



NEWSLETTER

Last day of school, tomorrow, Friday 3rd April
PUPIL FREE DAY Monday, 27th April.

Week 10 – THURSDAY, 2nd April 2020

LEADERS' NEWS



As we move to the next phase of this very different school year, I felt it timely to touch base with all **EPS families** and let you know we are thinking of you all, and understand the range of difficulties being faced.

DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL

3

LAST DAY OF TERM 1 – Normal dismissal

Casual clothes day – NO coin donation

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GOOD FRIDAY

6-10

Pupil Free days - Vacation Care available

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Pupil free day - Care available

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Term 2 starts with on-line learning

While some families have selected to self isolate, others have had no option but to continue to send children to school, and we are dealing with the situation on a daily basis.

A reminder that work set this term was to keep students at home productive, and unless it was part of a 6/7 ongoing assignment, it is not required to be returned. This will be different next term, as we are spending next week ensuring all families are connected in some way with on-line learning, and putting formal processes in place to allow all our students to continue the school learning programme. I'm sure by the start of Term 2 the Department will give us more specific direction as to who is welcome at school. All the relevant information will be provided on **Pupil free day on Monday, 27th April**, with a digital link to our **EPS on-line handbook**. In the meantime, embrace the sun while we can, start the school holiday mindset, and take a break from school routine. Having said this, I understand many families are working at home and want their children to be busy, and commercially produced work books purchased from stores such as Big W are perfect to use for consolidation.

Our EPS community continue to be amazing in so many ways, and special thanks to **Scott and Jo Healey** and their many helpers for organising our recent **Wine fundraiser**. Very timely, and contributed nearly \$4,000 to our school.

Our **Easter raffle** went ahead and was a success, with prize winners included in this Newsletter. Chocolates, coffees, flowers, painting our planter boxes, offering on-line learning and a smile all make a positive difference to our day.

We hope you all have a quiet and safe holiday.

Thank you from us all.

Kathy Papps



And the winner is.....

END TERM 1

Please remember that tomorrow, Friday 3rd April is the last day of school for Term 1. We will be dismissing at normal time, 3.10pm.

We will be having Casual clothes but no gold coin necessary. Maybe if you are home you can dress in school uniform and share a photo!

ART VENTURE ON LINE

EPS FAMILIES ONLY - FREE ARTVENTURE (online ART lessons for home use). Please don't share this publicly but I would like to support our school kids. If you would like 3 months free, here are the instructions (expires 4th of April 2020)

1. Go here: <https://artventure.com.au/eps-families-only/>
2. Use this code for EPS FAMILIES ONLY: EPSONLY3MONTHS

Stay safe everyone xxx
Kirsty



EASTER RAFFLE

Thank you to all our families for their Easter donations and those families who sold and returned their raffle books. Thanks to **Kate, Leanne** and **Jo** for compiling books and prizes to make this possible. Everyone loves an Easter Raffle.

Congratulations to our winners who will enjoy their treats over Easter. Don't eat them all at once!

1 st – Louise Dono	7 th – Tilly Barry	13 th – Isabelle Hennessy
2 nd – Cas Johnson	8 th – Lucas McKendrick	14 th – Jordan Wood
3 rd – Isabelle Hennessy	9 th – Shannon Roberts	15 th – Louise Dono
4 th – Ahrens Family	10 th – Erin Hodges	16 th – Dimitri Lekkas
5 th – Cousins Family	11 th – Grandma Fay – Armstrong family	17 th – Jen Goodman
6 th – Amber Whiston	12 th – Aamir Mina	18 th – Phoebe Gill
		19 th – Sally Quinn

COMMUNICATION CHANNELS – SkoolBag App

IF YOU HAVEN'T, ALREADY, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THIS APP AS THIS IS HOW WE WILL COMMUNICATE.

DON'T MISS OUT ON ANYTHING... A SIMPLE AND GREAT WAY TO BE IN TOUCH!

As a school we have recently updated our Communication Policy. It is an expectation that all families download and install the **SkoolBag** app on their smart phone, downloadable from Apple or Google Play stores.

As a school, we send information relating to whole school sport, canteen, uniform, etc as well as **class specific events**, along with a link to our Newsletter, so *don't miss out!*

Seesaw is not used to share this information, rather it is for the sharing of students learning only.

Each year we allocate groups to the app and these groups are the classrooms for your child/ren and it is there that notices specific for that class will be posted.

Therefore at the beginning of the year you will need to allocate your groups.

To do this follow these simple steps

1. Open SkoolBag
2. Click on the Edwardstown logo
3. Click on Groups
4. Click on Add/Remove Groups.

All classes are listed; add the class or classes that your child/ren are in.


Then, you are ready to go!

Student Absences are also recorded through the app, using the "eform – Absence" you can notify us of any absences 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

How to install the SkoolBag app

instructions for parents and community

1. Get your favourite mobile device
2. Open the App Store/Play Store
3. Search for "SkoolBag"
4. Download the free app
5. Open the app and add your school(s)
6. Choose your "Groups."

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for more info visit skoolbag.com.au 