20 November 2015

Dear Parents and Friends,

Cahill Crescent – parents PLEASE DO NOT PARK across residents’ driveways when you bring / collect your child / children. Residents are concerned that this problem is again causing them distress as they are unable to exit their property to go to work.

The next couple of weeks is packed with exciting opportunities for families to celebrate the end of the school year. Please mark these dates on your calendar:

1. Thursday 3 December - End of Year Concert – “Summer Fun” theme. The concert will commence at 6pm and the Lions Club will be selling sausages, chicken kababs, burgers, drinks etc from 5.30pm. The children will assemble in a classroom in their year level and then proceed to the hall for their item. After their item the children will return to that room with staff and wait till parents collect the children. Each year level will perform an item.
2. Year 4 – 6 Swimming Carnival – Tuesday 1 December. Pioneer Swim Centre 6pm to 8pm. Parents must be in attendance on the evening to supervise your own children. Staff will be busy organising and running the evening.
3. Final Whole school parade Monday 7 December – 1.45pm will be the announcement of Tony MacFarlane Award, Beaches Baptist Award, Lions Seaview Award, Auntie Maud Cultural Award.

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. This year has been a huge year with the running of the bi-annual fair. 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. This year they have endorsed new shade to be erected over the Year 2/3 play equipment and the learning centre between the library and Year 1 classrooms – we will see this installed early 2016.

A special thank you to Chris Scott, Amy Halstead, Annette and Darryl Barker for their hard work this year as the P&C executive. Amy will not be continuing in the role of Treasurer in 2016 but will be continuing in the role of Uniform Shop and Dollarmites co-ordinator. Thank you Amy for your leadership, hard work and direction of the P&C finances under your guidance. 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 2016, the third Tuesday every month.
Year 6 Graduation
Year 6 children are currently learning their special graduation dances to perform for their parents at the North Mackay Bowls Club in Malcomson Street on Monday 7 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 on Tuesday 1 December for their High School transition.

Step up Day
On Tuesday 1 December, while the Year 6 children are attending High School, our school will also do a transition to the Year level the children will be attending in 2016. Kindy children will come to Prep from 9 – 11am, Prep children will go to their 2016 teacher and class, Year 1 children will go to their 2016 teacher and class, while all children currently in Years 2 – 5 will find out more about their 2016 Year level but will not know their teacher or classroom until Monday 7 December. All classes will be in their new area from 9am to 11.45am.

Transition Day – Monday 7 December 10am to 11am. On this day, all children will transition to their 2016 class and will find out their teacher. This allows all children to become familiar with their new surroundings and assist with a smooth start in 2016.

Booklist: Included with this newsletter is the 2016 booklist. If your child is in a laptop program in year 5 or 6 in 2016, 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

(2016 Booklist Requirement)

Also available online via Flexischools.

Our Reef Guardian Schools Excursion
On the 22nd of October, 9 children from year 5 travelled to Far Beach to meet up with students from various schools around Mackay to participate in the Future Leaders Eco Challenge. The students joined together to fight litter before it pollutes our magnificent Barrier Reef.

The first activity involved cleaning up the Harbour Beach. The students were amazed to discover they actually collected 29 kg of rubbish in total and collection only took an hour!

Then it was off to Paget to observe the Gross Pollutant Traps. An interesting fact was that 95% of the matter collected in these traps was made up of organic matter and 5% was litter.

One of the activities after a subway lunch; was sorting collected marine rubbish into different categories e.g. Packaging items, fishing or consumer waste, industrial by-products etc. Other activities included the casting of lures; measuring various fish and crabs to check legal sizes and tree planting on the sand dunes to prevent erosion.

"It was a good experience because we got to learn more about what rubbish is actually polluting our oceans," commented Max Brotherton. Mrs Whelan said that the students were well behaved and the whole experience was fantastic! It really opened the children’s eyes to the magnitude of the problem but also, what they can do to make our world a better place to live.
Dates to Remember:
* Pre Prep parent session – speech pathologist presenting
* Step up day. All children go to next year level. Kindy children visit from 9 – 11am
* Twilight Swimming Carnival 6 – 8pm Pioneer Swim Centre
* End of Year Concert
* Year 6 graduation Final parade – award presentations
* Eimeo’s Got Talent
* Free Dress wear Red for the Salvation Army holiday appeal

Friday 11 December – Movie Day / Last Day of Term.

Safe School Travel Group (SafeST)

Quote for the week … “Children are the living messages we send to a time we will not see.”

Already week eight and only two more weeks of school drop offs and pick-ups. Please do not become complacent about your child’s ability to safely navigate the busy roads, carparks and footpaths around our school. They need constant reminders of the Stop, Look & Listen routine when crossing roads, buckle up seatbelts, stow school bags where they won’t become airborne weapons in a traffic accident and always enter the car from the kerb side. Parents too, remember to communicate to your children where and when you will pick them up, don’t use your mobile phone while driving, stick to the school zone speed limits, use your “dashcard” with your family name on it in the Stop, Drop & Go area for easy identification. Watch for designated parking spaces, stay out of the bus zone and residents driveways.

Go on, do the right thing, you know you can!!

Porters Mega Markets

Saturday 5 December 8am to 2pm

On Saturday 5 December, Eimeo students will be performing at the mega markets being held in Porters car park in Arana Drive. Our music department will be sending home notes to families informing them of this performance (11am to 12pm).

Eimeo is able to join the stall holders this month and have a stall selling homemade cakes, lollies, slices, biscuits etc. A letter will be sent home to all families in the week leading up to these markets asking for donations to be sent to the school on Friday 4 December.

For Sale- Mackay Northern Beaches State Highschool Uniforms

Available 30th November $200 the lot.

Size * "10" Formal Shirts x 2
* "8" Formal Skirts x2
* "82" Formal Pants x1
**"S" Sports Shorts x1
**"M" Track Jacket x 1

Available 14th December $210 the lot.

Size * "6" Formal Shirts x 2
* "12" Formal Pants x1
* "XXS" Sports Shirts x1
* "XXS" Track Jacket x 1
* Junior Ties x2

Contact number is 0414824844

Look out, look out, there are children about…
Library Matters

CALLING ALL LIBRARY BOOKS!

Wow, what a fantastic response to our call for end of year returns! Well done to Prep H, 1C, 1P and 3H who achieved 100% student returns and were awarded ‘Record Breaking’ bookmarks.

If your child has not been at school this week, please ask them about their Library books so that they can be returned without further delay.

The search for LOST BOOKS

Thanks to those parents and carers who have popped in to see us, concerned about lost Library books. We appreciate your offers to pay for them but please don’t be too keen to part with your cash. We send home the slip notes to let parents and carers know that there is a book search underway.

You would be surprised how often (and where) books turn up: at the end of the year when classrooms undergo the ‘big clean-up’; in the family car or boat; or when the kids’ rooms get the once over at home.

If by Friday 4 December, you have exhausted all search avenues and are totally in despair, then we will gladly accept your cash or a suitable replacement book.

What’s HOT in kids’ books?

There are many brilliant children’s books by a host of international and Australian authors readily available at Big W, Kmart, Target and CBD in Mackay. Many can be bought in boxed sets which ends up a lot cheaper than buying individual titles.

Some of the most popular series include: WeirDo by Anh Do; Tom Gates by Liz Pichon; Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney; Dork Diaries by Rachel Renee Russell; the Treehouse books of Andy Griffiths and the adventurous Percy Jackson created by Rick Riordan.

Three Little Words

When I asked the students of 6L for their reading recommendations, they responded with just three words to express their enthusiasm for some fabulous fiction.

I was told that Tom Gates is great, funny and addictive (Harrison); that the Do You Dare series is breathtaking, adventurous and (sometimes) sad (Josh); that the Treehouse series is funny, weird and exciting (Layth), that legendary, secretive and sorcery best describe The Alchemist (Tessa) and that Loyal Creatures is at once action-packed, moving and heartbreaking (Will).

Jacob, Bella, Jaime and Grant show the covers of their favourite fiction: Daniel X Demons & Druids; The Invention of Hugo Cabret; Bully on the Bus and The Mirror Chronicles.

Callum is a Lois Lowry fan, while Chloe prefers Tristan Bancks. Ella is a Harry Potter devotee and Linzee enjoys the Fear factor.

Thanks to all students from 6L for your reading recommendations which we will display in Our Library throughout Week 8.

Book Fair

Our Buy 1 Get 1 FREE Book Fair wrapped up today with very few books left on the shelves. Thanks again to everyone who supports our Book Fair and Book Club activities throughout the year. We hope you enjoy your reading treasures.
The makeover has been revealed!!! The ERSS Tennis/Multi purpose hard courts have been upgraded. This fantastic addition to our school facilities looks top notch. I’m sure you’d all agree what a positive impact the upgrade has made to the courts. As a school we look forward to using the new facilities for in-class, interschool, lessons, gala days, sub-district and district trials.

As a semi-official opening of the courts we are going to hold a Hot Shots Tennis day on Friday 4th December (Week 9) this term

Twilight Swimming Carnival

On Tuesday 1st December the school will be holding its Twilight Swimming Carnival at Pioneer Swim Centre from 6 pm to 8 pm. It is open to students born in 2003 to 2006, (12yrs to 9yrs) who are competent swimmers. Students born in 2006 have the option of swimming 25 m or 50 m in their preferred stroke. If your student is born in 2006, they must swim the 50m events in order to be eligible for Age Champion. Students born in 2005 to 2003 may only compete in the 50m events. Parents must remain at the pool to supervise their child/children. The pool’s kiosk will be open during the carnival for parents to purchase small items of food. Students will be asked to nominate for their preferred events but can also nominate on the night. Events will be freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. Over the last several years Gold House has been very dominant, we look forward to the other two Houses matching their success. Medallions will be awarded to the age champions on the night.

$2 admission fee is required to assist with School’s hire of the pool.
Sports Person Of The Year (SPOTY) Nominee – Itay Folgin (Soccer) & Bevan Rickard (Rugby League)

Congratulations and well done to Itay Folgin and Bevan Rickard in 6C! Both boys were nominated by their respective coaches as one of the top 3 players in their Mackay District teams. The boys join a group of students whose various sporting successes throughout 2015 have been outstanding. These awards will be held on Tuesday 24th November at the Magpies Function room and will recognise the Mackay students whom represented the District during 2015. ERSS would like to congratulate Itay and Bevan on their sporting successes during 2015 and wish them well in their sporting futures.

Amart Community Kickbacks

Please remember to nominate Eimeo Road State School as the community group you wish to support, when shopping. If you are already a Team member you can link your card to the school online at teamamart.com.au and select Eimeo Road State School your preferred group on your member account profile. The school account number is 0705001067. Every dollar spent will earn credit towards to school to purchase sporting equipment.

For any keen cricketers out there – Sheffield Shield cricket is coming to Mackay Harrup Park, in December!

State of Origin clash – Qld vs NSW!
The dates of the game are Sunday Dec 6 – Wednesday Dec 9.
The hours of play for the game are 10am – 5pm each day.
Importantly, entry is free for each day of the game for the general public!
P&C News

Term 4 - Week 8

Email: pandc@elmeoroadss.eq.edu.au

Online Orders for Uniforms: www.flexischools.com.au

UNIFORM SHOP

Now Open Weekly 8am - 9.30am till end of term. 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
Bonus opening days in 2016!

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HELP NEEDED!

Volunteers are essential for this service to be open. Do you have a regular 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 to email: pandc@elmeoroadss.eq.edu.au

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.

Did you know we have a Facebook Group??

Handy reminders & documents at hand!!

Request to join today! Invite your ERSS friends!

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! 😊

Tuckshop News

Term 4 - Week 8

E: ersstuckshop@gmail.com Ph. 0749 697 115
Convenor - Danielle Mob: 0416 592 406

OPEN EVERYDAY THIS TERM!

Online Ordering for Tuckshop:

www.flexischools.com.au

Don’t forget! Red Food “Truffle Day” next Tues 24th (Week 8) Years Pre & 1 will have their orders sent to class. Teachers will hand back orders that morning to take to the tuckshop for collection. 1st Break: Prep to year 2. 2nd Break: Years 3-6 to collect from the tuckshop. If you can help please let the Tuckshop staff know. Thank you.

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. We don’t want them anxious or rushing & eating too quickly. Tuckshop Service cut off at the 5min bell before class resumes.

Flexischools - Online orders will **not** be available in Week 10.
Paper bag orders only. Substitute items will be offered as stock runs out. Normally the Tuckshop closes on last day of school - Friday the 11th of Dec – for stocktake and cleaning, **BUT** staff will sell over the counter ice-blocks, slushies, drinks & some treats (if still in stock/not sold out on the last day). Please note NO PRE-ORDERS – CASH ONLY – COUNTER ONLY – FRI 11th.

Thank you to our wonderful Volunteers!
If you are able to volunteer next year please contact Danielle on the above contacts.

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Pink Day for Allira

What a wonderful day we had last Friday for our Pink/Rainbow Day. As many of you know, one of our very special Prep ED friends, Allira, is battling cancer for the 2nd time in just over a year. So many children and teachers supported our fundraising day and you all looked FABULOUS!! Thanks to the kindness and generosity of our awesome Eimeo community, we managed to raise nearly $2000 for the family to help cover some of the additional financial costs they’ll be facing at this time. It made us feel so grateful that we are a part of such a caring community. Well done to all at Eimeo – we really are great!!!

Thank you again, from prep ED
MACKAY GYMNASTICS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN DAYS

INSIDE FUN, OUT OF THE SUN

For primary school aged boys and girls
(children aged 5—12 years)

WHERE: At our facilities:-
5 Snow Wright Court,
(Off Beaconsfield Road)

WHEN: Wednesday 13th January 2016
Friday 15th January 2016
Wednesday 20th January 2016
Friday 22nd January 2016

COST $16.50 PER DAY

9.30am to 11.00am

Phone: 49420032
Email: admin@mackaygymnastics.org.au

COME AND HAVE FUN IN THE GYM

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Limited Numbers!

MACKAY GYMNASTICS INC.
The Northern Beaches Girl Guides are now taking expressions of interest for placements in 2016.

During this year we have reached maximum enrolments and are therefore registering to operate a second unit. From 2016 we will also be able to offer placements to girls from 5 years of age.

In 2016 Girl Guides meetings in the Northern Beaches will run on a Monday night as follows:

👩 5 – 8 year olds --- 4.15pm – 5.45pm
👩 8 - 18 year olds --- 6.00pm – 8.00pm

If your daughter would like to see what Girl Guides is all about in 2016 please contact us by either email girlguidesnb@gmail.com or one of our leaders by phone.

Amy Paskins
‘Lutana’
0435 180 961

Joely Whiting
‘Marinda’
0409 963 939

Lyn Laffin
‘Tamba’
0407 658 042

Girl Guides offer a 4 week membership free trial for all girls to ensure they wish to join before membership fee outlays.

In the meantime you may like to check out the Guides Queensland Website www.guidesqld.org
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