



EPS Newsletter Term 1 Week 11 2024



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Wednesday 10th April 2024

Eureka Public School

## *Principals Message*



Hello everyone,

Today will be my final message as Principal of Eureka Public School. As I prepare to embark on a new journey, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you. It has been an incredible honour to serve as your Principal at Eureka Public School and to be a part of this remarkable community.

Together, we have celebrated achievements, navigated challenges, and built a foundation of excellence and fun in our wonderful school. Your unwavering support, dedication, and commitment to our students' success have been truly inspiring.

I want to thank the amazing students and parents who have helped me grow as a leader. I have loved working with so many fantastic kids and have loved your enthusiasm. I will miss the roller skating, LPAF dances, film festivals and numerous photo shopped photos of the teachers!

I want to make special mention of the incredible staff we have here at EPS. We have been so lucky to have dedicated people looking after our students who never take a day off, always keep their cool and always go above and beyond every day. Jen and Penny, thanks for holding my hand over the years and always keeping the laughs rolling in the staffroom. Louise, thank you for making me look good in front of the other local schools. My bald brother, Mr Evans, your energy is infectious, and you make learning fun and engaging in the classroom. Last but by no means least, Miss Lisa, the true rock of Eureka. I have

leaned on you the most over the years. You are an amazing, caring and generous person who needs to take the lion's share of the credit for making Eureka the brilliant school it is today.

Although I am moving on to new opportunities, please know that I carry with me the cherished memories and lessons learned during my time here. I am confident that the collaboration, resilience, and passion for learning will continue to thrive, and that Mrs Bath will love her time as custodian of this amazing school.

I am grateful for the privilege of being a part of this wonderful community, and I will always hold a special place in my heart for Team Eureka. Thank you for your warmth, kindness, and for making my time here so meaningful.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Bill Dempster

## ***Dates To Remember Term 1 2024***

### **Week 11**

Wednesday 10th April P&C Meeting 5:30pm

Friday 12th April - Last Day Of Term 1

### **TERM 2**

#### **Week 1**

Monday 29th April - School Development Day

Tuesday 30th April - Students return for Term 2

Friday 3rd May ANZAC Assembly 9:30am Families welcome to join us.

#### **Week 2**

Tuesday 7th May - School Photography Day

Friday 10th May - First North Cross Country @ Clunes PS

#### **Week 3**

Thursday 13th May - GRIP Leadership @SCU Year 6 and SRC only

## **Permission Notes & Forms Due**

LPAF Small School's Choir EOI (Years 5 and 6 interested students only) Last Chance!

First North Cross Country

GRIP Leadership (Year 6 and SRC only)

## Juniors



The Junior Class have been learning how to create different colour tones by adding white to their paint colour. When creating a tonal spiral, they experimented with blending colours which required appropriate brush control. Students have also enjoyed following some 'how to draw' tutorials and chose to draw a turtle to add to their tonal painting. These look great!

Students are completing spelling, reading and maths assessments this week. They have been able to celebrate their improved confidence and skills in reading fluency, and some of their growth in their spelling skills.

Kindergarten students have almost completed the introductory component of the Soundwaves program in preparation for learning to read and write words. They have all shown improvements in their independent work skills and confidence when hearing sounds.



## Seniors

# Seniors

This week in the Senior Classroom we started the week off welcoming Mrs Bath to the Senior room on Monday. We worked together learning about Aboriginal People and their involvement in the war. Our special ANZAC Day presentation day will feature this topic and we will be working in pairs to deliver some information on the day. In Numeracy, we have been completing some assessments to see how much we have remembered this term and continue to work on multiplication of larger numbers.

## An Interview with our new principal Ms Bath

An Interview with our new principal Ms Bath by Zephyr

Ms Bath has been teaching for 33 years and in that time she has been a principal for 14 years and a relieving principal for 10 years.

Ms Bath started teaching in 1991 in Sydney and stay there for 10 years and then came to the Northern Rivers. She was the Principal at Tuntable Creek Public School for 11 years. Ms Bath has also been helping at Bangalow Public School recently too.

Ms Bath loves all subjects, but her favourites are; Gardening and being with animals and nature. Her 2nd favourite subject is Arts & Crafts.

Ms Bath also has a wildlife career and loves snakes, and of course all animals! (Ms Lisa you better be careful we might be seeing more snakes around!) Ms Bath has a kitty-cat and her name is Bella (so cute)

Ms Bath will also be the Senior Class Teacher as well as our new Principal.



## Office

### **School Photos - Tuesday 7th May**

We have our annual school photos booked in for the Tuesday of Week 2. We would appreciate all students to be wearing full school uniform. Photo envelopes will be distributed once students return after the holidays.

### **School Fees and Voluntary School Contributions**

It would be appreciated if these payments could be made as soon as possible please. You can make these payments via your parent portal on School Bytes (our preferred method) or in cash at the office. To see what payments are outstanding for your family, log into the parent portal and click on Statement of Account. You can also see all payments you have already made by clicking on Payment History. If you would like assistance with your parent portal, please ask us as we are happy to help.

## ***Canteen Term 1 Week 11***

**Week 11 by Fuji & William**

**ALL LUNCH SPECIALS ARE \$4.50**

**Recess - Choc Chip Cookies**

**Lunch - Sausage Sizzle**





## EUREKA CANTEEN MENU 2024

### RECESS

Home Baking (cake, slice, muffin, Cookie etc...)	50c-\$1.50
Fresh made Popcorn	50c
Corn chips w/salsa	\$1.50

### LUNCH

Special	\$4.50
Frozen Sausage Roll	\$4.50
Frozen Meat Pie	\$4.50
Frozen Vegetarian Pie (V)	\$4.50
Frozen Spinach + Ricotta triangle 3pcs (V)	\$4.50

### FROZEN TREATS (available after lunch)

Quelch (Fruits Juice Stick)	50c
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### DRINKS

Plain Milk	50c
Chocolate Milk (Sugar Free)	\$1.00

**FREE Fruit**

## CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2 2024

Please Select the week you are able to co-ordinate the canteen.  
Remember this is a major fundraiser for your P&C, with funds being used to reduce the cost of excursions.

Week	NAME	DATE	Recess	Lunch
1	Marin	3/5		
2		10/5		
3	Trudy & Seamus	17/5	TBA	TBA
4		25/5		
5		31/5		
6		7/6		
7		14/6		
8	Carmaille & Paul	21/6		
9	Isabel & Nicole	28/6		
10		5/7		

## P&C News

Firstly, it is with mixed emotions that we say a big congratulations to Mr Dempster on his promotion to Principal of Tregeagle Public School!

As much as we hate to say goodbye to him, we are so grateful for the time and energy he has invested in Eureka school, it's students and community. We wish him all the very best and have no doubt that he will go from strength to strength. Come and visit us when you're the Director of Education, Bill!

We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Bath to Eureka. We are excited to get to know her and, with her wealth of experience as a Teaching Principal in small schools, to benefit from her experience and knowledge.

A reminder that the last meeting for the term will be held **this Wednesday 10th April at 5:30 in the staff room.**

We will be doing the raffle at the Bowlo during the school holidays – on Friday 19th April – so head on down if you're around and enjoy dinner while supporting this great fundraiser for our school.

We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all next term J

## Year 5 Opportunity Class Placement 2025

Opportunity classes cater for high potential and intellectually gifted Year 5 and Year 6 students. Opportunity classes help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability and by using specialised teaching methods. From 2025 entry, opportunity classes are offered at 86 government schools in NSW. Applications for Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2025 open 4 April and close 20 May 2024. If you would like more information please click on this link: [Application Process.](#)



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### Applying for my child to attend an opportunity class or selective high school

**Why selective education?**  
Grouping high potential and gifted students together and using special teaching methods supports their:  
• academic development  
• emotional wellbeing; and  
• friendships and social life.  
Students tell us that they enjoy learning more when their classmates have similar abilities and interests.

**Is it right for my child?**  
Here are some signs that your child may benefit from selective education.

- learns quickly and easily
- highly motivated
- asks creative questions
- good memory
- curious and creative
- deeply explores passions

Keep in mind, some children's high potential may be hidden. Being in an opportunity class or selective high school could help.



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### Submit your application in 5 easy steps

- 1 Register to start your application**  
Parents and/or carers enter their own details to register and their child's.
- 2 Verify your email address**  
Go to your verification email. No email? Check your junk folder.
- 3 Log in to start**  
Go to the application website and log in. Forgotten your password? Select **forgot password** to reset it.
- 4 Complete the 8 sections**  
Answer all the application questions. You can save your application and come back to update it and complete the questions.  
You can log in to your application dashboard and make changes after you have submitted the application.
- 5 Select 'submit' to finish your application**  
Check you have received the confirmation email and application dashboard message. You can return to the application dashboard to update details and documents, as well as send and receive messages.

## What's Going On

ON TOUR TENNIS

AGES  
5-15 yrs

**APRIL**  
**MULTISPORT**  
**CLINIC**

PIZZA ON  
THE LAST  
DAY!

JOIN IN THE HOLIDAY FUN!  
Tues 16th-Thurs 18th **APRIL**

Full day: 9am - 3pm, \$50/day or \$140 for 3 days  
Half Day: 9am-12pm, \$33/day or \$90 for 3 days

Book at: [www.ontourtennis.com.au](http://www.ontourtennis.com.au)

ON TOUR  
TENNIS

UCCPS Invites you to our



**Book Launch**

**Our Birds**

Please join us for an evening of literary wonder to celebrate the publishing of our first book.

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**Wednesday 10 April** ✨ ✨ **At 5.30pm**

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**Repentance Creek Hall**

Books and merchandise for sale.  
Drinks and refreshments will be served.

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