PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

INTERSCHOOL SPORTS—Our Grade 5/6 children will be joined by children from Quarry Hill PS to participate in interschool sports against Kennington and Spring Gully again this term. They will be playing European handball and Kanga 8s cricket. Games will be played at Quarry Hill on Tuesday November 5th and Friday November 22nd and a final mixed round robin will be at Bendigo South East Secondary College on Friday November 29th. The games will begin at approximately 1:30pm. Parents are most welcome to come and watch. We also need a couple of parents who are able to transport students to and from the location on these days – please let me know if you are able to help.

SWIMMING PROGRAM 2013—Our school swimming program for this term commenced this week and will run over the next three weeks. For Term 4, swimming will be held at the YMCA complex, Eaglehawk as below -
Monday 4th November lesson commencing at 10.50 am
Tuesday 12th November lesson commencing at 12 noon
Tuesday 19th November lesson commencing at 12 noon
Thanks so much to Ms Hartney for organising this program for our students. This is another wonderful extra-curricula activity that our students are able to participate in twice a year.

WORLD TEACHERS DAY—Last Friday was World Teachers Day. This day offers us an opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful work and dedication of our teachers and say thank you for all that they do. To celebrate World Teachers Day we had a special morning tea on Monday at school and on behalf of the school community we said ‘thank you’ to Anne & Diane with a special bunch of flowers. It is important sometimes to stop and think about everything that they do for each and every student at our school and how they are always willing to go above and beyond to ensure every child is happy and safe at school and receive the very best education possible. THANK YOU

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

- Just a reminder that all 2013 school accounts need to be finalised by the end of November to ensure all accounting is completed for the end of year roll over. Thank you to families who have already finalised their account - if you have not, it would be appreciate if you could do so as soon as possible. If you wish to discuss your account or organise a payment plan, please see myself or Marie. Banking Details below (please add your name)

Commonwealth Bank—Eppalock Primary School Council Official Account
BSB 063-506 Account Number 10152204
ORIENTATION PROGRAM DATES FOR 2014 PREPS
Below is listed the dates and times for this year’s transition and orientation program for our 2014 prep students. We will also be holding a Prep Parent/Staff/Student Picnic next, Thursday 7th November from 5.30pm – 7pm. This will be a great chance for our 2014 prep families to get to know each other and the staff in a friendly, relaxed setting.
Visit 1: Thursday 14th November - 11.30am-1.00pm
Visit 2: Wednesday 20th November - 9.30am-11.00am
Visit 3: Monday 25th November - 10.00am-11.30am
Whole school Orientation Day/Classroom visit 4 Tuesday December 3rd - 9.00am-11.30am

Have a great week, Mrs Ryan

IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER
Wednesday 30th Bendigo Cup—Public Holiday
Thursday 31st Pupil Free Day

NOVEMBER
FRIDAY 1st LOTE CLUBS
Monday 4th Swimming Program
Australian Youth Choir visit
Tuesday 5th Melbourne Cup - Cup Cake Day
Interschool Sports (Grade 5/6)
Active After School Program—Tennis
Thursday 7th MARC LIBRARY
Active After School Program—Dance
2014 Prep Parent Picnic - 5:30pm– 7pm
Friday 8th LOTE CLUBS
Monday 11th Parent Club Meeting—9.15 am
Tuesday 12th Swimming Program
Active After School Program—Tennis
Wednesday 13th DRAMA / MUSIC
Prep Transition - 11:30am - 1pm
Thursday 14th Active After School Program—Dance
Friday 15th LOTE CLUBS

DECEMBER
Monday 2nd Pupil Free Day - Report Writing Day
Tuesday 10th Grade 6 Graduation Dinner
Thursday 19th End of Year COMMUNITY NIGHT
Friday 20th Last Day Term 4—1.30 pm dismissal
Congratulations to the following students who received awards this week;

Levi - for working really well in maths.
Jaiden - for his positive attitude towards his spelling test.
Chloe - for working hard and doing her best.

Our Value for Term 4 is Respect - treat others with consideration and regard; respect another person's point of view.

The Respect Award for this week is awarded to Jazz for always being a respectful member of our school.

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

Thank you to the older boys. They came and asked if I needed help washing the potatoes - Jackie.

To Jack, when Lee dropped his book he put them away for him - Chloe.
Jesse, for helping put down the chairs without being asked - Mis Hartney.
To Angus, for willingly helping to water the plants for Mrs. McCrae - Jack.

PARENT CLUB NEWS

Next Parent Club next meeting – Tuesday 11th November 9.15 am

END OF YEAR COMMUNITY NIGHT – THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2013 commencing at 6.00 pm in the school grounds.
The night will comprise of a shared picnic tea (details below), followed by a drama performance by our students, presentation to graduating students, disco and a visit by a special person.
We ask that all families bring a 'meat' dish to share (enough for your own family) eg casserole, cold meat platter, quiche, sausage rolls etc
As well as a Salad (families with surname A-M)
Slice/Cake (families with surname N-Z)
BYO plates, cutlery, drinks and chair

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE
We ask families to donate an item or two for our hamper raffle. There will be a box in the office area to place donations in. Please check 'use-by' dates on items and ensure there is no perishable food items.
Raffle tickets ($1.00 each) will be sent home in the next couple of weeks.

GOLD COAST RESORT VOUCHERS—$20.00 EACH
Various Resorts & Deals - eg. $169 to pay for 2 Adults, 4 nights (children $15 extra, per night). Fully Transferable and would make a great gift for family and friends! For further details please see Marie in the office.
PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS

Private lessons are held every Tuesday at Eppalock Primary School.

Guitar lessons Vocal lessons
Bass lessons

For more information, please contact
Mel on 0430 042 405
Email: sina_rox@hotmail.com

AXE CREEK PLAYGROUP

Wednesday morning 9.00 am—11.00 am
Eppalock Primary School (old school building),
149 Patons Road, Axe Creek.

All welcome - morning tea and activities provided

COMMUNITY NEWS

SUPPORT FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES
Eppalock Primary School receives fantastic support from a range of local businesses in the Strathfieldsaye area.

We have received generous support from the following businesses –

- Supa IGA Strathfieldsaye
- Strathfieldsaye Bakery
- Edwards Greengrocer
- Hume & Iser Home Hardware
- Bendigrow Garden & Living Centre
- McDonalds Plant Plus Nursery
- Strathfieldsaye Hardware
- BUFS Pharmacy Strathfieldsaye

Each week we will provide some information on each of these businesses that has supported the school.
Please support these local businesses who support us!

HUME & ISER HOME HARDWARE

Family owned and operated since 1880, Hume and Iser started as a saw mill, carting timber logs by horse and cart and selling some goods by the pound. The business has come a long way since and now incorporates timber, hardware, garden products and plasterboard - everything you need to get the job done!

HUME & ISER PTY LTD
35-37 Charleston Place, Bendigo VIC 3550
Phone: (03) 5440 7100 Fax: (03) 5440 7190
Email: info@humeiser.com.au

BENDIGO BANK SCHOOL BANKING

EVERY TUESDAY AT EPPALOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL
APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE FROM SCHOOL OFFICE

Catch the savings bug with school banking every Tuesday.
IMPORTANT

Please note road closures on 8th Nov 2013 as this may affect school drop offs & pick ups.

2013 Bendigo Grand Prix/
Victorian Open Road Cycling Championships
November 8 - 10

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES:

BENDIGO's status as one of Australia's premier regional cycling destinations has been cemented, with the city to host the Victorian Open Road Cycling Championships for the second consecutive year.

The three-day titles will again double as the Bendigo Grand Prix in a bid to determine the best-performed male and female riders across the three events – a time trial, road race and criterium.

On Friday, November 8, 2013 the Bendigo Grand Prix/Victorian Open Road Cycling Championships will conduct its opening event – a time trial in Emu Creek.

The start/finish line will be located at Emu Creek Recreation Reserve on Emu Creek Road.

The following restrictions will apply during the event:

- Emu Creek Road will be closed between Hargreaves Road and Storys Road from 8.30am to 3pm on Friday, November 8, 2013 to allow event construction crew to set-up the start/finish area and for post-race presentations to be conducted.

- During 8.30am and 3pm the following roads will be closed to traffic:

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- NO PARKING on these roads during 8.30am and 3pm on Friday, November 8.
- This event will be under the control of the Victoria Police.

The course also features:

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Motorists using these roads between 10am and 11.30am and 12pm and 2.30pm may be required to stop briefly to ensure the safety of the race. The City of Greater Bendigo has organised a detour route (see map on back of page).

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience that these restrictions may cause, however, this event provides you with an opportunity to watch some of the country's best cyclists in action, so we encourage you to come along.

If you have any questions regarding the above outlined plan please call event co-ordinator Diana Nardi (03) 5224 2466.
The map below outlines the road closures and detours in place on this day.