Dear Parents,

We have had a great response to our expression of interest for After School Care. Based on this response School Council are happy to pursue getting a program in place for Epsom and we will be meeting with some providers in the next couple of weeks. I will keep you all posted about this topic on future newsletters.

In the past we have had our whole school concert in the last couple of weeks of Term 3. Due to staffing changes we have decided that our concert will be held late November. We intend that this will once again be an entertaining representation of our performing arts program and I know that as a school community you will be looking forward to it!

Today is the last day of the gym program. The students have learnt a lot and it is pleasing that once again Mr Palmer is very positive about the Epsom students. Well done everyone.

Tomorrow we have students attending the golf tournament. Thank you to the parents for volunteering to provide transport, to Mrs Brunswick for her organisation and Miss FitzGerald for going along.

Mrs Davey has again taken some students to BUPA to visit the residents. Thank you.

Our students are very fortunate for the extracurricular activities offered at the school.

Kind Regards
Kerry McGuffie

CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER??
CHANGED YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACTS??
CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS??
Please let the Office know.

DAFFODIL DAY TOMORROW
Tomorrow will be an out of school uniform day where students are asked to wear something yellow. This is not compulsory and if children are not wearing yellow school uniform is required as per usual.
There will be no gold coin required on this day.

There is still some merchandise available to buy. Tomorrow is the last day to raise money for Daffodil Day Items range from $3 (wristband) to $6 for a footy.

Mrs Davey

MUSIC NEWS
Junior students have been singing, playing musical instruments and dancing. They have been working on ‘Hey Everybody’ and ‘I went driving in my car’– focusing on the rhythm pattern ‘ti-ti taa’. Last week they learnt a new song ‘The Dinosaur Stomp’ which included singing, playing instruments, dance/actions and a new rhythm pattern ‘ta ta ti-ti ta’ which we have nicknamed The Dinosaur Rhythm Pattern. They have been learning about musical instruments including the Reverie Harp, Guitar, Djembe and Electric Bass Guitar. They have been exploring the similarities and differences in the way the various instruments create sound.

Senior primary students have been focusing on popular and contemporary music as well as learning about various musical instruments and how they create different sounds. Last week they enjoyed learning about the Humarimba, which is an instrument similar to the Marimba, but strung between two humans (hence the name). The Humarimba is a tuned instrument and students were able to take turns at playing it while also learning about how it was made and comparing the sound to that of a xylophone and glockenspiel.

Thank you
Ms Alice Dennis
# DATES TO REMEMBER:

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## TERM 3

### 15TH JULY—20TH SEPTEMBER

#### WEEK 6
- **August 19th—August 23rd**
  - Friday 23rd August: Zone Golf
  - Friday 23rd August: Daffodil Day—wear something yellow

#### WEEK 7
- **August 26th—August 30th**
  - Thurs 29th August: Soup Day (BYO cup and bread)
  - Friday 30th August: Fathers Day Stall

#### WEEK 8
- **September 2nd—September 6th**
  - Wed 4th September: Volunteers will do a nit check
  - Wed 4th September: Techtime for parents 3pm in MPR

#### WEEK 9
- **September 9th—September 13th**
  - Monday 9th September: LAST AASC SESSION FOR GR 3-6
  - Wed 11th September: Upper School Athletics @ Bendigo Aths Centre (Grade 4-6)
  - Wed 11th September: Junior School Sports Day @ school (Prep-3)
  - Wed 11th September: LAST AASC SESSION FOR P-2

#### WEEK 10
- **September 16th—September 20th**
  - Mon 16th September: School Council Meeting
  - Friday 20th Sept: Footy Colours Day/Human Graph/Coin Line

## TERM 4

### 7TH OCTOBER-20TH DECEMBER
- Tues 8th October: Hockey Victoria Clinic (free at school) Gr 2 and 3 Students
- Mon 21st October: School Council Meeting
- Wed 30th October: BENDIGO CUP
- Thurs 7th November: Prep Orientation Program 9.15am-12pm
- Friday 8th November: Junior Excursion to ScienceWorks, Melbourne ($25)
- Thurs 14th November: Prep Orientation Program 9.15am-12pm
- Mon 18th November: School Council Meeting
- November 11th-15th: Swimming program (5 sessions—4 grades)
- Mon 18th November: Prep Orientation Program 12pm-3pm
- November 18th—22nd: Swimming program (5 sessions—4 grades)
- Mon 25th November: Prep Orientation Program 12pm-3pm
- Tues 3rd December: Orientation Day
- Thur 12th December: Grade 6 Graduation ??
- Mon 16th December: School Council Meeting

## PAYMENT OF FEES
To deposit directly into school’s account
- BSB: 633000   Account No: 107661738
- Account Name: Epsom Primary School

Please use child’s surname as your reference.

## WOOD FOR SALE

$80 FOR A 6X4 TRAILER LOAD

**PLEASE SEE DEANNE**

**IN THE OFFICE**
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL CARE COMMUNITIES
Our AASC program has begun. Children will participate in the sport of basketball for term 3.
Monday sessions will be for the 3-6 students and Wednesday sessions for student in P-2. Sessions times for both nights are 3:30pm to 4:45pm
Permission forms are available from the office or Mr Saddlier.
If your child is enrolled in the program and will not be in attendance on a particular day please let the school know.

GARDENING FAMILIES
Thank you to our families who tidy up the school grounds. This duty doesn’t have to be done on weekends, any day after school or even while you’re waiting to pick up your children is ok. There’s always something to pick up or sweep. It doesn’t take much. This week keys will be going home to the Hemmes-Windsor, Henderson and Humphrey families.

ATHLETIC SPORTS
10, 11 and 12 year old students will participate in Cluster athletics at Bendigo Athletics Centre on September 11th.
The age groups are based on the age students turn in 2013.
Once again we are running the sprints and high jump and rely on parent helpers to assist on the day. If you can be of assistance please contact the school.
Thank you
Jan Brunswick

ZONE GOLF
Good luck to the 5/6 students representing the school at the Zone golf championships tomorrow at Bendigo Golf Club.

5/6 TRANSITION
Our Grade 5/6 students are travelling to Eaglehawk Secondary College on Wednesday 28th August for transition activities. Individual permission forms have been sent home and should be returned promptly.
Jan Brunswick and Kate FitzGerald

BOOK CLUB ORDERS
Any orders should be returned to the Office before Friday August 30th.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY
On the last day of term, September 20th, children are asked to wear their footy colours. After recess, we will have our human graph of AFL footy teams, followed by a coin line. Which grade will raise the most money this year?
Start saving your 5c pieces now!

JUNIOR SPORTS DAY
This year for the first time, the Junior School will have their own sports day, September 11th. This will include the annual football match. Children will be able to sign up for the sport they would like to play on the day:
12.00 – 1.15pm
P/1 Football, netball or soccer match
2/3 Football, netball or soccer match
2.30 – 3.15pm
Children will participate in a variety of games such as tunnel ball, relays etc
Parents are invited to come along and cheer for their child!
More details to come.

Spinal health at Epsom Primary
Dr Andrew Cameron, from n8 health, last week met with the grade 5 and 6 students to talk about the amazing human brain. The brain really is extraordinary – ask your child how it connects with every part of your body. (It is connected through the spinal cord!).

You might have heard from your child that they got to touch a mushy lamb’s brain! Dr Cameron shared with the children how to care for their brain and spine, including their posture, avoiding heavy backpacks, eating well, drinking lots of water, getting enough rest and also staying active.

There is further information available at n8health.com.au or by searching “n8 health Backpack Back” on YouTube.

The team of chiropractors at n8 health offer complimentary assessments for your children’s backs and can educate them in the correct way to wear a backpack. To book in for your complimentary assessment call 5447 0557 or visit n8 health at 505 High St Golden Square.

HUNTLY NORTH EPSOM CRICKET CLUB JUNIOR REGISTRATION NIGHT FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST, 2013
At Strauch Reserve Huntly - 4.30pm to 6.00pm
For Under 9, 11, 13 and 15 year old age groups.
Registration Fees $60 (discount if paid on night)
For further information please contact Dallas on 0400 957 525

WHITE HILLS CRICKET CLUB JUNIOR REGISTRATION NIGHT FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST
Scott Street Oval Clubrooms 4pm-6pm
All age divisions. For more information contact Rob on 0439063348 or Tim 0409073798
FUNDRAISING INFORMATION

FATHER’S DAY STALL — FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST
Gifts for Dad from $1 to $10
Donations of new or handmade gifts appreciated and can be left at the office.
Samples of gifts will be on display in office.

We need 6 helpers from 9 – 11 to sell gifts.

YES I can help with the Father’s Day Stall
Name _________________________________

FATHER’S DAY RAFFLE
Tickets are being sent home with today’s newsletter.
50c per ticket /$5 book
Prizes include a knife block set & a handmade quilt made especially for a DAD.
The raffle will be drawn on Friday August 30th.

SOUP DAY – Thursday 29th August
Free Soup Day BYO own mug and bread.

We need 4 helpers from 1.30 – 2.15 to help serve soup

YES I can help with Soup Day
Name _________________________________

ELECTION DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Saturday 7th September
EPS is the polling booth for our area and we are in the process of organising a BBQ from 10am – 2pm.
Again we are looking for helpers. Please consider giving an hour of your time to help raise funds for our school.

This fundraiser will only go ahead if we have enough volunteers.
Fundraising Committee

PIONEER SETTLEMENT STORIES
Guess what? Yesterday we went on an excursion. Guess what one we went on? We went to Swan Hill to the Pioneer Settlement. We went on a bus and we had to be at school at 7:00am.
First we went in the multi to get our names marked off the roll. Second we went to the toilet if we needed to. After that we went to get our bags to get on the bus. There were two buses. Grade 5/6 went on a bus with Bree and Asher. We stopped at Kerang to have recess. That playground was big and I loved it very much. There was a big swing that fit like four or five people on it.
When we got there we first got off the bus and then I was in group 6. First we went to building, next we went to do come laundry. I washed a really big shirt.
By Georgia

PIONEER STORIES CONTINUED…..
On the bus we were going to the olden days. When we got to the park we stopped for playlunch and a play. When we got to the Pioneer Settlement I went to the Blacksmith first. Then at 10:30am we went to Rope Making. After that was Laundry.
By Caleb

At 10:00am we started to do building piglet pens out of wood blocks. It was half a metre and we all got put in the pig pen. Some people were acting like pigs. Everyone said they were going to put pigs in it but they were not going to because it had holes in it and it was not stable.
Next we did Butter Churning. The man opened the jar and it was all sloppy and mushy – it was gross. It was not ready so we had to keep churning it and churning it. Finally two minutes later it was done.
By Katie-Jade

On Wednesday Grade 3/4 and up went to the Pioneer Settlement. We had so much fun. My favourite thing was Blacksmithing. I made a nail out of steel. This is how I made it. First the Blacksmith got a piece of metal then he heated it up, then he put the metal into a thing that holds the metal tight. Then the Blacksmith rips the top off the metal then I hammered the top of the metal. then the Blacksmith pulls the nail out with bolt cutters. Then he puts it in the water and finally the nail is …. done! By Broden

ELECTION DAY BBQ VOLUNTEERS

I can help on Saturday 7th September……
10am-11am
1. ________________________________
2. ________________________________
3. ________________________________

11am-12noon
1. ________________________________
2. ________________________________
3. ________________________________

12pm-1pm
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1pm-2pm
1. ________________________________
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3. ________________________________

By Coad Family
By Cam McGibbon
By Doug Willie
By D’Arcy family
By Jake Saddlier
By Michelle Stone
By Broden