Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to our first Debating Team who competed last week in the first round of the Western Debating Challenge. It was a convincing win against Oberon Public, debating as the affirmative team on the topic ‘That Australia needs a new flag’. Well done! Our second team are competing against Wallerawang today and we look forward to hearing of their results.

Our tennis team have also competed today in the semi-finals of the Western Area Knock-out competition against Tottenham, in Parkes. We are extremely proud of their achievements and can’t wait to hear how they went.

The Musica Viva group Chambermaids truly blew everyone away today with their fantastic performance. This wind quintet brought a high level of professionalism and musicality to the children and we thank our families for supporting this valuable music program.

Good luck to our talented students in the Stage 2 and Stage 3 Dance Ensembles who are participating in the Western Dance Festival next Tuesday 10th June. This is a wonderful celebration of dance, showcasing Public School ensembles from across the Western Region. The festival is held at the Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre with a Matinee (1pm) and Evening Performance (7pm). Tickets are available through the BMEC if you would like to support our ensembles.

The front of our school is an extremely busy place at the beginning and end of each day as you are dropping off or picking up your children. Please continue to demonstrate excellent road safety through using the pedestrian crossing, parking in designated areas clear of resident driveways and driving safely through our school zone. Your child’s safety is of utmost importance to us all.

Staff are busily completing their class’s semester one reports, which will be going home on Thursday 19th June. A reminder that this year, with the introduction and implementation of the new English syllabus, one overall grading from A-E will be provided for your child’s Achievement and one grading for their Effort in English. The traditional areas of Reading, Writing and Talking and Listening will no longer have individual grade assessments. All other Key Learning Areas i.e. Mathematics, HSIE, PD/H/PE, Science and Technology and Creative Arts remain the same.

You will be able to arrange interviews with your child’s classroom teacher during Week 9 from Monday 23rd – Friday 27th June if you would like to further discuss your child’s progress. Interview schedules’ will be distributed to you during Week 8 so arrangements can be made.

Peter Hanlon
Relieving Principal
TERM 2 WEEK 5 AWARDS

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

GOLD AWARD:
Nathaniel Bower, Samantha Brown, Brock Coggan, Alana Colwell, Hannah Jonker, Ryan Morrissey, Kitty Sharpham.

CLASS AWARDS:

VIRTUE AWARDS – DETACHMENT
Jack Pearce, Patrick Anderson, Rodney Neill, Mae Browning, Samantha Clarke, Digby Sharpham.

THIS WEEK’S PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Healthy Bites
Warm milo is available in the morning for $1.00 each. Please check that you have the new price list when ordering lunch and that your child’s name and class is marked on the bag. Order forms are available from the front office or on the School website.

Thanks Amanda
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Clothing Pool
If you ordered a Polar Fleece Jumper, they are in. Please come in and collect ASAP, thank you.

Reminder: Coffee at the Acropole next Wednesday 1.30pm
See you on Mondays
Scholastic Book Club

I would like to thank all of the parents and students who have purchased something from the catalogues in the past.

Some of you may not be aware that the school benefits from your orders. As well as the discounted items they offer, we receive a 20% commission on all sales as credit with Scholastic. I then use this credit to purchase books and resources for our school. When you consider that students order around $1000 worth of books and resources each time, it is well worth it.

The process can take some time. Orders are to be given to class Teachers or Mr Peters, in the Library, by the due date (listed in the calendar at the side of the newsletter). I then order the items through Scholastic’s website. The items usually arrive at the school within a week. They are then checked, individual orders are filled and placed into class groups before being given to Teachers to hand out to students. Then when all items have been distributed, I tally the Cheques, Credit Card receipts and cash (which the school converts to a cheque, along with any other school orders) to be posted to Scholastic.

As you can see the process can be longer than purchasing books from Big W, Target or Books Plus, however when the books are purchased from Scholastic Book Club, usually on special or cheaper than other places, it is well worth the time to our school. I appreciate your time and hope your child enjoys their books.

Thank you,

Mr David Peters
Librarian

The Challenges of the STRONG WILLED CHILD

A 6 Session Program for Parents of Two to Six Year Olds

The program aims to give parents (fathers and mothers) extra skills and information to deal with their child's strong-willed behaviour. It will also be an opportunity for parents to share some of their parenting ideas and ways they deal with the everyday challenges of parenting.

This group starts on the 22nd of July 2014 and runs for six weeks.

Day: Tuesday
Dates: 22nd and 29th of July
  5th, 12th, 19th and 26th of August
Time: 10.00am to 12.00noon
Venue: Community Health Centre,
  Level 3, Bathurst Health Service.
Cost: $10 per family

Please contact Alicia or Elizabeth at Bathurst Community Health Centre (Ph. 6330 5677) for more information.

P & C News

The Eglinton Public School P & C would like to officially thank Mr Geoff Bottom, manager of Bernardi’s, IGA Bathurst for their generous offer to choose our school as the Community Chest Beneficiary for 2014.

Throughout the year we will hold BBQ’s on the weekend to try and raise additional funds. We look forward to this great partnership with Bernardi’s.

Check out www.bernardisiga.com.au/home and click Community Chest to see how it all works.

The EPS P&C would like to thank BUNNINGS BATHURST for their contribution to our recent Mother’s Day Stall. We raised just over $1000.