Term 1

Week 11

8th April, 2021

Eastern Voice

From the Leadership Team

Hello everyone,

Covid Reflections

This time last year, Term 1 for our students had concluded and staff were busy planning to deliver the curriculum in a blended learning environment, with students learning at home and at school.

Today as the pathway out of Covid is gathering momentum, I would like to thank everyone for their ongoing adherence to:

- physical distancing of 1.5 metres whenever and wherever possible.
 - As we are not able to ensure physical distancing or room capacity limits we continue to ask that parents / caregivers do not enter the classrooms.
- scanning the QR code or completing the paper recording log template when entering school grounds or coming into the Front Office or classrooms for meetings
- Using hand sanitiser stations when entering the Front Office.

Term 1 Reflections

It has been a busy Term 1 - listed below are some highlights for you to enjoy!

- Year 6/7 Aquatics Day.
- External School Review involving feedback from students, teachers and families. We are still awaiting the completed report.
- Junior and Senior Choir commenced under the careful guidance of Cathie Barduca.
- AGM, Finance and Governing Council Meetings, welcoming new members.
- Pastoral Care Worker Review.
- NAPLAN 2021 coordinated practice test successfully completed.
- Parent teacher interviews (not held in 2020).
- SAPSASA Girls netball and Boys football, the first carnival for 2021.
- Staff professional learning with Literacy consultants Jane Fitzgerald, Stephen Graham and site champion Gaynor Furnell.
- DfE, Music Education Strategy Field Officer Chris Narroway based at EPPS in 2021supporting professional development of class teachers, modelling for teachers and planning whole school music performances such as 'Dr Stovepipe'.
- Playgroup commenced for 2021 with 35 new members. Our Playgroup now operates Thursdays and Fridays.

- Preparation of the double cohort (Year 6 and Year 7) transition to High School in 2022, including Year 6 and 7 Captains and Ambassadors, commemorative tops and support for families to complete high school online application forms.
- Review of EPPS Sunsmart Policy.
- Implementation of the new DfE 'Primary Student use of Mobile Phones and personal devices' policy.
- Special classroom visitors included guest speaker Trent Hill in Rooms 14 and 16 for an History Aboriginal talk and Blair Boyer, MP for Wright, in Room 1 who spoke to the students about his role in Parliament.

Staffing Updates

I would sincerely like to thank Diana Custance for all her collaborative work implementing a rigorous teaching and learning program in Room 1. Rosalie Erkelenz will return from leave next term and will be teaching in Room 1 Wed-Thurs.

Thank you, to Vicki Moir for all her work in providing continuity in the learning program for the Year 6/7 students in Room 34.

Next term Diana will continue in her role in Intervention team and will be teaching Fridays in Room 34.

Concerts 2021

Planning for the return of Concerts in 2021 is well advanced.

This year the concerts will take place during the day, with classes performing for the school.

- Concert 1 Week 8, Thursday 17th June
- Concert 2 Week 9, Tuesday 22nd June
- Concert 3 Week 9, Thursday 24th June

Each concert will be professionally filmed and a unique restricted link sent to parents to enjoy at home.

Janine in the canteen has organised a special lunch order for classes on the day of their performance.

This week Ms Gebert shared with me some student 'quick writes'. Thank you to Hannah, Jordan and Reem for sharing your work with me. The strategic use of vocab in your writing, brought each piece to life and I thoroughly enjoyed reading your work.

I know that these examples were indicative of the excellence of work from Room 34.

Thank you, great leadership through your work everyone! Ros Frost

Calendar Dates TERM 1

Week 11

Friday 9th April

Last Day of School Early Dismissal 2:15

TERM 2

Week 1

Tuesday 27th April

School Returns

Have safe and happy holidays!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY The future belongs to

those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

Eleanor Roosevelt



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Honesty Be open and honest in all

Be responsible for your actions.



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Physical Education with Mr Waller

In the last three weeks, Rooms 14, 16 and 17 have begun their goal of completing the Premier's Be Active Challenge in Physical Education class.

This involves a student performing 60 minutes of activity at least 5 times per week for 4 weeks. In class we discussed why the government is promoting physical fitness.

We designed a class fitness diary and planned how we were going to stay active.





The School Captains' Corner

Hannah M	Brooke M	Isabelle W	Aki S
Logan A	Bradley R	Harry S	Hayden W
	Tj D	Lily W	Jacob T
			Paige D-F









This term the School Captains have completed the following task to support the school:

- * Managed morning activities
- * Collected and tallied the Positive Play and House Points each week,
- * Run the Friday music, and
- * will run a whole school assembly this Friday.

Next term the School Captains will continue the above roles along with supporting the Year 3 to 5 EPPS Soccer Tournament as coaches, umpire's and game managers. They will begin focusing on improving the school using their own ideas and plans for improvement we developed at the beginning of Term 1.

SAPSASA Boys Football, Girls Netball

On Thursday 1st April, East Para participated in its first SAPSASA event for 2021 at Argana Park.

Twelve boys participated in the Football Carnival. It was a tough day for the lads. We lost our first game by a point and the next by 10pts. Throughout the day I was proud of the boys for always attacking the ball and playing within the rules. Our outstanding players for the day were Owen, Logan and Jacob.

On the other side of Argana Park, twenty two girls participated in the Netball Carnival. The Red Team won 4 games, with a draw and two losses. The most impressive win came against Riverdale 16-0. Thank you to Mrs Maddy Gebert for coaching the team, with Mel Wyatt and Vanessa Conroy assisting with the scoring.



The Blue Team had a 2-4 record, winning their last two games of the day. I was on the sidelines for these two games and was stunned and proud of the improvement the girls had made from the first training session we had two weeks ago. The girl's ability to move into space on the court and have confidence to shoot at goals was awesome. Thank you, to Miss Nicolle D'Allocco for coaching the team.



Outstanding Student Achievement in PE Lessons

During the last 4 weeks, students in Rooms 20 and 25 have been learning and practising Yoga poses. In Weeks 10 and 11 students took turns in being 'mini teachers' of a group of 3 or 4 other students. It was great to see students taking control of their learning and managing each other.



At the same time in class, I had one on one conversations with students to test their knowledge of the 30 yoga poses.

Congratulations to the following students from Room 20 Kason, Zander, Florian, Kade, Hudson and Amelia. Congratulations to students from Room 25 Aylah and Zoey. All the listed students were able to correctly identify ALL 30 YOGA POSES LEARNT IN CLASS. I am so proud of your efforts to learn all 30 poses, well done!!! *Mr Waller*



Room 3's Visit from Blair Boyer

Last week the students of Room 1 worked with a team to organise their thinking and formulate reasons on whether 'Homework should be abolished!' A very controversial topic that saw the teams debating against each other.

This week, we welcomed Minister for Wright, Mr Blair Boyer to talk to the students about Civics and Citizenship as well as his role in Parliament. Mr Boyer acted as host to a debate conducted by some of Room 1 students.















Photos from Trent Hills visit to Rooms 14, 16 and 17 earlier this term.









Room 26 shared their class creatures with the office. We met Bluey and Cotton Candy. Mrs Furnell adopted them from www.yourteacherspetcreature.com The creatures came with their very own book. I think the creatures really enjoy living in Room 26.



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TERM 1 ROOSTER HOLIDAY CLINICS

at Prospect Oval

FOOTY SCHOOL MONDAY 19TH APRIL

AGE GROUP: 5-10 years of age

Come and have lots of fun playing Footy with our Senior players. This School Holiday Clinic is designed for School aged children from 5-10 years of age.

With no football experience required. We encourage as many girls and boys to get involved and learn the basic skills of Football.

9:30am - 1:00pm at Prospect Oval \$50 | *2021 NAFC Members* \$40

Includes: NAFC Singlet, BBQ Lunch & Junior Membership

MASTER CLASS TUESDAY 20TH APRIL

AGE GROUP: 11 - 16 years of age

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Auditions will be held on **Sunday 16th May** for both **Year 6** and **Year 7** students for the 2022 school year. Any students who are wishing to gain entry to the Special Interest Dance Program can access the application forms via the Golden Grove High School website, or call the school on **8282 6400**.