Dear Parents and Friends,

Congratulations to our Student Council Students who were presented with their badge on Parade. These students attend meetings voluntarily and assist with many activities within the school. Well done students!

**Student Council Members**

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**Wear Stripes Day**
What a fun, fabulous day this was. Thank you to all who supported this worthwhile cause to raise funds for PCYC to assist run programs for students in our District. Well done all, at total of $830 dollars was raised so Mr Reynolds and Mrs Ralph didn’t have to spend too much time locked up. Thank you to Mrs Lansbury who provided Tim Tams for the locked up teachers.

Sergeant Kelsey, Mr Reynolds and Mrs Ralph

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**Star Students**

Congratulations to Natron, Georgia, Emjay, Delores, Kya, Gemma, Kayley, Jayde, Jessica, Emmette, Arabella, Brandi, Sophie, Paige, Imigen, Amber, Sarah, Kasmin, Alicia, Courtney, Casey, Maddison, Denver, Mazie, Marleigh, Jodie, Acylyn, Thomas, Brodie, Matthew, Dylan, Ella and Logan on receiving Star Student Status.

Students in Year 5 & 6, who demonstrate exemplary behaviour, wear the uniform with pride, get involved in school activities are nominated by their teacher to receive this badge.

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR WEEKLY HAPPYGRAM WINNERS!**
All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the 5.30pm and 6pm.

Wednesday 21 May and participate in one of the guided tours at our great school. Better still, invite them to our Open Evening on 2015 PREP ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are now being taken for next year’s prep classes.

Children born between 1st July 2009 and 30th June 2010 are eligible to enrol. If you know of someone who would like to enrol their child at Eimeo, please ask them to contact the school for an enrolment package and to arrange a meeting with us so that we can show them our great school. Better still, invite them to our Open Evening on Wednesday 21 May and participate in one of the guided tours at 5.30pm and 6pm.

Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Dear parents/carer,

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools will participate and all schools will be collect data from 2015. Our school will be involved in the nationally consistent collection of data from this year.

Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child’s details to be included, please let me know.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:


Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly. Regards, Mary (Principal)

Important message re before & after school play.

Please note that before or after school we are asking children not play on the playground equipment. This is a safety requirement of our school as teachers are not rostered on to do playground duty during these times due to meetings and preparation time. It is also important to realise if you are allowing your child to play on the playground equipment during these times and you are supervising them, you may also be responsible for other children playing on the equipment, who do not have their parents supervising them.

School Hours

Please note that the school bell goes at 8.30am and all classes will be open from that time to allow children to prepare for the day. Children are asked to be at school from 8.30am onward, not after 9am or before 8am. School finishes for all grades at 3pm. PCYC provide a before and after school care arrangement at our school, families who need this service. Some children are being dropped at school very early where there is NO supervision before 8am. Please do NOT allow your child to come to school before 8am.

Open Night

Please mark Wednesday 21 May in your diary for our Open Evening. The school premises will be open for all families to visit classrooms, enjoy performances by our students and purchase a meal from the tuckshop. Children attending this night with their parents will be given a passport which they will get stamped during the night when they visit various areas. Completed passports will then go into a lucky draw to be drawn at the end of the evening. This evening will be a wonderful opportunity for students, parents and families considering enrolling at Eimeo to view our beautiful school.

Please let friends and family know if they are considering enrolling their child at Eimeo in 2015. There will be 2 guided tours leaving the Admin area at 5.30pm and 6pm for new families wishing to see our facilities.

PE News

It has been an exciting and busy start to Term 2 for the PE department. At the end of last term the school successfully applied to become a part of a Physical Activity Innovation with Schools program, running from 2014-2016. The grant, of over $15 000 received, will fund the CQ Sporty Schools program for all the Year 3 and Year 4 students at Eimeo Road SS. Our administration, PE and Year 3 and 4 teaching staff will be undertaking a series of Professional Development courses during this current term in preparation for the implementation of CQ Sporty Schools at Eimeo Road SS.

P&C Day also in Education Week

Friday 23 May is P&C Day. This day, held each year during State Education week, is a chance for our school to recognise the contribution made by the hardworking volunteers on the P&C. Our P&C works very hard to provide wonderful facilities and resources for all children who attend Eimeo Road School and they always do it with a smile. A special thank you to our executive members, Karen Crompton (President), Amy Halstead (Treasurer), Annette Barker (Secretary), Darryl Barker (Vice President), Amanda Martin and Sharon Sutherland (tuckshop convenors) and the many volunteers who assist in any way to make Eimeo the very best school in Mackay.

Happy P&C Day Friday 23 May!
So You Think You Can Play? - On Wednesday 7th May the school had a group of Meteor and Meteorettes basketball players visit the school to play against our own students. This is the third year the Mackay basketballers have visited our school. For the third year running Eimeo Road SS have been the victors of the competition. The atmosphere was fantastic, with the entire school – from Preps to Year 6 – in attendance. The school even made a cameo appearance on the local channel 7 news! Well done to the enthusiastic support of our students – we have been told the players love kicking off the school visits with Eimeo Road, as we are the most supportive. Feel free to take in a home game during their season to show your support.

During week 5 of this term the school is hosting two ‘Come and Try’ Gala sports days. These will be a full day event for the Year 2s and 3s on Wednesday 21st May; and Years 4, 5 and 6 on Thursday 22nd of May. There will be over 10 sports showcased, with development officers from each sport running sport specific drills, skills and games.

Athletics Sports days are fast approaching. The Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day will be on Thursday 12th June from 9-11 am. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will have their full day carnival on Friday 13th June. Parents and families are warmly welcomed and encouraged to come and cheer on your child/ren. Be sure to have your sports house colour shirt ready for the day. It is a fun and action packed day, with excellent sports skills on exhibition!

As the PE classes prepare the students for the Sports days we would like to remind parents and students of the need to have their sun safe equipment for each and every lesson. Each child MUST have a soft wide brimmed hat and closed in tie up, or velcro, shoes for their PE lessons. Yellow slips are being given out during lessons if the obligation is not being met. We also ask that students bring their water bottles to each lesson, as the activities can be quite taxing and the water taps available are located quite a distance from the lessons taught on the ovals. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Safe School Travel Group (SafeST)

May 23rd is the official “Walk Safely to School Day”. While we appreciate that some of our school community have no alternative but to drive students to school, others that live locally in our neighbouring suburbs such as Avalon, Explorer Estate and Rural View are encouraged to step out and walk with their children to Eimeo Road State School.

**The objectives of Walk Safely To School Day are:**

•To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour.

•To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.

•To ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult’s hand when crossing the road.

•To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.

•To reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.

•To promote the use of Public Transport.

•To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles.

•To reduce the level of traffic congestion.

The Walk Safely To School Day App is available to both Apple and Android users through the Apple iTunes and Google Play Store’s. The App will map children’s and parent’s/carer’s:

- Kilometres travelled (to and from school)
- Times spent walking
- Average speed
- Kilojoules burnt

It will also provide a map of their walks and a detailed history of each day’s activities.

Download the free app at [walk.com.au](http://walk.com.au)

Why not enjoy a walk to school with your children on Friday 23rd. Even if you need to drive, just park further away from school and give walking a go.

Northern Beaches SHS Enrolment Night

Mackay Northern Beaches State High school is looking forward to welcoming their third cohort of Year 7 students into the school in 2015. If you would like to know more information about the school and the excellent facilities and programs on offer, please attend the Enrolment Information Evening on Wednesday 28 May at 5.30pm in the MNBSHS Lecture Theatre. After the presentation, you will be able to go on a tour of the school. Please register your interest in attending this evening by phoning 4842 1333 or emailing enrolments@macknorthbeachesshs.eq.edu.au. The MNBSHS FaceBook page provides up-to-date information of what is occurring at the school, including links to our website and enrolment information. The first round of enrolment forms are due by the end of this term.

**Dates to Remember**

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P&C News
Email: pandc@eimeoroadss.eq.edu.au

Winter is upon us
so check out
Our school Jackets
@ $35 each!

The P&C & organizers of the Mother’s Day Stall would like to say a very “BIG”

Thank you!

to the following volunteers for their help.

Uniform Shop & Banking Days
Fortnightly ONLY!
May 20th 8am – 9.30am
June 3rd 8am – 9.30am
June 17th 8am – 9.30am

www.flexischools.com.au

Online orders distributed every Tuesday!

P&C Meetings 3rd Tuesday monthly. Next meeting 20th May 2014 @ 6pm in the Admin Building Staff Room
Debating
On Thursday night Eimeo’s debate team went up against a Year 7 team from Fitzgerald State School, arguing that Sports Stars are Good Role Models. Even though our first speaker did not attend, we beat the opposition 394 to 383 points. Aree Lude was to be time keeper and stepped into 1st speakers position courageously. Madison Uwins brought our points to life with a personal story and Eli Kemp rebutted powerfully. Our next topic is Uniforms Promote Character.

CROSSING SUPERVISOR
CASUAL POSITION VACANT
A casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at Eimeo Road 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 1.5 hours a day and usually comprise of one hour in the morning and ½ hour in the afternoon Commencement date to be advised a Pay Rate of $26.25 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 principles recommendation.

AUSKICK
Want to play footy in Mackay?
Harrup Park Club Auskick
Sign on and 1st Session:
4.30 – 5.30pm, Friday 14th March
Venue: Harrup Park County Club Oval 9
Register and pay online at aflauskick.com.au
Parents FAQ – Kids turning 5 in Calendar year to 12 years old can participate.
Contact AFT Mackay on 07 49510 622 or email dion.obst@aflq.com.au

Music Notes
This term begins our rehearsals for the coming Mackay Eisteddfod which will occur in October. In 2014 we are entering choirs for Prep, Years 1, 2, 3, 4/5 and 6, as well as 4/5/6 combined, and a Novelty Choir. Choir contract forms will be issued this week, so please keep an eye out for these. Due to the Eisteddfod regulations, places are limited and will fill quickly, so those who are first in will be guaranteed a spot.
Rob Covey.

JAPANESE CLUB
Do you enjoy singing, making origami and playing new games?
Do you want to learn another language?
Japanese Club is for you!
Held each Thursday 2nd break, the Japanese Club is open to all students in Years 3 to 6.
WHERE? 4CK’s room
WHEN? Thursday, 1:15pm – 1:45pm

foster carer
Could you be one?
Foster care is different to the young lives they transform.
Churches of Christ Care Pathways support their carers with training, advice and access to local resources to enable them to provide the best home environment for the children and young people in their care.
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