



December 13, 2018



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Eagle Point Primary School



Dates to Remember

December	
Fri 14 th	Prep Transition 9.00-3.30pm
Fri 14 th	Community Helpers Morning Tea
Mon 17 th	Whole School transition 9.00-11.00am
Mon 17 th	End of Year Whole School BBQ & Grade 6 Graduation
Tue 18 th	Swimming
Thu 20 th	Pool Party – Whole School – Bairnsdale Outdoor Pool
Fri 21 st	Clean Up Day – School Closes at 1.30pm

Dear Parents,

What an amazing night of entertainment the students provided for us last Wednesday evening. The annual concert placed our kids front and centre of the stage and they certainly did themselves proud. It was wonderful to watch the students come onto stage, some waving, some smiling, some very serious and others nervous to the applause of proud parents and families.

There are many acknowledgements to make about an evening such as this and the students, staff and parent helpers were recognised on the night. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank our MC's for the evening Remy Clarke and Paris Ashwood. These girls took on the challenge of this role with maturity and responsibility, writing their own speeches and practicing their lines. They have been very patient with all of the classes practicing coming on and off stage through the rehearsals and assisted others get into position. I would also like to recognise Kimy Erwin who was originally one of the MC's but graciously realised that there could have been a conflict in timing as she had to travel to Melbourne that day and may not have returned in time.

Congratulations and thank you to all the students. I am sure many of you surprised even yourselves with your performances on the night, as some of you were very nervous about being on stage. Once again, I am very proud of all of you and your dedication to striving to be the best you can be.

Regards,
Anna Duncan

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[Grade 6 Graduation and BBQ Dinner - Reminder](#)

It is that time of the year when we prepare to congratulate and say farewell to our Grade 6 students.

We do this in a number of ways at Eagle Point as this is such a special time. Firstly our Grade 6 students and staff are going out for dinner at the Wooden Squirrel on Thursday 13th December. Students are encouraged to dress to impress with skirts, dresses and pants suitable for the girls and collared shirts, shorts and pants for the boys. Students will meet at the school by 5pm for photos and will be transported to the restaurant by staff. After dinner, we will return to the school at a time to be advised.

The second celebration is for the community with a BBQ dinner on Monday 17th December.

Dinner will be served from 5:30 and the doors open for the Graduation ceremony at 6:30pm. All community members are invited to join in, as it is lovely to see and hear from our Graduating Class.

The evening is due to finish approx. 8pm. Green forms have been sent home so you can notify us of numbers attending for catering purposes.

[Student Led Conferences](#)

As the end of the school year draws to a close semester 2 reports are being prepared. Reports will be available on Wednesday 19th December. On Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th, all students will be leading their parent/student conferences. In the lead up to the conference, students will prepare their work samples and be ready to discuss their learning with families. Times for conferences will be Tuesday 9-10am and Wednesday 2:30-3:30pm.

[Class Teachers and Grade Structures](#)

It is always an exciting time when classes are announced for the following year. On Monday 17th December all students will be spending the first 2 hours getting to know their classmates for 2019 during our whole school transition. On that Monday morning could all students please place their bags in their classrooms and teachers mark the role before attending assembly. At this assembly we will read out the class lists for 2019 and students will make their way to their new classrooms until 11:00am.

Teachers for next year have been finalised and I am pleased to announce that Mrs Shireen Bateson (Room 2) and Ms Tracey Buckwell (Room 1) will teach Prep/1 grades next year. Ms Meagan Bradbury (Room 3) and Mr Robert Driver (Room 4) will work with Grade 2/3 students. Mrs Jenman (Room 5) and Mrs Emily Ford (Room 6) will lead the Grade 4/5 classes while Mrs Natalie Clarke is excited to be back in Grade 5/6.

Our ES staff have not yet been finalised as the recruitment process is not complete. On Monday our aides will work with classes but there may be some changes after these positions have been filled.

[Community Helpers Morning Tea](#)

Invitations to the morning tea were sent home last week and hopefully all our community helpers received one. If yours is still 'on its way' please consider yourself invited to come along so we can say thank you for your help this year.

[Graduating Grade 6's](#)

It is with bittersweet feelings we prepare to say farewell and good luck to this year's graduating class. Many of these little cherubs have been with our school for 7 years and it will be tough to see them spread their wings and move into the next phase of their educational careers. (No tears from this Mummy yet I promise...) On Monday evening our whole school community comes together to celebrate and congratulate these children and I hope as many people as possible can come along to share a meal and listen to the funny stories, watch the slideshow and eat some cake! This year we prepare to say goodbye to a number of family connections including the Ashwood, Byers, Davies-Clark, Duncan, Erwin, Lamb and Paliew families as their children move from our school. We wish you all the best and want you to truly understand how proud we are that you chose Eagle Point Primary School for your school.

[Library](#)

Could all students please return all EPPS books as soon as possible.

[One last day of book covering for 2018](#)

Please spare an hour or two, to help us cover as many books as possible before the end of the year. We appreciate it is a very busy time, but will hopefully see you from 12.00pm onwards on Friday 14th of December.

[Christmas Appeal](#)

We will once again make up hampers to give to families in our community who are in need at this time of year.

All items of non-perishable food items and Christmas goods would be greatly appreciated.

Please leave items at the office ASAP, Thank you.

[Choice Theory](#)

Each year Eagle Point Primary School hosts an Intensive Basic course in Choice Theory. All staff who work at Eagle Point have the opportunity to attend this course and we offer a number of places to parents who are interested in learning more about Choice Theory. This course is over 4 days, the first 2 being set for Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd January 2019 and the following 2 to be arranged to suit the participants. This course is designed for people new to or with a basic understanding of Choice Theory and there is no prior knowledge required. The school subsidises the course for parents so the total cost for the 4 days will be \$400 which includes course materials, lunch and morning tea for the 4 days. If you are interested in registering for the 2019 intake, please contact Anna or Jo.



Celebrate a Quality Concert

Ned: I had lots of fun. I loved dressing up.

Davina: I was good. It was amazing. I saw lights. I saw lots of people. It was wonderful. It was epic.

Wyatt: I felt happy that I did the dance.

Madelyn: I felt nervous when I walked on the stage. I felt excited when I was singing and dancing. It was amazing.

Emileah: I was terrified and I was excited when I was on the stage.

Sarah: Before I went on stage I felt very confident of myself. During the dance of 'Waka Waka' I felt so happy that I didn't fail something. I did it all really well! After the performance I felt so tired but energetic at the same time that I didn't even know what to do next.

Albie: I feel proud about the concert because I did not muck up on any moves.

Mackenzey: When we got to Boucher Hall I worked hard to get to my best ability. On the night I felt great. I loved every moment of it. On the night I felt like I tried my hardest, put a lot of effort into it and did an awesome job. I felt a lot of different emotions but in the end I felt really proud about what we've done and what we've achieved.

Olivia: I feel like I went really well and I felt confident after the show. During the show I felt AMAZING.

Maya: I felt nervous before I got on the stage. I felt famous on the stage. I felt proud after the performance. Ain the Christmas Macarena I felt so excited and upper tired after it. It was super fun.

Taj: Before our concert I was excited and ready to go. Then when I got on stage in our lines I was pumped and confident. When I got off the stage and the performance ended I was happy with myself.

Kimberly: I thought that the concert was awesome. It was fun to watch all the kids do their dances. The songs matched all the countries. When the kids were smiling it lit up the stage. Over all it was a great concert. I can't wait to see another one next time. It was heart-warming.

Kayne: I was feeling excited and nervous at the start, then relieved and exhausted after and mid-way through I was pumped.

Isabel: Before I went on stage I felt excited and nervous because I wasn't sure if I would remember all the dance moves but I was looking forward to performing. When I was on the stage I felt focused and energetic because I put lots of my effort into the dance. After the concert I was relieved that I had done the dance well.

The East Gippsland Children with Additional Needs Working Group is again creating a Sensitive Santa opportunity for children with additional needs who would benefit from a quieter setting to meet Santa! This is hosted by East Gippsland Specialist School on the 15 December 1pm -4pm. Bookings essential <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/east-gippsland-sensitive-santa-tickets-53308084917>

Sensitive Santa is a sensory friendly opportunity for children with special needs to meet Santa in a low stress and quiet environment. 20 minute time slots are set for an individual experience. Last year children enjoyed the opportunity to explore our secure playground and families were able to capture some really great photos with Santa, some for the very first time.

Please contact the School if you have a special request to meet you child's needs on 03 5152 5922

LOCATION

East Gippsland Specialist School
31 Calvert Street
Bairnsdale, VIC 3875

[View Map](#)

Bookings essential via Eventbrite.

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If you require assistance to access online booking system please contact Councils Rural Access Project Officer via email at rebeccap@egipps.vic.gov.au

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