen Furlanetto. We have a strong leadership program at our school, with all of our senior students expected to act as responsible leaders for the rest of the school. Our school captains and vice captains often represent our school at public events and chair our assemblies on Fridays. The SRC is made up of representatives from each class, from grade 3-6. The SRC is responsible for providing a student voice to the staff, they organise fundraisers and the grade 5 and 6 SRC are responsible for

collating the house competition points and organising green token trading. The SRC reps will be announced at the Friday assembly on the 19th February. The House Captains are mainly responsible for sport. They lead their houses at our events and set up for Monday afternoon sport lessons. They had their first big job at the Swimming Sports yesterday.

The process for electing new school council members is underway. There are currently 4 vacancies in the Parent Category and 1 vacancy in the DET category. If you are interested in being on School Council, nomination forms are available from the office. Nominations close next Thursday 18th February.

Thanks to the parents who attended the Fundraising meeting yesterday. The Fundraising committee is keen to put in a submission to do the catering for the cattle sales. Early next week a letter will be sent home asking for support for this venture. There will be a list of possible ways that you can help out. If you can assist, please return the form to school so we can ascertain if there is enough support for us to take on this very worthwhile fundraiser. The other major fundraisers for this year will be the Eat 'n' Auction, a food stall at the Show and Shine, Bulbs, fruit trees and Mothers' and Fathers' Day Stalls.



Our Junior school classes had a great time learning about Pancake Tuesday this week. I was very excited when I received the "Giant Pancake" to have for my morning tea.

BOOKS & REQUISITES - Thank you to those families who have already paid for their books and requisites supplied. This cost is \$120.00 per student for the year and can be paid at the Office at any time by cash or cheque. If you would prefer to pay by direct credit our bank details are BSB: 063682 Account Number: 1005 5005 – Euroa Primary School Official Account – please remember to include either your name or your child's name for easy identification. Payments may also be made in instalments.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE – If you are eligible for this allowance please call into the Office to fill out a form. To qualify for this payment you must live 4.8km or more from the school you attend (the distance is measured as the shortest practicable route and does not include driveways) or the nearest bus stop.

NEWSLETTERS – If you would prefer to receive a hardcopy of the newsletter please let us know at the office and a copy can be sent home each Thursday.

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

Friday 12th – EPS Junior Swimming Sports

Wednesday 17th – Euroa District Swimming Sports @ Euroa pool

Wednesday 17th – Junior School Information Session 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Wednesday 24th – Senior School Information Session 4pm

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Angela, Megan , Amy and Michael

We have had a busy start to the school year, with the swimming program in full swing. It has been great to see the students building on their water safety and confidence skills. The junior swimming sports are on tomorrow commence at 1:00 p.m until 2:30 p.m. There are novelty races in the small pool for the beginners and races in the shallow end of the big pool for the more competent swimmers.

We are looking for some parents to assist with the novelty event. You will need your swimming gear and will be needed in the water. Please let Megan or Angela know if you can assist. As this is our last swimming session for the year the junior school wish to thank Ian, Wendy, Melissa and any parents who have helped with the program this year.

Next week we will commence our regular classroom time table:-

Art – Tuesdays F/1W, Wednesdays 1 / 2 B and 1 / 2 A

Health/ P.E – Tuesdays 1 / 2 A and 1 / 2 B, Thursdays F/ 1 W

Japanese – Wednesdays 1 / 2 A and 1 / 2 B

Library – Monday F/ 1 W and 1 / 2 A, Tuesday 1 / 2 B

A reminder that some students still need to bring an art shirt/smock and a set of headphones/earbuds.

There is a parent Information session for parents of Foundation – year 2 students in the junior gallery on Wednesday 17th Feb commencing at 3:30 p.m until 4:30 p.m. We hope as many parents as possible can attend. We will be discussing the routines and expectations for students in the junior school. Child minding will be provided in the school library whilst this session is running.

BOOK CLUB – ORDERS ARE DUE BACK ON Wednesday 17th February. Payment may be made by cheque made out to Euroa Primary School (more than one order can be included), cash or credit card – card payments need to be made on line before placing an order.

CLEAN UP EUROA DAY-Sunday 6th March 2016 10am to 1pm followed by a volunteers' barbecue. Register at Kirkland Ave West barbecue shelter. Wear closed shoes, bring garden gloves, bags provided. Contact Melanie 0468 952915. www.facebook.com/CleanUpEuroaDay/

SENIOR SCHOOL

Heather, Jenny, Maddi, Deanne, Deb and Megan K

SWIMMING SPORTS ~There was a buzz in the air as students arrived at school dressed in their house colours ready for a terrific day. And, what a fantastic day we indeed had at the Euroa Pool yesterday for our Senior School sports. The conditions being perfect for competition as students swam valiantly to earn points for their respective houses. We are so proud of the effort and determination being made by students to achieve their very best. Congratulations to our House Captains on their organisation and assistance in running their first sports carnival for 2016. A huge well done!

DUNLOP - Abby Howard & Ned Ivill

CHISOLM - Ashleigh Fraser & Oscar Morphet

HOLLOWS - Sienna Trotter & Darby Wilson

GILMORE - Ashleigh Fraser & Caden Robinson



Next Wednesday the District Swimming Sports are to be held at the Euroa Pool and we wish all of our EPS representatives the VERY best of luck!

HOME READING: Senior School staff are thrilled at the excellent persistence our students are showing in ensuring that they read, read, read at home. Each week we check student progress by taking a look through students' Reading Log books. It's great to see this tool being used to record progress and reflect on reading.

SENIOR SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT: Jot this date down: Wednesday February 24th is to be our Senior School Information session to be held in the Senior School for Years 3-6 at 4:00pm. Staff from the Junior School will be available for child minding. We look forward to meeting up with all of our families for 2016!

REMINDERS: Have you sent along the following items?

- an art shirt
- ear buds
- a box of tissues

SRC: Next week senior students will have the chance to present speeches in their own classrooms for the opportunity to be appointed by their peers as an SRC representative for 2016.



It's **BIKE FESTIVAL** time at the Avenel Market on Sunday 14 February - 9 -1pm
Bring your bike along and have it engraved for security by Victoria Police.
(Driver's licence details used for both children's and adult bikes)

And receive Bicycle Victoria show bags for all
Top it off with the most creative crafts at the market along with fresh vegetables and fruits.

It's worth coming to Avenel on Sunday just for the market.

VISUAL ART

Pauline Fraser

Our new theme Splish, Splosh, Splash is great! Students are responding well with many interesting ideas. We have art about the sea, washing machines, baths and swimming, boats and the sea, seascapes, turtles and sea creatures swimming and lots more. Some of the great works this week by the following students are;

Ruby Watson-fishbowl

Alison Chapman- Bunny in the shower

Rachael Buerckner –water poster

Troy Dowell- A Bridge



HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION (HPE)

Ian Clinch

The Euroa Primary School Senior (Grades 3 – 6) Swimming Sports were conducted on Wednesday 10th February 2016 at the Euroa Pool. The swimming sports were a House Competition. Students received a point for participating in an event and bonus points for 1st, 2nd, 3rd. The winner will be announced at Assembly on Monday morning.

The following students qualified to compete at the Euroa District Swimming Sports on Wednesday 17th February 2016. (Permission Forms will be distributed tomorrow.)



GIRLS - Rachael Buerckner, Ellie Bott, Ruby Watson, Chloe Salter, Erin Hicks, Millie Watson, Sienna Trotter, Tamara Potter, Areaka Bamblett, Teagan Kubeil, Ella Davidson, Alyssa Kelly, Ashleigh Fraser.

BOYS - Darby Wilson, Cohen Paul, Harrison Mills, Mitchell Walters, Caio Jones, Jacob Sykes, Ned Ivill, Keily Jager, Robert Lawrence, Noah Mawson, Caden Robinson, Fletcher Paul.



The SWIM and SURVIVE program has now finished. Thank you to all the parents and teachers who assisted with the program. Although it was only 1 ½ weeks it was great to see most students improving their water safety and swimming skills.



JUNIOR SWIMMING SPORTS

Friday 12th February 2016

- The Junior Swimming Sports are for Grades F/1W, 1/2A & 1/2B
- Students attend school as normal until 12:30pm. (Lunch will need to be early and no lunch orders please.)
- Students will be organised in their Year Level F – 2.
- Teachers and students assemble at 12:30pm and bus to the pool in two groups.
- All students should be assembled in their House groups at the Euroa Swimming Pool by 12:50pm.
- Then move to Year Level and Program groups.
- The events will commence at approx 1:00pm and conclude at 2:00pm.
- Events are for all students in Grades F – 2 only and are ability based using their RLSS Level 1 - 3.
- Students do not need to pay a Pool entry fee.
- Parents are encouraged to attend as helpers or spectators.
- Activities will be conducted in the beginners pool (Program A - Level 1) and the shallow end of the main pool (Program B - Level 2 & 3).
- 'House Captains' will be used to help conduct the events.
- Students must be reminded to observe pool rules.
- The Junior Swimming Sports are designed to promote maximum participation, with the emphasis on water safety and enjoyment.
- Only students who are being marshalled are permitted to be near the pool area, all other children/spectators must remain on the 'designated' areas.
- Children may wrap themselves in a towel while they wait for an event. (It is recommended that students bring 2 towels.)
- Teachers should ensure children are Sunsmart.
- Each Grade should organise some voluntary parental assistance.
- A participation certificate will be distributed to each swimmer.
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd ribbons may be awarded in some events.
- At the conclusion of the events students will have supervised free play in the pools until 2:30pm.

Ian Clinch

(School Sports Coordinator)



BERRY STREET **Post Separation** **Co-Operative Parenting Program**

3 Hour Seminar to help separated parents have healthy and strong relationships with their children.

Seminar includes:

- **Ways of communicating with the other parent**
- **Impact of separation and conflict on children**
- **Setting goals for future parenting**

Once participants complete the Intake Process they are registered to attend the seminar.

To register or for more information please contact:

Berry Street, Post Separation Services. **Phone 5822 8100**



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Email: mick@jamtennis.com
Web: www.jamtennis.com
Mob No: 0417 517 959

Term 1 Tennis Coaching BOOK NOW

Coaching begins this Tuesday 2nd. All children in Euroa are invited to the Euroa Lawn Tennis Club

With your local and fully qualified (Level 2) Club Professional Tennis Australia coach Mick Young.
Experience a local junior player development program fully endorsed by Tennis Australia.



Kid's Turn Around

Kids Turn Around (KTA) is a program for children aged between 7 - 11 who have or are experiencing family separation.

KTA operates for three days during school holidays. Next dates are April 5th, 7th & 8th.

Family separation is a major change for children that can leave children worrying about their future, feeling uncertain and anxious. KTA provides an opportunity for children to explore and express feelings associated with parental separation or divorce and conflict, with other children going through similar experiences. Children develop coping strategies, stress management and problem solving skills- to assist them to make a more resourceful and confident transition.

Topics explored are:

Getting to Know You

Recognising Feelings

Exploring Feelings

Learning New Skills and Coping Plans

Promoting Positive Self Esteem - What's Special About Me

Moving Forward and Celebrating the Future

To register or for more information please contact:
Berry Street, Post Separation Services. **Phone 5822 8100**

Music Lessons – My name is Gabriel Chowanetz. I have just completed my degree in music performance and have come back to provide music tuition for the rural communities, because I believe that music should be part of every student's education.

Here are just a few of the many benefits of music – development of concentration and motor skills, increase self-discipline, improvement of self-esteem, having a life-long skill.

Instruments on offer will include: guitar, bass, ukulele and beginner piano. Lessons will be \$25 for the half hour – outside school hours available. For further information contact the Office.

Schedule 4: Notice of Election and Call for Nominations

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of

EUROA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on

18 / 2 / 2016 (insert date and year).

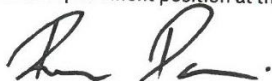
The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on

4 / 3 / 2016 (insert date and year)

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TERM OF OFFICE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS
Parent member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2016 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2018	4
DET employee member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2016 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2018	1

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.



Principal