Principal's Report

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Band at Assembly** – The Concert Band will not be playing at the Primary Assembly this week with too many players out at Netball and Debating, they will play instead on May 29th. New Band will still be playing this Friday at the Infants Assembly.

**Mother’s Day Stall** – Thank you to our supportive P & C helpers who will be providing a wonderful selection of gifts available this Friday. I am confident our mums and carers will have a special day on Sunday.

**Cross Country** – Thank you to Miss Benson for her co-ordination and running of a very successful Cross Country event yesterday. The District Cross Country will be held on May 22nd.

**NAPLAN** – Next week on Tuesday to Thursday all our Year 3 and 5 students sit the National assessments in Literacy and Numeracy. These tests will compare our student’s progress with similar aged students across Australia and is a snap-shot of their achievements. Could parents of students in Year 3 and 5 please support their children with the following considerations:

- A good night’s sleep
- A healthy breakfast
- An extra banana and fruit for Crunch ‘n’ Sip
- A water bottle
- No appointments or absences

If your child does miss a section for unforeseen circumstance, there will be an opportunity for them to sit the test within the week, but for management reasons, we would prefer all students working through the assessment schedule without variations.

**P & C Meeting** – Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th May, 2014 at 7pm in the school staffroom. All parents are very welcome to attend.

Meleesa Smith

Relieving Principal

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**Dates to Remember**

**TERM 2 2015**

**WEEK 3**

**FRIDAY MAY 8**

Mother’s Day Stall  
Healthy Lunch Box session  
Netball NSW Schools Cup Competition  
Assembly Junior 12:30pm  
Senior 01:30pm

**WEEK 4**

**MONDAY MAY 11**

Girls Hockey v Orange  
Year 4 Excursion to Bathurst Court House

**TUESDAY MAY 12**

Year 6 Bathurst Bicentennial Excursion

**THURSDAY MAY 14**

NAPLAN

**FRIDAY MAY 15**

Assembly Junior 12:30pm  
Senior 01:30pm  
Students return from Lutanda Excursion at 3:30pm

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**Virtue of the Week**

**UNITY**

Unity is a way of seeing that everything exists as one. Unity is knowing you are connected to everything.
**Week 2 Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at last week’s assembly.

**Gold Awards:** Anthea Clark, Matilda Stafford, Jacob White, Maddelyn O’Neill, Harvey Lew, Stuart Halsey, Rohan Smith, Hannah Peard and Angus Healey.

**Yellow Awards:** Sienna Whalan, Charlotte Cosgrove, Jaylen Boer-Ross, Eliza Rennie, Sophie Press, Chiara Bicanic, Jasmine Sargeant, Riordan Kerschner, Anna Pappas, Isabella Shearman, Jaiden Muldoon, Kyan Schmidt, Bella Duff, Ayla Roughley, Declan Howard, Charlotte Taylor, McKenna Ryan, Dezabelle Weston, Brett Wharton, Bailey Aylott, Madelyn Campbell, Marley Foster, Matthew Bremner, Joshua Bennett, Nate Kelly, Melicity Dorin, Samuel Jones, Beau Osborne, William Bennett’s, Tilly Hancock, Blake Harris, Marty Ryan, Sam Johnson, Kitty Sharpahm, Kiara Cicciari, Isabella Morrissey, Brianna Weal, Ayden Forde, Belinda Ryan, Talan Egan-Maranda, Rhys Linklater, Oliver Murray, Tess Browne and Grayson Cross

**Principal Awards:** Amelia Taylor, Jaiden Gregori, Ashlee Dineen, Stephen Byrne, Billy Osborne, Lucy Ronan, Aleshea Gilvear and Tara Lovett.

**Virtue Award ‘TRUST’:**
Charlotte Taylor, Anakin Larnach, Malachi Debenham, Imogen Lowe, Samuel Shearman and Emily Martinez.

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**Healthy Bites**

With the colder months approaching don’t forget we have insulated lunch bags for $10 each.

Warm milo is available in the mornings for $1 per cup.

Thanks for the volunteers that have put their names down for next week, however many more are needed for the following weeks. You can pop on in or call me.

All enquires please contact Amanda on 0429 951 665.

Thanks, Amanda

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**Canteen Roster**

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**Heathy Lunch Box Session**

On Friday 8th May, Fiona Markwick will be running an informative and very practical Healthy Lunch Box seminar at our school. It will go from 1:30 to 3.00pm. It is a seminar for parents, with lots of great ideas on making lunch boxes super healthy and nutritious.

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Boy's P.S.S.A. Football

The boys played a very fiercely contended round 1 game, with Bathurst Public having the upper hand by the end of the first half.

With a bit of luck and some good passing we were able to get through their very heavy defence to put one goal and a penalty kick in.

Well done Boys, I look forward to your next game.

Mr Peters
Our school contribution structure helps with the purchase of a range of classroom resources. Fees for students in Years K-6 for 2015 are $50 for the first child in a family, and $30 for every additional child thereafter up to three children attending the school. Please complete the attached payment slip and return with payment to the school.

Please find enclosed:

1. $50 School Contribution for .........................................................(Child’s Name)
2. $30 Additional student .................................................................(Child’s Name)
3. $30 Additional student .................................................................(Child’s Name)
4. No Fee
5. No Fee

Signed (Parent/Carer) Date:

Support for grandparents caring for children

Payments and services you may be eligible for:
- Family Tax Benefit, to help with the cost of raising children
- Schoolkids Bonus, to help with the cost of education for primary and secondary school children
- Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate, to help with the cost of child care
- Medicare benefits which can be claimed for children you are caring for
- Double Orphan Pension, to help with the cost of caring for children who are orphans or who cannot be cared for by their parents in certain circumstances
- Youth Allowance to help with the cost of your child’s education or training
- Child Support, which can be claimed from the other parent or both parents of the children.

You may be entitled to other payments or services. You should contact us to discuss your full circumstances.

How a grandparent adviser can help you:
- Providing information and helping you access our payments and services
- Arranging appointments for you with specialists and others
- Contacting government and community service providers.

Our specialist staff can provide additional support to you and your family.
- Social workers
- Financial Information Services Officers
- Indigenous Services Officers
- Disability services

Next steps
To speak to a grandparent adviser call
1300 338 822
For more information about assistance available for grandparents, visit
government.au/grandparent support
P and C news:

P+C General Meeting:
Tuesday, 12th May, 7pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome and we’d love to see you there.

It will be lovely to hear the Concert Band and the New Band performing this week in assembly. Thanks to all the Band Committee for their hard work and commitment to this great service we are able to offer to our children.

Read our ‘Feature Teacher’ article in this week’s newsletter and get to know two of our Year 1 teachers a bit better!

Mothers Day Stall – Friday, 8th May
Children should come home today with a note in their bag with all the details of tomorrow’s Mothers Day Stall and what they have to do/bring. Might be worth a quick rummage in their bags to ensure no disappointment.

The quality of the gifts on offer are fantastic this year; we hope that all mums are celebrated and spoiled this Mother’s Day.

We’d love to know what you think of your gifts; drop us an email at eglintonpandc@hotmail.com

Want a sneak peak?........

If you would like to receive a copy of our P+C Meeting agenda or minutes email us at eglintonpandc@hotmail.com

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Introducing: Heleena Peters, Year 1 Teacher

How long have you been working at Eglinton Public School?

This is my 7th year. I did some casual work before I became a permanent staff member.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

Seeing that look children get when something just clicks.

In one word describe working at Eglinton Public School.

Dynamite! (Imagine J.J. from Good Times saying it Dyn-o-mite. It's a blast).

What inspired you to do the job that you do?

Children, they take on each day with fresh eyes, they are honest and good hearted. Who wouldn't want this job!

What’s your most favourite occasion on the Eglinton Public School’s calendar and why?

The Easter Hat Parade is an event I look forward to and I am always moved when the students all stand and start singing……. So stand for that man they call the ANZAC.

What is your favourite subject to teach? Art.

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Introducing: Melissa Clare, Year 1 Teacher

How long have you been working at Eglinton Public School?

I arrived in 2008.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

The kids. It's wonderful to be a part of their success.

In one word describe working at Eglinton Public School.

Lucky.

What inspired you to do the job that you do?

I have loved school ever since I was in Kindergarten and I feel very privileged to teach children. I am very lucky to be included in an occupation that I love.

What’s your most favourite occasion on the Eglinton Public School’s calendar and why?

Do I have to pick just one? I love all of them.

What is your favourite subject to teach?

The joy of being a Primary School Teacher is that you get to teach all the subjects. I enjoy the variety of teaching all the KLA’s.

Eglinton P&C May 2015