A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL:

Dear Parents

Generally around this time of the year I receive a number of queries regarding classes and allocation of teachers for next year. Our process this year will be the same as the past few years with, unfortunately, less accuracy. As you will be very aware as of next year, Year 7 will no longer be a primary school year of education as it will form part of the high school structure. This will mean at the end of this year, not only will Year 7 students move to Year 8 but our Year 6 students move to Year 7 in a high school. To add to this complexity, this is the first year we are required to calculate future enrolments under an Enrolment Management Program. Despite losing a complete cohort of students, by using a proven method which involves a lot of guessing, I estimate our number of classes to remain about the same. Over the next month a lot of thought will go into possible class composition. Late in the year teachers are allocated their classes. This is left until the last minute as we generally receive our teacher transfers during the last week of term and sometimes even at the end of the second week of next year. In most cases we will be able to provide your child with a starting class and teacher pending enrolments and transfers that occur up to the 8th school day of 2015.

In order to assist our current Year 6 and 7 students with their transition into high school, we have put in place a support program. This program will support our students using a range of initiatives designed to reduce anxiety. More details on the program are later in the newsletter.

Please ensure your mobile number and email are always kept accurate on our school systems. This year for the first time Report Cards will be emailed home and not posted. To change your details at any time contact the school by phone on 49254333 or email us at admin@emuparkss.eq.edu.au.

As I write this newsletter a small group of our netball enthusiasts are travelling to the Gold Coast to compete in the Mission Primary School’s Cup. Some mums and Mrs Stewart have given up their time to provide this opportunity for the children. Good Luck.

Wayne

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEPUTY PRINCIPAL:

This coming Friday 31st October is 'Day for Daniel'; a National Day of Action organised by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation to raise awareness on crimes against children. Our school has a number of resources to help raise our student’s awareness and to help empower them to ‘Recognise, React and Report’ if they feel something is not right. Over the coming week, many of our classes will participate in activities and lessons from the Daniel Morcombe Foundation endorsed by the Queensland Government and Education Queensland. The Daniel Morcombe Foundation public website contains resources some of our teachers will be using and families might like to view them at http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au/educational-resources.html

Sarah McD

- IMPORTANT DATES -

- Thursday 30 October: 3P and 3/4S Geography Excursion (11:45am-3pm)
- Friday 31 October: October Aussie of the Month Parade
- Friday 31 October: Day for Daniel
- Monday 10 November: Prep Information Session for Parents in School Hall (6-7pm)
- Tuesday 11 November: Remembrance Day (School Captains to RSL)
- Thursday 13 November: Yeppoon Highschool Band Performance in Hall (12-12:30pm)
- Monday 17 November: Year 5 Senior Leader Applications Due
- Tuesday 18 November: Junior Swimming Carnival @ Emu Park Pool (9:30am-12:30pm)
- Monday 8 December: Year 6/7 Graduation Dinner in School Hall (6.30pm)
- Tuesday 2 December: Senior Leader Speeches in School Hall (2pm) & Voting
- Wednesday 3 December: Yeppoon Highschool Orientation Day
- Friday 5 December: Chess Championship Finals in School Hall
- Friday 12 December: Last Day of Term 4
A MESSAGE FROM STUDENT SERVICES:
High School Transition Program: We are aware that at this stage of the year, many of our Year 6 and 7 students begin to show signs of anxiety regarding their move to High School next year. It can be both an exciting and nerve-wracking time for students as they leave the smaller primary school environment to move on to high school. We aim to make this process as smooth as possible so we have a number of strategies in place to help support the transition of students and ease anxiety.

- On Friday afternoon students head over to Yeppoon to participate in a range of Beach Activities with other students from schools on the Capricorn Coast. This strategy gives students an opportunity to meet other students on the coast that they may meet again in High School next year.
- We have placed a question box in each of the three senior classes and students are busy writing down their questions for staff.
- Junior Secondary Teachers from Yeppoon High School have been organised to visit our school during weeks 6 & 7 in order for students to be able to chat and ask questions, and for teachers to get to know our students and some of their learning needs. The teachers will be available for chats and working alongside our senior teachers in the classroom.
- Current Year 8 students will be visiting our seniors this week so that students can chat and ask about High School experiences.
- Students attending Yeppoon High School will all be invited to attend their Orientation Day on Wednesday December 3rd. It is important that the High School has your enrolment forms and contact details in order for them to keep you informed of events such as these.
- Our Student Services Team led by myself will be organising focused transition sessions at Yeppoon High school over several days for students with specific learning needs. The sessions will include experiences such as lessons on how to interpret High School Timetables and likely some experience in and with teachers in lessons such as Agricultural Science.
- Mr Mac, Mrs McDonagh and I met this week with Mr Kusrow (Deputy Principal Yeppoon High School) and Mrs Wellspring (Head of Student Services) to discuss and present them with specific information on each of our students (that we are aware are attending Yeppoon High). This information includes behaviour history, learning support needs, and academic performance. This process aids the High School in the planning of their class compositions. On behalf of the High School we emphasise the importance of ensuring they have your child’s enrolment forms and personal details such as medical and learning support needs; out of the 39 students we are aware of, the High School currently have 19 forms.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any particular concerns.

Kerry

A MESSAGE FROM OUR P.E. TEACHER:
Swimming for our Prep – Yr 2/3 classes is well underway now. Thankyou to all the parents who have been able to assist thus far. If you are available to assist, whether it be in the water, as an extra set of eyes or with assisting the students with their shoes and socks your help would be appreciated. Please ensure that your child has all of their belongings clearly named.

Brock and Shianne have recently returned from competing in the Qld State Athletic Trials. Although neither student was successfully named in the Qld team to compete at the national trials they did our region proud. Brock placed 1st in 10yrs boys for the shot put leg of his multi-event and ran a PB in the 800m only narrowly missing selection. While Shianne was unable to match her previous record breaking distances in the shot put and discus she gained valuable experience from attending the event. Thankyou to the P & C, Chaplaincy committee and Parkworx Church for their financial assistance in the students attending the trials.

Luke

A MESSAGE FROM OUR TUCKSHOP CONVENOR:
Hi everyone.
Wow! the weeks are just flying by. Thanks again to all the wonderful volunteers that help out in the tuckshop each week. Couldn’t do it without your invaluable help.
This month we have 5 Friday’s so I have asked students what they would like as a special Friday lunch and the majority of requests were for Cheerios with sauce. So next Friday 31/10/14 will be Cheerios with sauce $2.50. Popper/Lol $1.50. Icy pole 50 cents. Thanks kids for all your suggestions.

Heidi
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HOT DOG, CHICKEN NUGGETS, PIZZA, SAUSAGE SIZZLE & CHEERIOS ROSTER ($2-50 per serve):

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COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Connolly Swim Program Term 4: Connolly Aquatics has recommenced their full swim program for Term 4 with all squad groups and learn to swim classes running from the Emu Park pool and also learn to swim and water awareness classes from their Little Fish Swim Academy in Yeppoon. Immediate vacancies are available. For bookings or enquiries phone 4930 2205 or email con.aquatics@bigpond.com.

Keppel Anglican Parish Combined Market Day and Car Boot Sale: Saturday November 22nd from 7 am – 12 noon. Book your site now. Only $10 a site. To book please phone Lyndall on 0418 392 303. Plants & Produce, Cakes, Tea & Coffee, Trash & Treasure, Crafts, Raffle, Sausage Sizzle. Come and grab a bargain. 18 Housden Place - Taranganba Lions Club of Emu Park are chasing dynamic people to join their club. If you would like to be a part of this productive and community minded group please contact the lovely Bev Gully on 49387257 or 0429387256.

Summer Camps at the PCYC Cap Coast…A fun holiday program for kids aged 9-15 years. Age specific activities, including raft building, team & leadership games, pool & beach games, circus skills, art & craft, possum glider, crate climb, flying fox, rock climbing and abseiling. 8am to 5pm each day. Dates: 13 & 14 December, 2014 and 5 day blocks in January: 5-9, 12-16 & 19-23. Please call 4930 2022 or drop into the centre at 170 Matthew Flinders Drive, Yeppoon (9-5pm – Monday to Friday), for details or to register your child/ren. Limited spaces available!

Halloween Disco at PCYC CAP COAST, 170 Matthew Flinders Drive, Yeppoon. 31 October: 6-7pm (Primary School age) & 7.30-9.30pm (High School age) $5 ENTRY - Fully supervised. Prizes to be won for best dressed female and male. Sausage sizzle, drinks, chips, lollies and Halloween gadgets for sale. Fundraiser for School Aged Care & PCYC.

Karate Lessons: Tuesdays, 3:15 to 4:45 p.m. in the school’s Multipurpose Hall. Lesson cost is $10. Please contact Richard (0498 142 186) or Irene (0427 733 585). (See us on facebook: AKA TORA MARTIAL ARTS)

Robert Beak Tennis Coaching: Beaks Tennis is offering Tennis Coaching at Emu Park School. Tennis coaching is available Thursday mornings at the school from 7.30am—8.30am. Call Ashton Beak 0419881575.

Belly Dancing: Fun and Fitness for all ages. Come along and join the fun. We have kid’s classes at 5:30pm and adult classes at 6:30pm on Thursday night at the Cultural Hall in Emu Park. Contact Janella from Sha’Waza Dance Company on 49344389 or email deme@skymesh.com.au. Hope to see you there!

BreastScreen Mobile Service: Women aged 50 – 74. FREE BreastScreen Mobile Service located at Emu Park (Pattison St near Excelcare) numerous appointment times are available and no referral is required. It only takes 30 minutes. Available from 6th Nov – 3rd Dec 2014. Call 13 20 50 to make an appointment. Women between 40 and 49 and over 75 are also eligible to attend for free.
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Sunday 8am to 1pm.
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