13 November 2014

Principal’s Report

Dear Parent/ Caregiver

Day for Daniel

It was wonderful to view a sea of red across the school last week as we remembered Daniel Morcombe. As a school we also took the time at last week’s P -3 parade to reinforce the key strategies for being safe at school and in public, and talked about what to do in a variety of situations. From the school’s perspective it is our hope that awareness raising around child safety for both parents and students may assist in reducing potential problems in the future.

Halloween Disco

It was also great to have so many students in attendance at our Halloween disco. The hall was certainly full of eager dancers who boogied the evening away to the tunes of our Disco Queen Karen! Big thanks to Karen and the P&C for their efforts in organising and catering for the night. Thanks also to those parents and teachers who came along to support the school. Well done everyone!

Quadrennial Review

The School’s Quadrennial Review process is now almost complete. It was wonderful to get plenty of feedback from the school survey, and also to speak with a group of interested parents on the future direction for the school in terms of curriculum offerings and facilities.

The Strategic Plan will be presented at the next P&C meeting prior to being ratified by Mr Trevor Walker, our Assistant Regional Director. This document will inform the school community on the direction for the school in coming years. Thanks to those parents who have had input into its development. A condensed copy of this plan will be in the next issue of Newsmundi.

Prep Enrolments

With the end of the year almost upon us we are now finalising classes for next year. Parents living within the catchment area who are enrolling in 2015 are asked to indicate this as soon as possible so that we can finalise numbers. Your assistance with this is appreciated.

Regional Mathematics Results

Excellent results from our Year 6 and 7 mathematics representatives who performed so well at the All Schools Regional Mathematics Tournament at the end of October. Please see reports from students Reid and Adam later in this Newsmundi.

Online programs for 2015

For the past several years Eumundi students have been using the online program "Mathletics" as a practice and consolidation tool for mathematics. It has proven to be a successful program with students being rewarded on parade with Gold Certificates, and over 20 students each year being promoted to the next year level. The content has enabled teachers to use Mathletics for lab time or homework, sometimes both.

Next year our school will be using Reading Eggs for students in Prep and Year One. The Mathletics program however, won’t be offered by the school due to the high demand on the school computer labs with the other technology requirements of the Australian curriculum.

Eumundi children will be able to continue using this program until early February 2015, but if parents would like their child to continue after that it is available for them to buy online. Please go to www.mathletics.com.au for more information.

We hope this doesn’t inconvenience anyone.

2015 School Camp and Excursion Overview

This week the teaching staff will be outlining a year level overview which we hope will assist parents in planning and budgeting for next year. This overview will indicate approximate dates and costs associated with the camps and excursions for the year. This overview will be sent out to parents early in 2015.
School Captain Elections

It has been pleasing to work with the prospective School Captain candidates over the last few weeks and discuss with them what it means to be a Student Leader at Eumundi State School. Short listing for positions will be occurring next week after written applications have been submitted. I look forward to reading the applications and working with short listed applicants on their speeches in the coming weeks.

Road Safety

A reminder to use appropriate parking procedures around our school drop off and pick up zones. If you have concerns about parking behaviours please forward complaints or concerns to the local police station.

Our school neighbours have asked that we remind parents that their driveways are not parking areas for school drop offs and pick ups. Neighbours driveways are becoming eroded due to constant use and they have requested that we ask our parents to avoid using them.

Have a great fortnight
Mick

Library News

Our Book Fair Garden is in full swing as this newsletter goes to press. Thank you to parents and carers for your continued support with both Book Fair and Book Club (of which there will be one more issue before the term ends). Keep that in mind for any stocking fillers for Christmas, or if you missed out on Book Fair.

Borrowing

The library will be closed for borrowing from 24 November. We will be endeavouring to have all books returned as soon as possible before the end of term. If you have a lost or damaged book please let the Library staff know.

Children’s Eye Health

I recently received some information from Optometry Australia about children’s eye health. Please click on the link to read how you can help your child to have good vision for life:

ZooWhiz

The library staff has used this program with some students in the Library. It covers Maths, Reading and Spelling and may be useful during the holidays to keep students learning and reading. The website is: http://www.zoowhiz.com/kids

Enjoy your holidays and happy reading.
Margot Tredinnick (Library Manager)

Awards

Catch a ‘C’ – Emily 1N, Griffin 1W, Chanar & Billy 2FS, Chaise & Ryan 3J, Zarah 3M, Vincent 4M and Carson & Matilda 5C,

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


Maths Tournament Reports

The Majestic 5

By Adam

Year 6 students Adam, Charles, Oscar, Lateisha and Charlie walked into the hall at the Sunshine Coast maths tournament buzzing with pride as they represented Eumundi State School.

Charles achieved 100% in the individual section putting Eumundi in 3rd place in that area with 46/50.

The team section went well putting us in a tied second place with a score of 38/45.

In the relay, we got 53/60, only mucking up a couple of questions.

At the end of the competition we gained a creditable 5th place out of 37 teams and scored 127/155 in total. Congratulations to everyone for participating extremely well.

Year 7 Team

By Reid

On Wednesday 29 October the Year 7 Mathematics team competed in the annual Sunshine Coast Mathematics Tournament. The team of Jack, Rebecca, Abi, Alex and Reid surprised many by coming 2nd overall and tying for 1st in the individual section getting 49 out of 50. The team section included 15 questions, each question being worth 3 points. The Year 7 team came 2nd, with only 3 incorrect answers.
Our most outstanding effort came from the Relay section with the team tying first, getting 60 out of 60 in just 12 minutes!

Despite the teams spectacular effort Matthew Flinders scraped by with a win and Eumundi came in an awesome 2nd out of 40 teams.

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS

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When making payment via Direct Deposit please quote either your Customer ID which is found on your Invoice or your student’s name.

If you have any concerns regarding payments please contact the Business Services Manager, Anna on 07 5472 6310 or email awill236@eq.edu.au

Preppies perform on Parade

Our amazing Preps at Eumundi State School performed The National Count Us In song, ‘Paint You a Song’ on Parade on Monday 10 November. Wearing a bright coloured shirt and sporting the biggest smiling faces our Preps showed how much they love to sing out loud and clear and do actions to the song in front of the entire school and many admiring parents. The song was designed to show the benefits of Music Education in Australian schools. There is no doubt that the students at Eumundi value the important contribution music education plays in their love for learning!

Thank you Mrs Fox for teaching this delightful song to all of our Eumundi State School students during music lessons, and for forwarding the song on to the teachers to enjoy in their classroom singing time.

P & C News

Hi Eumundi

Disco

We would like to say a huge thank you to all who supported our Halloween disco. It was a lot of fun. Thanks so much to all of our parent helpers and to Karen for coming out of disco queen retirement and volunteering her time yet again to make it a success.

P & C Meeting

Our last P&C meeting for the year will be held on Tuesday 18 November at 7:00pm in the arthouse. Please send all agenda items to Karen for inclusion at least 1 week before the meeting.

Our P&C businesses of Tuckshop, OSHC and Carpark are running smoothly and we thank our volunteers who help us keep tuckshop costs as low as possible.

OSHC

We would like to welcome our newest OSHC team member, Kiara Andrews. Kiara has a diploma in childcare and has slotted in very nicely to our little team. Introduce yourself when next at OSHC.

Christmas Stall

Our Christmas gift stall will be held Thursday 04 December in the arthouse. All helpers will be greatly appreciated.

2015 Booklists

Booklists were distributed to students last week and are steadily coming back to us. The date for these to be returned by is Friday 05 December. All prepaid orders will be ready for easy collection as soon as they return to us in January so keep an eye out on the facebook page for notification.

2014 Yearbook

We are currently working on putting together a yearbook containing class memories of 2014. These will be for sale for $10 from the Arthouse, hopefully in the last week of November. If you have a favourite memory or lunch box recipe of your own that you would like to include in this yearbook please email to Karen at essopsman@bigpond.com as soon as possible.

Enviro Kitchen

We are looking for help to stock our enviro kitchen with much needed cooking equipment. If you have any of the following items in your kitchen cupboards that you would like to recycle or you feel like purchasing a few non expensive kitchen items please deliver as soon as possible to me in the arthouse. Electric hand mixers, mixing bowls, potato masher, tea towels, chopping boards, spatula, sharp knives, cutlery, crockery, saucepans, frying pan and a colander. Thanks so much in advance for your help with this.

Have a great fortnight Eumundi
Your P&C Team
**Sports Report**

**Beth’s new heights**

Bethany has recently returned from the State Schools Athletics carnival in Brisbane where she competed in the High Jump, Long Jump, the 100m and the four by 100m relay. Beth did really well, and her relay team from the Sunshine coast came back with the Silver medal!

Over the last weekend the same relay team set a regional record at the Little Athletics Regional Carnival held at Maroochydore. The girls were second in the medley relay (2 by 200 1 by 400m and 1 by 800m) and Beth and another Noosa girl teamed up to win the High Jump relay. The girls now compete in the State Championships in Brisbane in December where the Noosa girls will be out to defend their gold relay win from last year.

**Interschool Equestrian Challenge**

Zoe with her horse Cody represented Eumundi State School at the Fraser Coast Interschool Equestrian Challenge. Fifty schools were represented by 250 riders from Prep to Year 12. Zoe competed against a number of seniors but still managed to come away with half a dozen ribbons in various events.

More recently Zoe (as youngest team member) competed in the Dressage Section of the Zone Pony Club at Southport where they came 4th.

**4M and 4S Go Enviro!**

Do you remember when you first enrolled your children at Eumundi School? Have a few years gone by? Those details that were on the enrolment form are the details we will still have UNLESS you have updated them! Please UPDATE your CONTACT DETAILS.

- Have you moved house?
- Have you a new mobile and a new number?
- Have you disconnected your home phone?

**HIGH SCHOOL IS COMING!**

Are you ready?

Schooling Transition Workshop with Life Coach Siona Howard
(For Year 6 & 7 students leaving Eumundi and progressing into High School in 2015)

Monday 24th November
3.00pm-4.00pm in the School Library
$6.00 per student – Parents Welcome

This is an awesome opportunity for students to:
- Share their Insights and Expectations
- Form Bonds and Support Networks
- Discover Tips and Strategies to Strengthen Confidence and Preparedness
Create a smoother and happier transition into High School

For more information – W –
E – admin@inspirationalsanctuary.com.au
T – 0417 625 282

**Community Notices**

**Bunnings Noosaville Xmas Family Night**

Thurs 4th Dec 6.00-8.00pm

Come and join us for the biggest night of the year. We will have a jumping castle, face painting, Miss Donna on balloons and fairy floss and sno cones. Fabulous Xmas themed kids craft, games and giveaways for the whole family. Peregian Lions will be manning the BBQ and we will have raffles and gift wrapping for your presents. The big man himself Santa will be making an appearance.

Best of all it is all free!!

Bookings essential.