

CALENDAR

May

Tue 9–Thu 11 NAPLAN
 Thu 11 Mother's Day Breakfast
 Thu 11 School Council
 Fri 12 Yr 6 Application for Yr 7 Placement due
 Fri 12 Mother's Day Stall
 Sat 13 Sayembara Lisan Indonesian Oral Competition
 Wed 17 Secondhand Uniform Sale
 Thu 18 Harmony Day celebration
 Wed 24–Fri 26 ... Yr 5 Camp - Sovereign Hill
 Mon 29 EHPS Student free day
 Tue 30 ICAS Science

June

Mon 5 Piano & Keyboard Concert
 Mon 12 Queen's Birthday public holiday
 Thu 15 Strings Concert
 Mon 19 Brass & Woodwind Concert
 Wed 21 Guitar Concert
 Mon 26 Percussion Concert

August

Tue 1 ICAS English
 Fri 11 House Athletics
 Tue 15 ICAS Maths
 Fri 18 EHPS Student free day

Students do not attend school on public holidays.

Whole School Assembly

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

SCHOOL TOURS

Thursdays & Fridays at 9.30am
Bookings essential – please call School Office

ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

are being accepted now—please submit by the end of Term 2.

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents and guardians,

Fun Run

Yesterday the annual Fun Run was conducted. The whole school gathered on or near the council oval for an hour of great physical activity and fun. Warm up activities, eager runners, lap counting and precise timing were all the order of the day. It was great to see so many children really striving to complete as many laps as possible. We were blessed with beautiful weather and favourable conditions on the oval. All had a great afternoon. Thanks to Ben Wooster for his amazing organisation of the whole afternoon. Also special thanks again to the PFA for supporting the Fun Run with fruit for all participants.



NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy And Numeracy (NAPLAN) involves students in Years 3 and 5 from all states and territories in Australia. NAPLAN testing will take place on *Tuesday 9th May, Wednesday 10th May and Thursday 11th May*. Students will be assessed on their skills in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, punctuation and grammar) and numeracy. These national test results provide information on how your child is progressing and performing in the key areas of literacy and numeracy and help to support improvements in teaching to benefit your child.

Parents can support their children to be ready to participate in these assessment tasks by facilitating a smooth, calm start to each day. Simple tasks such as ensuring that your child has breakfast before coming and that children arrive to school on time can make a big difference. Two correct answers can be the difference between medium growth and high growth, so a good start to the day and plenty of sleep throughout the week can be enough to help your child achieve their best.

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School Tours & 2018 Enrolment

Every Friday and soon on Thursdays as well, I am conducting school tours for prospective families to join us in 2018 and beyond. If you have children who will be starting Prep at Essex Heights in 2018, please collect an enrolment pack at the Office and submit it by the end of this term (30th June). This will enable us to begin planning for next year.

Student Supervision

I would like to remind all parents that the yard is not supervised by staff before 8.45am. This means that children **should not** be dropped off at school before 8.30am in the morning. If you need to leave the children before that time then they should be booked into the Before School Care program and you can make that booking with Paul Davis by ringing 9807 2615. Likewise, the yard after school is supervised until 3.45pm. Therefore, if you will be later than that your children should also be booked into After School Care.

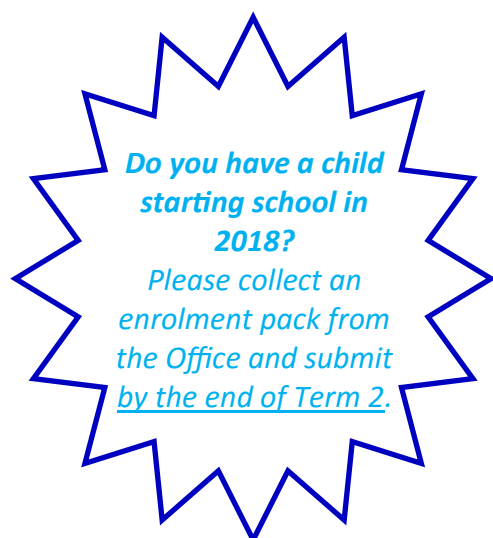
I look forward to seeing you around the school.

George Perini
Principal

YEAR 6 TO YEAR 7 TRANSITION

Year 6 to Year 7 transition documentation has been sent home with each Year 6 student. The **Application for Year 7 Placement 2018** form must be returned by Friday 12th May to your class teacher or at the Office.

Parents/carers will receive a letter from EHPS advising which school is offering Year 7 enrolment to your child on Wednesday 9th August.



Student Free Day

Monday 29th May

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



May

4th Oliver B
Dilara H
6th Ryan N
Evelyn L
7th Nicholas T
8th Hayden L
..... Sienna L
9th Jeremy C
10th Joanne C
Bridie O
Reiya L
Ethan L





THE INDONESIAN MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL OF VICTORIA 2017

Organised by Indonesian Women's Friendship Network

When & where :
Friday, 26 May 2017
1 PM - 8 PM
Menzies Hall, 41 Menzies Avenue Dandenong 3175



Time table:

10.00. AM - 01.00. PM	Preparing & set up
01.00. PM - 01.15. PM	Event open to public & opening
01.15. PM - 02.00. PM	Dress parade
02.00. PM - 02.30. PM	Fashion Show
02.30. PM - 08.00. PM	Cultural Concert
08.00. PM - 09.00. PM	Closing, cleaning & pack up.

Program and activities:

- Multicultural Food, Traditional Indonesian Food & Drinks Stalls
- Non-Food, Business & Community stalls
- Live Music & Dance Entertainment
- Workshops and much more



Contact Us:
Nika 0412 476 998
Lisda 0423 065 497
Email: info.iwfn@gmail.com

Free event. Booking are essential.

Everyone is welcome, hope to see you there.



SCHOOL BANKING

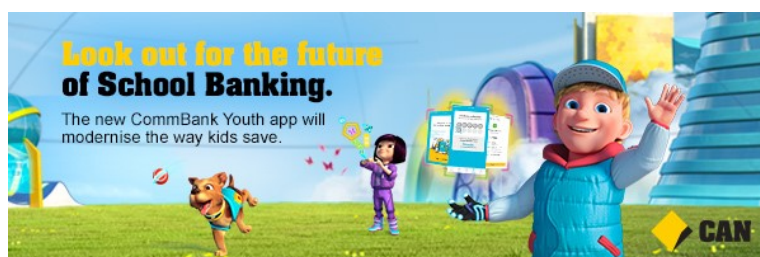
School Banking day at EHPS is Tuesday



Thanks to the fantastic efforts of our students we have raised **\$1,048.12** for our school through School Banking commissions in **Term 1**. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

Keep up the great work and remember, School Banking day is every **Tuesday**.

Angela Millan
School Banking Coordinator



Enhancing School Banking with the CommBank Youth app.

The CommBank Youth app, an innovative digital banking tool to help teach Australian children real-life money skills in an increasingly digital world. The CommBank Youth app provides a hands-on experience, teaching your child to earn, save and spend their money responsibly.

With the CommBank Youth app, your child can:

- Check the balance of their Youthsaver account
- View School Banking deposits in their transaction history
- Track the number of Dollarmites tokens they collect
- Set up savings goals and track progress
- Create a list of chores/jobs they can do to earn pocket money.

Along with other exciting features, including parental controls, it's now available to download on the **App Store**. For more information visit commbank.com.au/school-banking.

VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE



Once again students from across Victoria have a chance to take part in the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge (VPRC) in 2017. The students of Essex Heights have been participating in this since it began and we see it as a means of promoting the importance of reading among students in our school. This year the Victorian Government is encouraging families and parents to be more involved with supporting children's reading, in and beyond school.

Successful Challengers receive a Certificate in Term 4. For your child to be awarded the certificate, you will need to sign the permission form. There is no charge for the certificate. Student's names will also be published in an edition of the Sunday Age if you give permission.

Let's keep up the Essex Heights tradition of being ambassadors for the VPRC in 2017. The [permission & consent form](#) and a [letter from the Premier](#), The Hon Daniel Andrews MP, promoting not only the Premier's Reading Challenge but also the benefits of instilling a love of reading in your child was sent to families via Compass.



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 8th May at 11.15am Angela Barwick

Wednesday 10th May at 9.30am Fiona Matera & Samantha Harris

Friday 12th May at 10am Natalie Murphy & Katy Smith

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.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Before School Care: 7.00am to 8.45am Monday to Friday

After School Care: 3.30pm to 6.00pm Monday to Friday

Vacation/Holiday Care & Student-Free (Curriculum) Day: 7.00am to 6.00pm

Care will be available on the upcoming Student Free Day on Monday 29th May. Enrolment forms for the day will be out on next Monday.

Activities planned for next week are:

Monday - Dress Up Fantasy

Tuesday - Dance and Drama

Wednesday - Decorate your wallet/ mobile phone

Thursday - Lego Robotics

Friday - Wallet decorating



This term we will start cooking workshops. If you have any recipes you would like to share bring them in as we are always looking for new ideas.

Thank you
Paul Davis
Coordinator



Fun Run

Thank you to everyone that helped with the Fun Run and well done to all the kids that participated. Please remember to return any sponsorship money by Friday 19th May.

Mother's Day Breakfast

Mums and Special Friends we hope that you can join us for the Mother's Day Breakfast on **Thursday 11th May from 7.30am to 8.30am**. We have some great door prizes to give away (drawn at 8am) and a selection of sweet and savoury treats, along with a cup of coffee or tea, for you to enjoy with your children. More details in the notice going home.

Any Dads/Friends that are able to assist with set up, please arrive at the hall between 6.30am and 7am.



Mother's Day Stall

The Mother's Day Stall will be held on **Friday 12th May between 9am and 2pm**. Please see the notice for more information. If you can help on the stall, please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C084AADA829A2FF2-mothers1.



SECONDHAND UNIFORM STALL

Wednesday 17th May in the Stadium from 3pm to 3.45pm

Helpers needed from 2.30pm. Donations can be left at the Office or in the lost property boxes. Please mark the bag "donations".

Remove your child's name from the items and no "old" logo items or stained or torn items please!

Entertainment Books

Support our School by buying the NEW [2017 | 2018 Entertainment Membership](#) for your Mum, other family members, or even spoil yourself this Mother's Day. Entertainment Memberships are filled with hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you'll be helping our fundraising at the same time!



Have a great week,
Andrea F

MENTAL HEALTH IN FOCUS

Are hard times, stress and mental illness stopping you from living a full and happy life?

Are you supporting someone with a mental health issue?

Concerned about mental health in your community?

Confused about getting support through NDIS?

If so, one of our free workshops are for you! These workshops are being offered through a partnership project increasing understanding and support around mental health in the City of Monash.

Why should you go?

- Trained facilitators have real life personal experience of a mental health issue - they know what they're talking about and have "been through it".
- Connect with others in a similar situation and relieve your stress and isolation if you're a carer or family member.
- Fun, safe and interactive.
- Free.
- Light refreshments are provided at selected sessions.

Places are strictly limited so register now!

Building A Future

Support for families of someone experiencing mental health issues

Saturday 6th and 13th May from 10am to 1pm at Amaroo Neighbourhood House, Chadstone

NDIS & Mental Health Information Forum

Information for anyone wanting to understand NDIS and mental health.

Tuesday 23rd May from 6.30pm to 8pm at Batesford Hub, Chadstone

Building a Future

For families of someone experiencing mental health issues

Starting Saturday 22nd July from 10am to 1pm, eight weekly sessions and four (three hour) follow-up sessions

Link Health & Community, Glen Waverley

To register or for more information, please email: community@ppha.org.au (provide your name, best contact phone number and email address), call 9536 7856 or go to <https://www.wellways.org>

Additional information and workshop information can also be found on the [City of Monash website](#).



CHESS CLUB



The Term 2 Chess Club commenced on Wednesday 26th April and will run until Wednesday 28th June. Classes run from 3.40pm to 4.40pm. Lessons cost \$12.50 per lesson (full Term 2 tuition - ten lessons - is \$125.00). The [registration form](#) can be collected from the School Office or accessed on the school website.

Chess Club is run by Chess Ideas. To register, or if you have any enquiries, please go to their website (www.chessideas.com.au) or contact them on 9532 8370.

DANCE CLASSES

Dance classes will be offered for Prep to Year 5 students in Term 2. 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.

LUNCHTIME DANCE will run for students in Years 1 to 4. Lessons are 30 minutes long and will run from Wednesday 3rd May until Wednesday 7th June. Maximum of 30 students. \$40 per child for the six lessons.

AFTER SCHOOL DANCE classes will run on **Tuesdays** (Prep to Year 2) and **Wednesdays** (Year 3 to 5). Lessons take place in the **Stadium**, starting at **3.40pm** and finishing at **4.25pm**. The Term 2 2017 After School Dance program dates are:

Prep to Year 2	\$90	2nd May to 27th June
Years 3 to 5	\$90	3rd May to 28th June

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

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Products & services advertised in Contact are placed on a paid basis and are not necessarily being promoted by Essex Heights Primary School.



KARATE

**Sport
Fitness
Confidence
Self Defence
Discipline
Fun
Friendship**

Karate Classes

Free Uniform—Book in Early!!

Bookings available for term 2, 2017

THURSDAYS:
ESSEX HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL
 ESSEX ROAD, MOUNT WAVERLEY
 JUNIORS: 7 TO 13 YEARS: 6:30PM TO 7:45PM
 TEENAGERS & ADULTS: 6:30PM TO 8:15PM

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TUESDAYS:	THURSDAYS Also at:	WEDNESDAYS:	FRIDAYS:
Templeton Prim. School Crestdale Rd. Wanlima	St Timothy's Prim. School 23 Stevens Road Forest Hill	Beverley Hills Prim. School Chr Rosella & Cassowary St East Doncaster	St Leonards Prim. School 349 Springvale Road Glen Waverley

First Class is Free - Phone 9887 4098



Essex Heights Juniors

Early Learning Centre & Kindergarten

20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Reunion & Open Day

Essex Heights Juniors are celebrating their 20 Year Anniversary of quality education and care.

To commemorate this special occasion we would like to invite past staff, children and families to join us for afternoon tea and a chance to reminisce and re-visit the special place where memories were formed.

Date: Sunday 7th May

Time: 2–4 pm

Place: Essex Heights Juniors

102 Huntingdale Road,

Mt. Waverley

RSVP: 9888 8447

**General public
welcome to
join us.**




Join the adventure!

We currently have vacancies in local **Joey Scout** groups for 6 year olds and younger 7 year olds (girls and boys)!

2nd/7th West Waverley
Jamboree Ln (off Salisbury Rd), Ashwood
Monday 6:30 – 7:30pm
chrisomeara8@gmail.com

1st Mount Waverley
Corner Orchard St and Cherry St, Glen Waverley
Monday 5:30 – 6:30pm
1stmountwaverleyjoeys@gmail.com

1st West Waverley
Fairway Avenue, Mount Waverley
Tuesday 5:45 – 6:45pm
1stwestwaverleyjoeys@gmail.com
(also accepting 5 year olds!!!)

Waverley Valley
Valley Reserve, Wills Ave, Mount Waverley
Wednesday 6:00 – 7:00 pm
wv.groupleader@gmail.com

There are also limited vacancies for older Scouts (age 8+) in some groups, contact Scouts Victoria on 1800 SCOUTS to enquire.

join.scoutsvictoria.com.au