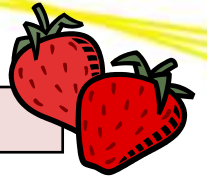




# NEWSLETTER



**STRAWBERRY FAIR - THIS SUNDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

## LEADERS' NEWS



Count down is on until **Strawberry Fair this Sunday**, and the weather is looking great. I look forward to catching up with you and your family, and pass my sincere thanks to everyone who has worked hard to make the day perfect. A special mention to **Rachel Murchland** for coordinating her first Fair, in her first year as a parent at EPS.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER	
5	Strawberry Fair
6	School Closure
7	Year 7 Presentation at the Zoo
7	Hot dog orders due back at school
9/10	St John's first aid lesson for every student
9	Night Under the Stars - Year 1's
13	School Council Meeting - 7.15pm (photo)
17	Whole School Assembly - MP hosting

**CHECK OUT OUR SKOOL BAG APP INFO**

Our annual **parent survey** is due, and I ask that you spend 10 minutes clicking on the link <https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/H6VXzJve> and completing a short questionnaire. It is completely anonymous, and the feedback it provides makes a big difference in plans for the future of your child's schooling. We take parent feedback seriously, and as a result of previous comments we have worked hard to improve communication between home and school. This includes an up to date web page, skoolbag app, see-saw app in Reception, weekly newsletters and regular emails from classroom teachers. We are listening and want to hear from you.



Student safety is of paramount importance, and we have been asked how we manage in-vacuation and evacuation procedures. If there is a reason for students to leave the buildings in an emergency (eg fire), a continuous siren is rung and students are quickly evacuated with their teacher to the oval, where a roll is called. If an in-vacuation is necessary, external and classroom doors are locked and students are supervised in a calm manner until the situation is dealt with. We have immediate contact with SAPOL who will advise us on next steps. Parents would be contacted on advice from the police or DECD personnel if a situation occurred. We have regular practice on both procedures and all staff and students are familiar with their responsibilities in a crisis.

I felt proud this week when requested to host 25 Area school leaders from across the state, from a recommendation from one of the Review principals. They had heard favourable comments regarding our STEM programme, and Christie presented an overview of our Amorim cork project, and our Year 6 and 7 students answered questions confidently and with knowledge. This week our Year 3 class hosted their Genius hour, and shared their personal research projects with family and school community members. Discussing their personal learning with our younger students is a powerful way to share their skills and understanding, and I have been so impressed with the school approach to develop student Learner Powers.

**Kathy Papps**



## WORKING BEE THANK YOU

Our Working Bee, Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October was well attended and the school is looking amazing. Thank you to the Crane, Hixon, Stagg, Bowles, Iley, Handsaker, Jaeger, Rohdenburg, Sweet, Shepherd-Boyd and Wise families, and Jen, Joy, Judy, Sue Boggiano, Vicky and Becky Bashford from school. Also the many helpers sorting our sheds in readiness for White Elephant, books, plants and clothes stalls on Sunday. A big thanks to the Village Church for a beautiful spread for morning tea. Much appreciated by all of us!

## VACATION CARE – Christmas holidays

*December 2017 - January 2018 EPS Vacation care*

*The program will be available as of Monday next week, week 4. Please ensure you return your forms ASAP to avoid missing out. Spaces will be offered to other schools if vacancies exist.*



*Congratulations to Leo and Amber who were nominated by their classmates for a Minister for Education Award for outstanding achievement in school endeavours.*



## 2017 Year book winners:






This year we decided to organise a Drawing Competition for our Year book this year. We received many amazing entries and it was a hard decision to pick our final winners. Thank you everyone for entering.

For our **front cover Winner** we have: Emily

The **Middle page winner**: Piper

Our **back cover winner**: Maeve

This year we also decided to put our runner ups in the book, they are:

-  Sienna
-  Isla – Cate
-  Candy

WE hope next year we will have more amazing entries and Well done to all Winners and Runner Ups!

*Thank you, Poppy, Charli and Luke on behalf of the Yearbook group*



## WALKING SCHOOL BUS



Congratulations to **Connor, Addison, Lily, Hannah, Colbie** and **Luka** who have walked to school 10 walks. They will receive a voucher which entitles them to a free ice block from the office any lunch time. Exciting news, the Southern route is now walking two days, Wednesday and Thursdays, please contact Lucy 0404 003 255 if you would like to join. Well done!



## SKOOLBAG APP

**DON'T MISS OUT ON SOMETHING.....SIMPLE AND GREAT WAY TO BE IN TOUCH.**

**Did you know that you can now do your student absence via skoolbag? How easy.....**

The Skoolbag App is able to give you instant

notifications and is an easy means of accessing our regular newsletters. The App can be downloaded from the App store (iphones) Google store (android) and Windows store (Win8.1 phones) on your phone, tablet or laptop. When installing, please make sure you **allow push notifications** because this enables us to get messages to you in the fastest way possible.

Should you have difficulties accessing the App please talk with our Front Office staff.

## FUNDRAISING NEWS

**STRAWBERRY FAIR – Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> November**



Only three more sleeps until our Strawberry Fair. Please make sure you read our current Strawberry Fair newsletter and find out how you can be involved....



**Thank you for your support, Fundraising committee!**

## SCHOOL SPORT NEWS

### C Grade Cricket Coaching

The C grade blue cricket team currently does not have a coach for term 4. We have a full squad of eager players ready to push on from where left off in term 1, but without a coach we can't field a team.

Matches are from 5:00pm - 7:00pm on Friday nights, with 7 rounds from the end of week 2.

If anyone is able to help, even if only for some weeks, please contact David Handsaker EPS Cricket coordinator urgently. 0409 289 043



### Term 4 TBall -

Training Thursday after school

Games Saturday 9am R-2 and 10am 3-5

(Arrive 30mins before game time) Games are played at Glenelg baseball club (Anderson Ave, Glenelg North)

Any enquiry, please contact me on

[eps.tbball@gmail.com](mailto:eps.tbball@gmail.com)

**Thanks Linda**

Your Neighbourhood,  
Your Decision  
**VOTE NOW**

It's time to make a difference in your neighbourhood. Simply go online and vote for the best ideas in your area before 5pm, 20 November

to vote visit:  
[fundmyneighbourhood.sa.gov.au](http://fundmyneighbourhood.sa.gov.au)

**Nature Play  
for the community  
at Edwardstown  
Primary School**

A collage of small images showing various nature play areas, including a tree, a bench, a path, and a playground.

**Meditation & Mindfulness  
Classes for Children & Parents**

888 South Road EVERARD PARK

2x 1hr Foundation Classes are Earthing NOW

Apr 10 - Sat 2 & 10th 2017

or

Apr Jan 14 & 15th 2018

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