Dear Parents/Carers

Congratulations to all on our very successful Country Fair. Early estimates indicate a record profit around $25000 which by all accounts is excellent. A huge thank you to Giselle Williams and the large committee that worked so hard to make the day such a great success. Thank you also to all our stall holders and volunteers and to the crowd. The weather was perfect and many, many parents and community members complimented us on a very successful day.

Already we are nearly half way through term 1. Thank you to the families who have paid school contributions for the year. Fees for students in Years K to 6 for 2016 are $50 for the first child in a family, and $30 for every additional child thereafter up to three children attending the school. (Maximum $110). This money helps to cover the bulk of classroom consumables, school magazines and textbooks.

This week we were visited by Constable Matthew Holden, Youth Liaison Officer, who held a cyber-safety session for our year five and six students. This session provided useful information to students about the effects of cyber bullying and how to be a responsible and safe user of social media. I urge parents to actively supervise their children and make cybersafety a priority.

Here are some helpful reminders that keep our school running so well.

- If your child is away for any reason please write a note to the class teacher detailing the reason. Remember education is mandatory for all children so please try, where possible, to book appointments before or after school.

- Children who arrive late to school need to be signed in by their parent or at least have a signed note of explanation. Some children just 'turn up' late and this leaves us no alternative than to note this as unsatisfactory on attendance records.

Meleesa Smith
Relieving Principal

**Dates to remember**

**TERM 1 2016**
**Week 6**
**Friday March 4th**
Western Swimming Assembly:
Junior 12.30pm, Senior 1.30pm

**Week 7**
**Monday March 7th**
Canteen Meeting 6pm Staffroom
**Tuesday March 8th**
Band Meeting 6pm Staffroom
P&C Meeting 7pm Staffroom
**Friday March 11th**
Assembly:
Junior 12.30pm, Senior 1.30pm

**Week 8**
**Monday March 14th**
Book Club Due
**Wednesday March 16th**
I-Explore Bathurst High Year 5
**Friday March 18th**
Assembly:
Junior 12.30pm, Senior 1.30pm
Band Evening
Week 5 Awards

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

**Banner**

Gold Awards
Michaela Jones, Christopher Sufong, Ace Tobin, Beth Anderson, Campbell Smith.

Yellow Awards

Principal Awards
George Hanckel, Jarvis Whalan, Kelsie Tobitt.

Virtue Award ‘Mercy’
Koby Hardwick, Matthew Pitfield, Kalan Traves, Sammy Weston, Millie Thompson, Jackson Armstrong.

Virtue of the week

**MODESTY**
Modesty is having a sense of quiet self-respect.
It is not being showy or boastful.

School Contributions

Our school contribution structure helps with the purchase of a range of classroom resources. Fees for students in Years K to 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. (Maximum $110).

Clothing Pool

Backpacks are NOW IN STOCK.
Due to Polar Fleece jumpers being bulky to store and expensive to purchase... we do an order for them each year..... so getting ready now for the chilly months to come. Please fill out order form (you don’t have to pay now... pay when you collect) and leave it at school office for me to collect. Final date orders to be in by 8th April.

Polar Fleece Jumper Order
Name: ........................................ Qty: ........ Size: .........
Mobile No. ........................................
Please pay when you collect.... which will be next term. We will let you know via Newsletter when they are here.

See you on Mondays, Denise

Healthy Bites

- A reminder that we are unable to re-heat children’s lunches due to health regulations.
- Don’t forget to pop a spoon in your child’s lunch box if you are sending yoghurt/fruit pieces etc. We only have a small supply in the canteen.

Thank you
Amanda Lewis
0429 951 665

Canteen Roster

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Ability Links

“Ability Links NSW supports people with disability, their families and carers to live the life they want, as valued members of their community. Linkers work closely with people with disability, their families and carers to support them to fulfil their goals, hopes and dreams. Whether the persons goal is to participate in sport, education, volunteering or other activities, the person remains at the centre of decision making about how they want to lead their lives.

Linkers have strong local knowledge and work alongside communities, supporting communities to be welcoming and inclusive. Ability Links NSW is for people with disability aged 0 to 64 years and carers and families of people with disability. Individuals, clubs, groups and businesses can also access Ability Links NSW for information and support on inclusion of people with disability. There is no formal assessment process or referral that needs to be met in order to access Ability Links NSW.”

Nutrition Snippet

Did you know that in NSW 9 out of 10 parents are not eating the recommended daily amount of veg and half are not eating the recommended daily amount of fruit?

What you eat influences what your children eat; this is especially important with fruit and veg because eating adequate amounts all your life can help protect you and your children against all of these:
- Coronary heart disease
- Some forms of cancer
- Obesity and being overweight
- Constipation
- High blood pressure and cholesterol levels
- Diabetes

By eating more fruit and veg now you’ll be a healthy role model for your kids and help protect their health in the future.

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

Community News

Eglinton War Memorial Hall and Park Incorporated: Next meeting 3rd March, 6.30 at Eglinton War Memorial Hall (opposite School).

Eglinton Village Community Meeting: Thursday, 17th March. At the Eglinton War Memorial Hall (opposite School).

Eglinton Playgroup

All welcome... We meet every Tuesday morning 10am to 12pm at the Eglinton War Memorial Hall (opposite the school). Ages 0 to school age. Have a cuppa with other mums while the kids have a play and some morning tea.
P and C news:

Country Fair 2016 –
Eglinton Country Fair is organised and run by a Sub Committee of our P&C. We would like to extend our thanks and praise to the committee members responsible for organising such a successful and fun community day. Gisele Williams (Chairperson), Emma Grabham (Vice Chairperson), Burnice Browne (Secretary), Lisa Weal (Treasurer), Sandra Sharpham... as well as to the committed group of volunteers, supporters, parents, teachers, community members.... What a Fantastic Day! Thank you all.

P&C Purchases:
Our P&C have busy supporting the great work of our sub committees recently by purchasing a new Freezer for the Canteen and a new Fairy Floss Machine for use at the Country Fair and other events. A great team effort.

P&C General Meeting: Tuesday, 8th March, 7pm, staffroom. All welcome.

Eglinton P&C Executive 2015
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