TERM 1, WEEK 10  April 3, 2014

Dear Parents/Carers

Success in sport.

Congratulations to our Tennis team and Netball team. Both teams had wins this week and progress to their next round. A big thank you to Tracey Hicks and Margaret Chalmers, for coaching and organisation of these sporting opportunities.

School Fees

A huge thank you to parents who have paid their school fees for this year. Your contribution of $50 or $60 per student (capped at $100 per family) allows our school to purchase additional reading and mathematics resources that would otherwise be unavailable to students. We would greatly appreciate this contribution to be finalised this term from all families if possible.

2013 Annual School Report (ASR)

This document outlines our progress and achievements in 2013 and provides readers with an understanding of our key initiatives and areas of focus. The ASR is available to all families on the Eglinton Website and is also available from the front office.

Notes of explanation for student absences.

As previously mentioned, although our general attendance data is very good, currently sitting at above 97%, our rate of unexplained/unjustified/unacceptable absences is very high. This is often resulting from notes that fail to sufficiently detail an explanation for a child being away from school. To support busy parents in getting this information to us within the 5 day timeframe, we have attached to this email a generic note that, when filled out, should cover the requirements of explanation needed by us. You can download this as a template or, alternately, copies of this template can be collected from our front office.

Thank you for helping us improve our data on unexplained absences.

P.T.O.
Next week is our final week for this term before a two week vacation. Here’s a couple of dates to remember.

**Week 11. Next week.**

**Tuesday April 8th,** Athletics Carnival. Students arrive at school as normal and then travel by bus into Bathurst. Canteen available throughout the day but no provision for lunch orders. Come along and join the day. Students are encouraged to **wear their house colours** and bring a rug to sit on. Hats are required throughout the day. Buses will also be provided to return students to school by 3:15 pm. **If you are collecting your child from the carnival, please let their classroom teacher know.**

Band Committee meeting 6 pm and P&C meeting 7 pm, in the staff room.

**Wednesday April 9th,** School socials. Gold coin donation. (1-2) 4:30 to 5:30, (3-4) 5:45 to 6:45, (5-6) 7 to 8. “Heroes and Villains” theme.

**Thursday April 10th,** weekly assembly. 12:30 am K-2 and 1:30 pm 3-6.

**Friday April 11th, ANZAC ceremony.** Please support our morning wreath making by sending long stem flowers and greenery. Wreath making will be in the Library from 8:30 and we need parent volunteers to help. Children are to wear their **full school uniform** for this special occasion. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend. **ANZAC ceremony begins at 11 am under the COLA.**

**Also Friday April 11th, Grandparents celebrations;** This begins at 11:40 am with morning tea and snacks from the canteen provided by our P&C and Canteen committee. After lunch, classes and stage groups have prepared a range of activities around the school. At 1:30, all visitors are invited to our quadrangle for a presentation from our bands and dance ensembles. Activities conclude at 2 pm. **Parents are reminded to see their child’s class teacher if intending to take their child early from school after Grandparents celebrations.**

**Some general reminders**

- Please enter and leave via the pedestrian crossing gate unless parked north of the school on the school side of Alexander St.

- Please sign in at the front office if visiting the school throughout the day.

- If dropping children late or departing early, please visit the front office and follow the sign in/ sign out procedures.

- When collecting your child at the end of each day, please avoid waiting directly outside their classroom. We request parents to wait near the Heritage Garden.

- Please support our ‘No Nuts’ policy and avoid recess and lunch foods that include nuts or nut extracts.

- If your contact details have changed recently, please update these details through our front office.

- Please don’t hesitate to contact us for an appointment with myself, the Stage leader or class teacher in regard to any issues that relate to the safety, well-being or learning opportunities of your child.

**Next Term** begins for all students **Tuesday April 29th,** as Monday is a staff development day.

Graham Small  
Principal Eglinton PS
TERM 1 WEEK 9 AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at assembly last Friday.

BANNER: Jacob Cole

GOLD AWARD: Marley Foster, Lily Kovac, Jasmine Sargeant, Jackson Hardwick, Bodhi Henson, Lachlan Taylor, Bronte-Lee McKay, Fergus Taylor & Jessica Cole.


VIRTUE AWARDS: CLEANINESS

THIS WEEK’S PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS: Elizabeth Hinton, Blake Harris, Ella Taylor, Matilda Stafford, Malachi Debenham, Jacob Baillie, Jacob Roffe, Riley Hancock, Ella Hallahan, Amelia Chapman and Jade Soames.

ICAS Competitions

Each year, Independent Competitions and Assessments for Schools designs national test papers for key learning areas, commonly known as the UNSW tests. Although not mandatory, these tests are done by thousands of higher achieving students across Australia, New Zealand and 20 other countries with certificates on completion ranging from high distinction through to participation.

If you wish your child to be included in any of these, please collect an entry form from the office or print from the school website. The Computer Skills test entries close at the end of this term, Friday 11-4-14. Other test entry dates are listed on the note.

ANZAC SERVICE 2014

Our ANZAC Service will be held on Friday 11th April at 11.00am. This is the last day of Term 1.
Could the children please bring in long-stemmed flowers or other foliage suitable for making our tremendous wreaths e.g. fern leaves, gum leaf branches, etc. on that Friday morning.

All flowers and foliage can be taken immediately to the Library, so the wreaths can be constructed by our great parent and teacher volunteers. The Library will be open from 8.30am onwards.

Many children have past relatives who have been servicemen or women and they are encouraged to wear their relative’s service medals to our Anzac Service as in previous years. Please ensure these medals are worn on the right hand side of the chest as a sign of respect.

We also ask that all children wear full school uniform for this special occasion. Parents and friends are very welcome to attend the Service. Thank you for your support!

Healthy Bites

Don’ forget that there will be no breakfast or lunch orders this Tuesday (Athletics Carnival). The canteen will be closed. Food available at the athletics carnival will be: pies, sausage rolls, hot dogs, various sandwiches/rolls, chips, chocolates, cakes, lollies and drinks including tea/coffee and milo.

If you can help on Tuesday please call into the canteen or give me a call so I can finalise the roster. We are very flexible so you won’t miss your child in action.

Roster

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I would love to hear from current volunteers and plenty of new ones to fill the Term 2 roster. The canteen will still be having a prize draw at the end if each term for volunteers. This term’s draw will be held on Friday 11th.

Thankyou to all the volunteers who help make the canteen a wonderful place to work and I look forward to seeing everyone next term. Any questions please drop into the canteen or call me.

Thanks
Amanda 042 995 1665

Mother’s Day Stall

Donations for the fast approaching Mothers’ Day stall are now being collected. Any donations of pre wrapped chocolates, candles, handmade gifts, etc. can be left in the basket located near the office. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Any enquiries please call Melissa 0439460497 or Natalie 0421911404
Student Absence Note  Eglinton Public School

My child…………………………………………………………………………..… (Child’s name)
In class ………………….was absent from school on ……………………………… (Date)
for the following reason(s);

Illness/complaint (please tick at least one of the following):

○ Cold and Flu
○ Head lice. Please specify treatment:........................................................................

○ Coughing/wheeze/croup
○ Asthma
○ Diarrhoea
○ Childhood infectious disease i.e. measles etc. Please specify details including treatment:..........................................................
○ Stomach upset
○ Surgery/hospitalisation. Please provide details:

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# ANZAC Day Service / Grandparents Day 2014

On Friday 11th April, 2014, all Grandparents are invited to participate in our ANZAC Day Service and Grandparents Day festivities.

Grandparents are invited to join members of the P & C for a light lunch near the Canteen area. Following our lunch break, grandparents are able to participate in classroom activities and then listen to and watch performances by our New Band, Concert Band and Stage 2 Dance Ensemble and selected members of our Stage 3 Dance Ensemble in the Top Quadrangle.

**Times:**

**Friday 11th April**
- **8.30am** – Wreath making in the Library – donations of long stemmed flowers and greenery would be greatly appreciated
- **11.00 – 11.40am** – ANZAC Service
- **11.40 – 12.30pm** – lunch
- **12.30 – 1.30pm** – classroom activities
- **1.30 – 2.00pm** – student performances

**Classroom Activities:**

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We look forward to seeing you on **Friday 11th April**!
## Autumn Vacation Care Program

**Approval Number:** 3P84TO  
**Phone:** 0429 371 205  
**Email:** eglinton-oshc@bigpond.com

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<td><strong>EARTH DAY</strong>- Bush Walk @ Boundary Road Reserve &amp; Sausage Sizzle.</td>
<td>Remember water bottle, ice up joggers &amp; long pants.</td>
<td><strong>What’s cooking Sarah?</strong></td>
<td>Art Workshop with renowned local Artist</td>
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<td><strong>Let's go to the Movies</strong></td>
<td>Parents please ensure that children attending EOOSH are wearing covered footwear and clothing with sleeves, in line with EOOSH health &amp; safety and sunscreen policies. Sandals, thongs and sleeveless tops/dresses are not considered suitable attire. Hats are also required.</td>
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**Bookings for Autumn Vacation Care need to be booked by Friday 28th March, 2014 to receive the discounted rate of $45.00 plus extra activity fees listed above.**

Positions booked after this date will be charged at $53.50 per day plus extra activity fees listed. Bookings may be cancelled prior to 1 week before the beginning of vacation care. After this there will be a $20.00 per child/day cancellation fee charged for any days booked but not attended unless a medical certificate is provided. Subject to availability bookings may be swapped.

Bookings must be in writing on the booking form available from the Coordinator.

Major excursions require a minimum number of 20 children to run, if numbers are insufficient, parents will be notified the day before and advised of changes. Activities are subject to change two weeks prior to commencement.

*Please note: Organized excursions during vacation care are compulsory. Due to the higher staff/child ratios adhered to for excursions, EOOSH is unable to provide extra staffing to cater to children not attending.*

~ Quality registered care in a rural setting ~

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