

NEWSLETTER

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CLASSROOM LEARNING



Our school value of achievement is on full display in every classroom at Euroa Primary School. Students are all working at their level and improving their skills right across the curriculum. Next week's Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences are a fantastic opportunity for every student to showcase some of the outstanding work they have done this year and share that with their parents.

EFFORT UNITY RESPECT ORDER ACHIEVEMENT

ROSS'S REPORT

Thank you to everyone who returned a preference sheet for Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences to be held next Wednesday 23rd March. Confirmed interview times will be sent home with your child tomorrow. A reminder that your children do not attend school for the whole day on Wednesday, they only come with you to their interview. It is a great opportunity for your child to share their learning with you. If you do not return a form a time will be allocated to you.



It was great to welcome back former students Charlie, Jane and Olivia who visited our school with Euroa Secondary College principal Kevin Bott and Year 7 Coordinator Janet Street yesterday. The ESC students spoke to our grade 6s about life as a year 7 student, giving them information about the school and an opportunity to ask questions. It was great to see the year 7s looking so comfortable and confident and is a testament to our effective transition program and the positive and close relationships between our two schools in Euroa.

At our school we have many opportunities for students to learn a musical instrument with a few different people offering private tuition. One of those is Gabe Chowanetz who is looking at starting ukulele lessons, but in a group format. Gabe would work with groups of around 3 students from grade 2 and above. All the students would then be able to form a larger ukulele group which we would then invite to perform at assemblies or special events. Please see the ad in the newsletter for more information and Gabe's contact details.

Congratulations to Jayde, Cam and Sophie Burden on the safe arrival of Riley Keith Burden. He was born on the 15th March at 10:24am. He is 8 pound 4 oz and everyone is doing well. Everyone at school is looking forward to a visit from Riley.

When our grade 6 student leaders went to Melbourne for Young Leaders' Day, one of the speakers they heard from was Kate Austin, founder and CEO of a business called Pinchapoo. Kate encourages people to donate the small bottles of shampoo, conditioner etc. from motels and her company gives them to people in need. I was very proud of our student leaders who have taken on the initiative to start collecting these items in the grade 6 classroom. Well done to our leaders. At the final assembly for the term, which will be held at 1:30 next Thursday, the student leaders will talk more about what they did on that day.



BULB ORDERS NEED TO BE SENT IN TOMORROW

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH Wednesday 23rd – Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences - children do not attend school on this day Wednesday 23rd – Easter raffle drawn Thursday 24th – End of Term Early Dismissal 2:15pm APRIL MONDAY 11th – Term 2 begins

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Angela, Megan and Amy

- A reminder that each family is required to donate something for the Easter raffle and to return your raffle tickets either unsold or with the money by tomorrow. Please leave your donation at the office.
- Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences are next Wednesday 23rd March. Children are not required to attend school for the whole day, however they are expected to attend the conference at your allocated time. A conference time will be sent home soon. If you are unable to attend on the day please arrange an alternative time with your child's classroom teacher.
- Next Thursday 24th March is the end of term 1 and there will be an early dismissal at 2:15 p.m. Please ensure that a parent/adult is available to collect your child at the earlier time.

This week the junior school has been working on a variety of soundwave sounds:-1/ 2 A Ee Empty eggs e, e, e. 1 / 2 B Hh Happy house h, h, h. F/1 W Jj Jumping jellyfish j, j, j.

It has also been great to see so many of our students reach 25 reading nights, some students are almost at 50 reading nights. We are selecting Good Fit Books to take home and read every night. Students ask themselves four questions before selecting a book.

- 1. Why do I want to read this book?
- 2. Do I like this book?
- 3. Do I understand this book?
- 4. Do I know most of the words?

EASTER RAFFLE - tickets and money need to be back at school no later than Monday. Donations can still be brought along to the office.

FOR SALE – Solid timber bunk beds with matching tallboy and bedside table. Can also be used as two single beds. Ver good condition. \$550.00. Call Emma 0407 638 853.

FOR SALE - Football boots - Asics White with yellow stripe size 7 or 8 **and** Asics - Green with red stripes size 8 or 9 See Mrs Crosbie 0419 307 127.

SENIOR SCHOOL

Stephanie, Heather, Jenny, Maddi, Deanne, Deb

BEN KOZEL: Tomorrow the Year 6 students have been invited to hear Ben Kozel: author,

adventurer, film maker and teacher speak at the Euroa Secondary College. Ben, with friends, journeyed the length of the Amazon River in 1999-2000 and in 2001 became the first team to travel the entire length of the Yenisey River We look forward to hearing about Ben's amazing achievements and incredible adventures.

Year 6 TRANSITION: Yesterday the Year 6s were visited by Mr Bott, Principal of the Euroa Secondary College, Mrs Janet Street and Year 7 Co-ordinator along with ESC ambassadors Charlie Watson, Olivia Van Den Berghe and Jane Fraser. Our students enjoyed the opportunity to take ask questions and view a slide show as the first stage of transition to Secondary school.

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.

REMINDERS: Have you sent along the following items?

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

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.

'YOU CAN DO IT'

Organisation

Owen Mackrell 4C/J	Jye Dunn 4C/J	Koby Kubeil 4C/J	
Charlie Hall 4C/J	Emily Belcher 4C/J		

Persistence

Charlie Mackrell F/1W	Tyler Delahey F/1W	Jennifer Hunter 1/2B	
Jack Sheridan 1/2B	Tarryn Hobbs 1/2B		

Getting Along

Phoebe Johnson 3A	Jade Blades-Osborn 1/2B	Jayden Franklin 1/2B
Aaron VanDen Berghe 1/2B	Tilly Keep 1/2B	Rylee Potter 1/2A
Oakley Paul 1/2A		

Confidence

Geromy VanEgmond 4J/C	Cameron Mackrell 1/2A	Angus Burton 1/2A	
Jack Walters 1/2A	Ashlea Antonis 1/2A		

Euroa & District Ladies Winter Tennis Association

Annual Meeting

at Euroa Lawn Tennis Club

Monday, March 21, 2016 @ 10.30am

The competition runs Mondays in Terms 2 &3 within school hours travelling to Terip, Mansfield and Benalla.

All interested players welcome Contact Secretary: C Hayes 0429 772 011

VISUAL ART

Pauline Fraser

Easter is a fun time in our Art room. We focus on the fantasy side of Easter as well as design, creating art about eggs, bunnies, bilbies, chickens and the like. With the older students we look at the incredible designs on eggs, a cultural traditional that artisans from Balkan countries have carried out for hundreds of years. We take inspiration from their designs.



This week all grades are making pictures using the wax resist technique.







HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION (HPE)

Premier's Active April encourages Victorians to participate in 30 minutes of physical activity a day during April. Establishing the importance of physical activity during childhood can help ensure lifelong participation with resulting health, social, economic and environmental benefits for individuals and communities. Families that register with Premier's Active April will be supported with healthy eating and physical activity tips and incentives.

You can help support your child by joining in Active April and being active as a family after school and on weekends. Go to activeapril.vic.gov.au to register today. Grade 3 – 6 students are also encouraged to 'join' their class group (see information below).

Physical activity during childhood can help with:

- Developing a healthier heart and lungs
- Building stronger bones and muscles
- Improving motor skills
- Improving self-esteem
- Reducing stress and anxiety
- Improving school performance
- Improving concentration

The National Physical Activity and Sedentary Behaviour Guidelines give the following

recommendations for children (5-12 years) and young people (13-17 years).

For health benefits: accumulate at least 60 minutes (and up to several hours) of moderate to vigorous intensity physical activity every day.

To reduce health risks: limit use of electronic media for entertainment (e.g. television, seated electronic games and computer use) to no more than two hours a day. Break up long periods of sitting as often as possible.

The Premier's Active April is a great way to contribute to the recommended daily total of activity.

What can you do to help?

- Be active with your children
- > Turn off the TV and computer or limit the time allowed and substitute with a fun activity
- Plan some activities with your children let them choose
- > Find out what the school is doing ask if they are keeping track of the activity time

Things to consider when being active:

- Be Sunsmart when outdoors
- Keep hydrated
- Wear comfortable shoes and clothing
- Know your children's limits

This year, **Euroa Primary School** will be participating in **Premier's Active April** and we are asking students to join their class team and get more active and join the fun.

Ian Clinch



HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION (HPE) continued:

How to join our school team:

1) If your family are already registered:

- 1. Login to the Active April Activity Tracker app using the student's username and password
- 2. Go to the *Teams page* and select "Request to join a Team".
- 3. Enter the Team ID (see below) and click "Send Request"
- **4.** A notification will be sent to the teacher who created the team. After the teacher accepts the request, the student will see the team details when they next login.

2) If your family are not registered:

- **1.** Register at activeapril.vic.gov.au register yourself first, then register family members.
- 2. Once registered, your child can use their unique username and password to access the Activity Tracker and program incentives.
- **3.** In the top right navigation, change "Logged in as:" to the relevant child's name. You'll now be viewing the Activity Tracker app as though you are logged in as this user. NB: you may need to refresh the page to see this.
- 4. Go to the *Teams page* and select "Request to join a Team".
- 5. Enter the Team ID (see below) and click "Send Request".
- **6.** A notification will be sent to the teacher who created the team. When the teacher accepts the request, the student will see the team details when they next login.

Registration and Team Details

Login / Register		activeapril.vic.gov.au			
Team Name	EPS 6D	EPS 5/6T	EPS 4/5K	EPS 4CJ	EPS 3A
Team ID	eps-6d	eps-56t	eps-45k	eps-4cj	eps-3a

- Once registered, students will have the option to join multiple teams. We encourage you to register your whole family and create a family team as well, enabling you to share the experience and keep each other motivated.
- Please contact Euroa Primary school if you need further information.



WALL TO WALL STREET ART FESTIVAL OFFICIAL LAUNCH AND ARTIST TALKS BENALLA ART GALLERY



Event: Official Launch and Artist Talks Date: Friday 18 March 2016 Time: 6 – 8pm Venue: Benalla Art Gallery, Botanical Gardens, Bridge Street, Benalla Cost: Free

Get to meet the artists and hear them speak about their projects. Wall to Wall Festival will be officially openend by the Hon Jaclyn Symes MP and will be followed by a Q& A featuring four Wall to Wall artists: Guido van Helten, Adnate, Kaff-eine and Goodie.

Over the last five years Guido van Helten has created large scale portrait murals in Australia, Europe and the USA. Most recently he transformed the Silos in the North West Victorian town of Brim with a work that reflects in a broader context issues faced from life in regional small town Australia. Guido contributed to the 2015 Wall to Wall Festival in Benalla with a large portrait of Ned Kelly's nephew painted on the old SEC building.

Kaff-eine is a street and contemporary artist who has gained a strong following for her illustrative freehand style, delicate linework, and quiet melancholic characters. She has painted public and private works in Australia, Germany, France, USA and the Philippines.

Adnate creates monumentally scaled street art and is highly regarded for his striking portraits. As part of the 2015 Wall to Wall Festival Adnate painted a large photorealistic work of a young Burmese girl on Benalla's old SEC building. This was voted number eight in the international Top Murals of Our Time edition of Widewalls, an online portal followed by street art aficionados across the world.

Goodie is a street artist, fine artist and graffiti artist who loves painting eyes, earthy tones, and using line and colour to morph together concepts and body parts. Her style is sometimes realistic and sometimes playfully illustrative, and she often combines the two in her street art compositions.

Image: Paintings by Guido, Adnate and Rone on Benalla's SEC building created as part of the 2015 Wall to Wall Festival.





