



## IMPORTANT DATES

25 August **RSVP for Father's Day breakfast closes.**

29 August- Stage 1 excursion

29 August Strictly Live auditions

30 August- 4S assembly

31 August – Fathers Day breakfast and stall

1 September- Stage 3 debating

4 September Macquarie University preservice teacher group visits

5 September Zone athletics

6 September 1M assembly

11 September P & C meeting by zoom

12 September Strictly Live

13 September Book week events including author visit and **2:30 Booknic with parents (see later in newsletter for details)**

**ENROL NOW FOR KINDER 2024.**

[Enrolment - Epping Heights Public School \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au)

**Don't miss out on important information and dates for Kinder next year!**

# NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 | Week 6 | August 2023

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It has been an exciting fortnight with many things happening for students. Congratulations again to our Bands who achieved outstanding results at ASBOF. This is such a high quality program catering and developing children's potential and talent. We are grateful to the Band committee and volunteer parents who organise this program and to Miss Goh and Miss Gravas for the coordination at school level.



I was proud to induct our Semester Two Student Representative Council at the assembly last week. 2S Harriet and Bevis, 2C Natalie and Haraen, 2/3L Scarlett and Malachi, 3N Savannah and David, 3G Juwon and Ariel, 4P Madeline and Hayden, 4S Annie and Taj, 5A Jade and Alex, 5PS Abdul and Shrihitha, 5/6M Alanna and Jeremy, 6B Noura and Josh, 6D Haniya and Robert. Having attended their meetings, I know these students are dedicated to being the voice for their peers and they are respectful and responsible. I look forward to working with them to help make our school an even better place.

Our school exploded with colour last Thursday for the P & C fun run. A HUGE THANK YOU to Ms Steph Ng who worked tirelessly to coordinate this event and to the parent volunteers who helped on the day. The P & C raised an amazing amount of money and it was a privilege for teachers and I to be slimed as a reward for students. Thank you also to Mr Frankish who helped me mark the course and to the staff in admin and teachers who helped prepare the children for the day and organise internal school structures to enable the fun run. It was also lovely to see so many parents who came to watch from our viewing area. More photos are included later in this newsletter.





# NEWSLETTER

## SCHOOL NEWS

Stage 3 students have been enjoying a 3 day overnight excursion to Canberra as part of their History unit. After an early start on Wednesday morning, the 4 coaches arrived safely in Canberra. Students have had many great experiences such as Parliament House, CSIRO, Questacon at night, the National Dinosaur museum, the Electoral office, National Gallery of Australia, Museum of Democracy, Reconciliation Place, Mount Ainslie look out and of course fun at their accommodation. Students have received many compliments about their behaviour and manners from staff and the general public at various venues. We are very proud of their mature, respectful and responsible behaviour. Parents have been updated throughout the 3 days and children will be able to bring a USB and download all of the camp photos in the coming weeks. Thank you to the teachers who attended camp and gave up time with their own families to take our students. Teachers do this out of goodwill and are not paid for their additional hours. Staff have enjoyed sharing this experience with children and we know our students and parents value and appreciate it.





## Attendance matters



### Every day matters, right until the last day of term.

There are still **4 weeks left** of learning this term and it is really important for students to come to school every single day, **unless they are sick.**

We understand that students and families are excited for the holidays but being at school every day boosts student learning and confidence and helps them build and maintain friendships.

A reminder that planned travel should only be taken during school holidays and students should be at school every day during school term, right from beginning to end.

Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up. Every day matters and we are here to support all students in attending and engaging with their learning every day of the term.

We have noticed too many students are coming to school late. It is a parent's responsibility to ensure your child is on time for school and does not miss vital information and routines to start their day in the most calm and focused way.

***Please help your child be on time. If you need help with your child's morning routine, please reach out to us so we can support you with resources and ideas.***

### EVERY MINUTE COUNTS ...

**Lost minutes mean lost learning!**

When your child misses just ....	that equals...	which is....	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12, that is ...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning time each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
1/2 an hour a day	½ a day of learning each week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1½ years of learning of learning
1 hour a day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year	Over 2½ years of learning

**Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...**

**School Starts at 9.05am**  
**DON'T BE LATE!**

9.05

**Good time keeping means making sure that your child is at school and ready to learn BEFORE the school bell rings!**

## AWARD RECIPIENTS

### PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Juho 2S

Vincent 1HF

Callum 1HF

Rowan 5A

Camila 4P

Chloe 3N

### READ WITH ME AWARDS

Grace 2C

Larisa 1M

Jade 5A

Louie 1M

Narayani KS

### MERIT AWARDS

Lucas 2C

Erin 3N

Sohan 5PS

Jayden 4P

Damian 1HF

Eliz KZ

Kayla 2C

Sian 2/3L

Sailesh 2/3L

Zayn 2C

Isabella 2C

Elizabeth 2C

Everton 2C

Nathan 1G

Lachlan 1G

Chloe 1G

Nancy 1G

Ethan KZ

Zara

KZ

Eliz KZ

Hailey KZ

Dev 1M

Manjiri 1M

Hailey 1M

Ayaan 1M

Orlando 2S

Abigail 2S

Bevis 2S

Tomas 2S

Hayden 2S

Viaan KS

Olivia KS

Lanya

KS

Alap KS

Grace 2/3L

Noelle 2/3L

Amgalan 2/3L

Ryan 2/3L

Elaine 2C

Haraen 2C

Phoebe 2C

Grace 2C

Lucas

6B

Thomas 6B

Irene 6B

Sophie 6B

Anthony 5/6M

Leandro 5/6M

Ethan 5/6M

Beth 5/6M

Gabriel 6D

Naomi 6D

Rebecca 6D

Marius 6D

Juho 2S

Harriet 2S

Erika 2S

Srikruthi 2S

Lucas 4P

Owen 4P

Marlon 4P

Jayden 4P

Kerryn 3N

Shreyansh 3N

David Z 3N	Helen	Ahaan 5PS	Remy 4S
David K 3N	5A	Roy 5PS	David 4S
Nicki 5A	Geet 5A	Shahzad 3G	Norah 4S
Sebastian 5A	Riya 5PS	Emma 3G	Sena 4S
	Wesley 5PS	Reuben 3G	
		Winn 3G	

### BOOK week celebration

**Date:** Wednesday 13 September

**What:** Students are invited to dress as their favourite book character. All classes will attend a session with an Author at some time during the day.

**\*2:30p.m BOOKNIC (reading picnic)-** Parents and carers are invited to bring a picnic rug and afternoon tea and book to share with their child. The event will take place on the back oval. Please only bring food for you and your child. Due to allergies, no food sharing is allowed.



At Epping Heights we value the importance of school photos being of a high standard. Your feedback about our 2023 school photos will help us ensure we maintain this high standard in 2024. This survey will close on Friday 8 September at 3:05 pm

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sclF3FS\\_jv1zntbqCX5utRZmPnTld7GFAXLKQ0HERzQ/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sclF3FS_jv1zntbqCX5utRZmPnTld7GFAXLKQ0HERzQ/edit)

Ms K Chadwick (Photo coordinator)

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## Appreciation Note - School Fun Run

The School Fun Run was a massive success! It was delightful to witness our students, teachers, parents, and staff come together as one community and participate with such enthusiasm and energy! The values of teamwork, determination, and healthy living were beautifully highlighted through this event. It was heartening to see our students set personal targets and push their limits, while enjoying themselves immensely.

From the meticulous planning to the enthusiastic execution, every aspect of the Fun Run was praiseworthy. Our heartfelt appreciation to our Fundraising coordinator, **Ms Steph Ng** for the months of planning and communication she put in organizing this event.

Special gratitude to our school Principal, and to all the teachers and the support staff for their unmatched energies, and for the time and effort they invested to ensure Steph was supported all through the way. From risk assessments and permissions, to training the students and to laying out the actual groundwork before the day, all without affecting the everyday education and wellbeing of the students is truly commendable.

A big shout-out to **Ms Bridekirk, Mr Squires, Miss Goh, Ms Gravis and Mrs Pham** for being such good sports and getting slimed! You gave our students such cherished memories!

And a final thank you to our awesome parent volunteers, who dedicated their time and efforts to make this event a resounding success. Thank you, **Michelle Chau, Ying Denise Wang, Vivian Kwong, Naila Mukhtar, Kam Ying Cherry Cheng, Kylie Hwang, Hiroma Nagano, Jenn Kwaan, Sarah Saw, Chung Yong and Sonia Pokharkar**. Your hard work behind the scenes did not go unnoticed, and the seamless coordination between each of these teams truly enhanced the overall experience for all of us.

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for generously volunteering for the numerous events organized by P&C thus far. Your commitment, dedication, and the time you've invested are genuinely valued. Your contributions play a pivotal role in creating an enjoyable and engaging school experience for our children.

### Fathers Day

The upcoming P&C event on Father's Day is just around the corner, and the response to volunteering for the Gift Stall is appreciated. We're thrilled with the enthusiasm so far. We have a few more open slots:

1 slot: Gift Stall shift 2 (11:30am to 1:30pm)

4 slots: Breakfast stall

If you have the possibility to contribute your time, we encourage you to sign up for any of the available spots.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084CA5A62EA5F4C16-fathers>

A friendly reminder: please remember to RSVP for the Father's Day breakfast event. The final day for registration is August 25th, 2023. Your timely response will help us ensure a well-prepared and enjoyable experience for all.

<https://forms.gle/NYUM1XqZXJz6NTZU8>

### P&C Canteen

As we approach the final term of the year, P&C is excited to fast track the opening of the school canteen. We are aiming to initiate the trial phase as early as the end of this term. Under the able leadership of Ms. Julia Yu, who has graciously accepted the role of Canteen Coordinator, we look to establish a strong and reliable team of EHPS parents to manage day-to-day operations.

Please note, during the trial phase, the canteen will operate on three days a week: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Each day, we will require two parent volunteers to handle tasks such as receiving food deliveries from the vendor, organizing the items into specific class baskets and arranging for the pickup of these baskets from the canteen.

As a volunteer, you can expect to dedicate approximately one hour around 12:30pm (just before school lunch time) on the days you choose to volunteer. We express our gratitude to the seven parents who have already signed up as volunteers. However, we kindly request more parents to consider the opportunity to be part of the canteen subcommittee. Please sign up using the google form:

<https://forms.gle/WBTEMEF1Y1nUrHe4A>



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## P&C Treasurer and Uniform Shop Coordinator Vacancy

Regrettably, Ms. Emma Garton had to step down from her roles as Treasurer and Uniform Shop Coordinator. We extend our heartfelt best wishes to her as she embarks on new endeavours. With these vacancies in mind, we are actively seeking individuals to fill these crucial positions.

The position of Treasurer is an office bearer role. The anticipated time commitment for this role ranges from 4 to 6 hours per month once the transition is complete. The Uniform Shop Coordinator role demands approximately 2 to 3 hours per week, with some variations during peak periods such as the start of the new year and season changes. Please note, the Uniform Shop Coordinator role can also be shared, presenting an opportunity for collaboration. If you have a partner in mind, we are more than willing to team you up.

If either of these positions piques your interest, we encourage you to get in touch with us at [ehps.p.n.c@gmail.com](mailto:ehps.p.n.c@gmail.com). We would be happy to provide you with more details about these roles before you make a decision. Your contribution would be invaluable in maintaining the smooth functioning of our P&C Association.





## COLOUR FUN RUN

