Dear Parents and Friends,


Porters Mega Markets

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the students who participated in the Christmas Carols and Music at the Porters Mega Markets on Saturday 5th December. We would also like to thank the families who baked for the cake stall, we appreciate your continued support, especially at this time of year.

End of Year Awards
At the final school parade on Monday, we will acknowledged students for the following awards.

Tony MacFarlane award is awarded to a student to demonstrates achievement in academic, cultural and sporting.
Lions Seaview Award is a Citizenship Award and is presented to a student who upholds the Lions Objects or Ethics.
Beaches Baptist Award - This award is presented to a student who lives the School’s Motto “Consider Others”.

School Leaders for 2016
The following students were announced on Parade Monday and congratulated on gaining a leadership position for 2016.

Congratulations to the following students on gaining positions:
2016 School Captains: Cameron Munns and Kelsea Thomson
Vice Captains: Daniel Parnikov and Leila Lawson
Green Sports Captain: Lucas Clarke and Bailee Day
Gold Sports Captain: Matthew Donaldson and Tahlia Campbell
Red Sports Captain: Emily Dries and Sybrandt Scholtz
Cultural Captain: Lara Edge William
Concert Band Captain: Allaura Bryant
Fife Band Captain: Chloe Chase-Hodgson
Strings Ensemble: Jordyn Denham
Night of Stars 2015 Scholarship Winners
Last Tuesday evening, Northern Beaches State High School held their annual Night of Star, where students demonstrating excellence in academic, effort, sport and cultural were recognised for their achievements. I was very proud to hear the many achievements that past Eimeo students have attained. It is lovely following our students development through high school and seeing them shine in their chosen subjects.
It was a very proud moment, when the 2016 scholarship winners for year 7 at NBSHS were announced. To see all 7 positions go to Eimeo students was wonderful. A huge congratulations to the following:
Academic:  Callum Massing and Nathan Skeggs
Cultural:  Ella Phillips, Charli Sharam and Isaac Russell
Sporting:  Jaydah Dorante and Alana Gee
Well done all!

Farewell Year Sixes
Best wishes to all our Year 6 students as they leave Eimeo and continue their education at High School. Thank you for the value you have added to our school during your time here. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work of our teachers and support staff as well. Their commitment to our students over the past year has played a central role in making 2015 such a successful year for Eimeo. Thank you also to the parents and community members who support our great school.

REPORT CARDS
Student report cards will be sent home with your child on Wednesday 9 December. Please take the time to talk to your child about their results and especially the comments that teachers have made. It is very important that children are congratulated on their effort as this is a true reflection of whether your child is working to their full potential.
If you have any concerns about your child’s report card or would like to discuss aspects on the report card, please arrange a suitable time with your child’s teacher before the end of this week.

Dates to Remember
Wednesday 9 Dec  Report cards distributed
Thursday 10 Dec  Class break up & clean up day.
Friday 11 Dec  Movie Day

Wednesday 27 January – school commences for ALL students.

Staff leaving – I would like to thank Mrs Anne Wesche and Mrs Tessa Flynn for all that they have given to Eimeo Road School. Both teachers will be leaving Eimeo at the end of this year and taking a well-deserved break before retiring. I would like to thank them for their support and care of our students and wish them all the best.

Every Day Counts
The overall attendance rate for 2015 to the end of November is 93.2%. It is very disappointing to see some children missing large amounts of school. Did you know that they are missing out on opportunities that are only linked to good attendance eg. Star student badges, Academic Success booster programs and many other programs that can only be offered if children who are in regular attendance.

Term 4 attendance Indigenous students = 89.8%. Non indigenous students = 93.8%
Year 1 = 93%
Year 2 = 93.8%
Year 3 = 93%
Year 4 = 94.7%
Year 5 = 92.7%
Year 6 = 93.4%

Please send your child to school every day as “Every Day Does Count”.
332 children who have attended every day Term 4 received a wrist band this week to congratulate them. Children who have had 100% attendance for the whole year will be congratulated on our final parade and receive a movie ticket. Thirty two children will receive these tickets on Monday at parade.

Thank you to our P&C. 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.
2016 School Book drop off,
Friday 22 Jan (8.30am to 9.30am ONLY)
If families would like to take advantage of this,
especially Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students, books
can be brought in on Friday 22 January from 8.30am
to 9.30am and left in their room for 2016. You can
meet the teacher and see where the room is ready for
the first day.
This opportunity is available to ALL children if families
would like to take avail of this opportunity.
When families arrive (ONLY BETWEEN 8.30 –
9.30AM) staff in the tuckshop area will assist with
what class and where it is. All teachers will be in
rooms for this transition.
As staff then have Professional Development at
9.30am– they will NOT be available for discussions or
interviews at that time.

Wear Red for Salvation Army Christmas
Appeal to help families needing assistance.
Wednesday 9 December wear Red and bring a gold coin to
assist families in need. Last year the money that Eimeo
Road School raised for the Salvation Army Christmas
appeal went towards buying perishable items to go into
food packages and gifts for needy families. If you can,
please give generously to support this very worthwhile
cause.

2015 Swimming Carnival

Leo sneaks a peak at Lucas

Leila, Mia, Lucas, Elliott, Myles

Congratulations Red House

Congratulations to Age Champions: Connor, Leo, Nikki,
Hayley,

Safe School Travel Group (SafeST)]
Holiday time is upon us. How quickly has the 40
weeks of school gone this year?
Pleased to report that almost 1,000 students and
their parents have endured the dreaded school
drop-off and pick-up about 400 times this year
and you have all done it safely and without
incident. Well done everyone. We appreciate that
most days parking, queuing and traffic around our
school is difficult and sometimes
hazardous. Showing a little respect, courtesy and a
lot of patience costs nothing and we are all helping
to keep each other’s kids safe.
Thank you to our wonderful crossing supervisors
who endure all sorts of weather on the job to get
our kids safely over busy Mackay-Bucasia Road
and Old Eimeo Road. Give them a beep this week
when you drive by, they will appreciate it.
Cheers also to the school staff who supervise the
students travelling home by bus and the Stop, Drop
& Go facility in the carpark, ensuring your kids get
aboard safely.
Porters have been very obliging in 2015 permitting
parents to park in their carpark on the corner of Carl
and Arana Drive. Thank them by buying a coffee
for yourself from their café.
If you are out and about on the highways over the
festive period please take care and drive safe. We
look forward to seeing you back in 2016.
“Look out, look out, there are children about...”
PE News
Swimming carnival was a fun filled night, with a deep pool of talent shown by many of our boys and girls. A big thank you to all of the parents, staff and boys and girls for making our last sporting carnival a chance to enjoy the sporting talents of our ERSS students.

Final points tally
1st – Red House; 2nd – Gold House; 3rd – Green House
Teacher VS Student relay – Victors – TEACHERS!! (plus 1 ring in!)

Age Champions:

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The ERSS Hot Shots Day, held on Friday 4th December, was a fantastic christening of the newly refurbished multi-purpose courts.

Well done to all of the boys and girls for getting into the spirit of the day, even in the very hot weather!!

Congratulations to Itay (Soccer) and Bevan (Rugby Union) for their sporting achievements at the Sports Person Of The Year (SPOTY) awards. Both boys were recognised for their contribution to their respective Mackay District Sporting teams. The boys were nominated in the top 3 of their team by the coaches. Congratulations to Bevan for winning the Rugby Union SPOTY award.

Mr Reynolds and Mrs Ralph would like to wish all of the ERSS families a wonderful break. We look forward to seeing you in the 2016 school year. Well wishes to the boys and girls whom leave us at the end of the school year – we hope that you all continue to be life long active participants.
REMINDER NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Queensland Transport Bus Travel Assistance Application Forms for students commencing Year 7 in 2016 are required to be sent back to Mackay Transit Coaches by 04 December 2015. Enquiries please phone 49573330.
**P&C News**

**Term 4 - Week 10**

Email: pandc@cimeoroadss.eq.edu.au

Did you know we have a Facebook Group??

Find us on Facebook.

Elmeo Road State School P&C Noticeboard

Handy reminders & documents at hand!!

Request to join today! Invite your ERSS friends!

It's easy.

**P&C Meetings:** 3rd Tues monthly 6.30pm
- Staff Room All Welcome.

**NEXT MEETING:** 6.30pm Tues 16th Feb 2016 - AGM.

Hope to see you joining us! 😊

**UNIFORM SHOP**

**Online Orders for Uniforms:** [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

Open Weekly 8am - 9.30am till end of term I 2016.

Now is the perfect time to start a layby, before the January 2016 rush, payments can be made online after the initial order is placed at the shop.

**Week 10 - Also open Wed 9th Dec 3 - 6pm**

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**HELP NEEDED!**

Volunteers are essential for this service to be open. Do you have spare Tuesday morning available to give a few hours of your time to help your school? (fortnightly or weekly). If you can help, please contact the P&C via a note at the school office or email: ersuniformshop@gmail.com

**SCHOOL BANKING - Every Tuesday!**

At the Uniform Shop 8.30am – 9.30am

A great way to save money, save up for school camp etc (bit of spending money). Take advantage of this free service! Kids receive rewards after 10 deposits. Simply join up at a CBA branch today. All we need is your child’s deposit book and money to bank, too easy.

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**Tuckshop News**

**Term 4 - Week 10**

E: ersistuckshop@gmail.com Ph. 0749 697 115

Convenor - Danielle Mob: 0416 592 406

**OPEN EVERYDAY in 2016**


Online ordering is quick and easy.... It also is a great help to our tuckshop staff in processing many lunch orders each day. “All” orders to be in by 9am at the latest please.

For all queries regarding menu items, ingredients, orders to be cxed’d due to a sick child or refund of flexi orders please call the tuckshop directly ASAP.

**Lunch Time Changes - Play 1st & Eat 2nd**

If your child runs out of time to come back and get their ice-block or cold “collect from the tuckshop” item then please reassure them to bring their order bag back at 2nd break for collection. Service cuts off at the 5min bell before class resumes.

**Flexischools - NO ONLINE ORDERS THIS WEEK!**

Paper bag orders ONLY for Monday to Thursday.

Substitute items will be offered as stock runs out.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FRI 11TH — Tuckshop will only be selling over the counter ice-blocks, slushies, drinks & some treats (if still in stock/not sold). EOD stocktake & cleaning.

NO PRE-ORDERS ~ CASH ONLY ~ COUNTER ONLY

Thank you to our wonderful Volunteers !

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If you are able to volunteer next year please contact Danielle on the above contacts.

Thank you 😊

Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year to you all.
2015 Chappy Programs

- Real Me Program
- Go Go Girls
- Super Club
- Bike Program