



EPS Newsletter Term 1 Week 5 2024



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Tuesday 27th February 2024
Eureka Public School

# **Principals Message**



### Hello Everyone,

It was a wonderful day here at Eureka Public School as we came to the halfway mark of Term1. We have been busy learning in the classrooms this week with lots of exciting activities in both the Junior and Senior classrooms.

### **SRC Speeches**

Last Friday, we held our SRC nomination speeches for 2024. The staff were all very impressed with the standard of the speeches and ideas put forward by each of the candidates this year. The final votes will be counted this week and winners announced. All SRC members will join our Year 6 leaders at the GRIP leadership event in Term 2 before they implement some of their new ideas to improve our school.

### Clean Up Australia Day

This Friday, the school will be holding a Clean Up Australia day event. Students will be learning about the impact of waste on the environment and see that everyone can contribute to the betterment of planet Earth. We will be looking to cover the school and sports oval on Friday and will be discussing waste in the classrooms.

### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Parent teacher interviews continue this week. If all parents could wait outside the classrooms, we appreciate your patience with some interviews going over time. Any parents who were not able to book a time can call the school for another time slot. We look forward to discussing what happens in the school and talking about some of the programs we are looking to put into place this year.

### Library

A reminder the school library is open every Tuesday for borrowing and returns, giving students a chance each week to dive into exciting stories and learn new things. Access to the school library is very important for our students. Borrowing books from there helps to improve student reading whilst learning lots of new and exciting information. It's like opening a door to different worlds and ideas. Please join us and promoting reading with your children to build interest and love of books this year. Students are reminded to bring along a library bag to carry their borrowed books in as they transit between home and school.

### **Canteen Cost Update 2024**

A reminder that there has been a small increase in the cost of the weekly canteen special. This is the first increase in many years. The weekly special is now \$4.50. Please ensure your child has the correct money for their order, or take advantage of the new P&C pay-by-the-term initiative.

#### **NAPLAN**

This term, students in years 3 and 5 will undertake NAPLAN assessments. NAPLAN provides schools with valuable information about your child's learning progress in literacy and numeracy. NAPLAN is only one way we assess student learning in years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN will take place from Wednesday 13 March to Monday 25 March in 2024. Our Year 3 and 5 teachers are getting students ready for NAPLAN and will provide appropriate support and guidance. Students will become familiar with the types of questions in the tests and the online testing platform that we use, in addition to school preparation. More information will be sent home to parents of Year 3 and 5 students.

Enjoy the week everyone.

## Dates To Remember Term 1 2024

### Week 5

Monday 26th Feb - Thursday 29th Feb - Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 28th Feb - NRPSSA Tennis Trials

Friday 1st March - NRPSSA Basketball Trials

### Week 6

Monday 4th March - P&C Meeting

Tuesday 5th March - NRPSSA Swim Carnival

Friday 8th March - NRPSSA AFL Trials

### Week 7

Tuesday 12th March - NRPSSA Hockey Trials

#### Week 8

Thursday 21st March - Harmony Day

### Week 9

Tuesday 26th March - NRPSSA Rugby League Trials

Thursday 28th March - Easter Hat Parade

### Week 11

Friday 12th April - Last Day Of Term 1

## Permission Notes & Forms Due

**Annual Student Information Form** 

Parent / Teacher Interview Form

## Juniors



Literacy in the Junior Room

Kindergarten are learning to hear and isolate initial and final sounds in words. They are applying their skills to simple phonics-based games. This is also a great opportunity for students to develop social skills, such as turn taking and following the rules of the game.

Stage One (Year 1 & 2) students have re-started Fluency Pairs activities. Each day students practice reading a list of focus words repeatedly for 1 minute. This helps them to develop automatic recall of words to assist fluency when reading. Students are currently focusing on words containing the 'sh' digraph. Students take turns reading a book with a partner who displays similar reading skills. During this time, students practice reading with appropriate phrasing, expression and prosody. This aids in

supporting comprehension skills as well as making reading more enjoyable for both the reader and the audience.

In addition, some students are also learning to recall commonly used words in texts, also known as high frequency words (HFW) or sight words. Once of the key aims of the Fluency Pairs activities is to have students independently reading short chapter books by the end of Year 2 with the ability to recall facts from what they have read.

# Seniors

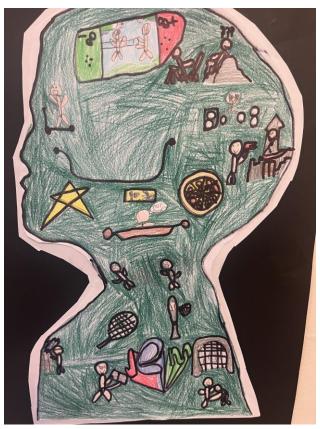


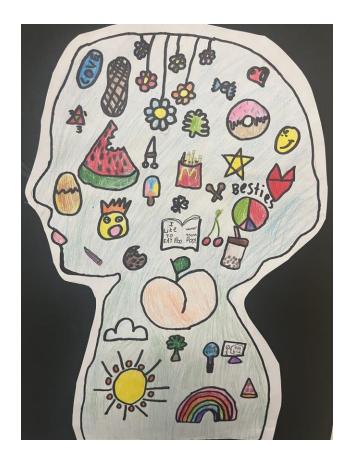
This week in the Senior Class we have be working on different types of endings for our stories. We have looked at how to end with impact. Using Andy Griffiths, students have rewritten the ending to one of his stories with some amazing and very gross results. In numeracy, we have continued working on addition and subtraction and how we can solve problems in multiple ways. We have touched on 2D and 3D shapes and are improving our understanding of the different parts and properties of shapes. In Art, we have completed our silhouette drawings that show our personal strengths. Students have worked to make their work stand out through colour choice and outlining.











# Office

#### **School Canteen Prices 2024**

Please note that lunches at the canteen are now \$4.50.

## **Parent Teacher Interview Bookings**

If you are unavailable to attend any of the advertised Parent Teacher interview times, please contact the school office so we can try to arrange an alternative date/time.

## **Newsletters on School Bytes Parent Portal**

As we continue to move onto the School Bytes platform, we will no longer be emailing our weekly newsletters. These are now available on your School Bytes Parent Portal. If you are experiencing any issues with registering on School Bytes or downloading the app onto your phone, please let us know so we can help you. Our permission notes and important school information will be communicated through this platform moving forward. We encourage all parents, not just one per family, to register so you all have quick access to information and features.

## **School Bytes Push Notifications**

Once you have downloaded the School Bytes app, please enable push notifications. This is important so that you will be notified when a new message or item has been posted onto the platform that is relevant

to your child/ren. There won't be many notifications but by enabling this feature, you will know when there is important information we would like you to read.

### **Second Hand Uniforms**

We currently have quite a few second-hand school polo shirts available (various sizes) to parents at no cost. There are also some second-hand school fleece jumpers available, also at no cost. Please come and see us to have a look, or call the school to ask re sizes etc. We would much rather these uniform items being used by our families than sitting in the cupboard. We also still have some of the \$5 Original Hemp Polos in limited sizes available.

# Canteen Term 1 Week 5

Week 5 Menu Cooked By Marin & Damion

## **ALL LUNCH SPECIALS ARE \$4.50**

EUREKA CANTEEN MENU 2024				
RECESS Home Baking (cake, slice, muffin, Cookie etc)	50c-			
\$1.50  Fresh made Popcorn  Corn chips w/salsa	50c \$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			
DRINKS				
Plain Milk	50c			
Chocolate Milk (Sugar Free) FREE Fruit	\$1.00			





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
5	Marin & Damon	1/3	Birthday Cake	Asian Noodles
6	Khara & Ned	8/3		ТВА
7	Zoe	15/3	Biscuits	Pesto Pasta
8	Sophie	22/3	Hot Cross Buns	Honey Soy Chicken with Tofu Option
9	Easter	29/3	Good Friday	No Canteen
10	Toni & Daniel	5/4	ТВА	ТВА

# **P&C News**

Toy tools

We hope everyone is settling back in to school happily:)

Popping the wish list of toys for Playgroup in here one last time – if you have any of the items listed below please send a photo to Zoë (0411567847) who volunteers her time to run playgroup each week, introducing young families to our beautiful school.

Dolls clothes/ accessories

Pram

Stroller

Dress ups

Balls

Soft play building blocks

Construction, crane trucks diggers rollers

Puzzles

Doll house

Lawn mower



# Whats Going On...



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