Hey Ho! What a show!

Term One ended with our annual Hat Parade. Epping students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed wearing their home made hats. Our hall was filled with an array of coloured feathers, painted Easter eggs and fluffy chicks all stapled, glued or otherwise attached to head gear balanced on heads.

The Essex Street Kindy came for a big school experience, walking with their carers to show us what they had made. It’s always great to see these young visitors.

After each class had paraded their gorgeous hats, the K-2 choir sang three songs with their usual enthusiasm.

Of course no Easter event would be complete without a visit from the Easter Bunny.

Right on cue, the Bunny arrived to give out prizes for the colouring competition. Congratulations to all the winners.

Thank you to all the parents and families who attended. We hope you enjoyed the occasion.

COMING EVENTS

Thursday 8 May
Mothers Day Stall
Friday 9 May
Mothers Day Stall
Tuesday 13 May – Thursday 15 May
NAPLAN

MERIT AWARDS

Bronze Award
Bryan – 3Y
Onew – 1C
Edmund – 1A

Silver Award
Saaisha – 2W

ASSEMBLY

Week 2; the assembly item will be presented by 5/4P.

Assembly is held in the hall on Wednesdays at 1.15pm, parents are welcome.
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WELCOME BACK
I trust everyone has had an enjoyable break and is looking forward to the new term. As always this will be a very busy term which will include NAPLAN tests, Semester 1 Reports, the start of PSSA Competition, Debating Competitions, Band Competitions and Athletics Carnival.

OUTSTANDING SUCCESS
Those who followed our newsletter last term would be well aware of the exploits of Bella in Year 3. Bella had progressed to the state swimming championships held at the end of Term 1. I am very pleased to announce that Bella is the 8 year girl state swimming champion. Well done Bella on an outstanding achievement.

PLAY EQUIPMENT USE
I am well aware that a number of our families use the play equipment after school. Given that many families live in units where play equipment is not available I am happy for this to happen provided the following procedures are followed:

- The equipment is only used under direct parent supervision.
- No child is to be on the equipment without an adult present.
- The equipment is used safely and no damage is caused to the equipment.
- EBASCA has priority in using the equipment.

BOOK DONATION
At the end of Term 1 a fundraising event was held by the P&C Fundraising Committee. I would like to thank Dishni and Elissa for organising the event. I would also like to thank Captain Pete for his kind donation of three books to our school library.

ASTHMA PLAN
I would like to clarify our policy with regard to students who use an asthma puffer. Students are allowed to carry their own puffer, however parents should supply an extra puffer to the school office in case of students forgetting or losing their own puffer. It is the responsibility of the parent to ensure the use by date is current with the puffer. If your child is young and still new in self-administering the puffer please let the class teacher and school office know.

Mr John Ford

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE
It was with great pride I accompanied our Captain Sam and Vice-Captain Ya Min to the Anzac Day Dawn Service at Forrest Park in Epping.

Over 200 hundred people gathered to remember the sacrifice of so many so that we can live in peace today. The service began when an Honour Guard of over 50 cadets marched into the park, followed by a strong contingent of returned service veterans.

Many local schools and youth groups were represented and each joined Sam and Ya Min
in laying a wreath at the cenotaph in remembrance of fallen soldiers.

It was a very moving service with old and young standing together embracing the dawn of a new day remembering those who have given so much so we can enjoy freedom today.

Mrs Anne Rowell (Teacher)

HARMONY DAY EXODUS FOUNDATION “CANNED FOOD” DRIVE

The students at Epping Public School have proved they “can” make a difference to those “in need” in our community.

As part of their recent Harmony Day celebrations, Epping Public School students again joined forces with the Exodus Foundation. The Exodus Foundation is a charity run by Bill Crews which works throughout Sydney to support families in need.

To show their commitment to the common values of respect and goodwill every student at Epping Public School took part in a “canned food” drive. On the last Friday of Term 1 eighteen large crates of canned fish, meat, vegetables, soup and fruit were collected and sent to the Exodus Foundation. There, they will be packed into food parcels and distributed to needy families throughout the coming winter.

Over the last five years that Epping Public School has embarked on this initiative, over 120 crates of canned food have benefited those in “crisis or need” within the Sydney community.

Mrs Parker, Mrs Citer and Mrs Rowsell would like to thank the whole school community for their overwhelming support of this worthwhile initiative.

NEWS FROM THE P&C
P&C CALENDAR - TERM 2/ 2014

- Thursday 8 May & Friday 9 May – Mother’s Day Gift Stall from 8.50-9.20 am

FETE 2014!

Dear Parents,

As many of you remember, the school fete was held almost 2 years ago! It was a huge success and we are hoping to celebrate this year again. The date for the fete will be 23 August.

Our committee has met and we have some great ideas to help make this fete another spectacular success. Below is a call out for what we need to get the ball rolling and have a commitment in terms 1 and 2.

VOLUNTEERS!
We urgently need volunteers to help run stalls on the day of and also to help with set...
up and take down. If you are able to help, please email your contact details to arlandriaff76@gmail.com

FIRST AID HELP!
We need 2 volunteers who have their current First Aid Certificates and are able to run the first aid tent on the day of the Fete.

JAM JARS!
We need clean and label free jam jars of various sizes.

2ND HAND ITEMS!
All items must be in good working order or condition for the White Elephant Stall.

Details of drop off and collection of items will be arranged shortly.

As the term progresses, we will send out weekly newsletters, updating you on attractions, etc. Please also keep a lookout for any posters around the school.

Many thanks for everyone’s support!
Mariana Hancock -Fete Coordinator
0424779060

UNIFORM SHOP
Open Wednesdays 2.45 – 3.45pm Winter uniform available now. For Boys Grey trousers - $29.00 Long sleeve blue shirt, brushed cotton - $22.00 to $24.00

For Girls Winter tunic - $49.00 to $53.00 Long sleeve blue shirt, brushed cotton - $22.00 to $24.00 Tights (navy) - $13.00 – optional

For Sport – both boys and girls Track pants, navy fleecy - $21.00 Track pants, navy microfibre - $29.00 Sports shirt, long sleeve with crest - $25.00 - optional

Orders for the uniform shop can be left in office collection box – orders are filled twice a week and delivered to your child’s classroom. Order forms are available from the office or on the school website

Thank you.
Lisa Dennis

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2/2014

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