Dear Parents,

Education Week has been a wonderful celebration of all the great things that happen at Epsom Primary School and it has really confirmed what a terrific school community we have. Last night a huge number of families were able to attend Night School and join in the activities planned by students and teachers. We are so grateful for the support that our small school gets from the wider community and it was evident that everyone had a great time. Thanks to the students and teachers for organising the activities and to families for coming along. I believe that the dancing and step in the multi-purpose room was terrific. I couldn’t get past the crowd to see :) .

This week we have also had our Prep Information Sessions and Come and Try Session. It was very pleasing to see how well the children slotted in and I really enjoyed meeting the new parents. Thanks again to the teachers for their work and to the current parents who came along to answer questions as well. Thanks also to the very impressive guest speakers Prue, Jack B, Milly B and Jorga S. If you know of someone who missed out on the sessions please ask them to give us a call and we can make an alternative arrangement. Our school has a lot of opportunities that we can offer students so please spread the word.

Next Friday 31st May I will be going to China with a Bendigo Principal group to visit schools and finalise arrangements for the Chinese Students visit in Term 4. I will be away for a week and Jenny Ashby will be in charge for this time.

Enjoy the rest of the week
Kerry McGuffie

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**BUNNING BBQ—SATURDAY JUNE 1ST**

I CAN HELP AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES:
(3 VOLUNTEERS PER TIME SLOT)

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Please fill in a time slot to help at the BBQ. Only an hour of your time is required. This BBQ raises around $1000 for our school. Please return the form by Monday in order for this to be finalised.

**EPSOM PRIMARY SCHOOL APP**

Download our app from the itune store … available for iphones or android. Keep up to date with the latest news from Epsom PS.

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**Curriculum Day**

Friday 31st May

Children are not required at school on this day. Teachers will be working on student reports. Thank you.

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Mondays
Active After-School Communities Gr 3-6 start 3.30-4.45pm

Tuesdays
Student Banking

Wednesdays
Active After-School Communities Gr P-2 start 3.30-4.45pm

Fridays
Subway lunch orders (Must be in before 9am on Friday)

TERM 2

15TH APRIL—28TH JUNE

WEEK 6
EDUCATION WEEK

Gardening families Brown, Bullen, Burdon

Friday 24th May
Walk Safely to School Day followed by toast at school for breakfast

Sunday 26th May
Market Place Competition Finishes

WEEK 7

Gardening families Callanan, Clark, Copeland

Friday 31st May
Curriculum Day

Saturday 1st June
Bunnings BBQ (Fundraiser—BBQ’ers required)

WEEK 8

Gardening families Crossman, Crossman, Cullen

WEEK 9

Gardening families Dangerfield, Darcy, Davey

Monday 10th June
QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

Wed 12th June
Zone Soccer

WEEK 10

Gardening families Whittaker, Drummond, Honeyman

WEEK 11

Gardening families for holidays

TERM 3

15TH JULY—20TH SEPTEMBER

Thurs 18th July—
Gym Program (6 Thursdays)

Thurs 22nd Aug

Wed July 17th
Football Carnival

Wed 24th July
Robogals Gr 4-6 girls

Thurs July 18th
Netball Carnival

Mon 12th August
Fundraising Meeting @ 9.30am

Thurs 15th August
Soup Day (BYO cup and bread)

Mon 19th August
School Council Meeting

Thurs 22nd August
Last Gym Session

Friday 30th August
Fathers Day Stall

Mon 16th September
School Council Meeting

Friday 20th Sept
Footy/Pie Day

TERM 4

7TH OCTOBER-20TH DECEMBER

Mon 21st October
School Council Meeting

Wed 30th October
BENDIGO CUP

Thurs 7th November
Prep Orientation Program 9.15am-12pm

Thurs 14th November
Prep Orientation Program 9.15am-12pm

Mon 18th November
School Council Meeting

November 11th-15th
Swimming program (5 sessions—4 grades)

Mon 18th November
Prep Orientation Program 12pm-3pm

November 18th—22nd
Swimming program (5 sessions—4 grades)

Mon 25th November
Prep Orientation Program 12pm-3pm

Tues 3rd December
Orientation Day

Mon 16th December
School Council Meeting
OFFICE NEWS
Subject Contributions $80 per student-
Please remember that instalments can be made at the Office. If you would like to deposit the money directly into the schools bank account, please see me for details. There is still some money outstanding from 2012. We would appreciate this being finalised as soon as possible.

STATEMENTS HOME TODAY
Please check with your child for your family statement which is being sent home today. You will notice that the gym and swimming charges have been added. Payments can be made by direct deposit to the school. Please come and see me for the school’s bank account details.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA) RECIPIENTS
If you are in receipt of EMA (and nominated to have your payment directed to the school) the second instalment will be applied to your account in August, when it is received by the school. The second instalment for Preps is $60 and Grades 1-6 — $45.
If you have received a Health Care Card or Pension Card recently please come into the Office to fill in an EMA application.

Deanne Hendy

SOUP DAY
Our children enjoyed some soup today compliments of the Fundraising Committee. Thankyou to Josie, Nat, Bridget, Sarah, Leanne and Michelle for serving up a storm. Thankyou to Narelle who donated a couple of loaves of bread for the children to enjoy and Barry Rainsford who dropped in some lovely fresh bread.

NEW UNIFORMS AT THE OFFICE
2 x Size 6 tracksuit pants @ $10 each
1 x Size 6 Epsom T-shirt @ $9
1 x Size 16 shorts @ $7
1 x Size 14 Epsom Polo shirt @ $20

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS AVAILABLE
There are many second hand jumpers available ranging from Size 5 to Size 12. At a cost of $5 they are a bargain.

SAFEWAY BBQ—RAISED $200
Thank you to Sarah Bartel, Michelle Bethell, Sally Adamson, Kylie Evans and Lisa Crossman for operating this fundraiser.

WANTED FOR WELLBEING ROOM
I am after dolls house furniture and people for the dolls house in the Wellbeing room. If any families can help please drop any goodies into the Office.
Bridget Tuohey
Welfare Officer

CHOOK FOOD
Don’t forget to drop your food scraps into the chook pen...........they love it!

Enrolment Applications 2014
Families are urged to contact LMPA to find out about enrolment in kindergarten and pre-kindergarten for 2014.
REMEMBER: Enrolment applications are accepted at any time
Enrolment application forms for Bendigo and Swan hill are available from any kindergarten or from the LMPA website: www.lmpa.org.au
Please note that Prekindergarten forms should be available by July.
Now is a great time to visit kindergartens and get a feel for all the exciting things that early childhood education has to offer. Please call each kindergarten to make a time to see the program and to have time to talk to the educators there.
If you have any questions please contact LMPA on 5443 1229.
WEEK 5 RESULTS!!
ONE WEEK TO GO
Get your dockets in by May 26th
Bendigo Marketplace
Shopping Centre’s
RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA 2013

NIGHT SCHOOL
What a great night our school community shared last night. Students invited their parents, grandparents, friends etc to share an Epsom Primary School experience. It was a full house all round and everybody had a great time. Thankyou to all for making this such a successful evening.

Volcanoes (below) were a huge success in the 3/4 area.

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