

## CALENDAR

### December

Sun 1	PFA Frozen II fundraiser
Tue 3	Prep 2020 Orientation Day
Wed 4	Yr 2 Royal Botanic Gardens excursion
Wed 4-Sun 15	Ever Higher Art Exhibition - The Track Gallery
Thu 5	PFA Mango fundraiser delivery day
Mon 9-Fri 13	Busking Competition
Tue 10	Years 1-6 2020 Orientation Day
Tue 10	Year 7 2020 Orientation Day
Wed 11	Art Exhibition excursion
Wed 11	PFA Meeting
Thu 12	Choir visit to Elizabeth Gardens Hostel
Fri 13	Chamber Choir - Carols in the Village
Tue 17	Year 6 Graduation celebration
Wed 18	Prep Celebration
Fri 20	Term 4 ends - 1.30pm 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 Hats** - every day in Terms 1 & 4.

### School Tours

for 2019 or 2020 entry - Thursdays at 9.30am.  
Bookings essential - contact the Office.

### Enrolment

Enrol for 2019 and 2020 entry.

### 2019 Term Dates

*Term 4:* 7 October to 20 December

*EHPS student-free days:* 29 January, 30 January, 22 May & 2 August

### 2020 Term Dates

*Term 1:* 28 January\* to 27 March

*Term 2:* 14 April to 26 June

*Term 3:* 13 July to 18 September

*Term 4:* 5 October to 18 December

*\* 28 January is a state wide student free day.*

*EHPS student-free days:* 28 January, 29 January, and 2 further dates to be advised



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Principal: Mr George Perini

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

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents/Guardians & Friends of the EHPS Community,

As we move into December, the children's energy and excitement has not waned. This week was filled with some very special events.

### Regional Cricket Finals

On Monday, Year 5/6 students participated in the Regional Cricket Finals. The teams competed very well, tried hard and they all had a great time. It was an excellent effort to reach the regional finals and all the children should be very proud of their achievements.

Congratulation to all the students involved and to their coach Ms Cotterell.



### Softball Finals

This week our Boys Softball team competed in the State Finals held at Jells Park. This in itself was such a marvellous achievement. The boys performed so well on the day. They were focused and committed. They worked well as a team and displayed excellent sportsmanship. They won their first three matches which put them into the Grand Final for the state championship. Unfortunately they were defeated, but they were proudly State Runners Up in Boys Softball. Congratulations to all of the team and to their coach Mr Cavill. A truly spectacular effort.



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## November

30th ..... Naisha G  
Dylan H  
Kabir S  
Christopher K

## December

1st ..... Neil S  
Sophie N  
Bianca G  
2nd ..... Alexia V  
Elaine P  
3rd ..... Michael B  
Lianna K  
4th ..... Donnie R  
Errol S  
5th ..... Eamon L  
Evie B  
Noah S  
Matilda S  
6th ..... Burhan V  
Georgia A  
Yuna L  
Edyn B  
Rudraksh B  
Rashi B

## Information sent home:

Follow up with your classroom teacher about any items on this list



### Year/Group

### Notice/Activity

Whole school (each family) ..... Purchasing your child's artwork/Gallery Family Day

## This week's information on Compass:



### Year/Group

### Compass News Feed

Year 2 ..... Catching On Early

Prep to Year 2 ..... Junior House Athletics - TOMORROW!

Whole School ..... Purchasing Your Child's Artwork/Exhibition Family Day

## Compass Events:

### Year/Group

### Notice/Activity and Payment & Consent Due Date

Year 2 ..... Year 2 Royal Botanic Gardens - \$30 & consent by TOMORROW, 30th November

Whole School ..... Art Gallery Exhibition - \$5 and consent by 2nd December

Selected Students ..... Elizabeth Gardens Christmas Carolling - consent only by 11th December

Carols in the Village - consent only by 12th December

## Assembly: Monday 2nd December

At Assembly on Monday:

- AMEB certificates
- School Banking winners
- Student of the Week & Baik Sekali awards

*Note: Items listed above are correct at time of publication, but may be subject to change.*

Assembly starts at 2.40pm in the Stadium. All welcome.

## Leaving EHPS?

Our planning for the 2020 school year is well underway. Therefore it is essential that we know if any students are not returning next year. If your child is not returning to EHPS in 2020, please advise the following information to Jo in the Office:

1. Date of last day at EHPS
2. Name of the school that they are enrolled at
3. Commencement date at new school
4. The reason for leaving EHPS
5. New contact details, if any are changing (eg address, phone number, email)

## Principal's Report



### Prep to Year 2 House Athletics

The sporting theme continued yesterday, with the Prep to Year 2 Athletics Carnival. The weather was very kind, the temperature was perfect on the day. It was amazing to see so many parents joining in with the students on the Council Oval. The children looked magnificent in their house colours and they all tried so hard in every event. The cheer squads were loud and very supportive for their teams. What a great morning!! It was a very close finish but **Boyd (Blue) House** narrowly defeated a very gallant **Drysdale (Red) House** to win the event. Congratulations to every student who participated, to the staff who supported and organised the whole event and a big thank you to all the families for attending.

Again a huge thank you to Elisha Cotterell for her amazing energy and organisation of this event and so many others across the school year.



### Indonesian Museum

For weeks the Indonesian students have been preparing work that would be part of their Museum display. On Tuesday I went down to one of the sessions and was so pleased with the quality of work that the students had completed. The children discussed the aim of their projects and were able to show what they had done to successfully meet the task. Some made posters, others booklets to act as a dictionary of common Indonesian words. Other students created booklets, posters or games to discuss the advantages of learning Indonesian. This was a great activity. Many classes and teachers visited the museum. Big thanks to Bu Sarah and her classes for putting on such a great activity.



### Piano Concert

On Tuesday evening the piano students had the opportunity to perform to parents and friends at their end of year concert. It was so pleasing to see the children confidently performing their pieces. It shows that hard work and practice is very valuable and rewarding. The range of music was very broad and the concert catered for beginners as well as experienced senior students. The standard was again, excellent. Thank you to Maurice and Sasha for their expert tuition of the students, and to Alyssa for her meticulous organisation of the concert. It was so pleasing to see so many families and friends attending.



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## Principal's Report

### Late Arrivals - Every Minute Counts

Thank you to all the families that are trying very hard to have the children at school on time. As I have mentioned previously it is very important that children are in class punctually so that instruction can start at 9am sharp. This means that the children must be here well before that. At the latest 8.50am so that they can unpack their bag and get ready for their day.

I have noticed that there are still children arriving late to school. I really do appreciate that sometimes mornings can be busy and difficult, but being late to class not only affects your child's learning but also the education of other children in the class.

Please work with us so that we can provide the best possible learning opportunities for your children all day, every day.



**George Perini**  
Principal



## Ever Higher Art Exhibition

The *Ever Higher* Art Exhibition opens next week! The exhibition will be at **The Track Gallery in Mount Waverley from Wednesday 4th to Sunday 15th December**, inclusive, from 11am to 3pm. We're looking forward to sharing the wonderful work of our students.

### Class Art

For those of you lucky enough to be the highest bidder for our fabulous class artworks, the final day for bidding will be Sunday 15th December (the final day of the exhibition). Payment and collection of the artworks will be on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th December – good luck bidding!

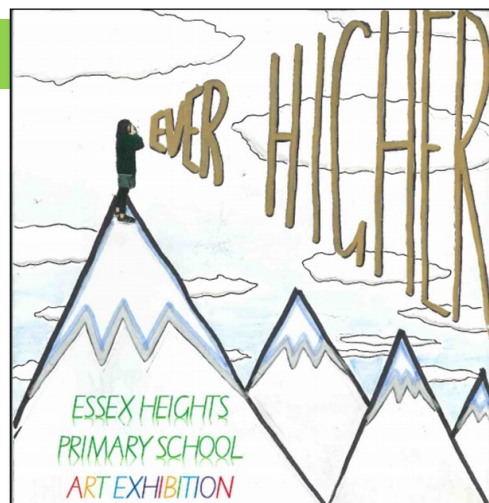
All proceeds from the sale of the class artwork go to help fund the exhibition, so we appreciate your support.

### Art Exhibition Excursion

To optimise student engagement in the upcoming EHPS exhibition, they will visit The Track Gallery in Mount Waverley to view the artworks on Wednesday 11th December. This is an opportunity for students to see their own artwork in a professional gallery setting, as well as to view and appreciate the artworks of others, enhancing their ability to appreciate and critique the works of others.

Students will be travelling via bus to and from the gallery with their classroom teacher to view the students' artwork and to learn about art galleries and various artworks with Mr Aubrey Hudson and Ms Nikki Olsen.

Information has been published on Compass. Payment of \$5 and consent is required by Monday, 2nd December.



This week in ArtSEL, we have learnt about **Bystander Power**.

A Bystander is someone who sees or knows that bullying is happening to someone else. Bystanders can make the bullying situation worse and become part of the problem. For example, they may:

- not say anything to make it stop
- laugh along with the bully
- not stick up for the person
- and not report it.

Often the bystander knows bullying is wrong and may feel guilty and ashamed of doing nothing or they might say 'it's not my problem'. If you are a bystander, it is wrong to do nothing. Bullying is everyone's problem. It's all of our responsibility to not let bullying happen and try to stop it when it does. If you witness bullying, remember the 3RS: 'Recognise' it. 'Report' it to a teacher. 'Refuse' it; assertively tell them to stop.

If you would like to know more about this program, please come and see me.



**Nikki Olsen**  
ArtSEL Teacher

## Family Financial Statements

Family financial statements were issued last week by email to families with outstanding charges on their school account; please check your Junk folder if you can't find it in your Inbox. All outstanding charges are payable now by:

- Compass Pay or BPay are the preferred methods of payment.
- At the Office:
  - Credit card/Eftpos (Visa/MasterCard; minimum transaction of \$20)
  - Cheque payable to Essex Heights Primary School, or
  - Cash (correct amount as we don't hold any cash in the Office).

**Instrumental Music:** Charges are not payable via Compass. Refer to your family statement sent by email today. Payment by BPay preferred; otherwise at the Office. All charges are OVERDUE and are payable now. *Please note:* this is an additional program outside the school's curriculum and therefore prompt payment of fees is essential in order to maintain the financial management of the program and our commitment to the Instrumental Teachers.

Please see our Business Manager, Barbara McCann, if you are experiencing financial difficulty and want to discuss a payment plan; Barb is available each weekday except Wednesday.

## Library

### Last borrowing day & return of books

- ★ Today, Friday 29th November, was the last borrowing day for 2019.
- ★ All books are to be returned to the Library no later than next Friday, 6th December.

This will enable us to stocktake and repair books in preparation for 2020.



Thank you & happy reading,  
**Gael Munro**  
Librarian

## Year 1 'What's With The Weather?' Excursion



SCIENCEWORKS

Year 1 visited Scienceworks in Spotswood on Thursday 21st November. Here's 1G's report of their day ...

Yesterday was the best day we've ever had – we went to Scienceworks!

First, we went on the bus, over a big bridge to get to Scienceworks. When we got there we had a snack with our Grade One friends and we put our bags in a safe place. Then, we followed lightning symbols on the concrete to lead us to 'The Lightning Room'.

Inside, we watched a lady do some science experiments based on weather. The lady asked for a volunteer and Victoria was the first to be chosen. She made a cloud in a bottle by pumping air into a bottle 6 times with a bike pump.

The next volunteer was Christopher. The lady blew up a small balloon and rubbed it all over Christopher's hair. Guess what? Christopher got a new hair style and the balloon stuck to his head like a unicorn horn. The lady showed Christopher his hairstyle in the reflection of a mirror and he didn't like it so he tried to shake it off.

Olivia C was the last person to be chosen. She touched a static electricity machine while holding confetti. But then do you know what happened? All of the confetti came out of her hand, even though she wasn't moving her hand! Her hair was sticking up too! It was like magic!

Then it was time for things to get zapped in 'The Lightning Show' behind a cage. The lady told us all to cover our ears and now we know why. It was so loud! We saw a lightning storm hit an aeroplane, a car, a golf man, a girl under a tree and a man under a shelter. The lightning was man-made but it looked natural. They told us how to be safe in a lightning storm. Underneath a tree wasn't safe or holding a golf club outside was not safe. But, underneath a shelter, in the car and in a plane was safe.

Then, we split into our groups and looked around the museum. Some groups went to the Sports Area and some went to 'Think Ahead'. Then we had lunch and switched over.

Finally, we got on the bus to go back to school and it was very hot and windy. We were feeling happy and exhausted!

*Written by 1G*





## Indonesia 5/6 Museum



This week, the 5/6s opened up their Indonesian classes for the rest of the school to come and explore their Indonesian Museum. They had been working on projects to teach people about Indonesian culture, vocabulary and why learning Indonesian is helpful. They displayed their knowledge and ideas in a range of forms including plays, posters, chatterboxes, cartoons and more. As younger classes, teachers and support staff attended, they were welcomed in to the museum with Indonesian music in the background and an array of exciting and informative artefacts spread around the room for them to peruse.

Terima kasih to all the teachers, support staff and students who attended our 5/6 Indonesian Museum.

*Bu Sarah*





### Chorale visit to Essex Heights Juniors

Just wanted to share another photo from our visit to Essex Heights Juniors last week. It was so special to be meeting some students who will be joining us at Essex Heights next year and the year after. We can't wait until many of you start with us at the beginning of next year!



### Elizabeth Gardens Hostel Visit

Chorale and Chamber Strings have been invited to perform for the elderly residents living at the Elizabeth Gardens Hostel on Thursday 12th December. The students will be performing some Christmas Carols and then chatting with the residents at Elizabeth Gardens. This is a great opportunity for students to perform as well as to create a positive experience for the elderly members of our community.



For this to take place, we need some help from parents. If anyone is available to drive students to and from Elizabeth Gardens, would you please email Ms Dolence.

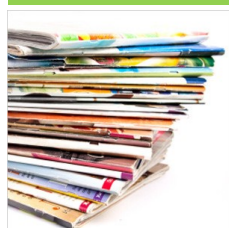
Information has been published on Compass. Consent only is required by Wednesday 11th December.

### Carols in the Village

Chamber Choir has been invited to perform at the 2019 Carols in the Village on Friday 13th December. This is a fabulous opportunity for community singing as well as to showcase our wonderful choir to the Mount Waverley community.

A large number of groups will be performing on the night. The show will begin at 6.30pm and our performance should be completed by 7.45pm. Parents are welcome to stay afterwards to enjoy more community carol singing.

Information has been published on Compass. Consent only is required by Thursday 12th December.



### Magazines Wanted

Donations of old magazines for Art would be greatly appreciated. Please deliver to the Art Room.





## Movie Making in 56A



Months before this story starts, our class was set a challenge; a challenge to make a movie. We wanted to submit it in the Australian Teachers of Media (A.T.O.M) one minute movie competition. The theme was loyalty as the event was sponsored by the one hundred years of ANZAC Foundation.

The class decided to make it set in World War 1. The story was about a young boy who leaves his family to join the ANZACs and reinforce the troops. After brainstorming ideas and storyboarding, we began to make the sets and puppets then filming began. After many months of hard work we had a movie to submit 'Loyalty and the ANZACs'. Fast forward to the 13th of November and we were walking up a hill to Jordanville station. Our movie had made finalists so we were going to attend the award ceremony in South Melbourne. After a couple of train rides and a few stressful change overs, we were in the city making our way to SAE Quantum Institute of Creative Media where the ceremony was being hosted.

We stopped for recess near the Yarra but a load of seagulls took over the place. We tried to shoo them away but they just kept coming back! After a significant walk, we strutted the red carpet and entered SAE. The class got to try some demo video games, play a game of pool and just relax before getting ready for the tour. It was really intriguing seeing all the areas where you could learn coding, movie making, design, animation and much more in the creative industry. After a quick lunch, we entered the presentation hall.

The presentation itself was, amazing. Purple lights moved around the room shining onto parts of the stage and members of the audience really setting the mood. As we walked in, two students (one on keyboard the other singing) were playing a few jazz songs. After that the award ceremony started. It was pretty exciting as the entire event was being broadcasted online and TV. The first speech started, then the next and the next. By the time they got to our category the spokesmen had announced the winners of nearly every other competition. They read out all the finalists, Loyalty and the ANZACs, True Blue, The Loyal Digger, Secret Files, Loyalty Returns and Loyalty In The Vietnam War. "And the winner is," the spokesman announced "The Loyal Digger!" Sadly, not us. It's fair to say that we all felt pretty defeated through the rest of the ceremony. Then they read out the long list in the audience choice award. Somewhere along it, WE WON! On the way back to school most of the class was complaining about how we didn't win or how we didn't get a prize or a speech. I think we should be grateful we made a movie in the first place and had the honour of being one of the six finalists!

A.T.O.M one minute movie competition upper primary finalists: <http://1-minutefilmcompetition.org/2019-upper-primary-finalists/>

**Aidan O (56A)**

## Year 2 Royal Botanic Gardens Excursion



Year 2 students will go on an excursion to the Royal Botanic Gardens next Wednesday, 4th December, to support their 'Growth and Change' Integrated Studies Unit. They will experience a range of activities as a part of the learning experience as well as time to explore and enjoy the beautiful gardens.

Students are to arrive at school by 8.30am; the bus will leave at 8.45am. We expect to be back in time for school dismissal at 3.30pm. Students will need a small backpack with their brain food, recess snack, lunch, drink bottle, hat, sunscreen, and weather appropriate clothing. We recommend wearing comfortable walking shoes as there is lots of walking on this excursion!

Information has been published on Compass. Payment of \$30 and consent is required by TOMORROW, 30th November.

We look forward to a wonderful day at the gardens.

**Year 2 Team**

## Health & PE

### Year 5&6 Optional 'Beep Test' Experience

Recently some of our Year 5 & 6 students met with Steve Roberts, the Director of Infinite Fitness Peninsular, during their PE sessions. Steve spoke about his background and love for sports and fitness. Students heard about what had led him to becoming the director of his own gym and what some of his responsibilities, skills and qualifications include. The opportunity for students to meet and ask questions of someone living and working in the sport fitness industry was very inspiring. Steve was equally impressed with the sports and fitness knowledge of our students who reflected on their learning during their fitness unit.

During the Year 5&6 fitness unit, students learnt about, analysed and had the opportunity to experience the multi-stage fitness test, also known as the beep test. For our senior students, this experience during their PE classes was not to test fitness, rather to understand the process and when and why it may be used in fitness testing.

Steve has offered to meet with any Year 5 & 6 students who would like to learn more about this fitness test and have another opportunity to participate in it. Any interested students are invited to meet Steve and Mrs Cotterell on the outside basketball courts **at 8.15am next Wednesday, 4th December**, ready to begin the test at 8.20am.

#### ***Tips for completing the test:***

- ★ Be well hydrated prior to taking the test.
- ★ Remove any loose clothing or jewellery that might cause irritation during the test.
- ★ Check that your shoe laces are tied securely.
- ★ Start off slowly and match your pace with the beeps, this will prevent you fatiguing too early.
- ★ The test is a maximal effort test, so push as hard as you can for as long as you can.

***Elisha Cotterell***

## Mathematics Garden

Students from Year 5/6 have been planning, designing and costing the Maths Garden all year. The school was the winner from 150 entries, winning a total of \$3,000 from Bank First (\$2,000 for first place in the Bank First Teaching Initiatives Program and \$1,000 in the People's Choice Award) that will go towards buying equipment for the garden.

Thanks to the following students for their amazing efforts in working with the project during their Maths lessons: Lucia C, Maggie S, Hong Jin G, Kylin H, Ron X, and Jaslene L. Big thank you too, to Mrs Jenny Austin, and her husband Shane and son Chris, for their assistance throughout the year in assisting the students with the Maths component of the project.

thank  
YOU



*A view of the fantastic scale model of the Mathematics Garden*

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We also wanted to share the letter we received from Brian at Bank First:

Hi Ina and Jenny,

On behalf of our Bank, I wanted to express our sincere appreciation for all of your efforts, along with the star performances of Lucia, Jaslene, Maggie, Kylin and Hong Jin. Following what was no doubt a **very** long day with lots rehearsals, we were struck by your polished and well prepared overview of your school, its values and innovative approach to solving complex problems. It was amazing for students to paint their picture of their vision of how their Mathematics Garden will come together.

**FYI** George – Anne-Marie Kliman, VPA's President, was particularly intrigued by your school's efforts and sends her kind regards!

Thank you again for taking the time to open our 2019 AGM; an honour to hear from your students.

**Brian Leo**  
Relationship Officer



***Maria Capsalis***

## VSSS - Broadcast & 2020 Auditions

The Victorian State Schools' Spectacular (VSSS) is an annual event and is one of the largest recurring productions in Australia. The Victorian State Schools Spectacular brings together over 3000 school students performing as a 64 piece orchestra, 1300 voice choir, 1200 mass dancers, 30 lead vocalists, 16 principal dancers, 20 ensemble dancers, eight backing vocalists, roller skaters and puppeteers and much more.

VSSS encourages creative skills, discipline, perseverance and confidence over months of rehearsals. Students, working towards a common goal in a collaborative, competition-free environment. Its dual aim is to provide an invaluable performing arts opportunity to students and to showcase the enormous talent that exists in our schools. This all comes together in a three hour show that celebrates a diversity of performance mediums, including choir, dance, vocal, drama, and orchestra.

Participating students have the opportunity to work with industry professionals including Creative Director Neill Gladwin, Musical Director Chong Lim AM and Dance Director Deon Nuku, (Scooby Doo, Happy Feet, Moulin Rouge).

### Broadcast on Saturday 7th December

Be sure to tune in to Channel 7 on **Saturday 7th December at 7pm** for a special broadcast of the 2019 Victorian State Schools Spectacular.

The two-hour broadcast will feature highlights from the live performances as well as behind-the-scenes footage and interviews.

The show will also be simulcast via live streaming on the 7plus app and [7plus website](#).

### Audition registration for 2020 now open

For more information on participating in the 2020 Victorian State Schools Spectacular, and to register - [CLICK HERE](#).





## Before & After School Care

### Accounts, Care in Term 4 & CCS

As the end of the year draws to a close, it is expected all Before and After Care accounts will be paid in full. We require all accounts to be paid in full by Friday 6th December.

If you require Before and After Care after 6th December, you will need to pre-pay your care up to and including Friday 20th December.

Any care pre-paid and not utilised will be credited to your account and you will not be charged.

We are very restricted as to how much we can assist you with any Child Care Subsidy (CCS) issues. Hence in a majority of cases families will need to contact Centrelink to rectify any issues with their account. Obviously, I will help families where possible.



### Christmas Activities & Christmas Party

We have three weeks of Christmas activities planned for Aftercare. On Wednesday 11th December we will be having our Aftercare Christmas Party. We will have lots of treats for all the children.



### Aftercare Activities

Monday ..... Paper Strip Xmas Tree  
Tuesday ..... Cooking Xmas Bark  
Wednesday ..... Xmas Angels  
Thursday ..... Decorate your own Xmas Tree  
Friday ..... Movie: *Elf*



A reminder that After School Care closes at 6pm Monday to Friday. If your child is picked up after this time you will be charged late fees.

If you have any questions, please send them to [davis.paul.d@edumail.com.au.vic.gov.au](mailto: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 2nd December - 11.15am to 1.45pm ..... Sandy Shen  
Wednesday 4th December - 9.00am to 1.45pm ..... Samantha Yarnold & Liyong Lu  
Friday 6th December - 9.00am to 1.45pm ..... Katy Smith & Natalie Murphy

*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



### Family Portrait Fundraiser

For those who participated, we hope you enjoyed the photography session last weekend. Gabriel the photographer and his partner enjoyed meeting so many friendly families (including lots of dogs!). He'll be delivering the photos soon, so please watch out for further instructions.

### FROZEN II - this Sunday

Our Frozen II fundraiser is on **this Sunday, 1st December**, at Waverley Cinema, Pinewood Shopping Centre, Blackburn Road, Mount Waverley.

We have over 120 people coming, but there are still tickets available. [Book tickets here](#) or enter [https://waverleycinema.com/E\\_003.php](https://waverleycinema.com/E_003.php) into your web browser. Thank you for helping raise money for a new Years 1 and 2 playground!

The movie starts at 3.15pm. Please arrive about half an hour earlier, around 2.45pm and come straight to Cinema One. Somya and Fiona will have a table set up outside the cinema and will distribute tickets and treat packs. As you enter staff will direct you to your allocated seats.

See you there!



### Collect your Mangoes next Thursday

Our mangoes are coming - all 140 boxes! Please come and collect your long-awaited mangoes **next Thursday, 5th December** between 2.45pm and 4pm from outside the Stadium. The list of recipients will be by class level to make the collection process run smoothly. If you are able to help distribute on the day please arrive about 2pm and head down to the Stadium after signing in at the office. Your assistance would be really appreciated.

### Final 2019 PFA Meeting

Please join the PFA members for our final meeting of the year - Wednesday 11th December at 7.30pm in the Staff Room. We will recap on the recent events and start planning for 2020. *All Welcome.*

### Entertainment Membership - Christmas promotion

#### Christmas All Wrapped Up

The Gift of Entertainment is available for the first time ever.



Looking for a gift idea? Entertainment Memberships has a new promotion for Christmas - Gift Memberships. [CLICK HERE](#) to purchase.

#### What makes this the perfect present?



12 months starts from day of activation



20% of every sale supports a good cause



Delivered instantly to your inbox



Something for everyone with thousands of savings

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**Fiona Nicholson Stocker**  
(Mum of Allison 3F)  
[ehpspfa@gmail.com](mailto:ehpspfa@gmail.com)

## Dance Classes



### Lunchtime Dance

Lunchtime Dance classes conclude next Tuesday, 3rd December. Family and friends are invited to the end of term performance at 2pm in the Hall.

Please note that there won't be a Lunchtime Dance class in Term 1 next year. Hopefully it will start again in Term 2.

### After School Dance

After School Dance concludes on Tuesday 10th December. Family and friends are invited to the end of term performance at 4.15pm in the Stadium.

After School Dance will run on Tuesday afternoons next year. However at this stage there are no vacancies.

**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.



30th November

# Christmas Community Fair

We would love to invite you to join us for a day of free fun for the whole family at our Christmas Community Fair.

You can enjoy photos with Santa, rides, inflatable fun, kids activities, a Mini Christmas Carols Spectacular, amazing food, coffee and much, much more! All welcome! This is our gift to you.

11am - 3pm  
30th November  
144 Highbury Road Burwood  
edgechurch.com

## Are you a parent of a child between 4 and 10 years old?



If you would like to learn skills to help manage your child's challenging behaviours, you are invited to a **FREE** parenting program

Online, group and one-on-one programs available in 2020

Location of sessions – Clayton, Hawthorn, Thornbury and Flemington

**TUNING IN TO KIDS** may assist you to:

- help your child manage difficult feelings such as worry, sadness, frustration and anger
- build your connection with your child
- better understand what underpins challenging behaviours
- stay calm when dealing with tantrums
- help your child develop social skills and reduce aggression.



For further information contact  
9371 0218

or [BigTIK-admin@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:BigTIK-admin@unimelb.edu.au)



Programs are being run as part of a research study

If you are interested in Tuning In To Kids, please come to the School Office to collect a parent information letter.