From the Acting Principal

The term ahead
Welcome back to Term 3. I hope that everyone who had the chance to take a break had a happy and relaxing time. Students and staff have come back to school looking and sounding refreshed and ready to go. Welcome to our new families. I know the EJ Community will make you feel welcome and help you to settle in. This will be another busy term, with the School Ball at City Hall on Thursday September 10 to look forward to.

School Opinion Survey
Every year we seek feedback from our community - students, staff and parents - on what you believe we do well and what we can do to improve our school. The survey is provided by Education Queensland and all staff, parents and a random sample of students are able to participate in the survey which is completed online. On Thursday, information about how to participate will be sent home with the eldest child in your family attending EJ. Information will also be provided through the various communication methods available to you - Parent Network and Facebook. If you need access to a computer to complete the survey, require translation of the survey or have any queries please contact the School Administration on 3637 1111 or via email at admin@eaglejunctionss.eq.edu.au.

I would encourage every family to participate, as feedback from a number of perspectives helps us to celebrate our successes and plan for improvement. The survey closes on July 31.

New play areas between A and B Blocks and the Giants’ Causeway near the oval.
Well the vote is in and the new seating and play areas are great! There are still a few finishing touches to come but they have certainly provided our students with some great new areas in which to eat and play. Thank you to the P&C for once again making great things possible!

B Block parents waiting area
Now that the building work is done, parents are now requested to return to waiting downstairs between A and B block before and after school. Please do not wait on the verandah/walkway leading from the hall to B Block as this becomes very congested and is a significant safety issue.

School Leaders’ induction
The Leaders Induction for semester 2 of our new student councillors, library monitors and senior leaders has been postponed for one week and will now occur on Friday July 31 at 8:45. Letters will be sent to the parents/carers of the students being inducted.

Cybersafety
The Australian Government has launched a new website to house their cybersafety resources. The site https://www.esafety.gov.au holds all of the information and resources you need to educate our children and ourselves about cybersafety including how to deal with and report cyber bullying. The esafety link on the home page leads to a wealth of resources for parents, teachers and students. Please have a look and be prepared to talk with your children about these very real issues. Learning good skills now will save a lot of trouble later!

Buffy Lavery
From the Acting Deputy Principals

Welcome back to Term 3. It is wonderful to see the children return to school refreshed, relaxed and rested. I am pleased to report, that despite some building changes throughout the holidays, it is business as usual at EJSS. Teaching and learning has begun with enthusiasm as teachers and students using the beginning of the new semester to sharpen learning goals and expectations.

We hope that you have had the opportunity share with your learner, his or her Academic Report with a view to discuss successes and challenges.

On this note, during the break, I was fortunate to attend the National Summit on Student, Learning, Engagement and Behaviour held at QUT Gardens Point Campus. This forum brought together some of our nation’s most innovative educational practitioners including Professor Martin Mills, President of the Australian Association for Research in Education. Professor Mills raised an interesting point in relation to young learners and ‘gaming’. He commented that when children are engaged in any form of gaming (via mobile apps for example) they experience failure on a regular basis as they try to reach a particular goal within the game and that this failure is expected and accepted. Professor Mills went on to explain that this failure drives the player to try again and work even harder to reach their intended goal. However, when learners experience challenge in the school setting, perseverance diminishes and at times, it can all just be too hard. Professor Mills stated ‘every time you fail, you learn something new’. His ability to use the gaming analogy brought to the fore a very interesting point. That there is always room for improvement and if you haven’t achieved to the ability that you had hoped, you have learnt something new. What do I need to adjust? What do I need to change to reach my goal? Do I need to change my goal or direction? In shifting from passive to active learners, these questions are positive prompts to take responsibility for ones learning. Attending this forum affirmed my understanding of the strong focus on explicit teaching, development of success criteria and personal goal setting at EJSS, where learners are supported by their teachers every day to help them make positive and productive decisions towards their learning.

ICAS Term 3

A reminder that that ICAS English will be held in the Community of Learners on the morning of Tuesday 28th July from 7.20am – Week 3. The assessment will begin at 7.30am sharp. Thank you to those students who have consistently arrived on time for ICAS. Your punctuality ensures the smooth running of the morning.

Please note that Chess Club for Week 3 will be held in the Library. Thank you again to all Chess Club families for your flexibility in this change of venue.

Julia Bailey and Fleur Provost
Sports Report

Athletics Carnival – Years 3-6
Senior Athletics Carnival presentations will be made at Senior Assembly on Friday, 17 July at 8.45m
City District Athletics forms and money should be returned to Mr Summers as soon as possible.

Club Sport

to Kiera Mulgrew and Maddison Waugh who won the Team Challenge Tennis Championship 2015 in Brisbane at Emerson Park. The tournament consisted of 4 team players against 3 other qualifying finals clubs. Each player plays 3 singles match and 3 doubles. Both Kiera and Maddy won their singles’ games and won their doubles game together.

Both girls are an outstanding talent who are playing competitive fixtures at an early age.

Library News

Open Times
Due to the change in the start of our school day, the Resource Centre opening time in the morning is 8:15-8:35am each day. Students are welcome to return and borrow books, as well as quietly read until the bell.

Book Covering: We have many more new books that need to be contacted. If you are free to drop by and help out, we are happy to welcome you at any time during the school day.

Year 2 and 1/2 Geography eBooks
In the final week of last term, parents and grandparents of Year 2 and 1/2G were invited in to the Resource Centre to view the children’s Geography ebooks.

These books were created using the Bookcreator App on the Year 2 iPads and completed over a ten week period. The students investigated the different places in our world including places on a personal, local, regional and national scale. For one task, they became town planners deciding on the key features that would make up their own local area as well as providing justification for why features were positioned in specific locations. Their ideas were recorded in text, through photos and audio.

At the end of the session, the parents and grandparents were asked to take a “selfie” with their children and provide some positive verbal feedback which was recorded on the Reflection page of the ebook. Thank you to those who were able to make it along.

Kim Allen and Marcia Lomman (Teacher Librarians)

Years 2&3 DISCO
Date Claimer
Thursday
30 July

It’s not just the big kids who get to boogie!
Years 2 and 3 will have their own disco and Sausage Sizzle in just 2 weeks’ time.

PARENTS – WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!
Dads – don’t stay home. Come out and be part of the fun!

We need people to carry tables, set up BBQ and to act as security ensuring all children remain in the hall.

We need people to take entry money, sell chips/drinks and glow products.

Set up and packing away are great jobs shared

The more volunteers we have, the quicker it gets done.
A Great GOMA Experience!

In Term Two the Year Six students all went to GOMA! We caught the train to and from South Bank. In GOMA they have all sorts of sections! We saw the Japanese and Aboriginal displays, also the Creative Generation Artwork.

The Japanese area had an installation called the Infinity Room! The Infinity Room, one of our favourites, had mirrors, a platform to stand on and glowing balls that reflect off the mirrors, which make it look like the universe and how it never ends, just like infinity!

One reason we decided to visit GOMA was to see artwork made by the famous New Zealand artist, Michael Parekowhai! One of his pieces was the Horn of Africa, which is a seal holding a REAL piano! The seal is not real of course! Another piece was the Home Front! This display had all different coloured blocks all worth different amounts! One amazing sculpture was Captain Cook made of stainless steel, it was AMAZING!

We finished the fantastic day by sitting peacefully on the banks of the Brisbane River whilst sketching the Kurilpa Bridge! It was a great day for all the grade sixes and teachers!

Jemma B 6KW

Can You Help the Eagle’s Nest? Unfortunately we will be very sad to farewell Jenny Chadirchi at the end of this year from her role as Treasurer for the Eagle’s Nest.

We are seeking anyone who might be interested in taking on such a role in 2016 in a volunteering capacity. With the introduction of the Business Operations Manager this year, this role has now been streamlined considerably. It may be that there is an opportunity to job share this role however it does require someone with bookkeeping or accountancy skills. We are interested in training someone in this role before the end of the year hence our search for expressions of interest now. Please contact Belinda Plowman for further details by 17 July - phone 0415 199 601 or email bjplowman@westnet.com.au.

WOOLWORTHS Earn & Learn 2015 (starting Wednesday, 15 July to 8 September)

Our school is participating in the WOOLWORTHS Earn & Learn promotion this year!

1 STICKER for EVERY $10 SPENT (check-out / online order – 15 July to 8 September)

Place stickers on the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet (attached to each week’s Flying Eagle newsletter during Term 3)

60 STICKERS per Sticker Sheet then use a NEW Sticker Sheet.

Place your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets (or stickers) in Collection Boxes at our School Office or EJ’s neighbouring Woolworths stores (marked EJSS).

PRIZES for the EJ girl and boy who submit the MOST Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets! So get the grandparents, neighbours, etc on board.

THANK-YOU for everyone who helped EJ with the Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion in 2013. EJ accumulated 26,820 points and obtained terrific resources for our kids!

Mel Kerwin
Woolworths Earn & Learn Coordinator 2015
m 0423 438 990 l e pmkerwin@optusnet.com.au
Years 4, 5, 6 – Get ready to Groove
Tomorrow night 6-8pm

This Thursday night from 6.00pm the EJ Hall gets set to rock!
Parents – take the night off.
There’s a Sausage Sizzle from 5.45pm so for $2.50 dinner’s done!
PS: It would be really helpful if children could bring a $5 note for admission!

Practice your moves so you can bop to the beat!!
FANTASTIC PRIZES to be won!!
FREE glow bangle included in admission.

PARENTS are reminded they MUST come into the hall to collect their children.
Please arrive on time – it’s school the next day and the Hall needs to be empty before our fantastic volunteers can clean it!

Grade 4-6 ers
DON’T Snooze –

PUT on YOUR Dancing SHOES!

When: Thursday 16th July from: 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm $5 Entry
Where: EISS School Hall, Roseby Ave. See you there!

❖ Krazy Lemon, Apple and Tropical Juices - $2.50
❖ Water and Chips $1.50 each
❖ “Glow” treats - $2, $3 and $5 each

Sausage Sizzle from: 5.45 pm $2.50 each
COMMUNITY NEWS

GIANT GARAGE SALE
SATURDAY 18 JULY
8am to 12pm
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Lighting
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Furniture
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Enoggera State School
Invites applications for the Long Term Lease of Swimming Pool and Management of Enoggera State School Amateur Swimming Club

Enoggera State School is seeking offers from suitably qualified persons for the long term lease of the school’s swimming pool and management of the swimming club

The pool, situated within the school grounds, is currently operated as a business providing swimming lessons. It is utilised by the school during school hours in terms one and four. The successful tenderer has the opportunity to operate the pool outside school hours.

This is an opportunity for new coaches who would like to run their own swim school and club or for existing coaches looking to expand their business.

Applications close Friday 24 July 2015
Please contact school for Tender Document
Phone: 3550 1333
Weekly Newsletter

Newsletter items are required to be received at the school office by **12noon on the Friday prior to the Wednesday newsletter.** Items received after that time will be placed in the next newsletter. We thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

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Curriculum revision
Enjoy 10 Quick Questions a Day with your child

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Stick Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers in the squares below, then drop your completed Sticker Sheet into the Collection Box at your school or your local Woolworths. They will be redeemed for educational resources.

My name is: ____________________________
My school is: ___________________________