# Epping Heights

### Public School



#### Confidence Resilience Creativity

# NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 | WEEK 1 | 16 Oct 2018

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#### IMPORTANT DATES

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Mon	22./10	Swimming Scheme continues
Mon	22/10	Kindergarten Farm excursion
Tues	23/10	Numeracy information session for Parents @9.10am in Library
Wed	24/10	3-6 Assembly (5D) @1.45pm
Fri	26/10	Last day of Swimming Scheme

Festival

Hornsby North Music

#### Newsletter articles due COB Friday

Values for this term:

28/10

Sun

Term 3 Fairness & Care

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to Term 4. A special welcome to our 8 new students and their families who started this week. We hope you will enjoy a long and happy relationship as part of our school community.

It is hard to believe there are only 10 weeks of school until the Christmas holidays. This term has many exciting planned events, so please ensure you check our parent planner on the website and read our weekly newsletter.

I was pleased to be a part of Stage team planning meetings last term. I again witnessed Strategic Direction 2 - Effective Educators - in action. Teachers shared their quality classroom practice which supports the development of Growth mindset and technology capacities for students. I was impressed with our collaborative professional learning culture and the innovation which is happening across our school.

Here are some Growth mindset 'reminder desk plates' made by students in 2C.





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#### STRICTLY LIVE

Our Strictly Live concert was amazing! Students had clearly practised their performances which were of a very high calibre. It was lovely to see a range of creative arts items from singing and dancing to various instrumental pieces. Thank you to Mrs Wendy Zhang and the Strictly Live organising committee and to the parents and teachers who helped behind the scenes on the night. A special thanks also to our band conductors Mrs Billingham and Mr Endicott.



#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations again to Ms Rachel Kelly who received her Metropolitan North Operational Directorate Executive Director's Award for her work in promoting and supporting Creative and Performing Arts. Ms Kelly attended an afternoon ceremony at The Epping Club where she was presented with her award by the Executive Director, Cathy Brennan. We are proud to have Ms Kelly as part of our quality teaching staff at EHPS.

#### PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

#### **ICT- Information Communication Technology**

Thank you to the 18 parents who attended the Technology information session at the end of last term. The feedback received was very positive. Special thanks to Mr Buckman, Mrs Evan and Mr Squires who put a great deal of time and effort into preparing and leading this presentation.





Given the limited number of attendees, we

plan to run this session again 9-10a.m on 22 November (if we have a minimum of 30 parents RSVP). This is a key focus area in our school plan for the next 3 years so we encourage you to come and along to hear what your child is expected to learn in ICT and to understand how you can help them achieve success.

#### **TEN- Targeting Early Numeracy**

We are holding an information session for parents on Understanding Early Numeracy (Kindergarten-Year 3) at our school.

Focus questions will be addressed such as:

- •What is the progression of numeracy learning and achievement? What is TEN?
- •What is your child expected to achieve?
- •How do teachers differentiate teaching and learning to meet your child's individual needs?
- •How can parents help their child be a successful learner?

**When:** Tuesday 23 October 2018 9:10-10:10a.m

Where: School Library

Younger siblings are welcome to attend the session if needed. Please provide quiet toys or activities to occupy them during the session.

A note has been sent home today with students.

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#### **GRANDPARENTS DAY AND REMEMBRANCE DAY**



Students are welcome to invite their grandparents or other significant older people to celebrate Grandparents day and Remembrance day at our school. A note will be sent home soon. Please join us on Friday 9 November from 1:45p.m-3:05p.m.

#### **FUNDRAISER**

We hope you are busy collecting your gold coins for our big P & C fundraising event on Monday 12 November. The race is on! See P & C section for more details.

#### **2018 MUSIC FESTIVAL TICKETS**

The 2018 Music Festival will be on Thursday 8 November 2018 starting at 7:00pm. This year the concert will be held in the Concert Hall of the Concourse at Chatswood. Tickets will go on sale Monday 22 October 2018 and will be available through the Ticketek online booking site. Ticket sales will be available through the Ticketek online booking site. To access ticket sales click the following link <a href="http://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=EPPINGDI18">http://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=EPPINGDI18</a> or via The Concourse website.

#### CHANGE OF DATE- PRESENTATION DAY & KINDER GRADUATION

Our Presentation day and Kindergarten graduation will now be held on Wednesday 5 December. Please save this date. The Year 1-6 Presentation day will be held 9:15am -11:05am and the Kinder graduation will be held afterwards (approx. 11:30a.m). All Kinder students will receive a graduation certificate and students receiving special awards in Year 1-6 will receive a letter home advising them.

#### **BUSHFIRE PLANNING**

1st October- 31st March is bushfire season. Our school has been identified as in a brushfire prone area. As such we have developed a Bushfire Emergency Response Plan in accordance with Department of Education Health and Safety guidelines. In the event of a bushfire emergency all staff have undertaken training and we will follow the advice of emergency services and our Director. Our school plan outlines procedures for both sheltering (remaining on-site in our fire-safe hall) and evacuation (to our designated evacuation point on the back oval or off site to West Epping Park) to enhance the protection of occupants from the threat of a bush fire. In the event of any emergency, we will communicate with our parent community via enews.

Please ensure you have downloaded and signed up for enews to ensure you are kept up to date with school communication.

#### **NEW CLASSROOM**

Fencing has been erected for our next demountable classroom on the back oval. This classroom will be for class 21 next year. We will advise when the demountable is being installed to ensure safety measures are followed.

Looking forward to a wonderful term of learning.

## MS MEGAN BRIDEKIRK PRINCIPAL



#### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Khkola	1S	Naomi	2G
Jay	6H	Tiffy	6H

#### **READ WITH ME**

Aarna	KA	Ariv	KA	Grace	KA
Helen	KA	Leo	KA	Reyansh	KA
Rucha	KA	Sonia	KA	Hannah	KM
Nicki	KM	Hayley	KM	Max	KM
Oliver	KP	Rowan	KP	Daiana	1H
Myra	1H	Serena	1H	Allen	1N
Jacob	1N	Misha	1N	Nikolaus	1N
Thomas	1S	Catherine	1S	Jaden	1S
Lorenzo	1S	Ronnie	1S	Abigail	2C
Jack	2C	Noah	2C	Tara	2C
Sophie	2G	Теуи	2K	Nathan	3A
Yaas	3E	Jay	6H		

#### SCHOOL INDUCTION FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS – TERM 4

If you would like to become involved at school as a parent helper but have not yet completed the mandatory school induction there will be an evening induction held in Week 5 of Term 4. It will be the final induction held before end of year school events.

The session will be on **Tuesday November 13th at 6.30pm in the school library**. The induction will occur immediately before the P&C meeting.

To become a parent helper, parents must

- complete the school induction session
- sign the Parent and Community Helper agreement
- provide 100 points of identification (original documents must be sighted)

Please contact the school via email or phone to confirm your attendance at the session. The session will only proceed if a minimum number of participants is reached.

MRS PHILLIPPA MORAN ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



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# NOTICE FOR 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2018 7.00PM @ EHPS LIBRARY

The 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Epping Heights Public School Parents and Citizens' Association will be held at the school library on **TUESDAY 14 November 2018 commencing at 7.00pm** (straight after the School Induction for Parent Volunteers).

All financial members are strongly encouraged to attend as voting will take place on the night for the 2019 P&C Executive. You will also be able to join or renew your membership on the night.

On the night, the current P&C executive and head of committees will present their reports for past year's activities.

After this, all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following positions

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Nominations will also be sought for the head(s) of the following P&C Sub-Committees:

- Fundraising
- Uniform Shop
- School Banking
- Grounds
- Band
- Book Club
- Community Relations

If you are interested in any of the above roles or would like more information, please email the P&C Secretary (Jenn Kwaan) at <a href="mailto:ehps.p.n.c@gmail.com">ehps.p.n.c@gmail.com</a>.

Please note that the AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only financial members are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.

\*\* THE AGM WILL BE FOLLOWED STRAIGHT AWAY BY THE NOVEMBER P&C GENERAL MEETING.

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#### **Epping Heights Public School**

# Gold Coin Challenge Fundraiser 12th November 2018

Start collecting gold coins at home from the 15th of October and bring your coins to school the week beginning **Monday 5**th **of November to 9**th **of November.** 

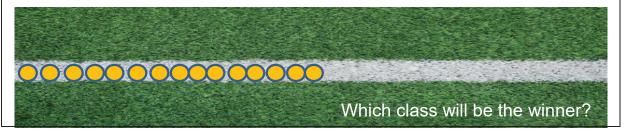
**Challenge Day**: On **Monday 12**<sup>th</sup> **of November**, each class will compete against each other. The classes line up at one end of the playground and then take it in turns to add their gold coin collection to their class' coin trail. The class with the longest coin trail is the winner!

Bring your gold coins to class the week from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of November. Your Class Teacher will be in charge of collecting the money for their class.

Donations can also be made via Qkr! (Substitute Paper Coin Strips will be used to add to the coin trail on the day).

Prizes: Up for grabs for the winning class - Mufti movie afternoon with popcorn or an iceblock (To be confirmed).

How will the money raised be used? The money raised will be used to support the purchase and upgrade of new netbooks and charging stations for the school.





#### **P&C BAND COMMITTEE AGM**

The date for the P&C Band committee AGM has been set as November 1, 2018.

The meeting will be held in the School Hall from 7:30 pm onwards.

At the meeting, all positions will be declared vacant and elections will be held for the 2019 committee. You are all invited to attend the meeting.

Please reach out to us at <u>bandehps@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions or would like further information. Thanks

#### **BAND COMMITTEE**

#### \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\*

EHPS Band "Hands On" Instrument Night will be held Tuesday November 6 in the school hall.

All students in years 3-6 2019 who are interested in joining the band program are welcome.

Please keep an eye out for notice in next week's newsletter for further details.





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#### CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Epping Heights Public School is held on Afternoon: Mondays from 3:10pm to 4:10pm, starting on 15 October 2018.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.





## Is your child interested in **learning to play NETBALL?**



#### **NETBALL CLUB**

St Andrews Netball Club is hosting a come and try clinic! Netball is a great way to learn new skills, have fun, learn about teamwork and be part of a community.

Come along and find out more about netball while your child participates in some netball activities.

> **Ryde Community Sports Centre** Saturday 27th October 1pm - 3pm

RSVP by 24th October on our club website www.standrewsnetball.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