CALENDAR DATES

Term 2, 2016
Mon 20th June
Thurs 23rd June
Thurs 23rd June
Fri 24th June
Sat 2nd July

Term 3, 2016
Mon 11th July
Sat 16th July
Mon 18th July
Tues 19th July
Thurs 21st July
Tues 28th July
Thurs 28th July
Fri 29th July

Compass & Mid-Year Reports

On Tuesday you would have received a Parent Bulletin regarding Compass and the Mid-Year Reports. This is an important communication and I would urge you to read it closely. It is available on the school website, and also on your Compass ‘My News’ feed.

The most important message is that there will not be ‘hard copy’ Reports distributed this Semester. Student Reports will only be available through Compass. Additionally, the Parent/Teacher Discussions scheduled for July 18th & 19th can only be booked through Compass so all families will need to ensure they have their ID and Password and can log in and access the system.

If you need support in this process, please contact the Office.

I have also include here, an interesting YouTube link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8dQt5aTTTpC with Parent Educator Michael Grose speaking in regards to reading and responding to your child’s school report. Worth a look!
Essex Heights Values – Respect & Respectful Behaviour

Here at Essex Heights PS we talk about behaviour either being respectful or not respectful. We spend time at the beginning of the year unpacking what it means and revisit it continually through the year. I personally find respect to be one of the most important values we can hold. Respect for equipment, respect for each other, respect for diversity and respect for self.

A respectful child takes care of belongings and responsibilities, and a respectful child gets along with peers.

The most effective way to teach respect is to model respect. When a child experiences respect, they know what it feels like and begin to understand how important it is.

How can we show respect to our children?

- Be honest - If you do something wrong, admit it and apologize.
- Be positive - Don't embarrass, insult or make fun of your child. Compliment them.
- Be trusting - Let your child make choices and take responsibility.
- Be fair - Listen to your child's side of the story before reaching a conclusion.
- Be polite - Use "please" and "thank you". Knock before entering your child's room.
- Be reliable - Keep promises. Show your child that you mean what you say.
- Be a good listener - Give your child your full attention.

Children learn from everything we do.

Illness and Children at School

I have been having discussions with our School First Aid Officer, Julie Zuk. We have been concerned about some decisions made by parents recently and wish to share these with you.

As we approach the end of Term, with the onset of Winter, there is a noticeable increase in colds, coughs, stomach aches and vomiting. We request parents to please keep sick children at home to aid recovery and prevent spreading of germs to other children, staff and families. We are aware that this is at times inconvenient, but unfortunately a necessity.

If a child is sick overnight or before school, has a temperature with a cold/cough or is not well, please do not send them to school.

We would also encourage you to remind children about some general good hygiene measures such as
hand washing, use of tissues, Germbusters (an antibacterial hand wash provided in all classes) and encourage no sharing of food. Appropriate bedtimes and a healthy well balanced diet with fruit and vegetables will also assist in your child’s general good health.

**Essex Heights Carnival - Survey**

The PFA and School Council wish to discuss the possibility of future Carnivals for Essex Heights PS. They would like to seek community views on some key questions and would appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete a short Survey.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PC6K9VN

**Early Dismissal**

A reminder for parents that the children will be dismissed on the last day of Term, Friday June 24th at 2:30pm.

See you around the school,

Andrew

**Dear Parents,**

Take Home Reading Books will not be sent home from Friday 17th June.
We would really appreciate you looking at home for any Home Reading Books and returning them to your child’s class. We even welcome back books that may have been missing for a few years…no questions asked!

It’s important that your child still reads at home, so maybe you could borrow books from your local library or look on your own bookshelves for books that your child can read.

Thank you
The Literacy Support Team
**Sayembara Lisan: State-wide annual Indonesian Oral Competition**

*Best of luck to our students who will be competing in the Finals on *Saturday June 18*th.*

**Prep-2 Division:** William T, Aiden D, Nandita C, Jane L, Sienna B

**Years 3 and 4 Division:** Isabelle D, Bhuvi D, Malavika C, Alma Z, Ava H

**Years 5 and 6 Division:** Rebecca L, Caitlyn D, Ruby H, Kiska A, Chika Y

Do you have books that you can donate for schools in remote Indonesia?

If so, please bring them to the Sidney Myer Asia Centre - Melbourne University on 18 June 2016 (during the Sayembara Lisan Finals) and look for Berlina who will be at the desk.
Mobile: 0402933558. Email: buabvictoria@ppia-vic.org

If other families have books to donate, please pass on your donation to one of the students attending the Finals – thank you 😊

Terima kasih
Alex Douros (Bu Douros)
douros.alexandra.k@edumail.vic.gov.au
CANTEEN

**MONDAY**
10.00 a.m.
20th June
Jason Wang, John Pan

**WEDNESDAY**
10.15 a.m.
22nd June
Angela Millan

**FRIDAY**
10.15 a.m.
24th June
Richelle Mil, Sherry Li, Michelle Marazakis

If you are unable to help please ensure that you advise Maria as soon as possible.
DON'T FORGET –
Please report to Front Office to sign the Visitor’s Book and get a Visitor’s Label
BEFORE proceeding to the Canteen. Any queries phone Maria on 0409 934 573

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

Hi all

Please join us in the hall on Monday (20 June) from 9am for cake-kit packing. We’ll send the kits home next week, and hope that you’ll be able to bake something nice for our **Election Day Cake Stall and Sausage Sizzle**. Slices, cookies and whole cakes work well – but nothing that needs to be refrigerated please. And definitely no bought goods (we’re not allowed to sell it). Your goodies can be dropped to the school on the day before or on the morning of the election. More details in the notice.

If you can help on the day with selling baked goods and sausages, that would be terrific! Please let us know at ehpspfa@gmail.com.

Bye for now

Andrea J

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Indoor sports & kids’ parties
boxhillindoorsports.com.au
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Glen Waverley
Specialist Maths tuition and English tuition
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primaryskillstutoring@gmail.com

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www.ozskin.com
9081 0777

Ray White Mt Waverley
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courtney.matthews@raywhite.com

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lyn@subs4u.com.au

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NadiaKaczmarek@mcgrath.com.au

KazBarTupperware
Speak to Karyn
kazbartupperware@gmail.com
0423 343 867

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vidatennis.com.au
kane@vidatennis.com.au

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HELP NEEDED – PARENTS AND FRIENDS

10th June 2016

The Year 3 & 4 Team are working to set up and extend Learning Centres to support student learning and cater for individual needs, particularly in the area of literacy.

We would greatly appreciate volunteers who would be happy to come in for about an hour at a time on a regular basis. Training will be provided. Helpers could include parents, grandparents, neighbours, retired persons or friends of the School.

We would like your help with a number of tasks including:

- Creating and maintaining resources
- Supporting reading / home reading
- Working with small groups in literacy sessions
- Listening to individual students read

We would also appreciate your assistance with a number of tasks that can be undertaken if you would like to help but can’t commit to a regular time. If you feel that you could contribute to our new program, please fill in the slip below and return it through your classroom teacher. The school will then make contact with you.

Thanking you for your support.

Intervention Support Team
Pam Rowler Lena Papadatos Annegret Talman
Verity Bright Helen Broderick Felicity O’Flynn

I would like to help out with the Year 3 & 4 Learning Centres Program

Helper’s Name: ________________________ Child’s Name: ________________
_________ Class: _____
Area help offered in:
________________________________________________________________________

I am available at the following times:
____________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: _______________________

☐ I have a Working with Children Check. Please check with the Front Office for further information about the WWCC
Please collect the bins from driveway behind art room. Check the gate and if the gate is locked please use alternate gate. Please space the bins out for the driver. The bins need to go out Sunday night as collection times vary on the Monday morning. Alternatively they cannot go out on Sat as we may receive a fine or worse still the bins may fall over!!
Please see Marita Steward V7 after adding your name to the roster. The roster is kept at the Front Office.

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WHAT SCHOOL PARENTS MUST KNOW ABOUT GONSKI FUNDING.

WHAT IS GONSKI FUNDING?

- This needs-based funding for schools was recommended after an 18 month investigation by an expert panel headed by respected business leader David Gonski.
- The Federal and State Government signed an agreement to jointly provide Gonski funding to schools over a six year period starting in 2014.
- The funding is distributed according to student need and increases each year. It is only after six years of funding that all schools will have the right resources to meet the needs of every student.

YOU CAN REGISTER YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS FUNDING AT WWW.IGIVEAGONSKI.COM.AU

A MUM’S STORY.

My son struggled from Kindergarten to Year 2. He couldn’t get the basic concepts of reading and writing and got quite discouraged. He stopped engaging with the class and refused to do anything that was related to reading.

I didn’t know what to do. But fortunately the school used Gonski funding to create alternative learning classes for children who learn differently. My son received one-to-one support to make sure he was able to learn and to bring his confidence back. It is such a relief to know he is no longer falling behind.
A MESSAGE FROM TEACHERS ABOUT THE FEDERAL ELECTION.

GONSKI FUNDING HAS MADE A REAL DIFFERENCE TO THE EDUCATION OF OUR STUDENTS.
This needs-based funding has allowed us to improve teaching and learning across the school.
But the future of this funding is under threat and depends on the outcome of the federal election on July 2.

HOW WE HAVE USED GONSKI FUNDING SO FAR.
- Increased the number of students on special support programs
- Increased access to specialist help
- More professional learning for teachers

HOW WE PLAN TO USE FUTURE GONSKI FUNDING.
- Further improve English and Maths teaching at remedial and extension levels
- More programs that allow for individual attention and support
- Smaller class sizes

YOUR VOTE CAN HELP US KEEP GONSKI FUNDING.

NOT ALL POLITICAL PARTIES ARE COMMITTED TO DELIVERING THE FULL GONSKI FUNDING.
Please consider this when you decide how to vote on July 2.

LABOR
- Supports the full Gonski funding

LIBERAL AND NATIONAL PARTY
- Will cut Gonski funding after 2017

THE GREENS
- Supports the full Gonski funding
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