Dear Parents,

A reminder to complete the After School Care survey if you haven’t already done so. It will only take a couple of minutes of your time and is important information for us in our planning for 2014. The URL is: https://www.surveymonkey.com/epsomprimaryschoolbeforeaftercare or a direct link can be found on the school website. Thank you to those parents who have already completed it.

In order to further assist us with planning for 2014 if your child will not be attending Epsom Primary School next year, and you haven’t already done so, could you please let us know. Also if you know of any prospective students who are not yet enrolled once again please let us know. It is essential that we have accurate numbers when planning staffing and programs for the following year.

We have confirmed our school concert date as Tuesday 26th November. As the Connect Hall is no longer renting out it’s facility the concert will be held at the Baptist Church Hall in Junortuon. We realise that this is further for families to travel but it is one of only a few suitably sized venues in Bendigo. Be ready for a big surprise!!

Next week is the last week of term and there will be an end of term assembly at 2.15pm on Friday 20th September in the multi-purpose room. School will finish at 2.30pm on this day. Mr Pocock’s raffle will be drawn at this time.

Mrs Steph Fitzpatrick will be on leave next week. In order to provide continuity for the students Sue Hinton will be taking the grade for the week.

Active After School Communities concluded for the term yesterday. This program will resume on the third week of next term as attached calendar. More information will follow as it becomes available.

Kind Regards
Kerry McGuffie

CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER??
CHANGED YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACTS??
CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS??
Please let the Office know.

NEWSLETTER
If you would like the newsletter emailed to you please let Deanne know. The newsletter can also be accessed via our website or an app for iphones or androids. Please see Jenny Ashby for information regarding the app or tweets.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ON ELECTION DAY
Thank you to the parents who volunteered to run the Sausage Sizzle on Election Day. What a huge success. Doug Willie also donated money to purchase more sausages…..Jake had to do 3 runs to IGA Long Gully to purchase more snags. This event raised $506.

BREAKFAST TOMORROW FROM 8.20AM
Breakfast is on again tomorrow…..we have some cereal for tomorrow so please bring a bowl……toast and egg and bacon pie ! A feast to be had! Breakfast will finish at 8.50 so don’t be late.
Thanks to the wonderful people at the Foodbank for donating the items and thank you to Michelle and Jake.
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 3                     15TH JULY—20TH SEPTEMBER

WEEK 9                     MR POCOCKS AMAZING SUPER SPORTS RAFFLE TICKETS HOME WITH THIS NEWSLETTER
Thurs 12 Sept               

WEEK 10                    September 16th—September 20th
Mon 16th Sept               School Council Meeting
Thur 19th Sept              Landcare Tree planting 9.30am—1pm
Friday 20th Sept            Footy Colours Day/Human Graph/Coin Line

TERM 4                     7TH OCTOBER-20TH DECEMBER

WEEK 4                     October 7th– October 11th
Mon 21st October            Hockey Victoria Clinic (free at school) Gr 2 and 3 Students

WEEK 1                      

WEEK 2                     October 14th– October 18th

WEEK 3                      

WEEK 4                     October 28th– November 1st

PAYMENT OF FEES
To deposit directly into school’s account
BSB: 633000   Account No: 107661738
Account Name: Epsom Primary School
Please use child’s surname as your reference.
Please be sure to check the calendar each week…..dates may change and new activities are always being added. We try and keep this calendar as up to date as possible.
MR POCOCK’S AMAZING SUPER SPORTS RAFFLE

Mr Pocock has been very busy collecting (and hounding) popular AFL teams for memorabilia and autographs! Mr Pocock’s Amazing Super Sports Raffle has some items up for grabs that you won’t believe!!

The items include boots, balls and jumper autographed by some of the AFL’s biggest names.

Teams include: - Collingwood, North Melbourne, Essendon, Richmond and Carlton.

Raffle books will be sent home today. Tickets are $1 each or $10 a book.

Don’t forget to write your name, phone number and the name of the team (ie: Collingwood, NM, Ess, Rich or Carlton) you want your ticket entered into.

Raffle will be drawn at Assembly on the last day of term at 2.15pm.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

Despite rain early in the day the weather cleared and all events were completed.

Congratulations to all the children who participated especially the 10 year age group who were participating for the first time.

A big thank you to Bridget Green and our work experience student Hayley for assisting on the day.

RESULTS

Justyce C 1st 10 Years Long Jump and 2nd 100m sprint
Jessica A 2nd 10 Years Hurdles
Ellie V 3rd 12 Years Triple Jump and 3rd Hurdles
Ebony W 2nd 12 Years 100 m Sprint

Congratulations to these students for being overall place getters on the day. They may have the opportunity to compete at the combined zone level early in Term 4.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY – NEXT FRIDAY

On the last day of term, September 20th, children are asked to wear their footy colours. After recess, we will have our human graph of AFL footy teams, followed by a coin line. Which grade will raise the most money this year?

Start saving your 5c pieces now!

Bendigo Little Athletics Season 2013/14

Little Athletics involves a range of track and field events catering for children of all abilities aged between 5 and 15. Registration is on-line at www.lavic.com.au from now onwards and is compulsory prior to the start of competition.

Athletes must have paid the registration fee, picked up a registration number and also provided proof of their date of birth before competing in Little Athletics for the first time.

Wednesday September 18th On-line Early Bird registration fee of $95.00 per child closes. (Full fee of $120.00 applicable from this date onwards)

Saturday September 21st Pick up registration number patch & pack from 9.00am at Athletics Track and provide proof of D.O.B. if registering for the first time.

Friday October 11th Day 1 of Season starts for Under 9 through to Under 15 at 5pm
Saturday October 12th Day 1 of Season starts for Under 6 through to Under 8 at 8.30am
Saturday October 19th Day 2 of Season for all athletes – Under 6 through to Under 15

Where – Athletics Track, Retreat Rd, Flora Hill
Cost - $120 or $95 (early bird payment prior to 18th Sept.)

Come and try days available. These cost $5 per visit with a maximum of two visits for the season.

For more detailed information email bendigo@lavic.com.au. For registration enquiries registrarblac@hotmail.com or visit www.bendigolac.org.au.

GARDENING FAMILIES

Gardening duty doesn’t have to be done on weekends. Any hour during the week is great...... during school hours or after school or any suitable time.

Can families with keys please send them back to school, I only have one key to hand out!

I will send keys home ASAP to the King, Knapman and La Grue families.

If anyone can look after the grounds in the holidays please come and see me in the Office or fill in the form on this newsletter.
JUNIOR SPORTS DAY
What a great day our Junior school had yesterday. They started with football, soccer and netball- displaying many talents. Thank you to our umpires, Mr. McGibbon, Mr. Pocock and Mrs. Harrison.
Lots of parents and friends enjoyed the skills on show.
After a picnic lunch with families the children regrouped and went onto enjoy 10 minute rotations of hopscotch, tunnel ball, sack races, egg and spoon and parachute game.
Thank you to all the parents who came along to support this inaugural format of the junior sports day. I think it is safe to say that “fun was had by all!”