Principal's Report

Dear Parents/Carers

Country Fair. Anticipation is building as final preparations are underway for what is set to be our biggest and best Country Fair. Thank you for your generous donations of goods and time, the response has been overwhelming. I am looking forward to a busy and festive Saturday.

Tennis. Congratulations to Ethan Haley, Jeorge Collins, Jamie Browne, Chiara Bicanic, Olivia McCauley and Brianna Weal who have been successful in making the District PSSA Tennis Team.

Cricket. Congratulations to Tim Currie and Cooper Earsman who will represent Bathurst District at Regional cricket trials on March 20th.

Basketball. Congratulations to Cooper Earsman, Jaylen Boer-Ross, Jackson Tapu, Cameron Jackson, Amelia Chapman Earsman who will represent Bathurst District at Regional Basketball trials.

Clean Up Day. Following Clean Up Australia Day this Sunday, we will have School Clean Up Day on Monday after recess. Students may wish to bring gloves for this task.

Athletics Carnival. There was a misprint in last week’s newsletter. The Athletics Carnival is March 27, not February.

TERM 1, WEEK 5, February 26th, 2015

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Friday February 27th
12:30pm Junior Assembly
1:30pm Primary Assembly
Saturday February 28th
Country Fair

WEEK 6
Wednesday March 4th
Regional Tennis Trials
Friday March 6th
12:30pm Junior Assembly
1:30pm Primary Assembly
Kinders Breath, Blow & Cough Program

WEEK 7
Tuesday 10th March
Kids Lit Quiz
Wednesday 11th March
Eat It to Beat It Parents Seminar
Friday 13th March
12:30pm Junior Assembly
1:30pm Primary Assembly

WEEK 9
Friday March 27th
Athletics Carnival at Bathurst Sport Ground

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK
SELF-DISCIPLINE

Self-discipline means self control. It is choosing to do what you feel is right.
**WEEK 3 AWARDS**  
Congratulations to the following students who received awards at last week assembly.

**Banner**  
Sam Costello

**Gold awards**  
Catilyn Halsey, Brodie Weal, Lauren Weal, Talisa Neill, Sarah Hundy, Cohen Cowley, Ethan Haley and Blade Soames.

**Yellow awards**  
Olivia Thomas, Samuel Spliet, Eliza Rennie, Regan Barnes, Lukas Irwin, Brendan Johnson, Harry McCumstie, Maggie Killen, Rupert Begg, Georgie Clarke, Aleesha Gilvear, Blake Collins, Violette Clark, Joey O’Bernier, Kiara Oxley, Adam Vella, Stuart Halpin, Jack Birdsaill, Maya Hicks, Koby Bateup, Jasmine Sargeant, Jock Rankin, Eliza McGrath, Riley Hall, Imogen Lowe, Matilda Nocente, Ryan Ledingham, Charlize Irwin and Joel Cicciari.

**Principal Awards**  
Mitchell Riini, Darius Debenham, Jordan Chapman, Ava Hill, Brianna Taylor, Jayden Steel, Emily Martinez and Joely Anderson.

**Virtue award ‘Respect’**  
Brock Killick, Olivia Thomas, Jaiden Muldoon Josh Jackson, Tessa Browne, Joerge Collins and Tara Lovett.

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**Healthy Bites**  
We are run by our wonderful P&C however we need your help with volunteering or if you find you are unable to make it in to help out in the canteen you can still help by donating nonperishable items like paper bags, plastic teaspoons, aluminum foil, plastic or styrofoam cups to help keep our running costs lower so we can continue to keep our prices lower.

Thanks Amanda  
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**Swimming Carnival**  
Here we are in week 5 and already there has been much activity on the sporting front. Congratulations to all students who participated in our school swimming carnival. It was a marvellous day with some great swimming on show.

**Carnival Winning House** – Sturt

**Age Champions**  
Senior – Taylah Wade / Braiden Lowe  
11yrs - Jane Sheather / Tim Currie  
Junior – Paige Lowe / Jacob Roffe

Many of our students have been selected to represent Bathurst District PSSA in a variety of sports.

**Basketball**- Cooper Earsman, Jaylen Boer-Ross, Jackson Tapu, Cameron Jackson, Amelia Gordon

**Cricket** – Tim Currie, Cooper Earsman

**Tennis** – Chiara Bicanic, Olivia McCauley, Ethan Haley, Brianna Weal, George Collins and Jamie Browne.

**Swimming**- Taylah Wade, Mark Sheather, Roxy George, Jacob Roffe, Kira Dowling, Rohan Smith,


Ross James  
Co-Ordinator.

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**Eat it to Beat It** is a hands-on, practical program which provides information on how to get the whole family eating healthily and shows them how to save money in the process.  
All sessions are delivered to parents only. The benefits of this program will impact our children through updating and up-skilling parents on healthy eating at home as well as school lunches.  
This program is provided to primary schools for free from CCNSW nutrition staff and trained volunteers.

**Healthy Lunch Box Session at Eglinton School**  
This session is 25 min and provides practical tips on how parents can pack a healthy lunch box. Parents receive a ‘show bag’ containing a healthy lunch box kit, planner and other great resources to help them improve vegetable and fruit intake for the whole family.

We will be hosting a Healthy Lunch Box Session at our school hall next Thursday, 5th March starting at 2:30pm.

If you can attend, please phone the school office (63371205) by next Wednesday 4th March to book your place and to ensure we have enough Show Bags for everyone who comes!

We hope to see you there  
Robyn Porter

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**Concert Band (Country Fair)**

Please meet on the stage at 12pm on Saturday.
Clothing Pool
We still have some stock on pre-loved school jumpers (not Polar Fleece) that are selling for a special price of only $5.00 until the end of February. We also have a few backpacks—FREE.

Reminder: Can’t get to the Uniform Shop on Mondays. Order forms are online or at the School office. Fill out order form and we will put it together for you and leave it at the office. Please pay when you collect cash (no change given). This works well for working parents. Please remember to put a mobile phone number on it so I can text you when it’s ready.

Reminder: Check lost property. Hats are always available in the office: $8.

See you Mondays
Denise
The simplest way
to get your kids loving Fruit & Veg.

Come to our Healthy Lunch Box Session
Eating more fruit and vegetables could be the simplest change you can make to improve your family’s health!

The following session is available for all parents of Primary School Aged Child:

Date: Thursday the 5th March
Time: 2:30pm (25 minute duration)
Where: Eglinton school hall

The Healthy Lunch Box Session highlights the importance of packing a healthy lunch box. Parents who attend receive a free ‘show bag’ containing a healthy lunch box kit, planner and other great resources to help improve vegetable and fruit intake for the whole family.
Contact Fiona Markwick Community Programs Coordinator 0392 8900 email fionam@nswcc.org.au

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

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BATHURST’S BIG BANTER
What’s wrong right for kids today?

Happy, safe, healthy, playful, responsible, connected kids.

GREAT! How do we do it?....

Mums, dads, carers, families, children, young people, professionals, community groups... everyone!

Come and join us for an evening of conversation and insights.

When: Thurs 5th March from 6.30pm-8.30pm
Where: Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre (BMEC)

Hosted by the Bathurst Child and Family Network

It’s FREE plus lucky door prizes on the night.

Panel Discussion, Audience Participation (Q&A)
Guest speaker: Megan Mitchell, National Children’s Commissioner

For more information contact Annette on 6331 8944 or email to annetty@centacarebathurst.com.au
IT’S NEARLY TIME…..

With just a hand-full of sleeps until the Eglinton Country Fair the excitement is mounting! The donations have been rolling in to the office—thanks so much! The classrooms are covered in Hall Competition entries {so are the kitchen benches at home hey?!}. The Info Booth is open every afternoon at school for kid’s workshop registration, volunteer registration and general information. Just so much going on!

This newsletter is full of good stuff about the day. Included is a map of the Fair, the entertainment program {see below} along with the chainsaw competition details. Anyone is welcome to enter the chainsaw comp or watch the spectacle that these noisy machines create! Read on for more insider information and we’ll see you there on Saturday!

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CHAINSAW COMPETITION

Entry Fee: $5 per event. Starts at 12 noon.

1. Speed Cutting up to 80cc (visual standard)
2. Speed Cutting up to 100cc (visual standard)
3. Speed Cutting over 100cc (visual standard)
4. Novice—Saw Supplied
5. Experienced—Saw Supplied
6. Hot Saw up to 100cc
7. Open Hot Saw
8. Open Post Rip
9. Novice—Post Rip
10. Ladies—Saw Supplied

Proudly Supported by Brabham’s Outdoor Power Centre

Having fun for more than 50 years!
**Thanks** so much for your donations! They’ve been rolling into the office all week. There’s an updated list below for where we’re up to.

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<td>Sold out by lunch!</td>
<td>Most of our cakes are made by just two people!!!</td>
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<td>Fizzy Drink</td>
<td>Ice Cream Spiders</td>
<td>Halfway! These will run out so as many as you can!</td>
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<td>2nd Hand Books &amp; White Elephant Goods</td>
<td>A combined $2500 profit in 2014!</td>
<td>The more you can donate the more money we can make!!! Please no damaged goods.</td>
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<td>Plants &amp; Produce</td>
<td>More than $1000 every year!</td>
<td>Any plants, vegies, flowers, chooks, eggs that you can!</td>
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<td>Sugar</td>
<td>Fairy Floss</td>
<td>We’ve received 40kgs of the sweet stuff!!! Thanks :-)</td>
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<td>Bottle Auction</td>
<td>$2 for every bottle</td>
<td>Thanks SO much! We’ve reached 400!!!</td>
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We would love your cake stall donations delivered to the Ego Hall on Saturday morning (with an ingredient label)! Also plants and produce can be delivered to the fenced oval on the morning of the Fair. All other donations can be left at the EPS Office. Thanks again.

**WE NEED YOU!**

The listed stalls have gaps in their volunteer roster, please fill out a form at the Info Booth or on the Front Office window, email your name and phone number through to eglintoncountry-fair@gmail.com or send an SMS to Emma on 0409 288554 telling us where you can help out.

**VOLUNTEERS PRIZE**

We know **your time is oh-so-valuable!** So we’ve sourced a sensational prize to entice you to volunteer your time to the Country Fair. 2BS have donated a **weekend accomodation and meal prize package** in Mudgee for two lucky people. In return for a couple of your precious hours of time you'll go in the draw for a weekend away! Bliss!
FRUIT DAY
THIS FRIDAY is ‘Fruit Day’ at Eglinton Public School. We ask every student to bring in a piece of nice, ripe fruit. This fruit is collected and cut into a thousand pieces to make the delicious fruit salad that’s sold at the Country Fair.

MARKET STALLS
There will be a variety of interesting market stalls selling all sorts of goodies at the Country Fair. There will be something for every member of the family! So be sure to head over and check them all out.

REMEMBER
Raffle ticket books (sold & unsold) MUST be returned to the EPS Office by Friday the 27th of February.

BEST DRESSED COMPETITION
Come along to the Country Fair dressed in your most Sunsmart clothing!

Best dressed Sunsmart prizes will be given out during the day.

Visit our site for information on sun safety, how and why to pack a healthy lunchbox, colouring activities, games and much more.

SAVE YOUR WORKSHOP SPOT
Did you know you can ‘save your spot’ at the workshops by pre-registering at the EPS Info Booth any afternoon this week (spots are limited). Or just take your luck and rock up to the Craft Workshops any time between 10:30am and 1:00pm to complete your craft activity!

- Mini Balloon Monsters ($3 for 2)
- Painted Sun Catchers ($4 for 1)
- Tin Can Windsocks ($3 for 1)
- Bottle Lid Animal Cards ($3 for 2)
- And the ever popular Sand Art ($5/picture).