



EAST BEECHBORO PRIMARY INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMATION BRIEF

16th March 2017

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

Message from the Principal

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing will take place next term (9th - 19th May). NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in numeracy, reading, writing, spelling, punctuation and grammar. The results provide information about student achievement which can be used to inform teaching and learning programs. Students are not expected to undertake additional work in preparation for these tests. The best preparation they can do is to complete the regular homework tasks that have been set by teachers and to ensure that they read every night. If your child is anxious, please reassure them that these tests are not a pass or fail examination and that although they should try their best, NAPLAN is just one part of the school program.

A reminder to parents who may wish to withdraw their child from NAPLAN testing that they **must** speak to a member of Admin no later than **Friday 24th March**.

Summer Carnival

Our Summer Interschool Carnival will be held for our senior students on Friday 31st March at Altone Park. Students, please remember that you are representing our school and that your behaviour is a reflection of our school and its values. Play fair, be respectful and win or lose, be good sports. Parents are welcome to attend to show their support for our teams. Good luck to all our competitors.

Harmony Week and National Day of Action Against Bullying

A reminder that tomorrow is the **National Day of Action Against Bullying**. Our whole school is encouraged to show their support of the message that bullying and violence is not okay at any time, by wearing a **white** shirt/t-shirt (no offensive slogans or messages) or a full white outfit. Students are reminded that if they feel that they are being bullied or intimidated, it is essential that they report the incident to a teacher, member of Admin or a parent. Reports of such behaviour are treated seriously and will not be dismissed or ignored.

Next Wednesday 22nd March, we will be celebrating **Harmony Day**. It is a celebration of our cultural diversity and is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Our class assembly on this day will also reflect these vital messages. To support the message of Harmony Day, our students, parents and staff are asked to come to school either wearing an **orange** shirt/t-shirt (no offensive slogans or messages) or in traditional costume from their heritage. Harmony Day highlights an important message which I hope our whole school community will support.

Children being collected late from school

Parents are reminded that our school day concludes at 2.45pm. We are finding that we have some students who have not been collected, sometimes as late as 45 minutes after the end of school siren. We understand that parents have work commitments and there may be times where they may be delayed in collecting their children. If this is a once-off, please call the school prior to the end of the day so that we can get a message to your child. As we cannot always guarantee supervision due to after school meetings, parents who regularly find it difficult to get to school on time are encouraged to register their child with Camp Australia. This before and after school care service is based onsite and may alleviate the stresses involved with trying to juggle work and school commitments. There is no cost to register your child. Charges only apply if your child attends a session. For information regarding costs, please see the back of this Information Brief for further information.

Shayne Harris
Principal

Thank you to our P&C for holding the very successful sausage sizzle at school on Election Day. Our Leavers also held a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Malaga on the same day which was equally successful. Thank you to the parents and family members who volunteered their time and helped out on the stalls. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful and dedicated group of parents who work hard to ensure that our school can be the best that it can be. Thank you also to all our families who supported our school by purchasing a snack from the stalls.



REGISTER YOUR SCHOOL FOR THE CHANCE TO WIN A SHARE OF \$20,000



The West Australian

Sunday Times



Caltex, The West Australian, The Sunday Times and Channel Seven are giving WA Schools the chance to WIN a share of \$20,000 to help purchase the resources needed to make learning that little bit more fun! On weekends 18-19, 25-26 March and 1-2 April 2017 an entry coupon will appear in The Weekend West and The Sunday Times. The school with the most entries will win \$5000. Please help our school by collecting as many entry coupons as possible and returning them to the office. Thank you for your support.



Parent Information Evening Parents of students in Years 4,5 and 6 are welcome to attend
Where: John Forrest Secondary College Gymnasium
Date: Wednesday 3rd May 2017 (6.15pm-8.00pm)


Exceptional programs offered including:
Academic Excellence and Curriculum Enrichment Program (Yrs 7-10)
Specialist programs in cricket, netball, tennis and music (Yrs 7-10)
College based Computer Science Program (Yrs 8-10)

Important Dates

17th March - Bullying No Way Day
22nd March - Room 3 Year 2 Assembly
22nd March - Harmony Day
29th March - Student Councillor Assembly
31st March - Summer Carnival

Canteen Days Monday, Wednesday and Friday
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: MAR: 17th, 24th & 31st **APR:** 7th 
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.campaustalia.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.

Reminder to immunise your child

The Department of Health is encouraging all
parents to check that their child's immunisations
are up to date. The childhood immunisation
program is free through the National
Immunisation Program. Parents should check
with their health provider whether a consultation fee is
applied but many providers bulk bill for childhood
immunisations. Parents should also be aware that
children must be fully vaccinated for parents to be
eligible to receive family assistance payments -
through the No Jab No Pay Policy. For more details
visit: healthywa.wa.gov.au/immunisation



Waterwise Tip Taking shorter showers
is one of the easiest ways to save water,
as we use 22% of our total household
water use in the shower alone! If we only
shower as long as a 4 minute song we can
save a lot of water – what's your favourite tune?



P&C News - All credit card purchases incur a 2.3% sur-
charge. 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

Installing the School App

App Store > Search for Smartlink > Download Smartlink >
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



Or CTRL/CLICK
to open



Dads4Kids Planned events for the year include:

April: Lilac Park Fishing Education, Competition & Breakfast (Dads and Kids)

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.



Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability Background to the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

In May 2013, all Education Ministers from Commonwealth, state and territory
governments endorsed the implementation of a nationally consistent collection of
data on school students with disability in all Australian schools (government,
independent and Catholic).

The nationally consistent approach to data collection provides all Australian
schools, education authorities and the community with a clear picture of the
number of students with disability in schools and the adjustments they are
provided to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other
students.

The national data collection is an opportunity for schools to review their learning
and support systems and processes to continually improve education outcomes
for their students with disability.

Authority for the collection of information for the purposes of NCCD

The *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (the Regulation) requires the operators
of government and non-government schools (approved authorities) to provide
information to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training
(the department) for the purposes of the NCCD.

The information **will not identify individual students** (subsection 58A(3) of the
Regulation); no information that could reasonably enable the department to identify
individual students will be provided by approved authorities to the department.

Parents wanting further information regarding the NCCD can collect a fact sheet
from the office.

Virtue of the Fortnight

What is courtesy?

Courtesy is being polite and having good man-
ners. It is a gracious way of speaking and acting
which gives others a feeling of being valued and respected. "Please", "Thank you",
"Excuse me", "You're welcome", are not just words. They are courteous expressions
that show people you respect them and care about them.

Why practise courtesy?

When a person doesn't practise courtesy, people feel insulted and disrespected.
They think this person is rude and ignorant, not caring about anyone or anything.
Practising courtesy gives people a sense that they are valued.

How do you practise courtesy?

Courtesy is remembering your manners. Speak politely. Wait your turn. Instead of
interrupting someone, say "Excuse me", and then wait patiently for them to give you
their attention. Greet people pleasantly. When you are courteous, you make
requests instead of demands. Bring courtesy home. Your family needs it most of all.



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.