



NEWSLETTER

Week 1 – THURSDAY, 25th JULY

LEADERS' NEWS



Welcome back to Term 3 and I trust you had a relaxing break. As mentioned last term, we have reduced our Newsletters to 3 per term, in **weeks 3, 6 and 9**. This week is a quick summary of the term ahead and dates to note on your calendar. Remember that the school web site now has a **digital calendar** which is updated weekly, and our **Skool Bag app** is streamlined for individual classes, excursion details and sport updates. **Qkr** is now available to be downloaded and used for all payment options online.

Our school grounds continue to blossom, and you will notice D-Dog our log sculpture has arrived and is a popular play spot. **Frazer Landscaping** has planted out our water play area and music corner, so please remind your children to be careful around the new plants. Thanks to the many families who call in on the weekends and holidays to collect rubbish, weed and generally care for our school.

Our annual **school Disco** date has been set and is **Friday, August 23rd**. This is also Book week dress-up day and Assembly, with this year's theme being "Your Secret Power". **Friday, August 16th** is **EPS Parent Quiz night**, which is being organised by a group of parents and school staff keen to provide a social gathering for all school parents, staff and friends. More details will follow, so plenty to do on these cold, winter Friday nights!



Strawberry Fair planning has begun, and we would like as many families as possible to attend an update meeting next Thursday evening, 1st August, from 7-8pm to hear how you can be involved. Love to see some Reception parents!

Swimming lessons are held in week 7 for Reception to Year 5 students from Monday to Thursday, followed by our **Pupil Free Day** on **Friday, 6th September**, which ties in with the Royal Show. Our **6/7 Aquatics** programme is on Thursday and Friday of week 9, so hopefully we will have warmer weather by then.

We have Assemblies scheduled for weeks 3, 5 and 9, so check our calendar to see if your child's class is hosting. We also have **Book week** and **Book Fair** activities planned. Our school **Festival Choir** night is Thursday, 12th September, and details regarding ticket sales will be sent home soon. We are waiting confirmation on whether the **Groovers and Shakers** are performing in the foyer on the same night.

Welcome to **Hannah Woodward**, our replacement **Performing Arts** teacher, who will focus on Dance skills in Term 3, in preparation for our **End of Year Concert** on **Tuesday, 4th December**.

Many classes are working on **STEM projects** this term, and teachers will keep you informed. Room 14 are working with **Jamie McClurg** from Commercial & General, who will share information around helicopters. Our **Year 5 classes** have started their **Discovery time** projects and will showcase in the Hall on **Wednesday, 21st August**.



A last request; we are overflowing with enrolments for 2020 and have filled all our **Reception places**. If your child is leaving EPS for a private school next year please let me know. I am aware 6 girls are heading to **Mitcham Girls High** for Year 7 but we do need definite numbers for our planning for next year.

Kathy Papps

DATES TO REMEMBER	
AUGUST	
1	Strawberry Fair meeting – 7.00-8.00pm ALL WELCOME
9	Assembly – 2.20pm Rm 18 & 21 hosting
12	Governing Council mtg – 7.30pm
16	Quiz night fundraiser fun
17	Family portraits – book your spot now
19-23	Book Week
21	Yr 5 Discovery Time Expo
22	Donut day
23	Disco – more information later Assembly 2.20pm Rm 6 & 22
24	Bunnings BBQ
29	Father's Day shop
1	Assembly – Rms 21 & 18 host – 2.20pm Family portraits with Shoot SA
SEPT	
1	Father's Day
2-5	Reception-Yr 5 swimming
6	Pupil Free Day