

## WEEK 8 Term 4

Monday 24 November.

Dear Parents and Friends,

Included with this newsletter is the 2015 booklist. If your child is in a laptop program in year 5 or 6 in 2015, please do not purchase from this list. The children will be given a separate list of requirements.



Our Uniform Shop is now selling  
**Mental Maths Workbooks - \$15ea**  
Level B-G books for Grades 1 to 6  
(2015 Booklist Requirement)

Also available online via Flexischools.

### **Assisting others at Christmas Theme**

Eimeo School would like to assist those who are struggling to make ends meet by holding a "Wear Red and Green Day" on Friday 5 December. I am hoping we can support our own Northern Beaches Salvation Army with a substantial donation from the Eimeo Road School community to assist them provide food hampers to the less fortunate over the holiday period. Please give generously on Friday 5 December.

### **End of Year Concert**

Thursday, 4 December from 6 – 8pm will see every year level perform an item for their family. Come along and enjoy an enjoyable evening. Chairs will be available but if you would like to sit in the front on a blanket, bring a blanket. As the P&C have worked tirelessly throughout the year, they are having a well-deserved break and **The Seaview Lions Club will be selling food and drinks throughout the evening** to cater for families wishing to purchase dinner. Please support the Lions and our Christmas Concert.

### **Transition morning**

All children returning to Eimeo in 2015 will be taken to their new classroom on Monday 8 December. The children may meet their new teacher, however they will be given their teacher's name. In the last newsletter for the year we will have a list of classes and teachers for parents.

If you have indicated that you are not sure whether your child is returning please contact us when you definitely know as numbers impact on staffing. We do want children to have a smooth start to 2015 and by knowing where they are and who their teacher is can make things less anxious when children arrive on Tuesday January 27 for their first day of school. All 2015 Prep children will have their teacher and class posted to them in the first weeks of December.

### **Year 6 Graduation**

Year 6 children are currently learning their special graduation dances to perform for their parents at the Northern Beaches Bowls Club on Monday 8 Dec. Children will have a dinner with staff, then at 8pm parents will be invited in to join the group for the formal procedures and presentations.

### **Year 6 transition to High School**

The Year 6 children will attend Northern Beaches SHS all day this Friday 28 November for their High School transition.

### **Pump it Up Challenge**

Mrs McIntyre is doing the 'Pump it up' Challenge to raise awareness of Juvenile Type 1 Diabetes. Chelsea is a student in her class with Type 1 Diabetes. She has her own plastic pump to wear for the next 48 hours. She also has to do a Blood Glucose Test ( via rolling a dice!!) during the day.

Chelsea's family organised this challenge as a fund raising for JDRF ( Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation). If you would like to sponsor Mrs Mac, she has a sheet in her classroom.



Results of the **School Opinion Survey** have been released and these show that staff, parents and students are very happy with the school operations, relationships and the physical environment. With the survey going on line this year, we had a very good response from parents, with 92 responding to the survey. All staff were surveyed and 122 Year 5 & 6 students.

**Parent's results:** 95.7% indicated their child likes being at this school. 98.9% feel that their child is safe, 97.8% feel their child's needs are being met, 95.7% believe their child is making good progress, 98.9% believe the school expects their child to do their best, 91% believe the school takes parents' opinions seriously, 92.3% believe students behaviour is well managed, 97.6% believe staff are approachable, 95.6% would recommend this school to others and 96.6% believe Eimeo is a good school, 97.8% believe their child's English skills are being developed at the school, 95.5% believe that their child's Maths skills are being develop at the school.

**Students:** 95.9% feel safe, 97.5% feel their teacher motivates them to learn, 100% believe their teacher expects them to do their best, 97.5% feel the teacher provides them with useful feedback about their school work, 91.7% believe student behaviour is well managed at this school, 95.9% would recommend this school to others, 98.3% say the school celebrates student achievements and 93.3% think this is a good school, 97.5% believe their English skills are being developed, 97.5% believe their Maths skills are being developed.

**Staff:** 98.6% staff feel the school is a safe place to work, 88.4% say staff are well supported, 100% say the school looks for ways to improve, 97.1% say the school is well maintained, 100% say that staff at school are approachable, 92.9% believe this is a well organised place in which to work, 94.3% believe staff have a good team spirit. The results are very pleasing for the school and in the majority of the areas we are higher than the State %. We aim to continue our very high standard and continue to listen to staff, students, parents and community suggestions on how we can improve to make our school the best it possibly can be.

At Eimeo we have a great team and I feel very privileged to work with such a talented, hardworking staff and dedicated and committed parents who willingly give their time and energy working to make things better for all students at Eimeo. The students at Eimeo are enthusiastic, well-mannered, co-operative and appreciative of the opportunities they are given to achieve and improve.

**Thank you to our P&C.** Last Tuesday was the final P&C meeting for the year. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all executive members of the P&C and the many helpers who have assisted them throughout the year with functions, tuckshop, uniform shop and fundraising ventures. The hard work of the P&C makes Eimeo a great School. They have worked very closely with the school to ensure that the very best opportunities and facilities are provided for our students. A special

thank you to Karen Crompton, Amy Halstead, Annette Barker, Darryl Barker, Amanda Martin and Sharon Sutherland for the hard work they have given our P&C this year. The P&C play a vital role within the school and allow parents to become involved in decision making and suggestions within the school. Please consider joining our meetings in 2015, the third Tuesday every month at 6pm.

**Regards, Mary**

#### **Attention Parents: Re 2015 Booklists**

Please keep your eyes out for your child's 2015 booklist. The P&C have shopped around and found that Cross Office Choice is very competitive in both pricing and quality. Purchasing from Cross Office Choice ensures that your child will have the correct items to begin 2015. Customised packs means no need to purchase items you can reuse from previous years. Our school receives commission on sales!  
**Your support is greatly appreciated!**

**Parents if you do not wish to purchase your child's school requirements from Cross Office, please contact the school office to get a copy of the 2015 book list.**

#### **2015 ERSS Fair**

Sunday 24 May is marked for the School Fair. An initial meeting will be held in the staff room Tuesday 25 November at 1.45 to 3pm. Everyone who would like to assist, make suggestions is very welcome to join us. Parents, if you have a business, like fundraising – we would love to hear from you as we must commence organising prizes for the Major Raffle and Cent Sale prizes. Please let us know if you can help / donate.

#### **Tuckshop News!**

Flexischools Online Tuckshop Orders are not available last week of school (Wk10)

Tuckshop is CLOSED Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Tuckshop employees Amanda & Sharon thank everyone for their kind words and gifts received on Tuckshop Day.**



#### **NORTHS NETBALL CLUB PLAYERS WANTED!!**

Registrations are now being taken for Winter season commencing March 2015

Junior Teams - U9, U10, U11, U13, U15 Senior Teams - 16 & over

**Training held at our Wallace Street, Bucasia courts (Dolphins Soccer Ground)**

To enquire email us at northsnetball@hotmail.com or phone Sharon 0400 246 900 or Vanessa 0439 794 283



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

Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Nov – Uniform Shop & Dollarmites 8am-9.30am

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Uniform Shop & Dollarmites 8am-9.30am

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Uniform Shop & Dollarmites 8am-11am

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Dec – Uniform Shop 3pm-6pm

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Jan – Uniform Shop 8am-11am

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Jan – Uniform Shop 3pm-6pm

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan – Uniform Shop 3pm-6pm

Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Jan – Uniform Shop 8am-11am

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Jan – Uniform Shop 8am-11am



### **PCYC Vacation Care**

Booking forms for Christmas Vacation Care and Term 1 2015 are now out.

Please feel free to visit the ladies at PCYC in the undercover area for a form.

Pirate Day

Christmas Craft

Yippee....wet and messy day!

Cinema

Very fun

Action packed

Cook Off

Adrenalin Laser Tag

Table Tennis

Intense Nerf Gun War

Olden day visit to Greenmount

Nikolai and Zumba

Christmas Presents

Art Attack

Radio station behind the scenes tour

Excursion to bowling and Skating

***Plus much much more!***

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful and safe Vacation Care break.

Thank you for your smiling faces, continued support and we all look forward to seeing you in 2015

Thanks again and Merry Christmas

Froukje Neilsen

### **Want to keep up to date information on what is happening within the school? 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
- Available for free download from iTunes Store, Google Play, Windows Store and Windows Phone Store. Visit <http://qld.gov.au/QSchools>



### **PE News**

Congratulations to the 4 teams of girls and boys from years 4, 5 and 6 whom represented Eimeo Road State School at the Oztag gala day on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November. On what was, for many, their first games of the sport, Eimeo represented with style, grace and even some talent! Thank you to Mr Reynolds for managing the 4 teams throughout the day.

A huge thank you, to the some of our wonderful parents for their help – Mr Travis Norton; Mrs Janelle Wong; Mr David Donaldson and Mr Simon Burnett. We couldn't have managed the day without your help, assistance and expertise.

### **Don't forget this Wednesday night – 26<sup>th</sup> November – is the twilight swimming carnival!!**

We look forward to seeing the talent from all of our 2005, 2004, 2003 and 2002 born swimmers. GO GOLD house!!!

Well done to all the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 classes on their enthusiastic commitment to the lunch time basketball competition. Every class fielded teams to participate and often classes were competing against year levels higher or lower than their own. The sportsmanship and talent shown by our students was to be commended. Special thanks to Beau Milburn and Paige Hoffmaster for their expert refereeing. Paige officiated for every lunch time throughout the 3 weeks – thank you Paige! We look forward to changing our lunch time activities up, sports wise, before the year comes to a close.



### **Dates to Remember**

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

Wed 10 Dec – Report cards distributed

Friday 12 Dec – Movie Day and END OF TERM

**2015**

**School commences Tuesday 27 January**



### **Safe School Travel Group (SafeST)**

If you are thinking about permitting your child to ride their bike to Eimeo Road State School from a neighbouring suburb like Rural View or Plantation Palms, it is important that they have developed appropriate cycling skills and traffic awareness before riding on cycle paths or public roads. The best way for a child to become a safe road user is to practise riding on the road under adult supervision. If you cannot provide this for your child then contact the local PCYC and enquire about their "bike safety education programme". Children under 10 years of age have yet to develop the understanding, skills and experience to cope with traffic.

***"Look out, look out, there are children about !"***



## CASUAL POSITION VACANT – CROSSING SUPERVISOR

2 x casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at Eimeo State School.

The School Crossing Supervisor **may** be required to work five days per week in all *weather conditions*. The hours of work for School Crossing Supervisors are 1 hour and 30 minutes a day and usually comprise of 1 hour in the morning and 30 minutes in the afternoon. Commencement date (to be advised) with a Pay Rate of \$27.49 per hour.

The successful applicants will be dependent on:

- The suitable outcome of a health assessment carried out by a GP of your choice according to the guidelines in the "Notes for Medical Practitioner" on the School Crossing Supervisor Scheme – Health Assessment Form; (this is paid by the Department)
- A Positive Blue Card Notice (This is also paid by the Department and means you do not need to have a blue card to apply for the position)

If you are interested in the position please collect an application form from the School administration or contact Karen Cantoni (Road Safety officer) on 49 518331.

The School Crossing Supervisors Application is to be returned to School for the school Principal's recommendation.

### **NIT FREE FOR ME**

Nit Free For Me is a daily lice prevention spray, made from ALL NATURAL ingredients. Nit Free For Me is safe and effective, with no hidden ingredients, such as alcohol, palm oil, insecticides or nasty chemical compounds. When we say ALL NATURAL - we mean it!

Nit Free For Me is made from the purest, most expensive essential oils on the market today. We have a girls spray (lavender scent) and a boys spray (mint scent). Our motto is, If you can't pronounce the ingredients, then it shouldn't be used on your child! Best of all, Nit Free For Me is Australian-made and owned. Be head lice free this school year!

Now on Facebook Nit free for me - Mackay and Surrounding Areas  
Email - [nitfreeforme\\_mackay@outlook.com](mailto:nitfreeforme_mackay@outlook.com)



### **REMINDER NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

**Queensland Transport Bus Travel Assistance Application Forms for students commencing Year 7 and 8 in 2015 are required to be sent back to Mackay Transit Coaches by 05 December 2014. Enquiries please phone 49573330.**