FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

World of Fun Fete
Nothing brings a community like a fete. Our 2014 ‘Exclaim IT’ fete is going to be a fantastic event for our school. It will be the culmination of months of planning and countless hours of preparation, planning and organisation by teams of parents and volunteers. Not for the last time I would like to publically acknowledge the very hard work of Karla Chaffey who took on the role of fete convenor and has done a brilliant job of making this event happen. The raffles are bigger than ever, we have got more corporate sponsorship than ever before and there are several teams all working together. Now we need your assistance to make this the most successful fete ever. Here is how you can help:

- Sell all of your raffle tickets and return them and the money to the office tomorrow (Thursday).
- Help us set up on Saturday afternoon or on Sunday morning. Even if you can only help for an hour it will make a big difference.
- Contact your class rep to add your name to the year level roster to help out on the day.
- Come along on Sunday and bring as many people with you as you can.
- Help us pack up on Sunday afternoon.
- Keep your fingers crossed for more lovely Queensland weather.

The more people we have the easier this will be. If we want fetes to continue we cannot just rely on a small group of people to do all of the work. Any amount of time or support you can provide will be greatly appreciated.

Commissioning Ceremony
At the fete at 3:15pm we will have the official Commissioning Ceremony to formally induct Chappie Nikki into our School. This will be held on the main stage and is an important milestone for our school.
Report Cards
Just a reminder that at the end of this semester report cards will be emailed home and there will not be a paper copy created. We will use the email address that we have on file. If you have not been receiving emails from your class teacher with weekly news updates, it means that we do not have your current email address and that you will not receive your child’s email address. Please contact Louise to update your contact details.

State of Origin
Of course it goes without saying that I am sure a proud Queensland school such as ours would all be supporting Queensland tonight in the State of Origin. Also, a reminder that as per our School Dress Code, New South Wales jerseys are not able to be worn to school. Enjoy the game and I will see you at our fete on Sunday.

Brad Clark
Principal

CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM
As we celebrate Chappy Week for the first time at EPSS, it was great to meet some of you on our walk to school and in the never-ending line for our “daily fix”. Mmmm….. how nice was that cappuchino after a brisk/sunny walk to school. Thanks Paul for not giving up and to the P&C and LCC for providing the coffees.

What a turn out! Thank you . . . sincerely thank you for giving up your time so your children could participate in the morning fun, to support EPSS and also to meet your new Chappy.

So how can I help? Change causes many different reactions. Some children adapt easily, others need time and reassurance. Either is OK. Change could be: getting up earlier, getting to school in a different way, going to PCYC for the first time, change in diet, change in social groups, changes in families . . . how they look and who’s available for “me”.

Please let me help if I can. Our priority is to assist your little ones to feel safe, loved, confident and secure.
Chappy Nikki

ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL

Congratulations to 2W for winning the Gold Star award with 87% of students actively travelling for the previous week’s Fun, Fit, Friday.

Congratulations to all the students who participated in ‘Walk Safely to School Day’ last Friday. Thank you to all the parents/carers/grandparents/staff/local MP’s who assisted us to walk safely from Teralba Park to our school. We appreciate the time and effort that you’ve contributed to making our school a successful Active Travel School. A special thanks to the LCC/P and C for providing the free tea and coffee upon arrival.

Don’t forget that your AST prizes can be claimed at Miss K’s room (room 22) at first break (after eating time) every Friday.

Year 5 Netball
A special thank you to the Year 5 parents, Suzie Chandler and Penny Turner, who have assisted with coaching and organising the team as well as attending ad umpring at the Gala Days. Their help and support has been most appreciated.
Elizabeth Tiernan
Year 5 Teacher

CONGRATULATIONS
Nick (7L) will be representing Australia (12 & under) in the Oceania Inline Hockey Championships in New Zealand in the July school holidays. The club he plays for (Pine Rivers Inline Hockey Club) is looking for new members and is inviting everyone (adults & kids) to a FREE skate night on Monday, 2 June from 5:30 – 8:00pm at Skateaway, Albany Creek Square, Albany Creek. Two hockey clinics will be held during the session.

BOOK CLUB 2014 ISSUE
#4
A reminder that Issue #4 of Book club closes on MONDAY, 02 JUNE 2014.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ORDERS AFTER THIS DATE CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED

To order please complete the student order form on the back of the book club brochure. Orders and correct money are to be placed into the “Book club” box located in the library. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic Australia

Credit Card Payment Method
To pay by credit card you must pay by phone or online, then record the receipt number only on the “CREDIT CARD RECEIPT DETAILS” coupon on the back of the book club brochure. Do not write your credit card number on this coupon

There is a supply of the different book club forms at the library (Wombat/Lucky/Arrow/Star)

If you have any queries, please don’t hesitate to leave a message for me at the office and I will contact you as soon as possible.

Tanya Kendall
(Bookclub Coordinator)

Sad news
Sadly Barb Brown passed away on Tuesday, 27 May. Barb worked at EPSS as a teacher aide for many years and will be greatly missed.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

District Trials
Students interested in trialling for the U12 District Softball Team please see Mr Crawford to collect the relevant forms.

Break time Sport
Starting this week Mr Crawford will be running organised sporting activities during 2nd breaks on Wednesday and Thursday. Year 5 and 4 boys will be on Wednesday and year 5-7 boys on Thursday. Sports Day

Just a reminder Senior Sports Carnival will be held Thursday 19th June.

CHEERLEADING
We will be performing at the school fete. All students are to meet on the grassed area, behind the hall, at 9.45am. They are to wear their uniform to school and change after the performance. We will be performing in front of the terraces at 10.15am.

Pups - wear the school shirt with black shorts/bike pants
Reserves - green crossed uniform (sent home on Tuesday)
Squad - wear your performing uniform.

If you have any questions please talk to me by Thursday. Miss R :o)

SCHOOL DISCO
Are you afraid to dance? If you aren’t, then come to the Spooky Night Disco on Friday, 13 June. The night starts at 5pm for students in Prep to Year 4 and from 6:30 – 8:00pm for Years 5 – 7. A sausage sizzle will be available on the night. See you there, if you dare!
YEAR 6/7 CANBERRA TRIP
Final Payment
The Year 6 and 7 students will be heading to Canberra for their very exciting excursion on Monday 21 July until Friday 25 July. Final payment for this trip is due on 20 June.

ART CLUB
It’s mayhem in the art room! Thank you to all students for their creative contribution to the fete’s art auction. The art is looking beautiful and it has been great to see so many bright eyes and excited ideas. And not to forget the great shape and pattern drawing at art club last week. Lots more in store. Now for the bad news - there is NO ART CLUB THIS WEEK. Sorry guys - we’re working very hard on the fete preparations for the art stall and art auction. Come and say hi at the fete!

WORLD OF FUN FETE 1 JUNE 2014
Exclaim IT’s World of Fun Fete is finally here!!! So, naturally, there are a few things you need to know about this week. As usual, check out the Fete Newsletter for more information.

Donations: Thank you to everyone who has donated items so far. We are still looking for:
- 1.25L soft drinks and cans of Pepsi Max for the Year 5 games stall
- Covered treats
- Disposable container to the Tuckshop on the school grounds. Off Fete parking: Friday afternoon from 2:30 – 3:45pm
- People to assist with set up on Saturday, 31 May from 12 – 3pm (for OH&S reasons, no kiddies this day).
- We would love some pleasant creative parents to assist PCYC with their face painting and crazy hair stall.

Rides:
- Buses to and from the fete site
- Raffles: Rides
- Junior Choir and Elements will both perform a couple of songs at the Fete, starting at approximately 3.30pm.
- If students have a Music Shirt, they may certainly wear them for the performance. We are still waiting for new music shirts to arrive, particularly in the smaller sizes, so some students do not have them yet. Students should make sure they wear some sensible practical clothes and shoes for their performance.

Volunteers: Every stall is desperate for volunteers. Please contact me on the details below and I can help you find the right stall at a convenient time for you.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS
Our young green thumbs are having a productive time in the garden. We have produced some very sweet snow peas, some green beans, one Roma tomato! and some terrific basil plants. We also have a few ears of corn growing and the zucchini are just starting to form!

Instrumental Music News

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS
Winter Soiree - Wednesday 25 June
Please note Mrs Hall’s band concert on Wednesday 4th June WILL NOW BE ON WED 25th JUNE the day before my band tour in the afternoon.

Band Tour - Thursday 26 June
There will be a band tour for our senior band students on Thursday 26th June during the school day to a number of childcare centres and a nursing home. Information will be sent home during this week.

For all band queries please contact Penny at phall35@eq.edu.au
For all string queries please contact Anne Keenan at akeen9@eq.edu.au

Viva la Musica!

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop is open each Friday from 8:30 – 9:30am.
Loveland 0409 708 192 or breathe-
yoga@hotmail.com