

EPPING PUBLIC SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Monday 14 December 2020 Week 10, Term 4

YEAR 6 FAREWELL



It was great to see so many smiling faces and the boys and girls having such a great time at the Year 6 Farewell. The night was a success as students gathered beforehand for photos, enjoyed a great meal, danced with each other and teachers and finally were farewelled through speeches from their teachers. It was unfortunate that parents were unable to attend, but the night was still great. I would like to thank the boys and girls on their behaviour and participation throughout the night, the many staff members who not only turned up but enjoyed the dancing with the students. However, the biggest thanks goes to our organising committee of the Mr Alice Miss Hyung and Miss Kerr and his team of teachers and Ms Jansen & Mrs Chirania our committee coordinators along with their hardworking band of parents which included Mr Charles, Mrs Samsudeen, Ms Custodio. Thank you for giving our Year 6 students a night to remember.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

14 DEC – Talent Quest Best Acts 15 DEC – Talent Quest Best Acts 16 DEC – Last Day for

29 JAN 2021

Students

First day back for Year 1 to Year 6

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving an award at this week's class assemblies:

BRONZE

Amelia(6/5S) Mustafa(KR) Peiyu(6/5C) Rochelle(1R) Siddhant(KR) Téa(KR)

SILVER

Advik(1C) Emily(1H) Nikki(1C) Vanessa(1R)

PLATINUM

Madeline(6/5S)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

LAST DAY (WEDNESDAY) ACTIVITIES

The last day has traditionally seen our K-4 students visit the movies and our Stage 3 students engage in fun activities. This year we will continue that tradition but in a slightly different format. Our Kinder to Year 4 will break up into grade groups and see a movie at school. Stage 3 will be at school engaged in activities by an outside group called motiv8. This promises to be a lot of fun. The day will conclude with our Farewell Arch with details below.

FAREWELL ARCH

With adult numbers restricted on site and the arch crossing over home time the following procedures will be put into place.

- 1. On this day all Kindergarten to Year 4 parents will pick up their children at 3:20 pm and leave the site immediately. These parents will not be allowed to enter the school until just before 3:20 pm.
- 2. Only one person per year 6 student can come onto the site to be present at the arch. If there are special circumstances a second adult may be allowed, but please check with the class teacher first.
- 3. Parents attending the arch will be able to come on site from 3 pm and move to the turf area where the arch will finish. We ask that parents socially distance as best as possible.
- 4. Parents may remain on the turf area for ten minutes to take photos with their children, before leaving the school.

OC RESULTS

Due to the delay in the OC Tests this year the offers will not arrive until mid-January. All parents should have received an email indicating this. Please ensure that you monitor your emails over this period as there is a one week turn around for acceptance. Parents with students who sat the OC Test do not need to complete the link about non and late returners for 2021. However, we ask if your child will be attending OC Class in 2021 that you inform the school by Wednesday 27 January to assist with our organisation.

LATE AND NON-RETURNERS FOR 2021

If your child will not be returning in 2021 or will be returning after the start date please access the link below to complete the form. As indicated above, anyone who sat the OC Test does not need to complete the form.

https://forms.gle/QRtRg6nYoVEdjbm96

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

As a goal, our school is endeavouring to provide before and after school care for all of our parents who require it. As such an outside provider (Big Child Care) has been accessed to fill the gap. Whilst there are some common themes including costs, EBASCA and Big Child Care are their own entity. Parents need to deal with the particular child care their child is using for all matters pertaining to the care of their child.

GIFTS BETWEEN FRIENDS

As COVID restrictions ease I am aware that many friends like to share gifts between each other. Last week I limited that arrangement to cards only but I am now rescinding that order to allow small gifts to be exchanged between students within a cohort. Due to our Nut Minimisation Policy, food should not be exchanged. All gifts should be checked by the class teacher before they are exchanged.

LAST MINUTE REMINDERS

- Reports will be distributed today. If you have any concerns please contact the class teacher through email or via the office.
- Please keep an eye on our school over the holiday period. If you see anything suspicious and of a criminal nature please contact the local police. If you see people on school grounds please contact School Security on 1300 880 021.
- Students in Year 1 to Year 6 in 2021 will return on Friday 29 January. Students commencing in kindergarten in 2021 will be informed individually, via email of their start dates.
- If things remain or improve on the COVID front there will be more easing of restrictions at the beginning of the 2021 Year. We all hope that this is the case and if so, I will inform parents of these new guidelines at the beginning of the 2021 school year.

FAREWELL TO 2020

In my life I have never witnessed a year like 2020. We have seen things that we never believe we would. Whole countries locked down, millions of deaths worldwide due to a virus, so many people losing their jobs, governments spending billions even trillions trying to keep economies afloat, students on a state-wide basis learning remotely, major events cancelled, no entertainment, no visiting friends for a period of time and the list goes on. When we look at the effects across the globe, whilst there were many personal tragedies, I do believe Australia has fared very well.

As the year draws to a close, a number of families are moving on. To our parents leaving us I only hope that you have enjoyed being part of our school community and we have given you everything you wanted from a school. I thank you for everything you have done and wish you every happiness for the future. It would be remiss of me not to thank Marissa Kelly, our outgoing P&C President. I have worked with Marissa over the years in many different capacities and thank her very much for all she has done for the students of Epping Public School. All the best to her and her family. To our Year 6 students moving on to the next part of their educational journey, I wish you every success wherever your journey takes you and rust that you will take a little part of Epping Public School with you wherever you may go.

This year has been draining both physically and mentally on all of our staff, parents and students. Please take the opportunity over the coming weeks to reconnect with family and friends as our country begins to open up again.

I wish everyone a safe, relaxing and happy break and look forward to seeing you all refreshed in 2021.

John Ford

PRINCIPAL

PRESENTATION DAY 2020

Recordings of the live stream will be available on the below links for each assembly until the end of term.

Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten) https://youtu.be/7b-Rw3WpZY0

Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) https://youtu.be/x3EV4s4L6IE

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) https://youtu.be/UAIN6os4Ufg

Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) https://youtu.be/k3jfBgRoyk4

Last week I shared with you a University of NSW ICAS competition success story without realising there was another student of Epping Public, David (4M) who also deserved the same recognition. David achieved a perfect score in the Digital Technologies paper. Congratulations David of your fine achievement.

To have one student be awarded a medal in the competitions is impressive, two – legendary.

Pictured below are both Aditya 3L and David 4M with their medals and looking very pleased with themselves.

Well done both of you!



Wishing our whole school community a safe and happy summer and festive season.

Sarah Semler

Deputy Principal

Movie Day

This Wednesday students from K-4 will participate in a Movie Day at school. The movies selected by stages and grades are:

Grade/ Stage	Movie
Early Stage 1	Elliot the Littlest Reindeer (PG)
Year 1	The Grinch (PG)
Year 2	Moana (PG)
Stage 2	Wonder (PG)

Please contact the office if you have any questions or do not wish your child to watch the selected movie.

Michael Day

Assistant Principal

NEWS FROM THE P&C

P&C Calendar - Term 4 2020

P&C Contacts

Executive & Committee President: Peter Kang - president@epspc.org

Vice President: Soumi Paul Mukhopadhyay - vp@epspc.org

Secretary: Sarah O'Neill - <u>secretary@epspc.org</u> Treasurer: Amandeep Sidhu - <u>treasurer@epspc.org</u>

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP

We are ready for donations! The school has confirmed that in keeping with COVID restrictions, students can hand in their Reji uniform donations to their class teachers. All uniforms are to be cleaned and placed in a bag. This will enable our school community that already owns Reji uniforms, but no longer need or fit in to be donated back to the school so they can be sold at discount. These items should be in good and wearable condition; neither damaged nor soiled.

Below is a list of items accepted by the second-hand uniform shop:

Reji school jackets

Reji school jumpers

Reji school academic shirts

Reji navy academic trousers

Reji navy academic shorts

Reji summer dresses

Reji winter dresses

Reji sports skorts

Reji sports long pants

Reji sports shirts (short / long-sleeved)

Reji sports short

Once the second-hand uniform shop receives any of the above-mentioned items, we will keep you posted on the time and venue.

For further information, please feel free to contact the uniform coordinator: uniformshop.eps@gmail.com

LOST PROPERTY BOX

Any school uniform items that are not labelled and have not been claimed by the end of the school term will be donated to the 2nd hand uniform shop.

CALLING ALL YEAR 6 PARENTS

Once your year 6 student has finished their last day at EPS, **PLEASE** consider donating their Reji uniform back to school for the 2nd hand uniform shop. Items can be placed in the LOST PROPERTY BOX located at the school office and will be open for donations **Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th December**. All donations can be dropped to school from **Wednesday 27th January, 2021**. All funds raised by the 2nd hand uniform shop goes back to supporting resources for our students.

Thank you
EPS P&C Uniform Coordinator

COMMUNITY NEWS

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NORTH EPPING RANGERS SPORTS CLUB INC PO Box 257, Epping NSW 2121

Is your child interested playing Winter SOCCER or NETBALL in 2021?

Soccer

NER welcomes all Womens (Sundays) or Mixed (Saturday) players from U6 years.

To be eligible to play for Under 6's you must be turning at least FIVE during the 2021 calendar year.

Netball

NER welcomes all players from the age of 7 through to seniors. We participate in the Eastwood Ryde Netball Association (ERNA) winter competition with games played either at Meadowbank Park or Brush Farm Park. For more information or to register interest, email our club convenor on ner netball.convenor@gmail.com

Register online at ner.org.au from January or at our registration day, Sun 31 January 2021 at North Epping Bowling club, Boundary Rd North Epping (State Government \$100 participation rebates are available)

Contact: Michael Stern on 0414 557277, michael.stern@bigpond.com.

NORTH EPPING RANGERS WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A MERRY XMAS



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- For girls of all abilities aged 5 - 12 years old - Learn new skills through fun game-based activities
- All equipment is provided
- Fun and safe environment

SIGN UP NOW TO GET YOUR CRICKET BLAST PACK!

Includes a ball, drink bottle and drawstring bag



Introducing a new Girls Only School Holiday Program in partnership with the Sydney Sixers!

Thursday 21st January 2021 @ North Epping Oval from 9am-3pm - Only \$50!

A fun and engaging day for girls of all abilities and experience to try cricket

Mixture of cricket and non-cricket activities like dance competitions and art

Email eppingbulls@hotmail.com for more information

Register today at playcricket.com.au Search - Epping Bulls Junior Cricket Club





