## Epping Heights





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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Wed	21/11	Kindergarten 2019 Orientation Day 2 @9.05-10.45am
Wed	21/11	2-6 Assembly (Leadership Speeches) @11.30am
Wed	21/11	K-2 Assembly (KP) @2.25pm
Thur	22/11	ICT session for parents @9am in Hall
Wed	28/11	3-6 Additional Awards Assembly @1.45pm
Wed	26/11	K-2 Additional Awards Assembly @2.25pm

## **NEWSLETTER** TERM 4 | WEEK 6 | 20 November 2018

#### **N THIS EDITION:**

- Principal's report General News, Annual School Evaluation, Kindergarten 2019, New Classroom, P&C, Generous Donations Improve ICT, Safety
- Teacher's News K-6 Assembly Yr 6 Special Awards, Coin Challenge Winners, Prefect Elections, Thank You Morning Tea, Toys & Tucker, Student Acheivements, Too Sick For School?
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#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It is hard to believe the term is already half over. Just 5 wonderful and busy weeks of learning to go this year! I am constantly impressed with our students who are developing their growth mindset.

For more information on how a growth mindset can help your child achieve success, please watch this short clip. <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u>watch?v=M1CHPnZfFmU

#### ANNUAL SCHOOL EVALUATION- FEEDBACK NEEDED!

Thank you to the 49 parents who completed the Tell Them From Me survey. This provided a small, but useful, snapshot of feedback from our school community (see Principal P & C report for results).

In order to help us more broadly review our year and improve our practice for students, we are asking all families to complete a survey against the School Excellence Framework. <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/</u> related-documents/school-excellence-framework-version-2.pdf

This survey takes around 3-5 minutes to complete. Please complete the survey sent home with your child today.

#### 年度學校評估 - 需要反饋 !

感謝49位完成Tell Them From Me 調查的家長們·給我們提供了對我們學校社區反饋的 簡短快照 (結果請參閱校長P及C的報告)。

**為了幫助我們更廣泛地審**查過去一年及改善我們對學生的實踐,我們要求所有家庭完成School Excellence Framework 的調查,此調查只需3-5分鐘便可完成。請瀏覽這裡......

#### Newsletter articles due COB Friday

Values for this term:

Term 4 Integrity & Respect

연간 학교 평가 - 피드백 요청

Tell Them From Me 설문조사에 참여해주신 49명의 학부모님들께 감사의 말씀을 전합니다. 설문조사를 통해 학교 커뮤니티 관련 피드백에 대한 정보를 짧게나마 얻을 수 있었습니다. (교장 P&C 레포트 참고 해주십시오). 올한해를 좀 더 넓게 재검토하고, 학생들을 위한 학교 규정을 발전시키기 위해서 모든 가정이 학교 우수 프레임워크 (School Excellence Framework) 설문조사 참여를 요청드립니다. 이 설문조사는 3~5분정도 소요될 것입니다. 여기를 방문해 주십시요.

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#### स्कूल के वार्षिक सर्वेक्षण---प्रतिक्रिया हेतु ।

४९ अभिभावक का बहुत बहुत धन्यवाद जिन्होंने 'Tell Them From Me Survey' में भाग लिया ।इस सर्वेक्षण के माध्यम से हमारे स्कूल के बारे में ( परिणाम के लिए प्रधानाचार्य की P&C रिपोर्ट देखे)।

हम अभिभावकों से अनुरोध करते है कि बच्चों के सम्पूर्ण विकास में योगदान और गहरायी तक परीक्षण करने और स्कूल को स्कूल बेहतरीन ढांचा(School Excellence Framework) को तैयार करने में मदद करे

यह परीक्षण मात्र ३-५ मिनट में पूरा हो जाता है ।

यहां देखे

Overview of the School Excellence Framework V2- EHPS 2018

The School Excellence Framework supports all NSW public schools in their pursuit of excellence by providing a clear description of the key elements of high quality practice across the three domains of learning, teaching and leading. For more information on each element visit <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/related-documents/school-excellence-framework-version-2.pdf</u>

Please read the statement then tick or cross in the box that is matches your opinion of our school.  $\frac{1}{42}$  lease return to the class teacher or office by 26/11/18.

Ele	ments	Statement of School Excellence				
PLU	JS **= areas you thir	ik we have had the most growth in this year.	Neeth	Improved	achieved	sandium
Learning	Learning culture	In schools that excel, the school culture is strongly focused on learning, the building of educational aspiration and ongoing performance improvement throughout the school community.				~
	Wellbeing	In schools that excel, there is a strategic and planned approach to develop whole school wellbeing processes that support the wellbeing of all students so they can connect, succeed, thrive and learn.			-	8
	Curriculum	In schools that excel, an integrated approach to quality teaching, curriculum planning and delivery, and assessment promotes learning excellence and responsiveness in meeting the needs of all students.				
	Assessment	In schools that excel, consistent school-wide practices for assessment are used to monitor, plan and report on student learning across the curriculum. Formative assessment is integrated into teaching practice in every classroom, confirming				
	Reporting	In schools that excel, reporting that is clear, timely and accurate provides information that supports further progress and achievement for all student learning across the curriculum.				<u> </u>
	Student performance measures	In schools that excel, students consistently perform at high levels on external and internal school performance measures and equity gaps are closing.				
Teaching	Effective classroom practice	In schools that excel, all teachers are committed to identifying, understanding and implementing the most effective explicit teaching methods, with the highest priority given to evidence-based teaching strategies.				
	Data skills and use	In schools that excel, student assessment data is regularly used school- wide to identify student achievements and progress, in order to reflect on teaching effectiveness and inform future school directions.				83
	Professional Standards	In schools that excel, all staff demonstrate personal responsibility for maintaining and developing their professional standards. Professional Standards are a reference point for whole school reflection and improvement.		<u> </u>		



#### **KINDERGARTEN 2019**

Last Wednesday's first Kinder orientation session was a big success. Children enjoyed meeting buddies and playing and doing activities in classrooms. Parents thanked us for the information and warm welcome they were given. I enjoyed speaking with families and reassuring them that we love what we do and their children are in great hands at EHPS.



Thank you to Miss Moore who coordinated and led the event. Thank you to Mrs Moran (Kinder Assistant Principal for 2019) who supported and presented. Thank you to our teachers for their flexibility in either hosting the new students /hat are the children doing during the rientation session?



or teaching extras (current Kinders) in their class. Special thanks to our community member presenters and to the Cuppa Crew and current Kinder parents for providing a lovely morning tea.

Session 2 of Kindergarten orientation is tomorrow. If you know anyone with students who are starting at our school, please tell them to contact our office as soon as possible so we can apply for staffing and begin drafting classes for next year.



#### **NEW CLASSROOM**

Our new demountable classroom was safely landed last Thursday. It was a great real world example of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). It is envisaged this classroom will be a home-base for class 21 in 2019. Given our enrolments numbers are still fluctuating, it is unclear which grade will be in there yet.

#### P & C

Thank you to the outgoing P & C Executive and committee coordinators. Your hard work in building relationships across our school community and supporting the school in its endeavours has been appreciated. In 2018, the P & C donated an amazing **\$27,315.64** to pay for new resources for 1N classroom, hall fans, Yr 6 farewell donation, Presentation Day book vouchers and laptop notebooks (see below). This is an outstanding amount and has significantly increased the quality of resources for our students. They also organised the Coles voucher drive which increased sport equipment in the playground.



#### P&C CON'T

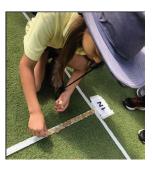
Last Tuesday the new P & C executive and committee leaders were elected at the AGM. Congratulations to the President- Janet Lawrence, Vice President- Monica Seto, Secretary- Narelle King and Treasurer- Vaibhav Rastogi.

Thank you also to the new committee leaders.

We look forward to continuing the strong partnership with our P & C in helping our school become the best possible place for our children.

#### **GENEROUS DONATIONS IMPROVE ICT**

Thank you once again to those families who donated to our inaugural Gold Coin Challenge. The P & C, led by Mr Tsang, raised \$2593 which has been used to purchase 5 x 360 notebooks. This combined with the generous donations of families through voluntary school contributions has enabled us to buy a total of 35 notebooks (laptops) which are currently being configured and should be in classes next week.



#### SAFETY

A number of parents have been seen by teachers driving into the school carpark before and after school times. For the safety of children who are involved in OSHC and other community user activities and staff who are still on site- **this is not allowed**. Please do not use staff carparks at any time.

#### MS MEGAN BRIDEKIRK

PRINCIPAL

#### K-6 ASSEMBLY YEAR 6 SPECIAL AWARDS

On Wednesday 28th November there will be a special assembly in the school Hall commencing at 1.45pm. A number of our Year 6 students will be receiving a certificate to celebrate their involvement in the following school activities: library, band, choir, VEG, performance dance troupe and Year 6 debating. You are most welcome to attend. The drama group will also be performing their annual item. Parents are welcome to attend.

#### **MR JOHNSTON**

#### **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

#### **P&C GOLD COIN CHALLENGE WINNERS**

Thank you to the families who donated gold coins towards the purchase of new resources for the school.

The winning classes were 2K & 5D

Congratulations!

Students in the winning classes are allowed to **wear muffi** to school on Thursday 22nd November (Week 6) and will have a **movie afternoon**. The P&C will supply **popcorn and** 



#### **MISS HEATHER GERARD**

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#### **STUDENT LEADERSHIP 2019**

Last week Year 5 students voted for their peers based on those students who nominated themselves for the 2019 Student Leadership team. We now have a shortlist of 8 girls and 8 boys.

These 16 short listed nominees will be required to give a speech to students from Years 2 to 6. The speeches will be presented on Wednesday 21st November at 11.30am in the hall. Parents are welcome to attend. The students must present their speeches to Mr Johnston on Tuesday 20th November for final approval. Speeches are to be a maximum of 3 minutes and the order of the speeches will be drawn from a hat.

Students from Years 3 to 6 will then vote for the 8 students they would like to be leaders for 2019. Students will vote by preference 1-4 for boy candidates and 1-4 for girl candidates.

The qualities Year 6 student leaders are expected to have are:

- Exemplary behaviour
- Being an excellent role model
- Showing pride in our school
- Being responsible and reliable
- Confident in public
- Showing kindness and thoughtfulness to others
- High level of engagement in class and school

#### MR PAUL JOHNSTON ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



To our parent helpers and volunteers, In appreciation for all your help throughout the year You are cordially invited to a **'Thank you' morning tea to be held on Thursday 13th December 2018 from 11:00am to 11:30am under the Hall COLA** 

We look forward to seeing you there! From the staff at Epping Heights Public School

Please RSVP for catering purposes using the note sent home with your child or by emailing the school Office



#### TOYS 'N' TUCKER 2018

In 2017 Anglicare distributed 4,650 Christmas Food Hampers and 2,917 gifts and toys, helping to share the joy of Christmas and making it a much happier time than it might otherwise have been for many people in the community.

This year we will again be participating in Toys 'n' Tucker, assisting Anglicare to provide gifts and a Christmas meal to children in Sydney and Wollongong who normally go without. By helping in a small way we can provide a little bit of hope this Christmas for many children in need. At the back of this newsletter (in the Classifieds section) there is a list of items that Anglicare are hoping to receive from us. Items include gifts such as toys, board games, sporting equipment or retail gift cards or long-life food items such as Christmas puddings, Christmas cakes, long-life custard or tinned ham.

Anglicare will be picking up the generously donated items from our school on **Monday 10th December 2018** so please start collecting and let's put some smiles on faces this Christmas! Returned items will need to be placed **under the Christmas Tree in the office from 26th November (the beginning of week 7)**.

#### **KIND REGARDS**,

MRS ANNIE MACKENZIE, MRS EMILY TAHIR, MISS SELENA GOH AND MR DOMONIC BUCKMAN SRC CO-ORDINATORS

#### **STUDENT ACHEIVEMENTS**

On the evening of Saturday 17 November, a group of Epping Heights boys played in the North West Primary Schools Tennis Challenge at Pennant Hills Park. Despite the threat of rain, play began at 5:30pm. There were a couple of rain delays, and a few games played in the drizzle, but all in all it was a fun night of tennis. The Challenge is organised into graded groups of 4 or 5 doubles pairs and they play in a round robin short-set format. At the end of the night medals are awarded to first and second place in each division.

Congratulations to all the players who competed in good spirit and showed great sportsmanship. Euan & Hamish won the gold medal in their division; Daniel & Hyunho won the silver medal in their division.

The team: Euan, Nick, Isaac, Hamish, Hyunho, Caden, Dilan, Daniel



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## Too sick for school?



Generally if your child feels unwell, keep them home from school and consult your doctor. This chart and the information it contains is not intended to take the place of a consultation with your doctor.

Bronchitis	Symptoms are coughing, a runny nose, sore throat and mild fever. The cough is often dry at first, becoming moist after a couple of days. There may be a slight wheeze and shortness of breath. A higher fever (typically above 39°C) may indicate pneumonia.	Antibiotics may be needed.	
<b>Chickenpox</b> (Varicella)	Slight fever, runny nose, and a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab.	for 5 days from the onset of the rash and the blisters have dried.	
Conjunctivitis The eye feels 'scratchy', is red and may water. Lids may stick together on waking.		while there is discharge from the eye unless a doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious cause.	
Diarrhoea (no organism identified)	Two or more consecutive bowel motions that are looser and more frequent than normal and possibly stomach cramps.	in for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.	
Fever	A temperature of 38.5°C or more in older infants and children.	🗟 until temperature is normal.	
Gastroenteritis	A combination of frequent loose or watery stools (diarrhoea), vomiting, fever, stomach cramps, headaches.	diarrhoea and/or vomiting stops.	
<b>German measles</b> (Rubella)	Often mild or no symptoms: mild fever, runny nose, swollen nodes, pink blotchy rash that lasts a short time.	for at least 4 days after the rash appears.	
Glandular Fever (Mononucleosis, EBV infection)	Symptoms include fever, headache, sore throat, tiredness, swollen nodes.	unless they're feeling unwell.	
Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)	Generally a mild illness caused by a virus, perhaps with a fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet, and perhaps the nappy area in babies.	until all blisters have dried.	
Hayfever (Allergic rhinitis) caused by allergy to pollen (from grasses, flowers and trees), dust mites, animal fur or hair, mould spores, cigarette smoke	Sneezing, a blocked or runny nose (rhinitis), itchy eyes, nose and throat, headaches.	are taking a medication which makes them sleepy.	
Head lice or nits* (Pediculosis)	Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found on the scalp.	while continuing to treat head lice each night. Tell the school.	

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Hepatitis A	Often none in young children; sudden onset of fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine, pale stools.	for 2 weeks after first symptoms (or 1 week after onset of jaundice). Contact your doctor before returning to school.	
Hepatitis B	Often no symptoms in young children. When they do occur, they can include fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine.	Symptoms. Contact your doctor before returning to school. infection (not the first outbreak) and no symptoms.	
Impetigo (School sores)	Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.	Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.	
Influenza	Sudden onset fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and headaches.	A until well.	
Measles	Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore red eyes for a few days followed by a red blotchy rash that starts on the face and spreads down the body and lasts 4 to 7 days.	for at least 4 days after the rash appears.	
Meningococcal Disease	Sudden onset of fever and a combination of headache, neck, stiffness, nausea, vomiting, drowsiness or rash.	Seek medical attention immediately. Patient will need hospital treatment. Close contacts receive antibiotics.	
Molluscum Contagiosum	Multiple small lumps (2–5mm) on the skin that are smooth, firm and round, with dimples in the middle. In children, occur mostly on the face, trunk, upper arms and legs. Symptoms can last 6 months to 2 years.	4	
Mumps	Fever, swollen and tender glands around the jaw.	for 9 days after onset of swelling	
Ringworm* (tinea corporis]	Small scaly patch on the skin surrounded by a pink ring.	treatment has begun.	
Runny nose or common cold		unless there are other symptoms such as fever, sore throat, cough, rash or headache. Check with school.	
Scabies*	Itchy skin, worse at night. Worse around wrists, armpits, buttocks, groin and between fingers and toes.	until 24 hours after treatment has begun.	
Shigella	Diarrhoea (which may contain blood, mucus and pus), fever, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.	until there has not been a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. Antibiotics may be needed.	
Slapped Cheek Syndrome (Parvovirus B19 infection, fifth disease, erythema infectiosum)	Mild fever, red cheeks, itchy lace-like rash, and possibly cough, sore throat or runny nose.	as it is most infectious before the rash appears.	
Whooping Cough (Pertussis)	Starts with a running nose, followed by persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts maybe followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.		
Worms (Threadworms, pinworms)	The main sign of threadworms is an itchy bottom. Sometimes children feel 'out of sorts' and do not want to eat much. They may also have trouble sleeping, due to itching at night.	and tell the school as other parents will need to know to check their kids.	

\*It is important that the rest of the family is checked for head lice, scabies and ringworm

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#### SCHOOL GROUNDS WORKING BEE

The Term 4 Grounds Working Bee will be held on **Sunday**, **25 November 2018**, **between 2pm and 4pm**.

Classes rostered on are: KP, KM, 1H, 2G, 3P, 4W, 5/6J, 6H

If your class is not rostered on but you wish to help out, please feel free to join in. The Working Bees are a lot of fun, and a great way to meet other families in the school community.

If you are able to come, please email <u>samir.d.sawant@gmail.com</u> or text 0478 311 163. You are also welcome to just turn up on the day. We meet under the COLA.

Please bring along gardening equipment such as gloves and tools (it's a good idea to ensure any equipment you bring along is clearly marked with your family's name). Drinking water and biscuits are provided.

We look forward to seeing you there, if you can make it!

#### Please note, if it is raining, the Working Bee will be cancelled.



### EPPING HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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# EPPING HEIGHTS CM/D/S 2018

Carols will be held on Friday 7 December. It is a relaxing night which brings the whole school community together. The school bands play and every EHPS child will sing with their year group.

So pack a picnic dinner and join us at the back oval for a night of festive singing and music. There will be no food for sale on the night.

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Picnic starts from 5.30pm Music from 6,15pm CAROLS WILL COMMENCE AT 6.30pm PROUDLY SPONSORED BY

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#### EHPS COMMUNITY BAND - MEMBERS WANTED!



#### Can you play an instrument? Can you sing?

The EHPS Community Band is looking for new members to join them for EHPS Carols Night 2018.

There will be a few rehearsals leading up to the event but it's really just a group of parents or ex-students playing music and having fun.

Please email Geoff at grtay1@yahoo.com.au if you are interested!

#### **GINGERBREAD HOUSE EVENING CANCELLED**

Please note that the Gingerbread House evening that had previously been advertised on the Parent Planner & school noticeboard for this week has had to be cancelled.





#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

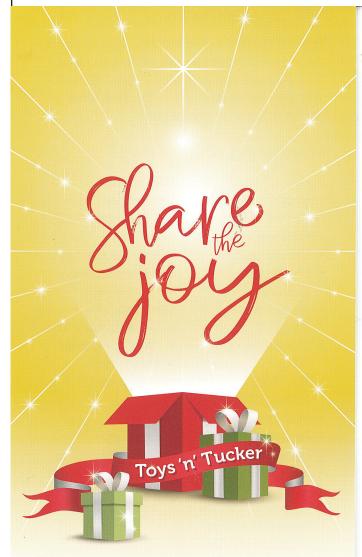
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But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people". Luke 2:10



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Toys 'n' Tucker is a wonderful way to share the joy of Christmas with people in need. Together we can provide Christmas food and gifts for thousands of families who would otherwise go without.

#### Wondering what to give?

#### Food

Standard sizes are preferred to help fit everything in neatly.

- Christmas cake
- Christmas pudding
- Tinned ham (450g)
- Tinned salmon (415g)
- Tea (50pk) or Coffee (100g)
- Milo (small tin)
- Packet of biscuits
- Dried pasta (500g)
- Pasta sauce
- Long-life milk, custard or cream
- Tinned fruit and vegetables (425g)
- Jam (500g)

### Sadly we can't include chocolate as it's likely to melt.

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Pre-school
Age-appropriate games

**Gift ideas** 

- Educational toys
- Picture books

#### Children

- Good-quality toys
- Outdoor games
- Sporting equipment

#### Teenagers

- Gift cards/ vouchers
- Sporting equipment
- Toiletry packs



## GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

## Mobile Blood Service visiting:

## **Epping Baptist Church** Corner of Ray and Carlingford Roads

Monday 03 Dec Tuesday 04 Dec 1.30pm – 6.30pm 8.30am – 1.30pm

Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate Eat! Have a good sized breakfast or lunch Please bring photo I.D. with you

To make an appointment call 13 14 95 or visit donateblood.com.au





## **Welcome to Epping Heights Public School!**



**Community User Groups at Epping Heights PS** 

Did you know there are many extracurricular activities offered by private businesses at our school? Please contact the groups direct if you are interested in attending any of these activities.

Activity	Day	Time	Contact person	Phone
Drama Enrichment Class	Monday	3.15pm	Halina Abramowicz	0422 542 166
Chess Class (Syd Academy of Chess)	Monday	3.10pm	Brett Tindall	9745 1170
Zumba Class	Monday	7.30pm	Alicia Speer	0414 266 101
Guitar Lessons (VIP Music)	Tuesday	Morning	Urszula Koh	9411 3122
Keyboard Lessons (VIP Music)	Tuesday	Morning	Urszula Koh	9411 3122
Mandarin Class (Happy Chinese)	Wednesday	3.15pm	Nancy Zhou	0433 589 696
Art Class (Art Platform)	Friday	3.15pm	Fergus Tam	0412 168 198
Karate Class (Australia's Youth Self Defence)	Saturday	Morning	Matt Klein	9904 5667
Peking Chinese Language Class	Saturday	Afternoon	Min Hua Li	0406 949 894
Punjabi Lessons	Sunday	Morning	Narian Singh	0405 217 446

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