NEWSLETTER
Monday, 20 October, 2014
Welcome to Week 3, Term 4

SPOOKY DISCO THANKS!
What an amazing fun filled night! The kids looked fabulous dressed up to match the theme and they were in full karaoke voice throughout the night. DJ Andy weaved his magic in getting all the kids to put on their dancing shoes – the smiles and laughter said it all.
A massive thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped make our disco a fabulous night for all. With your volunteering efforts and despite the cold wind, we were able to have a successful evening. A big thanks to Marissa Kelly and Wendy Lam who helped us organise the disco. Then on the night, we had our wonderful parent volunteers who assisted on the sidelines in ensuring the night went on without a hitch.

COMING EVENTS
Tuesday 28 October
Kindy Orientation Day 1
Wednesday 29 October
Music Festival Concert
Thursday 30 October
Stage 3 Sculptures by the Sea
Excursion

MERIT AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who will receive a Merit Award at this week’s assembly.

Bronze
Joel 2W
Silver
Chelsea 1C
Juvin 2D

ASSEMBLY
This weeks’ assembly item will be presented by 1C.

Next week’s assembly item will be a Gold Awards Assembly and the item will be presented by Stage 3 Dance.

Assembly is held in the hall on Wednesdays at 1.15pm, parents are welcome.
A special thank you to those parents as well as the wonderful teachers who attended, your support is always appreciated. We also wish to extend our sincere thanks to Mr Ford and the staff members who assisted us in promoting the disco.

To the parents who bought the pirate badges, our supplier ran out of stock and replaced the necklace without notifying us.

As time was tight, we were not able to notify you in time. Please accept our apologies regarding this.

Thank you all for supporting our fundraising efforts.

Angeline Soo, Suzanne Tan and Elissa Greenhalgh

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL PLANNING
I would again like to invite parents to our upcoming school planning evening on Tuesday 28 October. This is an opportunity for you to have input into our vision and plans for the next three years. The more families represented the better the data collected and decisions made. The evening will take the form of discussion groups where people can comment on all aspects of our school. There will be child minding facilities for school aged children and refreshments will be served. I look forward to seeing as many parents there as possible.

SCHOOL DISCO
Once again our fundraising committee did a great job in organising the school disco. The hall looked fantastic, DJ Andy was roaring, parent helpers were outstanding and the students had a great time. Thank you to everyone involved in making the evening a success.

E MAGAZINE
Our E-Magazine is just about ready to launch. In the coming days you will receive an invitation to access it via our school website. The thought behind the magazine is to give parents a different opportunity to see the wonderful programs we have operating in and out of the classrooms at Epping Public School. I would like to thank all of our teachers who have contributed to the input of the magazine, the technology committee who have driven this project and finally Miss Assad who put the magazine together. I hope you find enjoyment in viewing our magazine.

LEISURE SPORTS PROGRAM
Our Stage 2 and Stage 3 students are eagerly looking forward to the commencement of the Leisure Sports Program this Friday. Mr Patterson has put a lot of time into organising the program. More details about the program can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

Mr John Ford
Principal

LEISURE SPORTS PROGRAM 2014 -IT’S BACK AGAIN, BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER!
That is right, it’s back on again! Due to its big success last year, students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 will be participating in a 5 week Leisure Sports Program in Term 4. It will commence from 24 October (Week 3) through to 21 November (Week 7), occurring each Friday morning.

This program will provide the students with a variety of sporting experiences that showcase different sports at a variety of sporting venues. This program links to the students’ studies in Physical Education/Health and Personal Development.

Over the 5 weeks, the students will be actively engaged in a range of sports; Gymnastics at YMCA Epping and Badminton/Volleyball at Macquarie University, Ten Pin Bowling at Macquarie Centre, Zumba Fitness in the school hall and Cricket skills and Games at school.
The cost for this program covers bus transport to and from the external venues, participation and use of equipment and professional coaching during the activities. The students will receive a note that will include a timetable of what sport they are doing on what week and their group number. Please encourage the students to be aware of what sport they are undertaking each week.

Each week, the students who travel by bus to their sporting venue will need to ensure they are at school by 9.20am. Students are asked to have their hat and drink bottle with them during the morning session, ready for when the morning bell rings. Once the bell rings, students who are travelling by bus will be asked to move to their group’s designated area to have their name marked off prior to hopping on the bus. The buses are scheduled to depart from school at 9.30am. The groups whose sports are at school will attend the morning assembly and then move off afterward to their allocated sports.

I look forward to hearing about each of the sporting activities!

Mr Patterson
Leisure Sports Coordinator

**TAP WATER MAKES THE BEST DRINK!**

Not only is it thirst quenching, but also contains fluoride which helps make teeth stronger. Here’s what water has to offer:
- it is cheap and readily available
- it doesn’t contain any kilojoules or sugar
- it encourages optimal function of the body

We should all aim to drink between five to eight cups of water a day. In the warmer months it is important to keep well hydrated. Always have water available when children are active. Encourage them to drink water regularly, even in cooler months.

*Live Life Well Team*

**MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Just a reminder to Year 2 parents to purchase your tickets for the Music Festival. Tickets are $25 each and should be purchased through the office collection box by this Friday.

The concert is next Wednesday 29 October at the Sydney City Town Hall.

A note was sent home today about costumes and meeting times.

Don't miss this exciting performance!

**EBASCA**

Have you returned your 2015 registration form?? Currently enrolled families are encouraged to return their forms ASAP!! The sooner you return your form, the better your chance of securing your booking for next year. First in, best dressed!

Enrolments for new families open tomorrow evening at 6:30pm (21st October) at the EBASCA classroom. If your child has not attended EBASCA previously this is your first opportunity to enrol for 2015. If you need a registration form please see us at the centre.

Please note that we have a limited number of places available for each session. Once we reach our maximum capacity we cannot accept any extra bookings. If we cannot accommodate your requested booking your child’s name will be placed on the waiting list.

If you have any questions please speak to Brigitte on 9868 2201

**NEWS FROM THE P&C**

**P&C CALENDAR – TERM 4/ 2014**

- Tuesday 29th November – End of Year Parents Dinner

**Band This Week**

**Training Band 2015**
The conductor will be available this Thursday, 23rd October, at approx. 8.50am to conduct a ‘blow test’ for any student who would like to join the training band next year but missed the ‘blow test’ session last week. Please come to the CAPA room with a completed form (available from the office) and meet the conductor.

Uniform Shop Open
Max from Dr Shoe will be at school this Wednesday with a range of school shoes and sports shoes available for your school shoe needs. The Uniform Shop runs a clothing pool of old uniforms. If you have any uniforms that no longer fit your children and would like to donate them to the clothing pool, please leave them in a bag marked ‘Uniform Shop’ at the office. All proceeds raised from the clothing pool go to the P&C.

Social News
End of Year Parents Dinner: please keep the date free! Nov 29th. More details to follow!

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