Dear Parents and Friends,

**Term 4 commences Tuesday 7 October**

Parents, please park in designated areas and refrain from parking in the cul-de-sac and areas where no parking signs have been erected. We have been informed that the grass area opposite the school in Old Eimeo Road is a no parking zone. The area will be patrolled by Council and fines will be issued. I suggest that parents park in Driftwood Court which runs parallel to the school or Adair Street and cross on the pedestrian crossing. Please do NOT park in Marlins or Goodstart Car Park as they have parks for their parents.

Delay by 10 or 15 mins to pick up your child / children to avoid congestion. There is supervision at the front of the school and in the Stop, Drop, Go Zone in Cahill Cres. Porters have allowed parents to park in their car park for short periods to allow parents to walk their children to and from school and parks are also available in Keim Street with a short walk to school.

**Staffing**

I would like to congratulate Mrs Linda Vella on her new position as Transition Officer for Early Childhood in the Mackay Region commencing Term 4. Linda has been a valued member of our school staff and she will be dearly missed. Her passion for early childhood teaching, care of students and families and early childhood curriculum will be shared widely in this new role and Eimeo will continue to work with Linda in her new role. Best wishes Linda and thank you for all that you have given Eimeo and our students. Mrs Colleen Bingham will teach Prep V for Term 4 Special Education – Ms Kellie Ryan will be acting teacher in charge at Beaconsfield for the first four weeks of Term 4, she will be replaced by Mrs Sandra Di Fillipo.

**2015 Enrolments or Change of Schools**

Thank you to all families who have returned the notice indicating their intentions for 2015. Can families please continue to keep the school informed of their intentions for 2015, especially if they were unsure of where they will be. It is vital that we have an accurate indication of numbers so that can ensure adequate classroom spaces and staffing is appointed.

Prep 2015 transition program has commenced and will continue in Term 4. A successful parent information session was held for new Prep families last week and interviews will be conducted on November 10, 11, 12. Parents of Prep children are asked to phone the school to make an appointment. If you know of a family intending to enrol at Eimeo in 2015, please encourage them to enrol now.

**Are you aware of the opportunities children are offered at Eimeo?**

Last week at the Prep enrolment sessions, our four student leaders spoke to parents about the wonderful opportunities and activities they have been involved in during their years at Eimeo. This list is some of what children can become involved in at the school: Multicultural Day, Come and Try days for different sports, Bike Ed for Year 4, Swimming, Optiminds, Stings Program, Woodwind Brass and Percussion, chess club, Student Council, debating, Year 6 Leadership Program, Choirs for Prep, Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, Fife Band, Steel Drums, African Drums, Guitar Club, Girls Choir, Year 6 self-esteem program for girls, bike maintenance lunch time program, AFL for Girls Friday, Sporty Schools, tennis, hockey, Year 5 Kinchant Dam Camp, Year 6 Canberra Excursion and many more. Most of these are run by staff during lunch break and before school. Our dedicated and hard working staff are committed to ensuring that children are equipped with not only excellent academic skills but also extra curricular skills. Thank you to all our staff for all that you do for Eimeo.

This dedication was seen in the past weeks when staff travelled to Melbourne, Sovereign Hill and Canberra with 68 Year 6 children for 8 days on an unforgettable experience. The feedback from all has been very positive and the children represented our school beautifully.
On Tuesday the 2nd of September, Year 3 students embarked on a trip to the MECC to watch ‘Wombat Stew-The Musical’. It was a fantastic musical performed by the ‘Clap like Thunder’ theatre group. The students enjoyed singing along, dancing and interacting with characters on stage. The performance promoted the message of taking care of your friends. The most loved character was Eric the Echidna, followed by the devilish dingo. Both students and teachers enjoyed their morning at the theatre, participating in the show.

**WETLAND WALK ABOUT EXCURSION**

Our students visited the MECC thanks to the BMC Pathways to Performance Program. Thank you BHP Billiton and the MECC!

On Wednesday the 3rd of September 2014 two students from each year 5 classrooms and Mrs Whelan where chosen to attend an excursion to the Wetland Walkabout which is located at Andergrove.

On the excursion the year 5 students were given a tour of the wetlands by the people from Reef Guardian that help protect our environment. Our tour was full of information about why our wetlands are important to our ecosystems, and the animals that call them home. We also learnt why and the importance of the wetlands are for fish stocks. There were also many different types of trees and plants that help with the habit of the wild birds that live there.

Overall the wetlands tour was enjoyable and we learnt a lot about the ecosystems and the effects on the habit, if we don’t look after our environment.

**The RSPCA Animal Adoption Centre Animal Mural**

Mrs Currie, Miss Layton and six students from grade 6; Georgia Parter, Seanna Tyler, Aidan Jones, Trae Tatow assisted with painting the animals and Brodie Bell and Emma McDonald painted the background. These children painted a mural for the new RSPCA Animal Adoption Centre which is opening up in Mackay. Porters and Dulux have generously donated the marine ply board and paint. Eimeo Road State School already has a lovely mural out the front of the Mackay Northern Beaches Police Station which helps brightens our community. Look out for Eimeo Road State School animal mural it will be displayed along the boundary line of the new Adoption Centre, it is bright and colourful. Thank you everyone for your hard work, it looks fabulous!

**Bunning’s Help out for Father’s Day Gift making**

Staff from Bunnings Hardware Store visited Eimeo School with all the equipment to run a session with the Prep children to enable them to make a gift for DAD. The gift the children made was a beautiful wall hanging which included a poem and the children decorated around the poem with collage materials. All materials were provided at no cost, by Bunnings.

**Talk like a Pirate Day**

Friday 19 September is Talk like a Pirate Day, we are encouraging the children to come dressed like a Pirate. A gold coin donation will be asked of all children and proceeds will go towards Student Council marching band project.

**Girl Guide Uniforms needed**

Lara, from the Northern Beaches Girl Guides is seeking to purchase some pre-owned Girl Guide Uniforms for the current girls. She would to ask the community if the ex-girl guides would like to sell their Uniforms, if they could please contact Lara on 0412 226 901.

**Safe School Travel (SafeST) Group**

Over the September holidays encourage your children to play within defined boundaries such as back yards, away from vehicles, roads, footpaths and driveways. Although many young children play close to home they can still be at risk from vehicle related accidents. Backyards, parks, the beach and other areas away from traffic are the safest
places for young children to play. Over the holiday break take the time to talk to your child about safe and unsafe play areas around your home or park. School holidays give us opportunities to travel and if you are out and about please take care on the roads and come back safely next term. Look out, look out, there are children about ....

Year 1/2H News

The Eimeo Eco Warriors (1/2H) have been working hard in the garden all term and are now enjoying the fruits of their labour. Cucumbers and peas are being harvested, with cherry tomatoes and strawberries soon to come. The crops are being picked and sent to junior school classes with a letter of encouragement for children to try them. So far the vegies are going down a treat! A couple of weeks ago the 10 most loved sustainability projects from around Australia were chosen from more than 1000 entrants to receive prizes in the Enviro Week Competition. Along with their garden project the Eco Warriors focused on eating healthy, nude foods that reduce our environmental footprint by not having packaging. We are very proud to say that The Eimeo Eco Warriors were placed 7th in the nation. The Eimeo Eco Warriors will continue their sustainability projects throughout the year, and encourage healthy eating by sharing their veggies around the school.


The winners of the Father’s Day Raffle were:
Teale (PrepH) - Amy (1/2H) - Tayah (2TW) - Max B (3K)
Ceejay (4KT) - Zabian (5B) & Jayden F (6J)

Tuckshop Volunteers Roster for Term 3:

WEEK 10
17.09.14 Deanne - 1E, Cindy Fitzgerald – 5A,
18.09.14 Jodie Menzies – PP, Chloe Wilson - PS

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.

Thank you for volunteering ☺

P&C Meetings 3rd Tuesday monthly.
Next meeting 16th of September
then next month after the school holidays is
21st October 2014 @ 6pm in
The Admin Building Staff Room

EVERYONE WELCOME ☻

2014 Northern Beaches Community Day!

Thank you to all of the following helpers: Darryl & Annette, Chris & Mel, Karen, Chappy Linda, Hayley, Sandra, Sally, Barbara, Marnie and Jill (our extraordinary Frisbee seller) who all assisted in our Schools Donuts Stall at the Northern Beaches Community Day last Sunday (Father’s Day) at the Bucasia Esplanade. It was a beautiful sunny day out with lots of happy smiling faces covered with cinnamon sugar (giggle giggle) from our very yummy & in demand donuts. Every little bit of dough was used and the bags of donuts Darryl himself donated to the Fire and Rescue team along with the Mackay Police stalls were thrilled with our little treats for them. They even had a laugh at the "cliché" of cops and dounts. We cleared $795 profit for the day. A special thanks to our Donut Spruiker Matthew who did a fab job and had the customers rolling in.

" GREAT JOB EVERYONE."

P&C News

Email: pandc@eimeoroadss.eq.edu.au

Uniform Shop & Banking Days
Fortnightly ONLY!
October 7th 8am – 9.30am
October 21st 8am – 9.30am
Then Weekly From November 4th

Online orders distributed every Tuesday!

Final Chance for the Tuckshop Online Lucky Draw (via Flexischools) - a chance to win a $5 tuckshop voucher in September just by ordering Tuckshop online!

Thank you to the following mums that helped at this year's Father's Day Stall. It was a great 3 days.
PE News

Netball Gala Day is on Thursday 18th September at the Mackay Netball Association Courts at Casey Avenue. Eimeo Road is fielding 3 teams of girls – 1 Junior (born 2005 or 2006) and 2 Senior (born 2003 or 2004) teams. Girls, please ensure you are at the courts by 8:30am as the draw is starting earlier due to the large number of teams involved – 41! Notes and money needs to be handed into your classroom teacher by Tuesday 16th September. Good luck girls, have fun!

The Annual U11 Steve Jackson Gala Challenge is being held at the Abbott Park Rugby League grounds on Friday 19th September. Boys, please ensure you are at the grounds by no later than 8:45am. Permission slips and medical forms should already be returned to school. Good luck to the two teams competing from Eimeo Road.

Thank you to all of the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students whom participated in the inter-house Touch football during Wednesday and Friday lunch times. It was fantastic to see the bottom oval full of children playing sport with 4 fields and 8 teams playing at once. Great work!

Reminder to the shoppers out there – Amart Community Kickback program is still up and running. Please be sure to nominate our school – Eimeo Road State School – when checking out. A percent of your purchases will be given to the school to purchase equipment from Amart. The School’s account number is 0705001067 should you wish to link your own card to the school online. Thank you for your continued support of this program.

Have a wonderful holiday and we look forward to seeing you in the new term.

Year 6 Classes - Recycling

On Wednesday 10th September the Year 6 classes welcomed Mrs Paterson from the Mackay City Council who presented a talk about recycling and how important it is to keep the environment clean and safe. She also showed us her worm farm and how to compost and how worms work. She taught us about plastics and what recycled plastic can be made into. Here’s an interesting fact: the Pioneer River boardwalk out the front of Canelands is actually made from recycled milk cartons. She told us many fascinating facts about waste and how important it is to put the correct items into the ‘recycling bin.’

By Matthew Munns & Brodie Bell
DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues 16 Sept  Multicultural Day
Fri 19 Sept  Term 3 concludes / Talk like a pirate day –
gold coin donation towards Student Council

Term 4
Monday 6 Oct – Labour Day HOLIDAY
Tuesday 7 October – Term 4 FIRST DAY of school
Eisteddfod performances commence at MEC
Thursday 9 Oct – 5.30pm Cultural Concert
Tues 14 Oct – 8.30am Concert Band perform Eisteddfod
Wed 15 Oct – Strings, steel drums, African Drums/eisteddfod
Thurs 16/17 – Deadly Australians visit school (performance)
Tues 21 Oct – Prep and Year 1 choir at Eisteddfod
Thurs 23 Oct – Year 3 choir (1pm), Year 4/5 choir 6.30pm
Fri 24 Oct – Year 2 & 6 choir (8.30am)
Fri 24 Oct – World Teachers Day – spoil your child’s teacher

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER
Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an
international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host
one of our exceptional international students arriving in
Australia in February 2015 for their 3,5, or 10 month
programs. Our international students from France, Germany,
Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan and USA
will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive
with their own spending money, and comprehensive
insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural
Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the
duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the
best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au,
email sceaust@sccce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500
501, request our international student profiles, and capture
the spirit of family and friendship!

BreastScreen Queensland
Digital Mobile Unit
Will be located at NORTHERN BEACHES
BOWLS CLUB
Bucasia Rd., Rural View
2nd & 3rd October and
7th & 8th October
Women 40 years and over are eligible to join
the BreastScreen Queensland Program
Phone 13 20 50 for your FREE
BreastScreen appointment

2014 Eisteddfod Times
Concert Band: Tuesday October 14, 8.30am session.
Senior Ensemble: Jamaican Steel Drums, African Drums:
Wednesday October 15, 8.30am session.
String Ensemble: Wednesday October 15, 8.30am session.
Prep Choir: Tuesday October 21, 10.30am session.
Year 1 Choir: Tuesday October 21, 10.30am session.
Year 3 choir: Thursday October 23, 1pm session.
Year 4/5 Choir: Thursday October 23, 6.30pm session.
Year 6 Choir: Friday October 24, 8.30am session.
Year 2 Choir: Friday October 24, 8.30am session.

Life Fun Run
I would like to invite your whole school community to take
part in the Hasting Deering Run for Mi Life Fun run which will
be held on the 19th of October 2014 at Wests Leagues Club
in Walkerston. The run will be followed by a fun day on the
fields at Wests, which will run from 9am until 2pm.
The run will be in honour to Matthew Ivory, who was lost to
suicide on 19 October 2012. The run is in aid to raise
awareness and funds for the depression and suicide problem
in the local Mackay area. All monies raised will be donated
to Beyond Blue and Grapevine, which is a local Mackay
group that are working towards the same goal-less suicides.
Please go to our website to register and find out more –
sponsorship is required, or you may like to make a donation.
For further information please call Jo Shanks – 0408 079
471 or visit our website: www.runforlife.org.au, or like us on
Face Book at Run For Mi Life.

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WHEN:
SATURDAY 20 &
SUNDAY 21
SEPTEMBER 2014
WHERE:
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(Above M Group Wheels & Tyres)
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT,
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