Dear Parent / Caregiver

It is hard to believe that we have again reached the end of another school term. After the September holidays the school will be undertaking a Quadrennial School Review in which the school staff, parents and students will reflect on the achievements of the past four years and look to plan for the future. This review will encompass most of our major activities and will include a focus on academic results, student management, facilities and resources. To assist in this process the school will be developing a survey so that parents can tell us about the areas of the school that they feel we are doing well in and also indicate to us where can improve. Keep an eye out for this survey link in future Newsmundi.

Camp/ Excursions Review and Planning

With the end of the school year now approaching the school administration and staff are beginning to plan and organise curriculum activities, camps and excursions for the 2015 school year. At the conclusion of this process it is planned to produce an overview of the year which will include an outline of each year levels planned excursions, camps and performances from visiting specialists for parents to use as a guide to assist in budgeting and planning for 2015.

This week the school administration will be meeting with interested staff to plan the school Camping Program for students in Years 4, 5 and 6 for 2015. During this review a number of issues will be discussed and considered including camp affordability, links to the curriculum, curriculum activity risk assessment processes and health and safety issues for students and staff attending. The other major consideration for the school when planning future camps and excursions is the large number of students now attending the school in each year level. With some cohorts now reaching sizes in excess of 90 students, some camps may no longer be plausible due to transportation costs and accommodation issues. Interested parents are asked to provide feedback to the school on the Canberra, Ewan Maddock and Maranatha camps in particular and on excursions that they may want to be considered for 2015 by emailing the.principal@eumundiss.eq.edu.au by the end of September to provide your ideas, thoughts or suggestions.

It is anticipated that this process will ensure equitable access to these events for all students. Parents will be informed of the outcome of these processes early in Term 4 so that they can begin to make suitable arrangements for 2015.

District and Regional Sports Representatives

Congratulations to the following students who performed with distinction at the recent District and Regional Athletics carnivals.

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We all wish Sethe and Bethany the very best when they compete at the State Titles in Brisbane.

World Teacher’s Day student challenge - You could win money for our school

Students have the opportunity to win cash prizes for our school by taking part in the World Teachers’ Day student challenge. To enter, students, either individually or as a group, must create a digital product that expresses the theme: a teacher’s commitment to their students’ learning is inspirational. This could include a presentation using PowerPoint or Prezi, a poster, banner, animation or cartoons.

You’ll need to get a move on as entries close Friday 10 October.
For more information and to upload your entries go to the World Teachers’ Day student challenge website.

Finally this week congratulations to Tara who was recently commended by the judges in the Dorothea Mackellar National Poetry competition. Tara’s poem ‘The Craftsman’ was a wonderful piece of literary work which we are very proud to present later in this edition.

Wishing you all a very fun filled holiday and look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday October 7 for a memorable term 4 where we will send off our Year 6 and 7 students to high school.

Mick

### Awards

Catch a C – Olive 1D, Griffin 1W, Royce 1N, Clare 2/3CP, Emma 2/3CP, Hunta 4T, Lachlan 2/3CP, Jonah 3J, Hayden 3J, Margot 3J, Joanne 5C and Bronte 5C.

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


### From the Deputy

### TERM 4 SWIMMING PROGRAM

We are currently in the process of organising the Term 4 swimming program for Year 1 to 3 students – unfortunately, due to timetabling and specialist teacher issues, the Prep children will be unable to participate in this year’s swim program, and will join in the 2015 program.

A swimming information letter including dates, times, cost, transport arrangements etc has been sent home this week. If you have not received this letter and your invoice, please see your child’s teacher or see the ladies in the office.

### University of NSW Competition results

#### Writing

Last term 10 students from Eumundi State School participated in the above competition.

Special congratulations go to the following students who will receive Distinction, Credit and Merit certificates at our next whole school parade on Monday 13 October:

- Ginger, 4M – Distinction
- Hugo, 5C – Distinction
- Bella, 4T – Credit
- Jessica, 5C – Credit
- Rebecca, 7M – Credit
- Eve, 4T - Merit
- Solomon, 4/5D - Merit

#### Spelling

Last term 9 students from Eumundi State School participated in the above competition.

Special congratulations go to the following students who will receive High Distinction, Distinction and Credit certificates at our next whole school parade on Monday 13 October:

- Rebecca, 7M - High Distinction
- Carson, 5C – Distinction
- Jessica, 5C – Distinction
- Solomon, 4/5D – Distinction
- Ebony, 6C – Credit
- Eve, 4T – Credit
- Bella, 4T - Merit

#### English

Earlier in the year 10 students from Eumundi State School participated in the above competition.

Special congratulations go to the following students who will receive Distinction, Credit and Merit certificates at our next whole school parade on Monday 13 October:

- Margot, 3J – Distinction
- Jack, 4T – Distinction
- Hugo, 5C – Distinction
- Rebecca, 7M – Distinction
- Solomon, 4/5D – Credit
- Jessica, 5C – Credit
- Bella, 4T - Merit

Mark Kross

### Student Absences

Education Queensland policy states that ALL STUDENT ABSENCES must now be ‘explained’. It is important that the school office be notified of any absences. The office has a STUDENT ABSENCE LINE which operates 24/7. Just leave your student’s name, date/s absent, reason for, and duration of absence. Even one day ‘unexplained’ is unacceptable and will be followed up.
STUDENT ABSENCE LINE
Please leave your message on 5472 6360

Please ask at the office for an ‘Application for Exemption’ if your child will be away from school for more than ten (10) consecutive school days. Again, this is Education Queensland policy.

Thanks for your support.

The Blue Thing
Dash, Year 2

Once there was a hummingbird and she lived peacefully in a forest. She liked the forest because it was so quiet and nice. She was happily poking a tree when she saw something amazing. It was something bluish. It was something longish. It was a blue thing!

She flew to it and picked it up. It was very weird and funny. She put it in her nest. She looked at it for a while. She wondered what it was. She asked her friend Pelican. She thought it was a blue snake. Hummingbird did not agree.

She thought she would never find out what it was. But then she knew. She had found something new in the world. She called it a ribbon.

1W Go Enviro

I am very fortunate to finish my teaching career at Eumundi. The two schools I enjoyed the most were also the schools where I taught the longest – Kilkivan Secondary Department and Eumundi State School (both 13 years). As I said on parade, Eumundi has beautiful kids, great parents, and a very caring and hard-working staff. On parade I got to the stage of thanking Mr Connors for his generosity to me etc. when emotions got the better of me. Mr Connors’ kindness to me was typified when he gave me the honour of sitting in the principal’s position for the staff photo this year.

Everyone has been very kind to me, especially of late – far kinder than I deserve, but I will savour this for the rest of my life. The DVD that featured all the staff and every single class was something very special not only to me but to my whole family. Thanks to the Scott family for initiating the idea, Mrs McDonald for following it through, and the expertise of Luke Blair for filming it.

I would like to thank a number of people who were a great help in providing a Sports Program at the school:-

- Mrs Jude Cettou, Mrs Chrissie Cook and other mums in Netball
- Mr Nathan McLean in Rugby League
- Mr Wade Smith and Mr Jon Gemmell in Rugby Union
- Mr Mark Kross who was an unending help to me
- Mr Tony Benzie with his Softball Program in previous years

I will still be around however, and I am hoping to continue the Table Tennis Club and Program in the school in 4th term with the assistance of Mr Roger Wheller. More information on this later.

Can I leave everyone with a thought which I think is very important and the students seem to agree. We all enjoy winning and we should all certainly do our best. However, there are many things more important than winning:-

- Having a go and taking part
- Having fun
- Going by the rules
- Sportsmanship

This applies to sport but it also applies to all aspects of life. It is not rocket science but it is often forgotten.

See Ya Round!

I would like to thank all the students, teachers, other staff, and parents for an absolutely fabulous send off last Monday at parade.
District Athletics Results for Eumundi State School

800m
1st Josh - 10 years boys
1st Olivia - 10 years girls
1st Nick - 12 years boys
1st Hannah - 13 years girls
2nd Lachy - 13 years boys
3rd Latrell - 11 years boys
5th Dyce - 10 years boys
7th Jessica - 12 years girls
8th Ellerie - 13 years girls
9th Seth - 11 years boys
9th Evan - 13 years boys

SHOT PUT
1st Sethe - 11 years boys
3rd Mitchell - 10 years boys
3rd Hannah - 13 years girls

LONG JUMP
Tie 4th Ben & Josh - 10 years boys

HIGH JUMP
1st Seth - 11 years boys
2nd Bethany - 12 years girls
3rd Hannah - 13 years girls
4th Kiarra - 13 years girls
4th Tallara - 12 years girls
4th Ben - 10 years boys
5th Nick - 12 years boys
5th Eva - 10 years girls

100m
3rd Latrell - 11 years boys
3rd Bethany - 12 years girls
3rd Nick - 12 years boys
Making the final - Lachy, Nick, Latrell, Sethe, Josh, Hannah & Beth

200m
1st Nick - 12 years boys
Finalists - Lachy, Reid, Nick, Latrell, Sethe, Josh, Hannah, Jessica & Olivia

Star for Eumundi was Nick who won the 12 years Boys Age Championship with 1st place in 200m and 800m, 3rd in 100m and top 5 places in Shot Put, Long Jump and High Jump.

Note Thanks very much to Mrs Byrnes who compiled this list. Please let us know if you have been omitted as we were not given a comprehensive results list. The 200m especially might have omissions as this event occurred at the end of the day just as the storm was approaching.

Regards
Gary Kjorgaard

P & C News

Hey Eumundi

Thanks for a great term 3. Your support for Arts in Action was incredible, and we look forward to discussing this event in more detail at our October 21 P&C meeting. If you would like an item on the agenda for this meeting please email Karen at essopsman@bigpond.com.

Our President and Operations Manager spent the past weekend at the annual P&C Qld conference. A lot of information was gathered regarding the future of education. The best way to stay informed and interested in changes to our educational system is through your P&C, so take some time to think about becoming a member and joining the team. You don’t have to become an executive but being a member keeps you involved in your child’s education. We welcome all new families and look forward to your important support.

OSHC

Our vacation care program is now on our website and the facebook group so take a look and make a booking as soon as possible. We look forward to our coordinator finishing her nursing prac during September and coming back on the OSHC floor, we have all missed her. We would also like to say a big congratulations to Laura on her pregnancy and look forward to having her back during the first week of vacation care to share her pregnancy glow with us.

Tuckshop

We thank you for your support of our Friday burrito day menu this term and look forward to term 4’s Friday special which will be announced on day 1 term 4. All Friday lunch items are our special’s only so don’t forget.

Carpark

A friendly reminder that any parents who drop off children at school then go on to paid work in Eumundi to please pay the $5.00 parking fee.

That’s all on the P&C front for now. Have a wonderful break with your families and we look forward to seeing you in term 4.

Your P&C Team
Library News

BOOK FAIR GARDEN
Catch the reading bug
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
Friday 07 November - Thursday 13 November
SELLING DAYS - 12 & 13 NOVEMBER

We are running our annual Book Fair in Week 6. It is a great opportunity to buy Christmas presents and help the Library obtain more resources whilst encouraging students to read. Students will view the books with their class on Monday or Tuesday and bring home a wish list with their choices. Parents can send either cash or pay by credit card online to Scholastic (same as for Book Club). A flyer will also be sent home in Week 4.

PLEASE NOTE: Students and parents can buy from the Fair only on Wednesday 12 and Thursday 13 November. (Please do not send money in before Wednesday).

Book Club
There will be two Book Clubs in Term 4; #7 will be before the Book Fair and #8 will be after the Fair. Thank you to all parents for supporting Book Club.

Library
We have had quite a lot of wet and lost books this year. Please make sure that books are protected with a Library Bag and children have a safe place for the book between visits. If you have a lost or damaged book please see Library staff as soon as possible to minimize the time you are restricted from borrowing.

The Craftsman
By Tara, Year 5
The silky string
Cradled between trees
The bright beam of light
Reveals the night’s work
Droplets of rain
Through delicate veins
There’s nothing to fear
So strongly held
The shimmering sparkle
Shines within
The maze of jewels
Suspended mid-air
An arachnid crawls
So cautiously onto
The silky string
And into its home

Chappy Chat
This term we have spent a lot of time playing games that help us turn our ‘red thoughts’ (not helpful thoughts) into ‘green thoughts’ (helpful thoughts). The kids have really picked up on this and love showing me how well they use this strategy every day in the playground.
I am looking forward to continuing my activities at the school next term.
Sam

Work from 30

Arts in Action by Rosie
On Friday 29 August it was Arts in Action for Eumundi State School. It was going to be a great day for me. We started the day doing lots of fun rotations. It took the whole day to finish all the rotations. After that was time for some yummy food and some amazingly fun rides. When I got to Arts in Action, I ran to find my friends. When I found my friends I went straight to eat some food. Then I went to go to the rides. When I had finished the rides, I ate some more food. Then I had to go home. I wished Arts in Action was every day.

Arts in Action 2014 by Holly
On Friday 29 August Kayla, Laura, Jaz and I all came to Arts in Action. We ate lots of food, drank lots of drinks and went on lots of rides. We had the time of our lives! Just when we went to see who was in the jail, the auction started. It was spectacular. I’m definitely going next year.

Upcoming Excursions

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