



## Epping Heights Public School

"Quality education in a caring environment"  
Values for this term: Participation and Personal Best

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Term 2 Week 10

28 June 2011

### Coming events

29 June 2J Cake Day – swapped with 2S  
30 June Reports sent home  
1 July SRC Crazy Hair Day  
1 July Last day of Term 2  
19 July Students' first day for Term 3

### Deadline for Newsletter articles is Friday

Dear Parents,

Last week our School Education Director, Mrs Janet Wasson visited the school. She spoke with our Librarian, Mrs Jarvis and one of our Kindergarten teachers, Miss McKeown. She was interested to learn how the Library program is supporting students at Epping Heights. She also wanted, to discuss the planning of differentiated learning in classrooms and to watch a differentiated lesson.

**Mrs Jarvis** conducts an **excellent Library program**. She follows a detailed scope and sequence which ensures **library and information skills** are taught systematically and explicitly from Kindergarten to Year 6. Mrs Jarvis spoke with pride about the **very popular and successful Book Clubs** she runs during the afternoon for small groups of girls or boys. These groups provide the opportunity for a small group of boys or girls to read and discuss a book with Mrs Jarvis supporting them with their deeper understanding of the book. Mrs Jarvis also spoke to Mrs Wasson about the **visual literacy lessons** she conducts and the way she develops **inferential comprehension** ie the information that can be gained from pictures, diagrams and non-text information and the understanding of information that is not directly stated in the text.

**Miss McKeown** discussed her **Literacy Sessions** which are 'differentiated' to cater for the broad range of abilities of the children. Mrs Wasson was so impressed with the children's ability to focus on their literacy activities independently whilst Miss McKeown taught a small group. She was also impressed with the level of their reading and writing after only a short time in formal schooling.

Tomorrow afternoon I will be attending an **Excellence Meeting** of principals. Each of us will bring along one of our teachers who will share an 'excellent' program or initiative. **Mrs Chadwick** will be talking about the many great things happening at EHPS in **environmental**



education. She will talk about our Stage 2 environment warriors – Carbon Cops, Water Warlords, Waste Warriors, Compost Crusaders and Recycling Rebels. She will also talk about the establishment of our veggie garden and the links she's established with Bunnings and Hornsby Council which have resulted in the donation of soil, compost and compost tumblers, an additional raised container garden and plants and fruit trees. As well, the Bunnings staff has visited to talk to the children about making compost and its benefits in the garden.



I feel very grateful having dedicated teachers, staff and community members committed to supporting the children at school.

It was wonderful to have our **4 new band members** playing at the assembly last Friday. As I said previously the band will welcome any young musician who has reached a suitable level in their playing of a band instrument. I'm looking forward to seeing and hearing our young musicians performing at next term's musical evening, **Strictly Live**. It's still not too late for your child to register their interest in taking part. Please complete the tear-off at the end of newsletter.

In this week's newsletter, Miss Lee has included some information about a **'free school holiday program'** being run by the **Korean Cultural Office**. There are some great activities for the children.

Tomorrow we will be **presenting the ribbons** for achievement at the **Cross Country Carnival** which took place on the last day of last term. This will be an informal assembly and will take place immediately after recess at **11.30am in the COLA**. You are welcome to come along and join in congratulating your child on their achievement.

You will receive your child's mid-year report on Thursday. I hope the report provides useful information about your child's achievement in English and Maths this year as

well as highlighting some areas for further development. I encourage you to **discuss your child's report** with them and ask them to describe their learning and **set some small learning goals** for the coming term.

Next term's **School Development Day** will provide a day of **Aboriginal Cultural Education** for **all teachers**. I am looking forward to increasing my knowledge in this important area of education.

This Friday the **SRC** are holding a **Crazy Hair Day** to raise funds for our Cambodian sponsor child, Sokchea. Thank you for your support in providing a **gold coin** (preferably \$2) to support this worthwhile cause.



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As we break for the school holidays, I wish you all an enjoyable break from routine. It's good for the children to have some **'chill-out' time** with **nothing planned** and the chance to initiate their own activities at home. They have worked hard this term and deserve some **time out to rest and relax** in preparation for the busy term ahead.

Best wishes,  
Julie Hanley  
Principal

### 3-10 July – NAIDOC Week

Throughout this week activities are held in every state of Australia to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' cultural heritage and their contribution to Australian society. For more information visit <http://www.naidoc.org.au>

### From the Fees Desk

Recently the school had an External Audit conducted by the Audit Office of NSW. As a result of this audit, changes regarding the process of payment for excursions and in-school performances need to be made.

As has occurred previously excursions and in-school performances which require payment will appear on the Term Invoice and further information and the permission slip will be sent home before the excursion. **If payment for the excursion is not received by the due date for 'permission', then the child will not be able to attend the excursion.**

This will be the same for in-school performances and activities.

Efforts have been made to ensure that excursions for Term 3 occur after the due date for invoice payment. Payment of the Term Invoice by the due date would be much appreciated. If due to individual circumstances this is not possible, please contact Mrs Hanley or myself to discuss alternative arrangements.

A very small amount of 'Student Assistance' funds can be accessed by parents. An application form can be requested via a confidential letter to Mrs Hanley. *Student Assistance funds can be used to cover all school activities except those which are optional. As we are only allocated a small amount each year it is not possible to claim 100% of your payment but up to 50% may be requested.*

Mrs WendyMorritt  
Admin Manager

### Week 9 Assembly Awards – Congratulations!

**Principal Award:** Cameron M, Jack H, Simone S

**KD** Joshua C, David A, Alisha G  
**KM** Sophia M, James R, Sanduni K  
**KS** Toby W, Chloe L, Montana S  
**1H** Jonathan G, Emlyn C, Brianna R  
**1T** Pallavi G, Jaxon W, Eric K  
**2J** Alyssa X, Erick H, Ashleigh T  
**2S** Annikar S, Jake F, Penelope Y  
**3C** Georgia D, Luka H, Patricia L, Lisa C  
**3S** Leo A, Archer D, Lachlan M, Gemma H  
**4C** Jordan H, Andrew W, Jorge T, Alice D  
**4\_5S** Lauren N, Hannah R, Maheeta W, Diya M  
**5G** Harrison G, Jack P, Andrew K, Lauren M  
**5\_6R** Niamh C, Jennifer C, Matthew C, Tyden G  
**6P** Adam A, Zakee Q, Prabhleen K, Reece B  
**ESL** David A, Alana Z, Joe C, Kelly C

**Club 100:** Shubhi S, Mara T, Aidan N, Austin P, Banjo P, Tiedan S, Amelia R, Victoria G, Xavier M, Harry C, Emlyn C, Cameron M, Sanduni K, Henrietta M, Kate L, Brian R

### Kindergarten Enrolments 2012

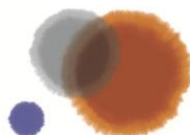
Any parent with a child attending Kindergarten next year who has not yet been enrolled should call in to the office for an application form, or complete the tear-off slip at the end of this newsletter. **Please note that you need to enrol siblings of current students.** We do not automatically know this information. Please also advise any neighbours or friends who have Kindergarten children starting next year that they should contact the office to enrol their child as soon as possible.

### Athletics Carnival Lunch

Lunch orders for the Athletics Carnival are now closed.

Thanks to all who have ordered promptly and offered help for the day. Vegetarian options for lunch may be purchased on the day along with other goodies. Rosters for the canteen will be sent out first week of Term 3. Thanks again, Theresa Taylor

### Korean Cultural Office School Holiday Program



Korean Cultural Office  
주시드니한국문화원

A program of interesting activities has been planned for the second week of the school holidays. The activities include, Cooking, Craft,

Traditional Games and a more. There will also be children's films screened.

Information about the program is available in the school office carousel and on the parent noticeboard. You may also contact Ms Kate Jung on 82673400 or via email at [info@koreanculture.org.au](mailto:info@koreanculture.org.au)

Places are strictly limited so you will need to book your child into the program.



Miss Da In Lee  
Korean Teacher

### Australian Reptile Park



Stage 1 students, teachers and parents visited the Australian Reptile Park last week as part of their HSIE topic for this term. All the students had a fantastic time and enjoyed seeing the

different animals, especially the King Python and the American Alligator. A big thank you to the parent helpers who volunteered to help out on the day.

Stage 1 teachers

### Touch Football



On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June the Epping Heights touch footy team played against Epping North. The girls put up a great fight but unfortunately lost 2-1. The boys played extremely well

and won the game 3-2. Congratulations to both teams. Good luck to the boys in the next round. We were kindly trained by Mr G. Thank you Mr G. By Shreya J



### Beginner Conversational English Classes

This Thursday will be the last day of the **Beginner Conversational English Classes**. I was very pleased that we had such a great response and I



would like to thank Yvonne Daymond, a Community Information Officer, for running this valuable course. A big thank you should also go to Mrs Chadwick and 4C for allowing the classes to be held in their room.

The course combined Survival English with a focus on raising children for school and life in Australia. The parents have enjoyed these classes and learnt a great deal. It has given parents the opportunity to learn about different topics and to practise English in practical ways. It has also provided the chance to socialise with other families in our school community.

I look forward to holding more of these classes next year.  
Anne Parfett – ESL teacher

### Uniform Shop

#### We need volunteers to help on Wednesday mornings in Term 3

If you can spare 45mins once or twice a term, please email me at [adamandcate@gmail.com](mailto:adamandcate@gmail.com).

We have changed our opening day from Thursday to WEDNESDAY. Also, due to slower sales at this time of year, we will be opening fortnightly as follows:

Wednesday 20 July  
Wednesday 3 August  
Wednesday 17 August  
Wednesday 31 August  
Wednesday 14 September  
Wednesday 21 September (last shop day for term 3)

We are open from 8.45am to approx 9.30am. We sell both new and second hand uniforms. If you need new school uniforms and are unable to visit at this time, please complete an order form - available from the school office or at -

<http://eppingheights.com/index.php/parents/uniforms>

(click on either "Girls" or "Boys") and leave it in the payment box in the office foyer. Orders will be filled EVERY Wednesday and sent to your child's classroom.

Cate Grunsell

### Calling all Sushi Lovers!!!

Fresh sushi handrolls will be available via lunch order only on Tuesdays.

4 varieties will be available:

- \* Teriyaki Chicken
- \* Tuna & Cucumber
- \* Beef & Lettuce
- \* Vegetarian



Cost \$3.00 per handroll. Sushi handrolls are kindly being freshly delivered by Sushi Street, Carlingford Court for a trial period.

Further menu options are being introduced during Terms 2 and 3 so stay tuned.....

**Canteen News**

As you may be aware, there have been some recent changes to the canteen menu, including the introduction of sushi. The canteen will be open during the first week of term (Tuesday July 19) so don't forget to place your orders.

The canteen roster for Semester 2 has now been distributed and is available on the school website. Please check the roster and organise a swap or replacement if you are unable to attend.

**Canteen Roster – Friday 1 July** – Sophie Wang, Jenny Su, Louise Shehade

**Term 3 - Tuesday 19 July** – Sue Cale, Tiffany Chanekon, Suki Choi, Alison Cross, Fiona Ardus

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**Holiday Sports Camps**  
**Week 1:**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup>, Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Wed 6<sup>th</sup> July

**Week 2:**

Mon 11<sup>th</sup>, Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Wed 13<sup>th</sup> July

**TIME AND COST**

Half Day 9 - 12pm \$30	2 Full days \$80
Full Day 9 - 4 pm \$45	3 Full Days \$120

**LOCATION**

Ryde X Club, Youth Club Hall, 724 Victoria Rd, Ryde

**WHAT 2 BRING**

Water Bottle, lunch, hat, a smile and lots of energy

[www.ryde.basketball.net.au](http://www.ryde.basketball.net.au)

**For bookings or more Information**

[mail@rydebulls.com.au](mailto:mail@rydebulls.com.au)

Ph: 9686 9908



**LUNCH ZONE HOLIDAY CLUB**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2011** - 9am-12noon

You are invited to this great kids holiday club for K-6 at Epping Baptist Church, Cnr Ray & Carlingford Rds

More information and registration forms online at:

[www.eppingbaptist.org.au](http://www.eppingbaptist.org.au) or  
phone church office 9869 1000

**KICK PERFORMANCE GROUP**  
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Classes for students aged 3-30 during school term including Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Ballet, Contemporary, Musical Theatre, Drama plus GLEE Club Australia

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**ENROLMENT FOR KINDERGARTEN 2012**

This detailed information is required so that we can generate a personalised enrolment form for your child.  
**Please return to school office as soon as possible.**

*PLEASE USE BLOCK LETTERS*

I request a 2012 enrolment form -

Parent's Name .....

Phone Numbers .....

Child's First Name ..... (M or F)

Child's Surname .....

Pre-School .....

Date of Birth .....

Eldest Sibling's Name & Date of Birth -

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**Costume Making for Dance Concert**

(Please return to collection box in office foyer)

I am happy to help make costumes for the Dance Concert in Term 3.

Name .....

Phone Number/s .....

Eldest Child's Name & Class .....

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**Strictly Live!**

(Please return to collection box in office foyer)

I am interested in performing at the Musical Evening on Thursday 4 August.

Name and Class .....

Item description .....

My parent gives permission for me to perform on 4/8/11.

Signed .....(parent)

Phone No .....