Term 3

Week 4

16th August, 2018

Eastern Voice

From the Leadership Team

Hello everyone,

On Tuesday 14th August, East Para Primary School took part in Wakakirri at the Entertainment Centre. Thirteen primary schools shared their stories with a supportive and enthusiastic audience.

East Para's item was called 'The Elements of Mother Earth' and told the story of how we as humans rely on the elements of water, fire and air to survive.

Our students' performance was full of colour, the students danced with great skill and energy and the music supported and enhanced their presentation. Thank you to our families and friends who came along to support us. The audience were engaged and clapped as our students performed.

On behalf of our students, staff and families I would like to congratulate the EPPS Wakakirri students, both the performers and back stage support crew, on their outstanding behaviour all day from rehearsal to performance.

Thank you to Jemma, Hollie, Tara and Jaime for representing our Wakakirri team at the Red Carpet event, speaking at the end of the performance and at the awards ceremony at the end of the event.

Our school received a special acknowledgement for our teamwork!

Finally, thank you to our wonderful group of talented and creative teachers, Aimie Menzel, Elissa D'Allocco, Mel Christiansen and Maddy Gebert who have worked collaboratively to enable a highly successful Wakakirri experience for our students.

It was a wonderful night, full of memories and continuing the rich tradition of performing arts at EPPS.

Aaron McPherson

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY In a WORLD where you can be anything - BE KIND

Hello everyone.

This week the students from Years 4-7 have been involved in a wellbeing and engagement survey. The wellbeing and engagement survey collects information about non-academic factors that are relevant to the learning and participation of students.

The areas covered in the survey include a student's social and emotional wellbeing, physical health, lifestyle and after school activities as well as school relationships and engagement.

After all students involved have completed the survey, the school will receive a report that gives an overview of the wellbeing and engagement of the collective group of students at EPPS. Students are not identified individually; however the data we receive will be a really useful and important way for the school to identify areas of need and support. From there we can help improve our student's wellbeing and engagement, therefore impacting in a positive way on their achievement and outcomes at school.

The survey is a fabulous way to hear our student's voice and we look forward to the outcome and the work we can do in wellbeing from then onwards.

Emily Huzzell

Hi All.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Santiago Montanez and I will be working alongside Aaron McPherson and Emily Huzzell as a student social worker over the next two terms. I am currently completing my Master of Social Work at the University of South Australia, having previously graduated from the Miliary University Nueva Granada of Bogata, Colombia, with a Bachelor's degree in Law.

I will be working within the schools' guidelines to promote social and emotional wellbeing in students throughout my time here.

I am looking forward to getting to know the school community and learning as much as I can throughout my time at East Para Primary School. Thank you,

Santiago Montanez

Calendar Dates Welcome Back!

TERM 3

Week 5

Wednesday 22nd August

Volunteer Morning Tea

Friday 24th August

Cybersafety Year 6/7's Girls SAPSASA Netball **Boys SAPSASA Football**

Week 6

BOOKWEEK

Monday 27th August

Father's Day Stall

Tuesday 28th August

Father's Day Stall (lunchtime)

Wednesday 29th August

Book Sale and BBQ

Thursday 30th August

Girls SAPSASA Football

Boys SAPSASA Soccer

Friday 31st August

Dress Up as a character from a book you treasure

Assembly Roster

Week 4 UP Assembly Rm 14 Week 5 JP Assembly Rm 21

STEGRI

Value yourself and others.

Trust Believe positvely in others and they

Caring Care for yourself others and the

Be open and honest in all

Be responsible for your actions.



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VALUES AWARDS

At EPPS, our **RITCHR** values are very important and are the basis for how we work and behave as a school community. Daily we see students at EPPS use Respect, Integrity, Trust, Caring, Honesty and Responsibility, so at assembly each week, we will acknowledge students who use these values consistently.





FATHER'S DA

All Day

You're Invited to our Scholastic



BOOKWEEK FAIR!



"Find Your Treasure"



Wednesday 29th August to Friday 31st August 2018

In The Resource Centre (Back Door Entrance)

This year we have a range of books from Scholastic Australia. We are offering these books with a 10% discount off the marked price.

There are some great special packs starting from as low as \$2.00.

All books will be on show in the Resource Centre from Wednesday to Friday

8.30am until 4.30pm, with a late night until 7pm Wednesday night.

We are holding this book fair as part of the activities

We are holding this book fair as part of the activities to celebrate this year's Australia wide Children's Book Week.

Students can purchase these books during the week before and after school as well as at lunchtimes. Please come in and have a look with your child.

A special event on Wednesday 29th August has also been organised.

We will be having a \$1 Sausage Sizzle from 5.00pm - 6.30 pm

There will also be a special visit from The Very Cranky Bear from 5.30 – 6.00 pm.

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"Come all ye Hearti's, come aboard the Library Party Ship"
Story Time Session between 6:00 & 6:30pm in the Resource Centre
Come dressed in your pirate gear.

The Book Fair will be open until 7pm on this night.

BOOK WEEK PARADE – FRIDAY 31ST AUGUST at 10.45am "DRESS UP AS A CHARACTER FROM A BOOK YOU TREASURE."

Hope to see you all there. Cheryl, Sharon & Carol

Phonics screening check

Information for parents/carers, families and the general community

Most children start school with some understanding of reading. Some can already read. Children who understand the relationship between letters and sounds—known as 'phonics'—will be at an advantage. Phonics is vital in learning to read.

Some children struggle with learning to read. It is important that these children are quickly identified so that teachers can plan for any specific support they may need. When this is done early, children have the best possible chance in life and learning.

The phonics screening check is a short, simple assessment that tells teachers how students are progressing in phonics. It takes only 5–7 minutes and is carried out by classroom teachers with each student individually. Teachers then analyse the results and, if necessary, plan for any additional support that students might require.

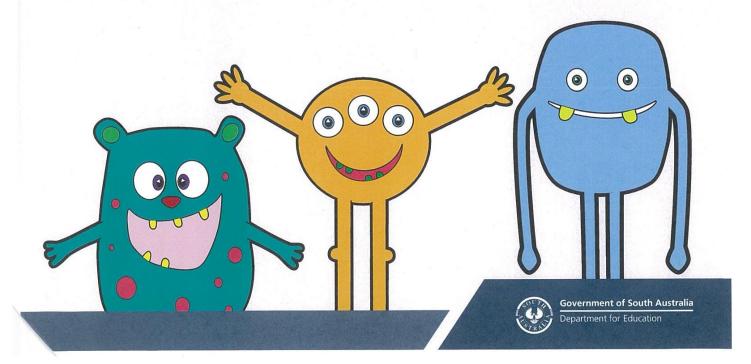
The phonics screening check was developed in the United Kingdom and the South Australian Department for Education trialled it in 2017 in 56 schools. The trial showed that not only did children enjoy it, but that it was straight forward to do. Principals and teachers thought the check had the potential to improve phonics teaching.

All Year 1 students in government schools will undertake the check in August 2018. To ensure high quality and consistency, Year 1 teachers and school leaders are being trained to use the phonics screening check during term 2, 2018.

The Department for Education is supporting schools with resources to undertake the assessment and to follow up with students who need additional support. The phonics screening check will be updated each year.

Phonics screening check materials will also be made available to Catholic and Independent schools in South Australia.

The phonics screening check is one important element of the Government of South Australia's Literacy Guarantee, ensuring that all students have the best possible start in reading. The Literacy Guarantee is central to the improvement of literacy and numeracy for all students.



Physical Education with Mr Waller

Starting in Week 3, Reception to Year 5 classes began their unit on Soccer. This program has been funded by the Sporting Schools grant we received. Below are pictures of Receptions during the first few lessons of the program.



School Football News

The school football season concluded Saturday morning with our last game being cancelled due to the poor weather and lightning.

Could all parents please give their child's football top a good wash and return it to school by next week. Our football trophies have been ordered and should hopefully be here next week. Once I have the trophies a date will be set for them to be presented at assembly.



School SAPSASA Information

Last Friday the SAPSASA association postponed the Boys Football and Girls Netball Carnivals.

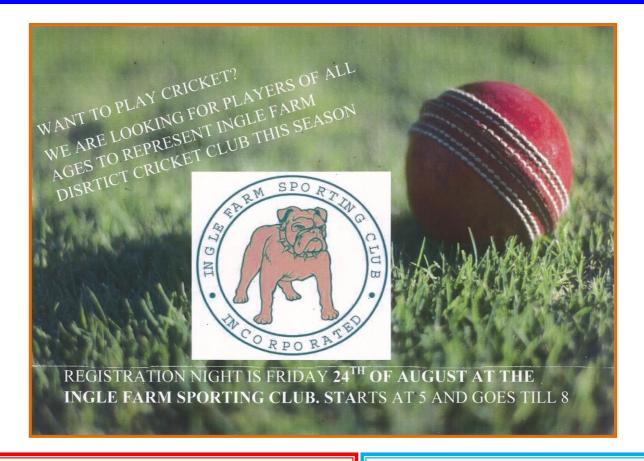
They have rescheduled them for Friday 24th August (next Friday). All students involved were handed a permission form on Monday 13th. That permission form is due back by Thursday 16th (today).

For us to take part in the carnival we must have transport to cover all students participating in the carnivals. We require 52 seats for the girls and 28 seats for the boys. If the required number of seats cannot be sourced then our participation in the carnival will not go ahead.





COMMUNITY NEWS



TrySports SA



New under 9s basketball Competition

Mondays at Modbury High School Gym

- : for skill development
- : building self-confidence
- : promoting team work and good sportsman ship
- : making friends and have fun in a safe and friendly environment.

This is a development competition where our umpires are instructed to explain why they have blown their whistle to the players.

30-minute Games played + short practice time before each game.

Start times 4pm, 440pm, and 520pm

Cost \$6 per game

Team nomination \$25 only (no player registration fee)

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