

CALENDAR

July

Mon 31 4CT University of Melbourne excursion

August

Tue 1 Prep Swimming Program

Tue 1 ICAS English

Fri 4 Prep 100 Days of School Celebration

Fri 4 Yrs 1 & 2 Swimming Program

Fri 4 JSC fundraiser: Jeans for Genes

Mon 7 Prep Melbourne Zoo excursion

Mon 7 - Thu 27 . Parent Opinion Survey

Tue 8 Prep Swimming Program

Wed 9 Prep 2018 Parent Evening 7pm

Thu 10 Yr 2 Werribee Park excursion

Fri 11 House Athletics

Fri 11 Yrs 1 & 2 Swimming Program

Mon 14-Thu 17 . Celebration Week

Tue 15 Prep Swimming Program

Tue 15 ICAS Maths

Thu 17 Indonesian Day

Fri 18 EHPS Student-free day

Sat 19-Sat 26 Book Week

Fri 25 Aladdin visit

Students do not attend school on public holidays or student-free days.

Whole School Assembly

Every Monday at 2.30pm in School Hall. *All welcome*

School Banking - every Tuesday.

SCHOOL TOURS

Fridays at 9.30am

Bookings essential - please call School Office

ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

are being accepted now—please submit as soon as possible.

COMPASS PARENT PORTAL

<https://essexheightsps-vic.compass.education>
or via the link on the school website

2017 Term Dates

Term 1: 30 January to 31 March*

Term 2: 18 April to 30 June

Term 3: 17 July to 22 September

Term 4: 9 October to 22 December

** 30 January is a state wide student free day.*

EHPS student free days: 31 January, 29 May and 18 August.

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*Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday
during school terms*



Andrew Crossett (1958 - 2017)

The Essex Heights Primary School Council, staff and school community mourn the passing of Andrew Crossett our highly valued Principal, respected leader and trusted friend. He will be greatly missed and our thoughts are with his wife Heather and family at this sad time.

A Memorial Book or paper and envelope for a private message are available in the School Office until Friday 4th August.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents and guardians,

Parent Opinion Survey 2017

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT YOU THINK.

This year we will again be conducting the Department of Education Parent Opinion Survey to find out what parents think of our school. It will be conducted between 7th and 27th August. About 30% of our school community will be selected at random and invited to participate in the survey.

This yearly survey is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement, and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

In 2017 ORIMA Research Pty Ltd will conduct the survey on line. The survey will be able to be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time. If selected, you will receive a letter inviting you to participate and it will include all the instructions required to successfully complete the 15 minute survey. Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential and that the survey is conducted anonymously.

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The online survey is available in English, Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha) and Hindi.

Survey language guides will also be provided in a range of languages including Albanian, Bengali, Burmese, Cantonese, Dari, Filipino, Greek, Gujarati, Indonesian, Japanese, Karen, Khmer, Korean, Macedonian, Malayalam, Pashto, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Serbian, Sinhalese, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Tamil, Telugu, Turkish or Urdu.

The survey results will be reported back to our school at the end of September. Survey results will be communicated to parents through the 2017 Annual Report.

If you have any queries please feel free to speak with me about it or visit:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/management/improvement/Pages/performsurveyparent.aspx> for further information.

We look forward to your feedback so that we can continue to make our school the best it can be for the benefit of all of our children.

Class visit 3C - Maths

This week I was fortunate enough to spend some time in 3C. Mr Cavill was working with the class on short division. The students discussed the features of the division process and could explain all the steps to successfully complete simple short division. During the next part of the lesson, the students were introduced to a game that reinforced their division skills. It also

involved some game strategies as well. As I walked around, it was great to see students really using their times table, using the correct mathematical language and all mastering the technique of short division. A few groups were actually working on more complex short division by using larger numbers. By the end of the class the students clearly showed that they had a strong understanding of short division. Well done 3C - your Maths rocks!!!! See you next time!



Permission Forms and Payment:

Year	Excursion & Due Date
Prep	Melbourne Zoo - 28 July
Year 1 ..	ACMI - 14 August
Year 2 ..	Werribee Park - 28 July



August

1st	Annie L
2nd	Rickson B Nikolas D
3rd	Nathan B Sara McF Zac B

Class visit 4CT - Data Modelling

As I mentioned last week, 4CT is working with Dr Peta White from Deakin University in an exciting 'Data Modelling' research project. This week all the students had to measure Ms Capsalis's arm span. All the student results were collected and will now form the basis for the next phase of their work next week. On Monday 31st July the class will go to

the University of Melbourne to discuss how this data can be represented. The students' conversations will form the basis of the research project. How they came to their conclusions, what they observed, and their final reasoning will all be important elements of the learning.

While children, in turn, completed their measurement activity it was great to see all the children working so diligently and successfully on their problem solving tasks. Well done 4CT, I look forward to learning more about your investigation in to measurement. Have fun at Melbourne University!!!



George Perini
Principal



ICAS English Tuesday 1st August
ICAS Maths Tuesday 15th August

If you registered your Year 3 to 6 child earlier in the year to participate in these assessments, please remind them of these date/s.

Student Free Day

Friday 18th August

Care available from 7am to 6pm
- contact Paul Davis

PREP 2018 PARENT EVENING - CHANGE OF DATE

The **Prep 2018 Parent Evening** has been postponed from Wednesday 2nd August to **Wednesday 9th August**. The evening is from 7pm to 8pm. The curriculum for the first years at school will be explained and the Prep classrooms visited. Please contact the Office if you will be attending.

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DATE!

TERM 3 SWIMMING PROGRAM - PREP TO YEAR 2

The school Swimming Program for Prep to Year 2 students has commenced. Please remember to send your child to school with their swimming gear on each of the following days:

- The [Prep program](#) is **Tuesdays** - 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th August, and 5th and 12th September.
- The [Years 1 and 2 program](#) is **Fridays** - 4th and 11th August and 1st, 8th, and 15th September, and **Wednesday** 20th September. (*note: no swimming on 18th or 25th August*).



Please continue encouraging your child to get themselves dry and dressed after a bath/shower. This gives them a confidence boost and is a big help in the dressing rooms after their swimming lesson. Also show them how to pack/fold their own clothes in a bag.



Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September

Place your Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers (stick them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet if you have one) in the Collection Box in the School Office.

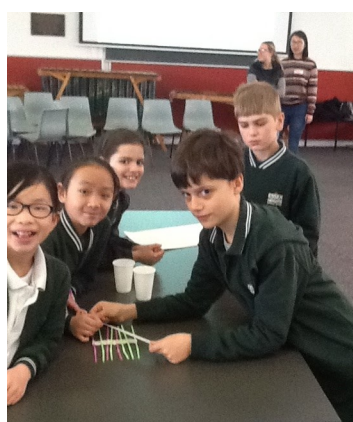
ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS - CONSTRUCTION WITH YEAR 4

Engineering students from Monash Uni visited our school on 19th July to expose our Year 4 students to what engineering is all about. Two of these students we were surprised to see are former Essex Heights students : Aaron Wu and Sandali Herath. It was a very interesting snapshot of what an engineer may be involved with in a third world country. The students had a limited budget and had to plan, purchase and construct a building that can withstand flooding. It was challenging for the students but they came up with some creative and practical ideas.



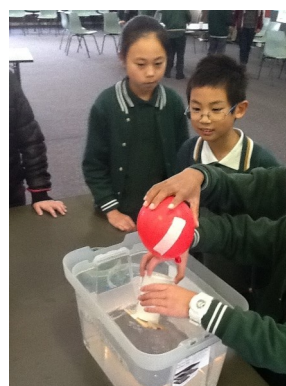
EWB was a really interesting and fun incursion where we had to plan, buy materials and build a house that can float on water in case of a flood. The design my team did was to use a plastic cup with popsicle sticks in the middle taped on the sides and extending on the right and left hand side.

Finley 4CT



EWB was a good experience because we had to build a house that can hold as many marbles as possible (people). We fit ten marbles before our construction started to sink in the water.

Reveka 4CT



We had fun making rafts and designing them. All the boats eventually sank with the maximum capacity of marbles (people). The maximum or highest of marbles that a raft could hold was 124 marbles.

Nick T and Tom S 4CT

EWB was a great experience to learn about how houses are built for flood areas. It is necessary to construct a house that can float and fit as many people as possible in a flood situation. I was in Group 5 and we constructed the best house because we could fit 124 marbles in the home before it sunk!

Alexei 4CT

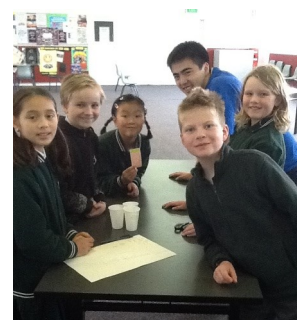
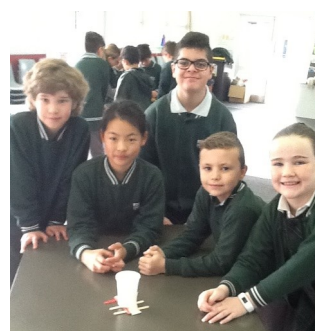


We used 3 plastic cups, 2 pieces of string and some sticky tape (20cm) to construct a house that could float on water evenly. We had to make sure the cups were evenly balanced to be able to hold many marbles (people). Our group had the most successful design as we fitted 124 marbles!! I feel that I would like to be an engineer because I like construction.

Julius 4CT

We had a problem with our house construction. There were too many gaps between the straws and I had a feeling this design would sink. Other member in the group did not think so, and we went along with the design, however it sank. We needed to tape up the ends of the straws so the air is trapped inside the straw so it will enable the house to float.

Ryan and Oliver 4CT



ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS - YEARS 5 & 6

Today we started our great day with a lesson called 'Engineers Without Borders'. Our topic was 'Safe structures'.

We started with them explaining what EWB was. I enjoyed this part because I learnt that there are six different jobs that engineers can do.

Adrian

Amber



Next we listened and discussed about natural disasters which included cyclones, tsunamis and hurricanes.

Caitlin

Now was the best thing of this program ...making a house that can hold, from the materials provided.

Ethan



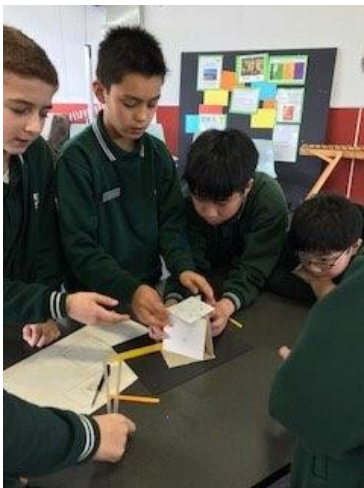
We had to build a house that could survive through a 'cyclone' and an 'earthquake'. It wasn't really a cyclone and an earthquake, it was created by humans.

Chika



Our tools and materials were as follows: five cardboard squares, two big popsicle sticks, two small popsicle sticks, 30cm tape, a little bit of blue tac and a pen.

Stephanie



RESULTS:

We built a house that looked pretty sturdy but...it totally collapsed.

Steph

Our house survived the cyclone but when they started to shake it, it fell apart so our house failed.

Hosanna

We built a triangular prism looking house pointing upwards. We survived both disasters and we had fun.

Justin

I really enjoyed working in a team and also how it was a hands-on activity.

Audrey

It was a very fun time.

Polly

I think that everyone had a gr eat day. Thank you E.W.B!

Sebastian



Bahasa Indonesia



'Hari Indonesia' – Indonesian Day Thursday 17th August

Just a reminder about our upcoming Indonesian Day!

Students from Prep to Year 6 will be involved in a full day program. Children are asked to dress in Indonesia's national colours (red and white clothes/accessories) or Indonesian clothes (Batik print).

Parents/grandparents/special friends are welcome to attend any of the sessions throughout the day.

Please refer to the schedule below.

Hari Indonesia - Timetable

Activity & Location	9.00-10.00am	10.00am-11.00am	Re-cess	11.30-12.30pm	12.30-1.30pm	Lunch	2.30-3.30pm
Sumatran Drumming & Dance' - Rhythm Hunters & Suara Dance Workshop/Whole School Performance (Hall)	Prep B, Prep ZB Prep M, Prep L 1J, 1P, 1G, 1D 2O, 2D	2LB, 2M 4CT, 4R 5/6 T, 5/6 G, 5/6 A		3ED, 3C, 3G 4G, 4O 5/6 M, 5/6 S	<i>Selected children attending rehearsal for concert(12.30-1.00).</i> (Tanya) 1.00pm Whole School Session - Rhythm Hunters performance.		2.30pm Whole School Session Jefry Yikwa: West Papua A West Papuan perspective: Talk and songs about Jefry's journey from West Papua to Australia.
Classroom Craft Activity (individual classrooms)	4G, 4O, 4CT, 4R 5/6T, 5/6G, 5/6A	3ED, 3C, 3G 5/6M, 5/6S		PB, PZB, PM, PL 1J, 1P, 1G, 1D 2O, 2D, 2LB, 2M,	12.30pm-1.00pm PB, PZB, PM, PL 1J, 1P, 1G, 1D 2O, 2D, 2LB, 2M, 3C, 3ED, 3G 4O, 4G, 4CT, 4R 5/6 T, 5/6 G, 5/6 A, 5/6M, 5/6S		(Hall)
Independence Day Games Classroom teachers to run throughout school (Ovals, Basketball Court, Two square courts, Stadium, Classrooms)	2LBB, 2M 3C, 3ED, 3G 5/6M, 5/6S	PB, PZB, PM, PL 1J, 1P, 1G, 1D 2O, 2D 4O, 4G		4CT, 4R 5/6 T, 5/6 G 5/6 A			

We look forward to a wonderful day!
Sarah Trebilcock (Bu Sarah)

PLEASE NOTE:

We won't be participating in the Kodály Junior Choir Festival on 4th August as previously advised.



Every year, every student from every school across Australia is invited to put pen to paper and enter their original song for a chance to win prize-money that can be allocated towards musical equipment and tuition, as part of the ACMF's annual National Songwriting Competition. Our annual National Songwriting Competition is a nationwide initiative designed to encourage creativity and self-expression through songwriting.

"Songwriting is a highly creative process. We want kids to free their imagination and engage with learning in a fun way" – Don Spencer, Founder & CEO.

Entries need to be submitted online: acmf.com.au

THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS

SPECTACULAR

2017 / ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE

We are proud and excited to have 16 of our students participating in the 2017 Victorian State Schools Spectacular: *Anything is Possible*.

This year's Spectacular will be held at Hisense Arena on **Saturday 16th September**, with two shows at 1pm and 6.30pm.

For a fun, family entertainment experience, and to cheer on our students from the audience, purchase tickets through Ticketek.

Essex Heights students will be closest to Door 1 (North West) so the seated Sections closest for purchasing tickets are: 19, 20, 46, 47, 49, 50, 68, 69, 70.





During Book Week, we are also encouraging the school community to **donate children's books to ROOP (Reading Out Of Poverty)**. Here is a little background on ROOP:



"...we are a Victorian not-for-profit focused on developing the early literacy skills of Melbourne's most disadvantaged children between the ages of 0 and 5, such as those coming from low socioeconomic environments, new migrant families or refugee and Indigenous backgrounds. We aim to help develop these children's reading and literacy skills so that they can succeed in education, allowing them to reach their full potential and positively contribute to their community and the world at large."

Book donations we receive are used to help source our popular pop-up library program, where children's book shelves are set up in waiting rooms and other areas that children and families regularly visit. They aim to encourage parents to read aloud to their child while visiting the centre, in order to promote reading and early literacy engagement. Children are also able to choose a book to take home and keep, in order to continue the practice at home. Our pop-up libraries present an opportunity to instil a love and habit for reading from an early age, and to do so for children who may otherwise not have access to such resources."

Ideally book donations should be suitable for children aged from 0 to 5 years, in good condition with no torn or ripped pages.

Donations will be collected throughout Book Week and any books being donation can be left in the labelled containers outside of Prep M (within the collaborative space).

This is a wonderful opportunity to look out with the gates of Essex Heights PS, in regards to literacy and more specifically, those less fortunate. And what a wonderfully tangible and fairly easy way for our school community to do so.

Aladdin is coming

We're looking forward to revealing the transformation of our Library. Here is a hint - 'All that glitters is gold ...'

You may have already guessed!! Preparations are beginning to get underway for our 'Aladdin' focus and visit during 'Book Week' on Friday 25th August.

We would love your help to support this exciting celebration by looking through your cupboards for any of the following items:

- Old beads/brooches or bracelets
- Old plates/cups or spoons to be sprayed gold
- Any Persian rugs
- Anything that glitters or is fake gold for our treasure chest
- Gold paper
- Blue/purple/gold or silver paper or material
- A genie lamp (yes I know, we all have one somewhere)
- Anything else that would be good for decorating!!

Please drop off any donations to the Office or to Carolyn in 3ED.

Thanks for your help!!



JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

Jeans for Genes Day - Friday 4th August

Please wear jeans to school and bring a gold coin donation to assist the research into childhood genetic disorders.



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MEDICAL
RESEARCH
INSTITUTE

Jeans for Genes®

Thank you,
Junior School Council

HEALTH CENTRE

Please read the link below from the Royal Children's Hospital in regards to coughs, as unfortunately they are a common occurrence, particularly at this time of the year.

If your child is unwell, vomiting or has a fever, please keep them at home, but please read this attachment in regards to coughs and when to get treatment for this.

http://www.rch.org.au/kidsinfo/fact_sheets/Cough/

Julie Zuk
First Aid Officer

SUSTAINABILITY TEAM



Recycling Bin Roster

Thank you to our volunteers who put the yellow lidded recycling bins out:

Sunday 6th August	McKindley family
Sunday 20th August	Volunteer required
Sunday 3rd September	Hoemann family
Sunday 17th September	Volunteer required

Volunteers for August, September and October are required. If you'd like to put your name on the roster, please call in to the Office.



Target Tarp Tuesday

Look how far we've come! This was our very first whole school clean up on Clean Up Schools Day ...



We began Term 3 with a Target Tarp Tuesday and we are so close to reaching our target!

Tips to reach the Target:

- Choose wrapper free foods.
- Always choose the correct bin for your waste.
- Never take wrappers outside.
- Dispose of your Quelch wrappers in the green wheelie bins.





THANK YOU - SECONDHAND UNIFORM STALL

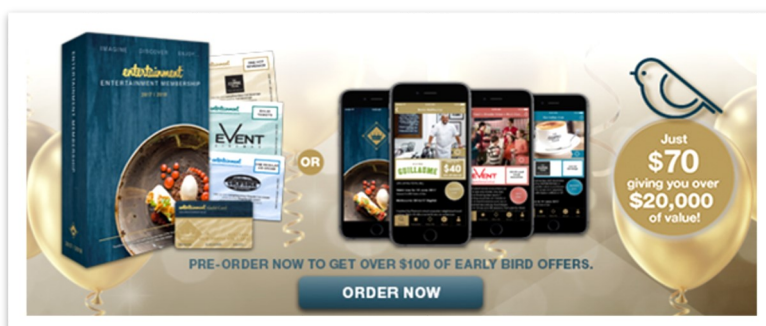
Thank you Jen, Raema, Mel, Sophie and Pauline for another successful Secondhand Uniform Stall that raised approximately \$300.

thank you!

Please keep the donations coming in!!
Donations can be made at any time; simply place your bag of pre loved items, marked "donations" in a lost property box or leave at the Office. Please remember to remove your child's name from the items, and please no "old" logo items or stained or torn items!

2017/2018 Entertainment Books

It's not too late to purchase a 2017/2018 Entertainment Book. Order NOW to start taking advantage of some great local dining offers, including Rossini's Pizzeria and Bistro, Nachos Mexican Cantina, Basilico, and Burwood Teppanyaki House, just to name a few. \$14 from each book sold goes to the School. Click on the image below to go to our webpage to order:



*Have a great week,
Andrea F*

MUNCH & CRUNCH CANTEEN

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday - lunch orders only.
No over the counter sales. 2017 menu available in the Office.**



Canteen Roster

Please remember to sign the Visitor's Register in the Office before coming to the Canteen.

Monday 31st July at 11.15am Alison Zheng

Wednesday 2nd August at 9.30am Karen Lam & Erica Baddeley

Friday 4th August at 10am James Douglas, Samantha Skuja & Cindy Chhit

If you are unable to do your rostered duty, please contact Maria as soon as possible.

If you have any queries, please call Maria on 0409 934 573.

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AFTER SCHOOL DANCE CLASSES

Classes are offered for Prep to Year 6 students in Term 3. Children will participate in a variety of warm up routines, create their own movements through activities and learn a choreographed dance to be performed at the end of the last session for family and friends.



After School Dance classes will run on **Tuesdays** (Prep to Year 2) and **Wednesdays** (Year 3 to 6). Lessons take place in the **Stadium**, starting at **3.40pm** and finishing at **4.25pm**. The Term 3 2017 After School Dance program dates are:

Prep to Year 2\$80 18th July to 5th September

Years 3 to 6\$80 19th July to 6th September

Payment is by cheque (made payable to "Creative Dance and Drama") or cash only. Registration forms can be collected from the School Office or found on the school website. Please bring your completed registration form and payment to the School Office.

Georgia Lombard

Creative Dance and Drama



ESSEX HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 3— MONSTER MULTI SPORTS

Kelly Sports is Australia's #1 provider of sports coaching for primary school students. For more than 15 years our programs have helped provide children the capability and confidence to develop a life long love of sports.



MONSTER MULTI SPORTS

Basketball/netball – touch football (rugby) – soccer – European handball

This program is a fantastic way to challenge and improve your child's motor and coordination skills. Our experienced coaches aim to develop and enhance the wide range of sporting skills of your child, including catching, kicking, and throwing, along with the benefits of playing team sports, all within a FUN and very SAFE environment..

WHEN: Monday
COMMENCING: 24th July
CONCLUDING: 18th Sept.
TIME: 3.40pm – 4.40pm
YEAR LEVELS: Prep – Gr. 6
COST: \$108
(9 weeks)



Contact Philip on 0408 379 543 to arrange a free trial lesson

Book online www.kellysports.com.au

Search for 'Essex Heights Primary School' or postcode 3149

Enquiries to Philip on 0408 379 543 or philip@kellysports.com.au

Collect a Kelly Sports registration form for Term 3 from the EHPS School Office.

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ebjfc.auskick@gmail.com

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GCM ABACUS METHOD



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An amazing program is now available to interested parents with children from Aged 5 to Year 6 where students can learn mental and manual arithmetic with abacus. This is a "Whole Brain Development" program with a proven concept that can improve arithmetic skills and also enhances the mental abilities like concentration, observation, visualization, imagination and memory.

Venues : Glen Waverley, Mt. Waverley & Ferntree Gully
Time : After School Hrs & Saturday

To assess suitability of the course for your child, please contact Choon at GCM Abacus Method for a **Trial Lesson** :-

Mobile: 0431 616 364

After hours: 03-97580731

Email : gcm.abacus@yahoo.com.au



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- Equip teens to handle life's problems

To find out more: <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentingteens/project/online>

Email: parentingteens@uq.edu.au



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CHAMPS PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

For children aged 8 - 12 years who have a parent with mental health issues, including children who do not live with their parents.

The program aims to give children opportunities to

- meet others in similar circumstances,
- receive information and support
- learn about healthy coping strategies
- share food together

In a fun and supportive environment

We include sessions for parents/carers and welcome input from families.



Where: Batesford Community Hub
94 Batesford Rd Chadstone

When: Weekly for 8 weeks
Thursday 3rd August – Thursday 21st September
4.00-5.30pm

Cost: No cost to attend!

The group will be facilitated by staff from Eastern Health and Wellways with support from the FaPMI (Families and Parents where there is a Mental Illness) Program, Eastern Health Mental Health Program.

If you would like to find out more please contact Bronwyn Sanders – FaPMI Programs Coordinator on 9871 3964 or 0408 291 580.

