

CALENDAR

June

Mon 10	.....	Queen's Birthday public holiday
Tue 11	.....	Yr 3 Author & Illustrator incursion
Tue 11	.....	Piano & Keyboard Concert
Wed 12	.....	PD & PM Science Morning
Wed 12	.....	Strings & Harp Concert
Thu 13	.....	PB & PZB Science Morning
Fri 14	.....	Yr 2 Learning Walk
Fri 14	.....	Yrs 5&6 Winter Inter School Sport
Mon 17	.....	Percussion & Ukulele Concert
Tue 18	.....	Region Cross Country
Tue 18	.....	Yr 1 Minibeast Mania Day
Wed 19	.....	Prep Responsible Pet Education Program incursion
Wed 19	.....	Guitar & Contemporary Band Concert
Fri 21	.....	Yrs 5&6 Winter Inter School Sport Finals
Mon 24	.....	Yrs 5&6 Developing Youth Attitudes incursion
Mon 24	.....	Brass & Woodwind Concert
Tue 25	.....	Yr 4 Polly Woodside & Cook's Cottage excursion
Thu 27	.....	Prep Cultural Day
Thu 27	.....	Yr 3 Engineers Without Borders incursion
Fri 28	.....	Term 2 ends - 2.30pm dismissal

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

School Assembly

Every Monday at 2.40pm in the Stadium. *All welcome.*

School Banking - every Tuesday.

School Tours

for 2019 or 2020 entry - Thursday & Friday at 9.30am. Bookings essential.

Enrolment

Enrol for entry in 2020. Lodge documentation at the Office between 9.30am and 2.30pm Monday to Friday.

2019 Term Dates

Term 1: 29 January* to 5 April

Term 2: 23 April to 28 June

Term 3: 15 July to 20 September

Term 4: 7 October to 20 December

* 29 January is a state wide student free day.

EHPS student-free days: 30 January, 22 May, and 2 August



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PRINCIPAL TEAM REPORT

Dear parents and friends of our Essex Heights community,

This week our Principal Team has been fortunate enough to have the opportunity to attend the 2019 Education State School Leadership Conference, *'Leading Learning for Excellence'*.

The conference brings together leaders from all parts of the state to expand the opportunities for learning, strengthening collaboration, and networking. This year's theme *'Leading Learning for Excellence'* focuses on achieving optimal outcomes for every student, in every school, regardless of their background or circumstance.

The conference is a valuable opportunity for our leadership team to explore and understand the evidence, strategies and resources that we can bring back to discuss and apply in our school. With a strong focus on the Framework for Improving Student Outcomes priority areas, the conference brings together a diverse group of global and local expert practitioners to expand learning and development opportunities.

Several workshops, panel discussions, and reflective sessions we are participating in include: 'Student voice, agency and leadership', 'Parent engagement and leadership', 'Supporting all students to strive for their potential' and 'Visible learning'.

As always, we would like to thank all our wonderful Essex Heights Primary School staff for their good energy, leadership, guidance and support this week with our school community while we have attended the conference.



Eid Mubarak! Essex Heights wish all our Muslim families a happy Eid-al-Fitr.

Enjoy the long weekend.

George, Ina, Carolyn and Ben

The Principal Team

Public Holiday

MONDAY

10th June

Queen's Birthday public holiday

No students at school





June

8th	Bowen P Camryn R
9th	Kirin S
10th	Emmeline R Robert C John C
11th	Sharon K
13th	Lukas B

This week's information in your Compass News Feed:



Year/Group	Compass News Feed
Prep	Plates and Tupperware
Year 1	Reminder: Excursion Tomorrow Additional Excursion Information
Year 2	Year 2 friendly reminders Year 2 Learning Walk
Years 5 & 6	Winter ISS Basketball Venue Update Winter ISS location details - Friday 7th June
Whole School	Creating healthy digital habits for kids

Compass Events:

Year/Group	Notice/Activity and Payment & Consent Due Date
Year 4	Polly Woodside Cooks Cottage - 7th June

Assembly

There will be no Assembly on Monday due to the Queen's Birthday public holiday; the school is closed on this day and students do not attend school.

Policies Updated

The following policies have been updated by School Council and are now accessible on the school website:

- Anaphylaxis, including Appendices (Risk Management Checklist, Communication Plan, and Suggested strategies to avoid allergens)
- Asthma
- Casual Relief Teachers
- Commitment to Child Safe, Child Safe, and Child Safe Code of Conduct
- Health care needs
- Junior School Council
- Photographing, filming and recording students
- Social media
- Yard duty supervision

Family Statements

Family statements have been issued by email to all families with outstanding charges this week. It is preferred that outstanding changes be paid using Compass Pay or BPay (details on your statement). If these payment options are not possible, please come to the Office to pay by credit card/Eftpos using MasterCard or Visa (minimum transaction \$20), cheque (payable to Essex Heights Primary School), or cash (correct amount as no change is held in the Office). Please note that Instrumental Music charges are only payable by BPay or at the Office. Please finalise all outstanding charges before the end of term. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact our Business Manager, Barbara McCann, to discuss payment options.

Earn & Learn



If your family shops at Woolworths, please collect the Earn & Learn stickers earned, and stick them onto a sticker sheet. When the sheet is full, drop it off in the boxes in our Office reception by 25th June.

Sticker sheets are available at the Office.

Mathematics Garden Grant: People's Choice Award



Your help and support are needed! Our school has won a \$2000 grant from Bank First for our Mathematics Garden. We'd now like to win the 'People's Choice Award', so we need your support, and ask you to spread the word - ask your neighbour, butcher, long lost cousin, etc. We have until next Friday, 14th June, to vote for our school - [CLICK HERE](#) to vote. Thank you, and fingers crossed we win another \$1000!



Jenny Austin

ArtSEL

Managing Learning Challenges

In ArtSEL this week, we have learnt about using our Calming-Down Steps in different situations to help us be better learners.

There are many opportunities to practice your calming-down skills at school. You may have a strong feeling when you have to wait, or when you make a mistake, or when you have trouble finishing a difficult task. These are perfect moments to practice using your stop signal, naming your feeling, and calming down. When staff and students at our school calm down our emotions, it helps us all learn.



Nikki Olsen

parenting * ideas

"Schools are at their dynamic best when teachers and parents work hand-in-hand together" **Michael Grose**

Our school has a membership with Parenting Ideas, one of Australia's most trusted sources of parenting education and support. Through this membership, you receive regular Insights articles and you can attend all of their webinars for parents in 2019 at no cost (a saving of \$37)! Insights articles and webinar information, including the discount voucher, are provided to you on your Compass News Feed.

New *Insights* article:

- ★ Creating healthy digital habits for kids.

Webinars:

- ★ *Teach girls to build each other up* – available until 29th June. [CLICK HERE](#) and refer to your Compass News Feed for your voucher coupon with the discount code.
- ★ *Managing your child's anxiety* – Tuesday 25th June at 8pm. To register for this webinar and redeem your voucher:
 1. Click on the link provided in the message in your Compass News Feed, or [CLICK HERE](#).
 2. Click 'Add to cart'.
 3. Click 'View cart'.
 4. Enter the voucher code on the voucher attached to the message in your Compass News Feed, and click 'Apply Coupon'. Your discount of \$37 will be applied to the order. This voucher is valid until 25th July 2019.
 5. Click 'Proceed to checkout'.
 6. Fill in your account details. These are the details you will use to login to your account.
 7. Click 'Place Order'.

For more *Insights* articles, the 2019 webinar series, and more Parenting Ideas information and resources - [CLICK HERE](#).

Prep 2020 Enrolment

Enrolments for **Prep 2020** entry were **due last Friday, 31st May**. If you, friends, family or neighbours, have a child due to start school in 2020 (born on or before 30th April 2015), please collect enrolment forms from the Office. Enrolment documentation can be lodged at our Office between 9.30am and 2.30pm Monday to Friday.

Prospective families are invited to attend a school tour. Tours are held on Thursdays and Fridays at 9.30am. Bookings are essential - please contact the Office on 9807 4944.



Health Centre



Now that the wet and cold weather has arrived and brought the puddles and mud, sometimes children need to borrow spare clothes from the Health Centre.

These are donated clothes which I keep a supply of with the assistance of the PFA.

If your child comes home with these clothes on, please could you wash and return to the Office, or give to your child to return to the Health Centre.

This allows the service to continue for all.



Julie Zuk
First Aid Officer

Prep - Plates & Tupperware

As advised via Compass, we have many plastic plates and containers that have not been collected after the Prep Teddy Bears' Picnic. If you sent food along last Wednesday in a container, please come and collect your plate or container from the table in the Eucalyptus collaborative space.

Family Science Games Nights

Deakin University is hosting three Family Science Games Nights during National Science Week. Come along to an exciting evening playing science board games. Have fun with family and friends and learn some science.

Each Deakin University campus will be hosting a Family Science Games night where families can play a range of science educational board games.

Collect groups of animals in Go Extinct and learn about classification; learn about the body while trying and kill family members in Organ Attack; and build a killer virus with Virulence. A variety of board games suitable from early childhood to adult will be available to play.

Events will be run by Deakin University science education academics and students who are experienced in playing games for learning. Information about resources that enable families to continue play or create science games will be available on the night.

All Family Science Games Nights will run from 6pm to 8.30pm on Thursday 15th August.

Attendance is FREE but spaces are limited, so please register through Eventbrite to secure your place - [CLICK HERE](#).



Mulgrave Division Cross Country



On Wednesday 5th June, 11 Essex Heights students participated in the Monash Waverley Division Cross Country Competition at Jells Park. Congratulations to Kayla S, Josh H, Edward C, Rihan R, Michael M, Thomas C, Jack F, Emma C, Shibei H, Celeste V and Mitchell L for progressing to this level. These students were met with tough competition, racing against the best runners from the surrounding Districts. All students displayed excellent sportsmanship and endurance leading up to this event and in competition.

Congratulations to Kayla S who placed 2nd in the Girls 12/13 year event, and Mitchell L finishing 6th in the Boys 9/10 year event. Kayla and Mitchell have now been invited to compete at the Eastern Metropolitan Region Cross Country Competition at Yarra Glen on Tuesday 18th June. We wish these athletes well as they continue to train in the lead up to this event.

Congratulations to Eddie who finished 3rd in the 12/13 year Multi-Class 2km race. As Eddie is not yet registered as a Multi-class athlete, he will not be progressing to Region this time, however we look forward to investigating the process of classification for Eddie, and other Essex Heights students who may be eligible. Thank you to Josh H and Kayla S for running alongside Eddie C in his race. For information on Multi-class athletes, please see Elisha Cotterell in the Stadium.



Thank you also to Marita Steward and the many parents, family and friends who supported the Essex Heights students on Wednesday.



Years 5 & 6 Winter Inter-School Sport



Years 5 and 6 students are currently participating in the Mulgrave District Winter season of Inter-School Sport. Round 3 was played against Mt Scopus last Friday, 31st May, in wet and cold conditions. Round 4 against Glendal PS was held today, Friday 7th June, in lovely Winter sunshine. Round 5 against Mount Waverley PS will be played next Friday, 14th June; details, including venues, will be advised via Compass. Finals (for qualifying teams only) will be on Friday 21st June.

Elisha Cotterell

Years 5 & 6 Developing Youth Attitudes Incursion



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On Monday 24th June, Years 5 and 6 students will participate in a Developing Youth Attitudes incursion on Graffiti Prevention and Life Skills. The presentations align with curriculum learning areas and address the following:

- The prevention of graffiti crime and anti-social behaviours through life skills education
- Incorporating strong themes of respect, self-esteem, responsibility and managing peer influence
- Encouraging a sense of community and civic pride
- Demonstrating how negative personal choices can impact others and the community

This incursion is fully funded by the Monash City Council.

Monash Music Battle



MONASH MUSIC BATTLE '19
A QUIKSOUND PRODUCTIONS EVENT

BBQ & Canteen
FREE Photo Booth

PERFORMANCES BY:
David Ritlewski
Sam Vander Reest
April
JamHaus
Maree Tsotsos
Seb Szabo
Victoria Nikolaou
The Bread Winners
IV Dante

FRIDAY 14 JUNE
6PM-10PM

MOUNT WAVERLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE
47 MILLER CRESENT, MOUNT WAVERLEY

ENTRY: GOLD COIN DONATION
For more info contact Monash Youth Services on 9518 3900 or visit monashyouth.org.au.
This event is drug, alcohol & smoke free. No pass outs. All ages. Fully supervised.

Logos: freeza, VICTORIA, QUIKSOUND, MONASH YOUTH SERVICES, Rotary, CITY OF MONASH

The Monash Music Battle is here and we hope you are just as excited as we are! We are so proud to have a past student competing, as well as a past student as one of the judges – way to go Essex Heights!

Performers will be competing on Friday 14th June from 6pm to 10pm at the Mount Waverley Community Centre. Please head along and support our past students and enjoy the great music.

Tickets are a gold coin donation and the audience will be voting on the night for a special audience choice prize! So bring along your friends for a night of good local music, BBQ and a photo booth, we hope to see you there!

Tanya Dolence

Instrumental Music Program Mid Year Concerts



This year our instrumental music program has continued to grow. About 200 students learn an instrument under the excellent instruction of our amazing music teachers. The mid year concerts are a good opportunity for parents and friends to see the progress the children have made in learning their instruments. It also gives the children an excellent opportunity to perform in public.

You are welcome to attend the mid year concerts:

Tuesday 11th June **Keyboard and Year 1 students Piano** from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the Hall.

Years 2 to 6 students Piano from 7.45pm in the Hall.

Wednesday 12th June **Strings and Harp** at 7pm at St Faith's Anglican Church, 4 Charles Street, Glen Iris.

Monday 17th June **Percussion and Ukulele** from 7pm to 9pm in the Hall.

Wednesday 19th June **Guitar and Contemporary Band** from 7pm to 9pm in the Banksia & Violet Collaborative Spaces.

Monday 24th June **Brass and Woodwind** from 7pm to 9pm in the Hall.

THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS

SPECTACULAR



We are proud and excited to have some of our students participating in the 2019 Victorian State Schools Spectacular. The Spectacular brings together government school communities from across Victoria. This year's theme is *Made of Stars*.

Essex Heights students will be performing in the mass dance group in Quadrant 2. It has been suggested to purchase tickets for best viewing of these students in sections 17, 18, 19, 44, and 45.

The three-hour live show – involving music, dance, skateboarding and circus arts – will be performed twice to an audience of around 12,000 people at Melbourne Arena on Saturday 14th September at 1pm and 6.30pm.

The Spectacular is a creative vision of industry professionals including Creative Director Neill Gladwin, Musical Director Chong Lim AM, Dance Director Deon Nuku, (Scooby Doo, Happy Feet, Moulin Rouge), and Associate Dance Director Yvette Lee (Dancing with the Stars, X-Factor Australia, Australia's Got Talent and So You Think You Can Dance).

For a fun, family entertainment experience, and to cheer on our students from the audience, be quick to secure tickets when they go on sale at **9am next Wednesday, 12th June**, via Ticketek - [CLICK HERE](#) or type www.ticketek.com.au/spectacular into your web browser.

Adult \$40

Child Under 15 \$20

Concession \$30

Buy 10 tickets and get one adult ticket free (the 11th ticket is free) by calling Group Bookings on 1300 364 001.

Lauren Davies and Kirsten Lightfoot



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit
www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

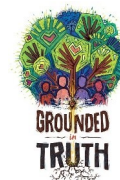


Applications for CSEF in 2019 must be lodged by the end of Term 2. CSEF Application Form available from the Office.

Before & After School Care

Last week we celebrated Reconciliation at the program. We had an array of engaging activities that respectfully reflected the Aboriginal culture. The staff and children were eager to commemorate this week with buoyant enthusiasm.

Helen and Rita have put together a display of the children's Aboriginal art work in the Hall. It looks fantastic!



*Pancake
Breakfast*



Our next pancake breakfast will be next Friday, 14th June. With the cold winter mornings, it is a nice treat for the children to enjoy.

After School Care Activities for the week ending 14th June:

Monday *Queen's Birthday public holiday - NO BASC*
Tuesday Magic Workshop
Wednesday ... Resist Crayon Painting
Thursday Toy Story 3D Images
Friday Cooking

If you have any questions, please send them to davis.paul.d@edumail.com.au.vic.gov.au, or phone BASC on 9807 2615 or 0417 941 986.

*Thank you,
Paul Davis
Coordinator*

Munch & Crunch Canteen

Canteen Roster

Monday 10th June *Queen's Birthday public holiday - NO CANTEEN*
Wednesday 12th June - 9.00am to 1.45pm Sophie Sautner & Chengyan Zhou
Friday 14th June - 9.00am to 1.45pm James Douglas & Yunmi Lee

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

If you are unable to do your rostered duty, or you have any queries, please contact Maria as soon as possible on 0409 934 573.



Maria Vlahos
Canteen Manager



PFA Meetings

Thank you to all those who attended the PFA Meeting this week. Please diarise the remainder of our meetings for this year, on the following Wednesdays: 24th July, 21st August, 16th October and 4th December 2019.

We're on Facebook

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ESSEX HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY GROUP

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/259711334954222/>

For: reminders, tips, information & ensuring a strong and connected school community.

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The PFA can be contacted via email on ehpspfa@gmail.com.

Have a great week and keep warm!

Fiona Nicholson Stocker
(Mum of Allison 3F)