Dear Parents,

It was great to have our 2014 Preps visit for the first time today. They settled in really well to our school community and were looked after ably by the Year 1’s and Year 5 Buddies. Next week (14th November) there will be a short information session for parents during the Kinder transition.

We are all looking forward to the concert on the 26th November so don’t forget to buy your tickets. As the extravaganza has a dance theme the children will be required to dress in black pants/jeans/tights and t shirt or top. Please don’t go out and buy anything special. Children can also wear caps and/or sunglasses if they wish.

Mrs Davey is taking some long service leave prior to the end of term. She will be absent from Monday 18th November until Wednesday 4th December. Mr Lavars, who knows the class well, has agreed to teach the class in Mrs Davey’s return. We wish Mrs Davey and her family a happy holiday.

Kind Regards
Kerry McGuffie
Principal

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SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB REQUEST
If you paid for your last book club order by credit card, could you please contact Deanne. I’ve made a booboo with the payment of the account!! :(  

FUNDRAISING MEETING
There will be a fundraising meeting on Monday 14th November after assembly at 9.30a.m. New faces always welcome.

JUNIOR EXCURSION TO SCIENCE WORKS
Our Junior department will be going to Science Works TOMORROW. This excursion costs $25 and will need to be paid before tomorrow. Notes have been sent home and should be returned to your child’s teacher a.s.a.p.

HELP! Upper School in DESPERATE need of tissues! With the hayfever season upon us, tissues are rapidly disappearing. If you have a spare box sitting at home or you haven’t donated a box this year, we would really appreciate some in the 3-6 area to get us through to the end of the year. We don’t want to have to use our sleeves! ;)

Thanks in advance,
Kate, Jan, Jake and Gill

Jorja S, Eli, Tia, Yasminne, Jasmine, Jemma, Savannah, Charlotte H, Caleb W, Acacia, Kamryn, Jack B, Jarrod, Tyler, Tyrone, Cassie Shawn, Zoe, Musty
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 4  
7TH OCTOBER-20TH DECEMBER

NOVEMBER  
WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH

WEEK 5  
November 4th—November 8th

Friday 8th November  
Junior Excursion to ScienceWorks, Melbourne ($25)

T20 Cricket 2 Gr 5/6 teams going

WEEK 6  
November 11th—November 15th

Monday 11th November  
Fundraising Committee Meeting @ 9.30 am

November 11th-15th  
Swimming program (5 sessions—P/1S, 1/2F, 3/4S and 5/6F)

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

(Parents stay for information session)

WEEK 7  
November 18th—November 22nd

Monday 18th November  
School Council Meeting

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

November 18th—22nd  
Swimming program (5 sessions—P/1H, 1/2O, 3/4D and 5/6B)

WEEK 8  
November 25th—November 29th

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

Tuesday 26th November  
Whole School Extravaganza

Wednesday 27th November  
Cyber Safety Committee meeting @ 3pm

WEEK 9  
December 2nd—December 6th

Monday 2nd December  
CURRICULUM DAY—NO STUDENTS REQUIRED (NO AASC Gr 3-6)

Tuesday 3rd December  
Orientation Day

Friday 6th December  
T20 Cricket 4 Gr 3/4 teams going

WEEK 10  
December 9th—December 13th

Monday 9th December  
LAST AASC for Term 4—Gr. 3-6

Wednesday 11th December  
LAST AASC for Term 4—Prep 2

Thursday 12th December  
Grade 6 Graduation at White Hills Cricket Club Rooms

WEEK 11  
December 16th—December 20th

Monday 16th December  
School Council Meeting

Tuesday 17th December  
Christmas Carol’s @ Epsom P.S.

Friday 20th December  
Last day of Term 4

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.

Eighty percent of success is showing up.  
Woody Allen

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GARDENING DUTIES FOR OUR SCHOOL
Gardening families this week are McPherson, Molloy and Muller. The green bin has been emptied....therefore ready to fill again with green waste. Thank you

T20 CRICKET BLAST
Our school is sending two Grade 5/6 teams to the competition in Bendigo tomorrow, Friday November 8th and four Grade 3/4 teams on Friday December 6th.
Teams are in the process of being finalised and permission forms will be sent home as required.

SWIMMING PROGRAM PREP - 6
This year our school swimming program is over two weeks with four classes going to the Peter Krenz Leisure Centre, Eaglehawk next week (week 6) and four the following week (week 7). The cost including bus travel is $46.00 per child and can be paid at the office.

FIRST WEEK (NEXT WEEK):
Monday November 11th - Friday November 15th
Lessons are 40minutes duration.

SESSION ONE : 1.00pm - 1.40pm
  : Prep/1S and 3/4S
SESSION TWO: 1.40pm - 2.20pm
  : 1/2F and 5/6F

Medical and permission forms have been sent home and should be returned to school promptly.
Prep children and new children to the school have an additional form to complete to assist the instructors with placing them into an appropriate ability group.

Jan Brunswick
PE COORDINATOR

BUPA VISITS
Last week some lucky leadership students visited an animal farm with residents from BUPA.

Name:..........................................................................
Child/ren is/are in grade/s:.................................
Is Wed Nov 27th at 3:00pm suitable? Yes/No
Melbourne Cup Hat Parade

The teachers, children and parents enjoyed the hat parade in the sunshine on Melbourne Cup Day. There was great excitement during the day with classrooms enjoying picnic lunches.

2014 SCHOOL DATES

TERM 1  29th January—4th April
(Teachers start on 28th January)
TERM 2  22nd April—27th June
TERM 3  14th July—19th September
TERM 4  6TH October— 19th December

The first day of Term 1 is a student-free day in all government schools to allow for appropriate planning to take place for the arrival of students. Each year government schools are provided with four student-free days for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development, and student assessment and reporting purposes. The remaining three student-free days are determined by each individual school.

SOME EXTRA DATES FOR NEXT YEARS CALENDAR—2014

Tuesday Feb 14th— School photos
Monday March 10th—Labour Day Holiday
Mon-Wed. March 16th—18th—Grade 3/4 Camp
Tuesday March 25th—Mother/Daughter Evening (Gr 4-6)
Thursday March 27th—Father/Son Evening (Gr 5-6)
Tues-Thurs April 22nd—24th—Grade 5/6 Camp

Park and Walk Together

Did you know that 60 minutes of physical activity every day is recommended for children?

November is Walk to School month and a great time to start walking. The spring sunshine makes it easier to get out of the house and ditch the car.

So next time you drive your kids to and from school, why not park the car a little further away from the gate and get in some extra activity?

Park and Walk together today!

Summer in the Parks 2013 / 2014

Summer in the Parks makes the most of sunny days and balmy nights, providing free and low cost entertainment in beautiful outdoor settings across the Bendigo region.
The Program spans the entire summer and includes Christmas celebrations, music in the parks, walking tours, arts activities and outdoor cinema.
The below play in your park events include free fun activities with Kelly Sports and prizes for the whole family from toddlers to adults.

Kangaroo Flat: Cooinda Park, Mackenzie St West  5 – 7pm, Monday 20 January and Monday 17 February
Eaglehawk:  Bright Street Reserve, Bright Street  5 – 7pm Tuesday 21 January and Tuesday 18 February
Heathcote:  Barrack Reserve, High Street  5 – 7pm Wednesday 22 January and Wednesday 19 February
Epsom:  Market Garden Circuit, Howard Street  5 – 7pm Thursday 23 January and Thursday 20 February

Play in your Park events aim to encourage local families to continue to meet at local parks on a semi-regular basis. For more information and to download the full program, visit the Bendigo Summer in the Parks website: www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/summerintheparks