Dear Parents and Friends,

WE ARE NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2015

Congratulations to the following students on their results in the recent Maths and English University of NSW competition. The students were presented their certificates during our Whole School Assembly. Well done all.

University of NSW English and Maths competition credit and merit certificate holders.

Grandparents Day
What a wonderful response we had for Grandparents Day 2014. Nearly 300 Grandparents, Great grandparents and clayton Grandparents attended this very special morning. The morning commenced with a special parade in the hall, followed by Grandparents visiting classrooms, viewing a PowerPoint in the Library and morning tea in the hall served by our fabulous School Leaders, Chappy Linda, Aunty Maud and Fro from PCYC. The grandchildren had their morning tea with the grandparents from 11am to 11.30am. Did you know that the oldest Grandparent who attended was 97, and the Grandparent who travelled the most distance was from England. A tremendous response from our very supportive school community.

A great morning was had by all. Thank you to Mrs Doyle-Robinson, Aunty Maud and the committee who organised this event.

New Buildings For Eimeo
Education Queensland will be providing our school with 4 new classrooms to ensure that we have sufficient rooms for classes and student activities in 2015. These buildings will be hire buildings and will be situated beside Prep H. They will have an emergency verandah linked to Prep H for wet weather purposes and a walkway linked to the current path leading from Arana Drive to Prep. Over the coming week, safety fencing will be placed from the fence, enclosing the area beside Prep H down past the kicking wall. Parents will need to walk a different path to Prep and Year 1 while this fencing is in place.

QSchools – Have you downloaded the App
The QSchool app lets you connect with your state school to get up-to-the-minute information including:
- Push notifications and emergency announcements
- Newsletters and documents
- Calendar events and news
- Tuckshop and uniform shop information
- School hours and contact details
- Social media feeds
- **Hall enclosure update**

The applications for a Project Manager were sent out in April. Only one firm replied and we have engaged them to proceed with the designs ready to go to tender. However we have met many obstacles, one significant one being that we have now been informed the hall was never structurally designed to be enclosed and that there will need to be lots of work done to structurally make the building breathe in case of a cyclone. We are still progressing with our Project Manager and Education Queensland to endeavour to progress towards weather proofing our hall.

**Every Day Counts**

Children are required to attend school every day unless they are ill. Missing days from school has a significant impact on student learning. Students have ten weeks holiday a year so it is important to schedule family holidays in this time. The Australian Curriculum is rigorous and students missing days at school miss significant chunks of their learning. As both educators and parents we want our children to have the best opportunity to learn and be successful, so attending school every day is critical.

Our goal as a school, is to ensure our attendance rate is above 95%. We currently have attendance at 83.8%.

We can reach our target if every child comes to school every day for the rest of this term... If your child is absent, please call the school on 49697177 or write the reason in your child's communication book. It is essential that we have a reason for absences.

**ThinkUKnow: Online safety for parents and teachers**

**Wednesday 12 Nov 4:45pm - 5:45pm**

**Where: Northern Beaches SHS Lecture Theatre**

ThinkUKnow is centered on three key areas: - how youth have fun online, - how to help them stay in control on the net, and - how to report when things go wrong. This evening presentation is tailored for parent/caregivers and will discuss the popular applications used by young people, the risks they may be exposed to and how to minimise these risks, and finally where to report problems.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Public Commemoration
Bucasia Esplanade 5:45pm - Assemble
Tuesday, 11th November 2014

Poppies available from the school office for a gold coin donation

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**A Hugh Thank you to the Staff and Students of Eimeo Road State School**

As a sufferer of Type 1 Diabetes Chelsea Line needs support and people to watch out for her. Chelsea’s school mates and the staff have over-whelmingly proven they are here for the seven year old. Eimeo Road State School recently held the Jellybeans for Diabetes coloured shirt day and raised a massive $765. This money goes towards Chelsea’s fundraising total which will help children with Type 1 diabetes.

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**Uniform Shop opening dates: 2014 / 2015**

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Safe School Travel Group (SafeST)

- The majority of Eimeo students are driven a range of distances to school by their parents, whereas a generation ago most kids walked, rode a bike or caught a bus to school.
- Allowing children to get to school by themselves teaches them independence and responsibility, but most experts suggest the child should be at least 10 years of age before embarking on this type of adventure alone.
- If you are thinking of allowing your child to walk to Eimeo Road State School from a neighbouring suburb please consider your child’s maturity and the traffic conditions they may encounter between your home and the school.
- Enquire with friends and neighbours who may let your child walk with them.
- Initiate a ‘walking bus’ and get others to join you.
- Do a few practise runs pointing out the best places to cross the road, where to look for traffic hazards, read and understand road signs and follow the safest route.

“Lookout, lookout, there are children about…”

Dates to Remember

Mon – Wed 10,11,12 Nov – Prep 2015 interviews
Tuesday 11 Nov – Remembrance Day ceremony at Bucasia Beach 6pm
Thursday 13 Nov – Prep open afternoon for 2015 Prep 4-6pm
17 – 21 Nov – book fair
Tuesday 18 Nov – P&C meeting
Wed 26 Nov – swimming carnival 6-8pm
Thursday 4 Dec – ERSS Christmas concert
Monday 8 Dec – Year 6 graduation dinner
/ transition morning. Award presentation at parade 1.45pm
Wed 10 Dec – Report cards distributed
Friday 12 Dec – Movie Day and END OF TERM

PE News

Eimeo Road SS have been invited to participate in an inaugural OzTag gala day on Friday 21st November. The school is able to nominate boys or girls teams in either or both age groups – Years 4 and 5 or Year 6 (whom will compete against Year 6 and 7 students from other schools). Notes and money ($6) need to be signed and handed in by Wednesday 12 November to Mrs Ralph or Mr Reynolds, in order to determine if, or how many teams the school will field. Students will be informed with regards to teams after team numbers are finalised.

Our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students have spent their Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes pitted against one another in an inter-class basketball show down. Each class were invited to field a team and have been playing off against other classes in their year level. These lunchtimes have been well supported and the calibre of talent high. A special thank you to our wonderful student leaders, Paige Hoffmaster, Beau Milburn and Kasmin Rand, for their impartial and consistent refereeing during games.

IMPORTANT NOTICE – DATE CHANGE!!!! – SWIMMING CARNIVAL – WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER!!
Although our in class swimming has come to a close, keep up the training! The school twilight carnival is fast approaching. On WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER, Eimeo Road SS will hold their Inter-house carnival at Pioneer Pool from 6-8pm $2 admission. Please note the date change from the earlier newsletter. The carnival is open to students born either 2005, 2004, 2003 or 2002. ALL 2002, 2003, and 2004 students must swim 50M. 2005 students will have the option to swim either 25M OR 50M.

Online orders for Tuckshop & Uniform Shop!!

Uniform shop open every Tuesday with Banking for the rest of Term 4.

- Uniform Shop Open for Thurs 13th Nov Prep Open Evening 3.30 – 6.30pm

- 2015 Fair/Fundraising meeting Tues 25th Nov @ 1.45pm in the School Staff Room. Everyone is welcome.

Tuckshop Volunteers Roster for Term 4:

WEEK 6
12.11.14 Deanne – 1E, 13.11.14 Katie Simpson – 4KT, 14.11.14 Jodie Raine - 5G,
WEEK 7

Please contact the tuckshop convenor Amanda Martin on Ph: 4969 7115 (tuckshop phone) or Mobile 0439 762 369 ASAP if you are now unable to volunteer as rostered.

Tuckshop Email: ersstuckshop@gmail.com
Thank you for volunteering ☺☺ ☺☺

P&C Meetings - 3rd Tuesday monthly.

Last meeting for 2014, via rsvp only:
18th Nov 2014, 6pm – location to be advised.
EVERYONE WELCOME ☺☺