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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parent / Caregiver

Just a quick Newsmundi this week as it is the end of semester. Firstly, congratulations to the Year 6 and 7 students, parents and teachers for organising the most impressive Market Mayhem fundraiser that the school has seen since its introduction. The level of planning, professionalism and detail that went into each group's business activity was nothing short of tremendous and it was very pleasing to see the entire school out enjoying the opportunity to engage in the activities organised by the students. At the last count the total funds raised was approximately \$6500, a tremendous result!



Junior Sports Carnival

A reminder to parents that our Prep - Year 3, Junior Sports carnival is being held this Thursday 26 June, commencing at 9.00am on the school's main oval. Please ensure that children come to school in their sports house colours (Banksia-green, Bunya-blue, Cedar-red and Wattle-yellow) and have a hat, sunscreen and water bottle for the day. The children have been preparing for this day with Mr Kiorgaard and I am looking forward to watching the rotational activities and the sprint races. As the weather promises to be fine I hope that as many parents as possible can come along and participate in the day.

Parent Volunteers

To finish the Semester I would like to thank the countless parent volunteers who work in classrooms, the tuckshop and during outdoor activities in the school each week. Parent volunteers make a huge difference to the outcomes for our children. Their presence allows our teachers to plan interesting and engaging group work and shows the children that their efforts are valued by the wider community. Parents who may have some spare

time during the week are encouraged to come up to the school and lend a hand. It is a great way to support your school, meet new friends and find out all about Eumundi Primary.

Prep Open Day

Families of children enrolling for Prep 2015 are invited to attend an information session and Open Day, including a tour of the school and an opportunity to meet the Admin team.

When: Thursday 7th August 2014 9:00am to 10:50am

Where: Meet at the Sport & Performing Arts Complex, Napier Road, Eumundi

Program

9:00 am - Information session about Eumundi Primary - Introduction to the school and the enrolment process from Administration and teaching staff.

9:45am - School tour conducted by the Principal Michael Connors

10:30am - Morning Tea - refreshments provided

10:50am - Conclusion

Have a great June break and look forward to seeing everyone back for a busy semester 2 in July.

Mick



AWARDS

Catch a 'C': Finn 1D, Emily 1N, Charlotte 3J, Raymond 5C and Sethe 6C

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards on parade for special effort, achievement and co-operation in class.

Kobe Prep B, Toran Prep C, Indigo Prep J, Luka Prep M, Lucia 1D, Wilby 1L, Ruby 1N, Bailey 1W, Caspian 2C, Aleera

2FS, William 2/3CP, Matthew 3J, Tomas 3M, Ruby 3O Anouk 4M, Charlie & Zac 4T, Cooper 4/5D, Coco 5C, Jayden 5/6S, Phoebe 6S, Keeli 7G, Bethany 7M and Bryson 1W, William 1L & Erin 1D for Music.

DATE CHANGE

Chris Collin (author of Funky books) will now be at Eumundi on Friday 18 July, not 12 August as previously advertised.

Year 6/7 – 8.50-9.50

Year 4/5 – 9.50-10.50

Parents are most welcome to attend

PAYMENTS

Eumundi State School offers parents opportunities to make payments in the following ways:

- **In person** - at Eumundi State School, either by cash, cheque or EFTPOS
- **Cheques** - must be made payable to Eumundi State School
- **Direct Deposit** - to school account is also available: **BSB: 064440 Account: 00090095**

Please quote either the Customer ID which is found on your invoice/statement or the Invoice Number to which your payment relates.

- **Credit Card** – please ensure your invoice details are included when paying by credit card. Payment may be made over the phone, in person or by completing your card details on the tear-off portions on the bottom of your invoice/statement.

If you experience financial difficulties in meeting the payment of accounts, please contact the Business Services Manager at awill236@eq.edu.au or phone Anna on (07) 5472 6310 to arrange a suitable payment plan.

READING AT EUMUNDI

As Mr Connors has mentioned in previous newsletters, reading comprehension has been a major focus at our school this year. The school has invested in a new digital reading comprehension resource, “Springboard into Comprehension,” as well as a broad range of colourful, engaging and challenging reading books of all levels.

In Semester 1, Mr Connors and I worked with the teachers and students of Years 3, 5 and 7, focussing on the comprehension skills of – Main Idea, Identifying Detail, Fact and Opinion, Cause and Effect, Compare and Contrast, Sequencing, Bias and Prejudice and Figurative Language. Not all skills are taught at each year level, but each skill learnt is explicitly taught, then revised, practised and consolidated for two weeks, before learning the next skill. Our goal is for all Eumundi students to be able to read for understanding, as well as have a love of reading, by being exposed to a variety of genres.

In Semester 2, we will start the program with Years 1, 2, 4 and 6. These lessons will consist of whole class lessons, then small groups revising the skill with books at their level.

Parents are welcome to assist in the classroom with small reading groups, so if you are interested in helping please talk to your child’s teacher.

Julie Fitzsimon
Pedagogy Facilitator



CHAPPY'S NEWS

Wow...we're already at the end of Term 2! During this term I have started the 'Fun Friends' program, which has been so much FUN, for the students and myself. 'Fun Friends' focuses on building resilience, self-esteem, friendship building skills, being brave and so much more. The kids have really embraced the program and it has been great to see them so enthusiastic.

So what's happening in Term 3....

For terms 3 and 4 I will be at Eumundi State School for 3 days a week instead of my usual 2. This is fantastic and I am very excited. The extra day will allow me to do so much more. I am available Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. The 'Fun Friends' program will continue in Term 3. Students need to keep a look out for the "Minute To Win It" at lunchtimes on a Wednesday. We will also be introducing the Buddy Bench...but more on that next term.

Parents, it has been truly wonderful to meet so many of you and have the time to chat. A number of parents have enquired if I would run a parenting program. There are many great programs out there and it would be good if we could bring one of them to Eumundi. So throughout Term 3 I will be running 3 parenting evenings. Information including dates, time and content will be available in the first week of Term 3. If you are interested please put your name down at the office and I will contact you.

I hope you enjoy the holidays and I'm so looking forward to term 3.

Sam



P & C NEWS

Hey Eumundi

Well we find ourselves at the end of another busy term, half way through the year already.

Term 3 is our BIG ONE!

Arts in Action Friday 29 August

We will have a whole day of fun this year. A program of events will be sent home in week 2 of term 3. We will also be asking for donations for lucky dips and side show alley, so think about that over the holiday break.

All day ride bands will be on special from Monday 14 July until Thursday 31 July for only \$25. From Friday 01 August until Wednesday 27 August the cost will be \$30. On Arts in Action day arm bands will cost \$35.

Herbs:

Our herb fundraiser for the Enviro Centre didn't do as well as we had hoped and unfortunately no funds were raised to assist the centre. However, those left over will be planted into the school's enviro centre garden.

OSHC:

Don't forget to book your kiddies in for vacation care soon. Spaces are filling quickly.

Tuckshop:

Our weekly curry specials have been very well received so we will have a few more over winter. These have been mostly for the teachers, but if your children would like to order curry (mild) with rice on Wednesdays they cost \$5.00

Uniforms:

Our new design winter jackets have arrived and are selling well. While they are very different from the old style the majority of children are really liking them. They are \$42.

If you do not want to purchase the new style I am afraid you will have to wait for more of the old style to come through second hand. We do have a few size 6 and 14's left in the old style @\$39.

Have a great holiday everyone and see you in term 3.

Your P&C Team

SPORT REPORT

More District Sport Success

Congratulations to **Doug** and **Charles** who both made the District Rugby Union Team after trials last week. Doug is showing his versatility after also making the District Rugby League Team.

Talking about Rugby League, I believe that **Levi** came very close to making the Regional Team after making it through to the possibles/probables stage.

Congratulations also to **Callum** and **Matthew** who both made the District Softball Team. Thanks to Mr Midgeley for his involvement in this.

King of the Mountain Primary Relays

The Original Eumundi Markets is once again sponsoring our Eumundi teams in this event. This year we are trying out a light weight polyester shirt.

Just to clarify for newcomers, the Relay is not up the mountain as the individual race goes, but rather a 700m circuit around Stan Topper Park at the base of the mountain.

We are restricted to 5 teams. I will be deciding these teams over the next few weeks. There are a lot of keen runners.

Sunshine Coast Cross Country

Olivia showed her potential when she won the final race of the Sunshine Coast Cross Country Series at Buderim last week. Her time of 8:00mins for the 2kms was the fastest time by any of the 35 girls involved in the 6 races of the series.

Mia and **Amali** continued their friendly rivalry in the Under 10 1 km event with very impressive 3rd and 4th places. Mia improved by 18 seconds since they ran the same course at the start of the series and Amali by 24 seconds.

Cameron continued his domination of the Under 8's with his 4th win in 4 starts.

Up and Coming Events

Wednesday 16 July	Inter-House Athletics Trials (Years 4 & 5) - afternoon
Thursday 07 July	Inter-House Athletics Trials (Years 6 & 7) - afternoon
Friday 18 & Saturday 19 July	State Cross Country Championships at John Paul College, Brisbane for Olivia
Thursday 17 & Friday 18 July	Regional Rugby Union at Redcliffe Softball Club for Doug and Charles
Wednesday 23 July	Inter-House Athletics Trials (Years 4 & 5) - afternoon
Thursday 24 July	Inter-House Athletics Trials (Years 6 & 7) - afternoon
Thursday 24 – Sunday 27 July	Boys State Football Championships in Roma for Jack
Friday 25 July	Inter-House Athletics 800m (9.00am-10.30am)
Sunday 27 July	Pomona King of the Mountain Primary Relays
Tuesday 12 August	Inter-House Athletics (Years 4-7)

Regards
Gary Kiorgaard