



EAST BEECHBORO PRIMARY INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMATION BRIEF

11th May 2017

School Website: www.eastbeechboroprimary.wa.edu.au

Message from the Principal

ANZAC Assembly

Thank you to our school community members who attended our ANZAC Assembly on Friday 28th April and to our students for their excellent behaviour. Thank you also for your patience and understanding as we encountered some unexpected events which altered the program and also the finish time of the assembly. Congratulations to our Student Councillors, Choir and classroom representatives for ensuring that this was a solemn and meaningful commemoration.

NAPLAN

Well done to our Year 3 and 5 students who took part in NAPLAN testing this week and to the families of these students for supporting them during the test period. Just a reminder that these are not pass or fail tests. The data is however useful to the school to identify strengths and weaknesses and possible areas for improvement in school programs. Individual student reports will be sent home later this year.

2018 Kindy, Pre-Primary and Primary Enrolments

2018 enrolments are currently being accepted for Kindergarten, Pre-Primary and Years 1-6.

Children born between 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 are eligible for Kindergarten next year. Applications for Enrolment are available from the school office and on our website (<http://www.eastbeechboroprimary.wa.edu.au/about-us/enrolment-details/>). Completed applications should be returned by 21st July.

Parents of our current Kindy students are also reminded that they are required to apply to enrol into the 2018 Pre-Primary program. Please obtain an Application for Enrolment and return to the office by 21st July. It is required that each application is accompanied by your child's birth certificate, immunisation details and proof of address (even if you have already provided this information with the 2017 Kindy application).

Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to our wonderful P&C for coordinating and hosting the Mother's Day Stall this week. A special thank you also to those parents who kindly donated gifts for the stall. There was a large selection of items for our students to choose from and no doubt they were all spoilt for choice. I hope all the mums in our school community have a lovely Mother's Day.

Statements

Within the next few weeks we will be sending statements to all parents in regards to school costs. These statements detail items that have been billed and money that has been received. If you have any questions regarding these statements, please see the office staff.

Late pick up of students

We understand that there may be the odd occasion where parents may be running late to collect their child from school. In these instances, we ask that you please call the office prior to the end of the school day so that we can relay the message to your child. Once the siren has gone, it can be very difficult to find individual students.

Attendance

Every day counts at school and each absence may have an impact on the educational outcomes of a child. It is expected that children get ill and we do not encourage students to come to school when they are unwell. Unless authorised by the Principal, holidays should not be taken in term as this may disrupt a student's educational program. The educational success of all of our students is extremely important to us and ask that you plan your vacations during school holidays.

Letters have been posted to parents whose child has been absent without notifying the school. It would be appreciated if these letters could be returned to the school as soon as possible detailing the reason for the absence. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Nicky Suckling
Principal

Important Dates

15th May - Bookclub closes

18th - 25th May - Life Ed Van

15th May - 5 Cent Challenge begins

15th May - P&C Meeting 1.15pm

17th May - Student Councillor Assembly

24th May - Rm 11 Yr 4 Assembly

25th May - LA1&LA2 Cake Stall

26th May - Yr 5/6 Adventure Challenge

26th May - Mid Term Rewards

"Ask Allison" - I'm here for parents and carers too.

Just a reminder that I am your school chaplain. I am available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for not just your children but for you also, our parents and carers. This year, I will be available for **parents and carers** who may want to drop in and have a chat **every Wednesday after assembly.**

My office is located in the Early Learning Childhood Block (you will see my Disney/Pixar sign) but I will also be at Assembly.



Installing the School App
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 In the Smartlink search type: East
 Beechboro PS > Tap on our
 school. *It is essential for parents to
 stay up to date with the latest iOS operating system
 releases /updates and the latest Smartlink App
 versions. This applies to all apps on the App store*



Canteen Days

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Please ensure that you are referring to the current menu when ordering.

Uniform Shop Days:

Tues 2.30pm-3.00pm **Wed** 8.40am-9.15am
Fri 8.40am-9.15am & 2.30 - 3.00pm

School Banking In the Library every Friday from 8.15am until 8.40am.

Dates: May: 12th, 19th & 26th \$\$\$

June: 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

Mums and Dads, it's never too late to get your children involved in the school banking program whether you have a Commonwealth Bank account or not. Thank you. Lyndsey & Sue

Camp Australia The school offers onsite before and after school care through Camp Australia. There is no fee to register your child. Charges apply if your child takes part in a session. Flyers in the office or visit www.campaustralia.com.au for costs



Before care: 6.30-8.40am After care: 2.45-6pm

* Contact the Family Assistance Office on 13 61 50 for information or to check your eligibility for a rebate.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

JOHN FORREST

Secondary College
 Independent Public School



Applications accepted from Year 6 students

Entry into the Academic Excellence Program is subject to a written application and testing.

Testing Dates —25 and 29 May 2017
 (Closing date for Applications: 19 May 2017)

Scholarship

Scholarships will be offered to able students applying for the Academic Excellence Program who demonstrate outstanding academic ability and citizenship qualities.

For further details and an application form please contact
 Mrs Melanie English
 (T: 9473 4000, E: Melanie.English@education.wa.edu.au)

Virtue of the Fortnight



Commitment

What is commitment? Commitment is caring deeply about something or someone. It is the willingness to give your all to a friendship, a task, or something you believe in. It is the ability to make decisions and follow through on them. It is keeping your promises.

Why practise commitment? Without commitment, we just drift along, with no idea where we are going. We give up easily if things get too hard. We break our word. We give up on people we care about if they disappoint us or make a mistake. When we are committed, people can count on us to keep our promises.

How do you practise commitment? Commitment is thinking carefully about what you want to do, deciding to do it, then giving it 100%, holding nothing back. You don't allow problems to stop you. You only make promises you can keep. Being a committed friend is choosing your friends wisely, then sticking together through good times or bad.

P&C News

2017/2018 Entertainment Books for sale. Books are \$70 each and our school receives \$14 from each sale. These make great gift ideas and can also be purchased as a digital membership with easy access on your mobile phone. You'll receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help raise funds for the school also. To order, please visit

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/857s80> (click on link if viewing electronically) or contact Rose Elliott on 0408 887 061 or email elliott99@inet.net.au Funds raised will go towards having shade structures installed over the new playground.

5 Cent Challenge

The 5 Cent Challenge begins on Monday 15th May. This is a friendly completion between classes to fill as many plastic bottles with 5 cent pieces. The class who fills the most bottles will win a class pizza party in week 10. Start collecting your 5 cent coins!



P&C Payments

Parents are advised that there is a box installed in the front office for all P&C payments. Money that comes to school for P&C related events must be placed in the box. Please do not give money to classroom teachers.

Dads4Kids Planned events for the year include:

June: Ten Pin Bowling (Dads and Kids) **September:** Bingo Night (Family Event)
November: Whiteman Park (Family Event)

Dads4Kids understands the busy life of dads and aims to build a communal group of dads within the East Beechboro Primary School to help build a better life and community for our families and kids.

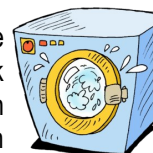


P&C News - All credit card purchases incur a 2.3% surcharge. This will apply to all credit card transactions made to the P&C. Please note that online payments for uniforms are to be paid to the **P&C bank account**. Details as follows:
 BSB 036 033 Acct: 186571. Thank you for your cooperation.

Direct Debit -The school offers direct debit as an option for payment of contributions, excursions or incursions. Details as follows: BSB: 066 132 Acct: 00902273
 Details to be entered as first initial of student name and surname eg TSmith. For confirmation of payment please email: Ann.Evans@education.wa.edu.au

Waterwise Tip

Washing machines account for 16% of all water used inside the average home. Reducing your washing by just one load a week could save up to 50 litres – that's almost 2,600 litres saved each year! If your machine has a water saving mode, you can save even more by using this.



CONCERNS / COMPLAINTS If at any time you have a matter which you feel you need to discuss please contact the school. Please note that ALL formal complaints should be marked Private and Confidential and sent to the Principal.