SCHOOL VALUES

- Care and Compassion – Care for self and others
- Honesty and Trustworthiness – Be honest, sincere and seek the truth
- Respect – Treat others with consideration and regard: respect another person’s point of view
- Responsibility—Be accountable for one’s own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non violent and peaceful ways; contribute to society and civic life, take care of the environment

Principal’s Report

It’s hard to believe we are in the last week of term 3 already. The term has flown by so quickly and has been jam packed with sporting events, cultural excursions and lots and lots of learning in all classrooms around the core subjects of literacy and numeracy. Term 4 is going to be just as busy with our School Review being conducted on the first Wednesday back and the students going to Heathcote on the Thursday to see the Alpha Production of Hercules at the Town Hall. We also have our athletics carnival booked for Friday 17th October and the Swimming program taking place in November – please see the Newsletter Calendar for exact dates.

SUNSMART

Just a reminder that Eppalock PS is a Sunsmart School and therefore all students need to wear a hat during all outside activities during Term 4. If students don’t have a hat during recess and lunch time they will be required to play under the covered area. The school holiday break is a great time for students to get organised and ensure they have a suitable hat (snapbacks and baseball caps are not acceptable) ready for the first day of term 4.

Orientation Program Dates for 2015 Preps

Below is listed the dates and times for this year’s transition and orientation program for our 2015 prep students. We will also be holding a Prep Parent/Staff/Student Picnic on Thursday 6th November from 5.30pm – 7pm. This will be a great chance for our 2015 prep families to get to know each other and the staff in a friendly, relaxed setting.

Visit 1; Thursday 13th November - 11.30am-1.00pm

Visit 2; Wednesday 19th November - 9.30am-11.00am

Visit 3; Monday 24th November - 10.00am-11.30am

Whole school Orientation Day/Classroom visit 4 Tuesday December 9th - 9.00am-11.30am

Curriculum Day

Just a reminder that tomorrow is a Pupil Free Day. Teachers will be continuing their work with Math’s Consultant Mike Ymer & working with teachers from Axedale & Heathcote Primary Schools to further develop their understanding and knowledge around implementing great math’s sessions. There will be NO school for children on this day.
**Stayback**

Thursday is our Grade Prep/One/Two Stayback. This is part of our School wide camping program. Students will remain at school at the end of the day and take the school bus to the White Hills Botanical Gardens where we will have an explore, play and a bite to eat before returning to school. Students will need to be collected from school at 6pm.

**Excursion**

Attached in the newsletter is a permission form for our Excursion to Heathcote first week back in term 4. Could you please fill this permission slip out and return along with money as soon as possible.

**Early School Finish End of Term**

Term 3 concludes on Friday 19th September. Students will be dismissed at 1.30pm and ASC will run till 3.30pm. Please let the school know asap if your child will be in After School Care on this day. The bus will leave school at 1.30 pm for the afternoon run.

I hope all students, parents and their families have a wonderful, safe and happy holiday.

Enjoy the break!

Have a great week. Mrs. Ryan J

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**Library**

Thanks to all families for returning school library books. We are missing two books entitled “Diary of a Wimpy Kid” if your child has finished reading these books could they please return them to school.

Thank you to Emma Newman for helping to cover books for our school library, it was much appreciated.
IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER
Tuesday 16th  AASC—Cricket
           Drama/Music
Wednesday 17th  Pupil Free Day (Staff PD)
Thursday 18th  MARC Library
          Prep/1/2 Stay back Night
          AASC—Athletics
Friday 19th  Last Day—Term 3—1:30pm Dismissal

OCTOBER
Monday 6th  First Day—Term 4
Thursday 9th  Excursion to Heathcote 8:45am to be at school
Saturday 11th  Trivia Night
Friday 17th  Cluster Sports
Tuesday 28th  Swimming Lessons 1:00-1:40pm

NOVEMBER
Tuesday 4th  Swimming Lessons 1:00-1:40pm
Tuesday 18th  Swimming Lessons 1:00-1:40pm
Tuesday 25th  Swimming Lessons 1:00-1:40pm

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards this week …
Prep/1— April for being an organized student
2/3/4— Sam for his great attitude in school
5/6— Levi Tate for trying hard in class.

VALUES AWARD FOR BEING RESPONSIBLE MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY was presented to
Reuben Wild— for being responsible member of the school community

Birthdays:  Ellie Lovell—28th September
TRIVIA NIGHT REMINDER
Eppalock Primary's Trivia Extravaganza is coming up SOON! Its a MAJOR school fundraiser.
Remember that ticket prices go up to $20 per person after the end of this term - so book and pay for your tables asap to get the cheap ticket price per person.
Lots of people have mentioned that they're going to come - but hardly anyone has put their name down and paid for tables. We're getting nervous that we have no-one coming and it will need to be cancelled. Please save us the stress and book & pay for a couple of tables early so planning can proceed - Ring the office today & confirm!
5-7 people can go on a table - AND - families can go on adjoining tables if you have more than 7 people coming - there will be lots of mixing and interaction between rounds!
You'll need to bring gold coins with you on the night - LOTS of fun games and prizes to be won
Can you spread the word and help get more tables - who knows the CFA members and can get the word out to CFA families? Who knows Landcare families and can get the word out to the Landcare Network. There is only 2 weeks left for cheap tickets and we'd love for the local community to hear about it and have the chance to register. Can you email your workplaces and friends - how many tables can we get?
THERE IS A SIGN UP SHEET AT THE FRONT OFFICE for you to register your tables

HELP NEEDED PLEASE
We need sponsors, donations and prizes for our upcoming trivia night. Can every family please help us?
Do you know anyone / any business that may be able to contribute or donate a prize?
Can you offer a service or prize (ie. half a lamb, babysitting sessions, hot dinners, gardening, 2hrs of handyman services).
THE MORE PRIZES WE GET THE MORE EXCITING THE NIGHT WILL BE FOR PEOPLE COMING and the more money we will raise
Can you drop off some letters seeking sponsorship/support - Do you know a butcher who could contribute a meat tray?
Can you provide some 'fencing assistance' and donate 2hrs of fencing labour
We can give you letters of request / support and will be promoting businesses and supporters in our newsletters, on our fliers, on the night and on social media. Lots of chances to support the businesses that are supporting us.
These are all fantastic items to go into our silent auction on the night!!
These will all help raise $$$ for our wonderful school
We have set up a prize display at the front entrance of the school - along the bench on your left as you walk in
Email Sally-Anne Symes on: sally-anne.symes@lcfclubs.com.au if you're able to contribute a prize or help with donations.

WANTED: Pie Warmer that can be donated to the school or purchased by parents club for a small price.

WANTED: Second hand/new bricks that can be donated to the school. Parents Club/ Living Green is looking at building a Pizza Oven for School and Community Use. If you have any bricks that can be donated to the school please contact the school or Nikki Mannes

WANTED: Pizza Oven Building Specifications. If any one has built a pizza oven before and has plans for one or has the knowledge on how to build one could you please see the school or Nikki Mannes.

Thank You for your help with the above items.
Hercules
The Hero Within Us All
Musical Production
Heathcote RSL Hall

Excursion Thursday 9th October 2014
(whole school excursion)

Alpha Shows present Hercules a full musical production.

True Hero
We’re not talking about having strong muscles or being better than others, rather, creating real, true heroes that can go out into the world and make it better. Hercules is a great role model showing how to win without fighting. Philoctetes takes the audience on a journey, showing clearly and having them literally stand tall and experience what it takes to be a true hero.

All students will need to be at school no later than 8:45am as the bus needs to leave 8:50am sharp to be at Heathcote by 9:30am.

The bus will return back to school by 12:00pm. We will have morning tea at the excursion before returning to school.

The cost to families is $18.50 per student.

Please return the permission slip with payment to the school office as soon as possible.

If have any question please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Hercules – The Hero within us all  Excursion to Heathcote

Childs Name: ……………………………………………………………      Childs Name: ……………………………………………………………

Childs Name: ……………………………………………………………

Please find enclosed $…………………… for Hercules excursion ($18:50) per student

Signed ………………………………………………
(Parent/Guardian)
Special Lunch Day Survey—Parents Club

We are so lucky and privileged to belong to a small community school. But being a small school means we cannot offer a canteen. We rely on parents to help out with special lunch days. In order to continue these special lunch days we are seeking parents help. Suggestions on menu for special lunch days is always welcomed. Could you please assist us by filling out the survey below and returning to school by end of term so that Nikki Mannes can put together a roster for next term. Please also note that Nikki is always willing to help and guide those new to the school community

Name: ........................................................................

Are you available to help on lunch days or available to organise a lunch day at least once a term

☐ Monday
☐ Tuesday
☐ Wednesday
☐ Thursday
☐ Friday

Would you like to see more lunch days

☐ Yes  ☐ No

How Often would you like the lunch days

☐ Weekly
☐ Fortnightly
☐ Monthly

Are you happy with the costs for these lunch days

☐ Yes  ☐ No
Eppalock Primary School presents:

**A Trivia Extravaganza**

Funds raised will be put towards the redevelopment of the Axe Creek Community Centre (The old Eppalock School Building) - Facilities for Kids Cooking, Playgroup, CFA & Landcare

**Saturday 11th October 2014** (First Saturday back in Term 4)

$16 per person (for tickets purchased & paid for up until Friday 19th Sept 2014)

$20 per person (for tickets purchased on/after Saturday 20th Sept 2014)

**Tables of 5 people**

*you don’t need a full table / 5 people to come along - you can purchase individual tickets and we’ll put you together with others on the night to create ‘super tables’.*

6pm **Masked Wine Tasting - Can you pick the varietal?**

$5 per participant

Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Riesling

Wine tasting & nibbles. No wine tasting experience necessary....

7pm **Trivia Extravaganza kicks off**

4 rounds of Trivia

Lucky number prizes, door raffles and a silent auction on the night

10.30pm Evening End

***Child minding will be available on the night at a small cost per child***

BYO Drinks **AMAZING PRIZES TO BE WON**

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Each school family to please bring:

- a plate of supper/nibbles for each of your tables
- bag of lollies ie. Éclairs, strawberry creams, Freddo Frogs, Aldi lolly sticks (These will be collected at the start of the night and put into a ‘tray’ of lollies to be rotated around the tables during the evening - sitting on the winning table each round)

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**Where:** Eppalock Primary School, Patons Road, Axe Creek

**Enquiries and Tickets sales:** Eppalock Primary School Office (03) 5439 6366

Email: eppalockps@edumail.vic.gov.au  (netbanking EFT avail for tickets)

Help us create a fantastic Kids Cooking Kitchen & Community Facility!
Media Release

Bendigo Climate Action Day

Bendigo Sustainability Group Picnic

Sunday 21st September

Citizens of Bendigo are calling for action on Climate change. The United Nations is holding a Summit meeting of international leaders to discuss what can be done about it.

On Sunday 21st September, just days before the summit, citizens across the world are coming together to let politicians know that they want effective action. This is a global movement coordinated by AVAAZ and 350.org with almost 1500 events planned across the world - New York, London, Sydney, just to name a few.

The Bendigo event is being run by the Bendigo Sustainability Group as a family picnic between 11am and 1pm in Rosalind Park on 21st September. Event photos from all over the world will be sent to New York to be shown to Summit delegates as part of an AVAAZ presentation. Participants are encouraged to wear green and bring green balloons and banners as a bright green heart is the symbol of the day. For more information see the ClimateActionBendigo page on Facebook.

The Bendigo Sustainability Group invites citizens to step up and be part of what is expected to be the biggest global mobilisation in history – telling politicians worldwide that the people really do want action on climate change.

Media Enquiries:

Colin Lambie on 0417 561 903 or at colin@lambie.net.au (interviews)
Anne via coordinator@bsg.org.au (event coordinator)

The Global Event websites:

350.org http://peoplesclimate.org/march/
AVAAZ https://secure.avaaz.org/en/join_to_change_everything_rb/
The Summit webpage www.un.org/climatechange/summit
COMMUNITY NOTICES

AXE CREEK COMMUNITY FRESH PRODUCE SWAP

Do you have excess vegetables, fruit, eggs or herbs from your garden?
Not sure what to do with them?
Bring them to the Axe Creek Community Fresh Produce Swap at Eppalock Primary School.

If you have excess vegetables, fresh fruit, eggs, herbs or any other items, please bring them along and be part of our Fresh Produce Swap program. There are baskets on the bench in the school foyer and the process is that you can swap your produce for other produce.

If you do not have produce to swap that’s OK, just help yourself to the fresh produce displayed. You do not need to pay for any of the produce, however if you wish to make a monetary donation for anything it will be put towards our Living Green Program.

BENDIGO BANK SCHOOL BANKING

The staff from Bendigo Bank’s Strath Hill branch visit Eppalock Primary School each TUESDAY MORNING providing a school banking service for students.

Participants in the program will use a Bendigo Piggy Bank Passbook Account and moneybox to learn about the process and the benefits of saving.

With no account keeping fees, no transaction or government fees, no penalties and no deposit restrictions—plus a lot of fun games and rewards—a Piggy Bank Passbook Account makes saving fun.

Please note—the school banking program provides a deposit service only, however, withdrawals can be made at the Strath Hill branch.

Further information is available from the school office or by calling into the Bendigo Bank Strath Hill branch.

FAMILY DAYCARE

Would you consider a career as an Early Childhood Educator?
- Professional Training with Nationally Recognised Qualification
- Work from home and work the hours that suit you
- Great income prospects
- All Educators registered with DEECD
- Full ongoing support provided

For more information please call: 1300 856 463

Providing flexible and affordable CHILDCARE in a nurturing home environment
For more information you can go to "Goldfields Libraries" <ncgl@ncgrl.vic.gov.au>
To all Strathfieldsaye Storm members, players, sponsors and supporters,

Please come and help support the Strathfieldsaye Storm senior footballers who are playing in the BFNL Grand Final at the QEO on Saturday the 20th of September at 2.20pm. We want to have a huge Strathfieldsaye presence at the QEO on Saturday to help the boys get over the line and bring the first STORM Premiership Cup back to the Strathfieldsaye community. The more blue and white support present at the ground the better!!

The club will be utilising the aquatic change rooms which are located on the far side of the ground.

After the game we will be returning to the clubrooms at Strathfieldsaye to celebrate the 2014 season.

Please come and join the players and everyone else involved who assisted in making the 2014 football & netball season such a huge success on and off the field. Food and refreshments will be available from 6.30pm onwards. Food and drink tickets will be available for purchase on arrival and music will be supplied by Bruce “THE DJ” Duncan.

On Sunday the 21st we will be holding our 2014 Football & Netball Presentation Day at the clubrooms. Everyone is invited to come enjoy the day and help celebrate the achievements of our talented young list.

Proceedings will kick off at 11.00am with the Under 17s Netballers receiving their awards. All other football and netball presentations will then continue throughout the day.

A carvery meal & refreshments will be available on the day with a local band providing the music from mid-afternoon and throughout the evening.

Please come and enjoy the festivities and help the club sign off the 2014 the season with a great family day.

Remember meals are available at the clubrooms this Thursday night from 6.30pm. Come and join the Storm players and coaches for their last training session of the year. Hear all about the about the Grand Final preparations and team selection.

DON’T FORGET!!! Thursday the 18th of September a special event will also take place after training. Young-James Barty will be shaving off his much loved ‘Mohawk’ to help support Nathan Jennings and his family. This is a great effort by James and shows the true spirit of the extended ‘Storm Family’.

'Go Storm'

Richard Falconer
Vice President
Strath Storm
0428 299 585
YMCA Holiday Program

There is an information sheet and program sheet available for the above holiday programme. There are a couple of copies made for parents to look at. They are located on the bench near the Fresh Produce Swap table.

Bendigo Little Athletics Season 2014/15

Little Athletics involves track and field events for children of all abilities ages between 5 and 15 held Saturday mornings and some Friday nights beginning Saturday 4th October at the Athletics Track, Retreat Road, Flora Hill.

Registration is on-line at www.lavic.com.au. Early bird fee is $100.00 prior to September 30th. From October 1 full fee is $125.00. Come and Try at $5.00 available twice during season.

For more detailed information visit www.bendigolac.org.au or email bendigo@lavic.com.au. For registration enquiries registrarblac@hotmail.com

City of Greater Bendigo Holiday Programme

Free Family Fun Days in the Hargreaves Mall during the September school holidays

Wednesday 24th September from 10.30am to 2.30pm

First is our rescheduled fun day with Inflatable amusement, Laser Tag and the Giant Slide, and the large games, free for everyone to come and play and enjoy.

Monday 29th September from 11am to 2pm

Second is a visit from Croc Stars, with two scheduled reptile displays and shows at 11am and 1pm as well as reptile themed craft activities and large games to play with.

For more information contact the City of Greater Bendigo on 54346000
BENDIGO TENNIS

Bendigo Tennis Clubs are opening their courts this weekend for player registrations. Details include:

Interested in TENNIS?

The Bendigo Tennis Association are taking individual and team entries for all competition formats for 2014/15 summer season, which kicks off in the second week of October 2014. We offer playing opportunities for players of all ages and standards, including:

- Juniors (Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat)
- Midweek ladies (Tues, Wed & Thurs AM)
- Saturday afternoon Seniors,
- Veterans (Monday AM)
- Night Comps (Men, Ladies, Mixed)

Anyone wishing to participate is encouraged to contact the Bendigo Bank Tennis Complex on 5442 5744, visit the website or email info@bendigotennis.com.au.

Nominations for summer teams close the end of September. Register now at:

www.bendigotennis.com.au

Bendigo Lawn TC: Registration Dates: Fri 12th and Monday 15th September Time: 4pm – 6pm on each night Location: Bendigo Bank Tennis Complex, Nolan ST, Bendigo Contact: Leon Retallick 5442 5744

Spring Gully TC: Registration Date: Sunday 14th September, 2014 Time: 10am – 2pm Location: Spring Gully TC – Spring Gully Rd, Spring Gully Contact: Jack Baker 0437 900 824

South Bendigo TC: Registration Dates: Sat 13th & Sun 14th September, 2014 Time: 10.30am – 11.30am Location: South Bendigo TC, Neale St, Flora Hill Contact: Kieran Fitzgerald 54395 642

MILO CRICKET PROGRAM

Future Jets Cricketers...

Warmer weather is coming so that means Jets Milo In2 Cricket is coming back bigger than ever...

Sunday 26th October 10am-11am until 14th December @ Tannery Lane Complex, Strathfieldsaye.

Children have a great time, learning different skills whilst interacting with each other & importantly had fun being active. We had a great number of young girls in the Program & hope to see more this year.

Age: approx. 5-8. $70 which includes a cricket kit bag of goodies including a shirt, cap and bat.


Strathfieldsaye Cricket Club
Steam Trains for Kids

Maldon Station

All aboard for family fun

Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th October 2014

Depart Maldon Station 10:30am, 12:00pm and 1:30pm

Adults $25.00

Child (2-15) $15.00

Family Ticket $75.00

For more information www.vgr.com.au or telephone 54706658
Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition

We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional guitar and keyboard tuition to students starting in Term 4. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia's leading provider of school music tuition.

Music Stars provides:

- Group guitar and keyboard tuition
- Caters for all grades & music levels
- Weekly 30 minute sessions
- Convenient! Lessons at school!
- Very Affordable! $110 per term
- 70% less then out-of-school lessons

Guitars and keyboards supplied for every student to use during lessons!

Registrations Close Soon!

If you would like your child to participate please register using one of the options below. Registrations close at the end of Term 3. We are unable to accept registrations after this time! Limited places are available so be quick so you don’t miss out!

Option 1: Online Registration (Preferred)

Please register online via www.musicstars.com.au Registration takes 2 minutes and you will receive a confirmation email confirming your registration.

Option 2: Phone Registration 1300 889 179

If you don’t have access to the internet you can register by calling 1300 889 179. Our office is open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

More Information

If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below.

Phone: 1300 889 179
Email: info@musicstars.com.au
Web: www.musicstars.com.au

We hope you can support this program.

Kind regards,