Road Safety.
Thank you to all our parents who are using the pedestrian crossing when dropping off and collecting children. The extra minute this might add to your busy schedules is justified by the excellent example it presents to all our students.
Can I ask parents to ensure that they are parking in designated areas only and not on the footpaths. The school has been advised that the police will continue to issue fines to ensure student safety.

Compulsory School Attendance
When arriving late or leaving early or collecting your child for an appointment throughout the school day, please provide an explanation at the front office. This needs to be done even if it’s only 10 minutes before the end of day or 10 minutes after the day has commenced. These are entered as partial absences. Partial absences are to be avoided as much as possible as they can be very disruptive to a child’s routines and learning at school.
Thank you for supporting our efforts to maintain accurate attendance records and provide uninterrupted learning for our students.

Dogs
In the interest of student safety, please be advised that dogs are prohibited on the school grounds. Please don’t bring your pets when dropping off or picking up your children as even the best trained animals can be overwhelmed by the sheer numbers of students.

Boys Soccer
Congratulations to Tim Curry, Alastair, Sam Johnson, Cameron Jackson and Riley Ledingham for their selection in the Bathurst District Boys PSSA Football (soccer) team.

ANZAC Service
As part of the Bathurst RSL commemoration of ANZAC Day, students are invited to march in the morning parade on April 25th. Interested students should dress in official school uniform and meet Mrs Smith at 9.45am at the front of the RSL club in Rankin Street. Students will then march to the Carillion in Kings Parade for the Community Commemoration Service. At the end of the service students will gather at the gates of the Court House for collection by their parents.

Meleesa Smith
Relieving Principal

Dates to remember
TERM 1 2016
Week 9
Friday March 25th
Good Friday Public Holiday
Week 10
Monday March 28
Easter Monday Public Holiday
Tuesday March 29
EOOSH Meeting 7pm-staffroom
Friday April 1st
Assembly:
Junior 12.30pm, Senior 1.30pm
Week 11
Monday April 4th
Country Fair Feedback Meeting 7pm - Staffroom
Tuesday April 5th
P & C AGM Meeting 7pm - staffroom
Friday April 8th
ANZAC Service & Grandparents Day

Virtue of the week
Patience
Being calm and tolerant when difficult things happen.
Congratulations to the following students who received awards at last week’s assembly:

**Gold Awards**
Matilda Stafford, Charlotte, Imogen Lowe, Regan Barnes, Cooper Warry, Jessica Ryan, Alicia Nobles, Jasmyn Osborne, William Northey.

**Yellow Awards**

**Principal Awards**

**Virtue Award ‘Obedience’**
Riley Soames, Pania Tapu, William Bennetts, Roisin Latham, Aleesha Gilvear, Jacob Roffe.

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**Week 8 Awards**

Eglinton Public School’s ANZAC commemorative ceremony is quickly approaching.
We are in search of any new families to our school or community who are ex-service men and women or members who are currently serving in Australia’s Defence Force to participate in our service.
We would be honoured for you to join in our ANZAC commemorative ceremony on Friday 8th April at 9:30am, under the school COLA.
If you are an ex-service man, woman or are currently serving and wish to attend our ANZAC Day ceremony, please contact our school office staff on 63371205.

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**Sports Report**

**Extra ordinary Knockout Victory**
Our first game in the State Boys Cricket KO was one for the archives.
Batting first we never really got going and made only 59 runs off our 24.5 overs. So we knew we had to bowl and field very well. Which is exactly what we did!!!! With the last ball to be bowled Bathurst needed 3 runs to win. A no ball was hit by Bathurst and they comfortably made a run leaving the scores tied. However their batsmen attempted to make another run and were run out.
Then the countback.
Runs all level.
Same number of wickets for both teams.
Both innings had one ball to go.
We were declared the victors after our bowlers, who were all great, bowled fewer wides and no balls.
Well done to all the boys for a great team effort.

**Western Area Representatives**
Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to represent Western School Sports Association in their respective sports.
Cooper Earsman; Basketball
Tim Currie; Cricket
Olivia McCauley, Briana Weal and Samantha Browne; Hockey
Well done to you all.

**ICAS Competitions Reminder**
Don’t forget that entry for 2016 ICAS competitions is due to the front office by Friday April 1st (Week 10). Entry forms were published in the Week 4 school newsletter or can be collected from the office. For more information contact Julie Sack.

**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).

**Community News**

**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.
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 get ready now for the chilly months to come. Please fill out order form (you don’t have to pay now... pay when you collect $40.00) 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

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**Healthy Ears**

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If it's hard to hear it's hard to learn.

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Bathurst District Inverell Support Teacher Hearing

Healthy Blits

With the colder weather upon us, don’t forget we have insulated lunch bags for sale at $10 each and also warm milo is available in the mornings for $1 each.

We are always looking for volunteers. If you are available to help please pop in or call me.

Thank you

Amanda Lewis
0429 951 665

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**How Will It Affect My Child?**

Hearing

Children with Otitis Media may have mild to moderate hearing loss. Hearing may fluctuate from day to day. Some children may have Otitis Media for months. This may affect your child’s hearing at school.

**Language Development**

Speech may be delayed if sounds are muted especially in the early years of development.

**Behaviour**

Children's behaviour may change due to frustration caused by the inability to hear. They may lose confidence because they haven't heard.

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**Canteen Roster**

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High School Information Evening

Year 7, 2017 Information Evening

Year 6 parents/carers and students are invited to attend information evenings on Tuesday 5th April at 6-30pm.

Sessions will take place at the Bathurst High Campus and Kelso High Campus Gymnasiums. Information regarding Year 7 curriculum, school activities and procedures for the transition to high school will be available on the evening.

Campus tours will be available as well as the opportunity to meet current Campus staff and students.

Contacts: Bathurst High Campus: Cassie Burt, HT Junior Studies, 6331 3755
Kelso High Campus: Anna Townend, HT Junior Studies, 6331 4544