From the Principal

Year Level Curriculum Overviews
This year we have created an overview of the curriculum work that the students will cover in the key learning areas for each term. On our school website the term 1 curriculum overviews have been uploaded for your convenience. To find the year level curriculum overviews please use the link below:


The term 2 overviews will be uploaded towards the end of this term. It is anticipated that by making this information available to parents, you will be able to support and better understand what your child is learning at school. Please do not hesitate to contact your child’s classroom teacher if you require further clarification.

Music Captains 2017
Congratulations to our Music Captains for this year:

- Vani Aul
- Archie Bathe
- Melissa Bucknell
- Gabriel Fonacier
- Nisey Mangilit
- Imogen Riethmuller

They are all very deserving of this honour and I wish them all the very best with leading our music department in 2017.

Library Captain & Monitors 2017
Congratulations to Katherine Fan who has been chosen to be the Library Leader for 2017.

Katherine was selected due to the excellent service that she has provided to the Resource Centre in previous years. Katherine will be supported in her role by a number of Year 4-6 library monitors.
**Student Council Elections**
Our focus last week was the election of student council reps. from Years 4-6. Students nominated, prepared and delivered a speech as part of the process. Student councillors will work with Mr Lee and Ms Simmonds to ensure that the student voice is heard and have a say in the decision making process of the school. Building leadership density amongst our students is something we believe has merit. It also allows the students to give back to our school community in a very meaningful way.

**Student Leaders’ Induction**
The Semester 1 Student Leaders’ Induction Ceremony will be conducted in the hall at 9.00am Friday 24 February, 2017. We have some very special guests who will be joining us along with the Year 3-6 students. Parents are most welcome to attend.

All students, Years 3-6, should be in full and complete school uniform. (Tartan shirt, white socks and black shoes). This is a formal school occasion.

Student leaders will be presented with their badges of office that day. These include School Captains, Sports and Music Captains, Library Leader, Senior Leaders and Student Council representatives. Library Monitors and Tec. Crew will receive their badges on the 17 March at the Friday Senior Assembly.

**City District Swim Team**
Well done to the following students for gaining selection in the City District Swim Team:
- Archie Bathe
- Rhys Buchanan
- Nicholas Collins
- Taya Kirk
- Olivia Knauer
- Jack Plowman
- Will Plowman
- Millie Russell

We wish you all the very best at the upcoming Metropolitan North swim carnival.

**Run Club**
Run Club started this week with a great deal of enthusiasm and excitement. The students did a fabulous job as they tried to run as many laps as possible during a 25 minute period. The structure of the mornings will be as follows:

- 7.45am: Arrive and warm up
- 7.50am: Commence running
- 8.15am: Running concludes

We will conclude at 8.15am to allow the students an opportunity to record their total number of laps, change into their school uniform if required, cool down and if possible have something to eat prior to going into class. It may be best for students to refrain from eating a big breakfast and instead have a small snack after they have finished running.

On Monday the students ran for a total of 273 km! We look forward to our next session on Friday morning.

*Adam Mathewson*
From the Deputy Principals

Each week on our senior assembly we are now presenting Class Awards to students demonstrating positive learning behaviours.

Learning behaviours are displayed in each classroom and are explicitly taught by the classroom teacher. It is great to see parents coming along and even some grandparents to celebrate the achievement of individual students. You will be contacted by your child’s teacher should your child be receiving an award.

Congratulations to the following award recipients from the last few weeks.

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Working on Achieving Positive Behaviours

One of the pleasures of working in schools is talking with students about their thoughts and ideas. As educators we have an unrelenting focus on results and student achievement. We commit to delivering quality planned curriculum, we research contemporary approaches for effective delivery of curriculum and we constantly collect and analyse individual student results to ensure the resources we have and the approaches we use provide the very best for each student.

We do however work with the whole child who brings to school a variety of interests, skills, backgrounds, experiences and personalities that affect how they learn and how they behave in the school setting.

In talking with students about their behaviour recently I was reminded of Choice theory which was created by Dr William Glasser. One of the underpinning beliefs of choice theory is that people (adults and children) are in control of almost all of their behaviours (they have a choice) and cannot control other people. How often do we hear students say “…..told me to do…..” or “……….made me do it……..”

Glasser refers to the seven deadly habits of external control - criticizing, blaming, complaining, nagging, threatening, punishing, bribing or rewarding to control. He then talks about replacing these with seven caring habits – supporting, encouraging, listening, accepting, trusting, respecting, negotiating differences.

He believes all our behaviour is driven by five genetic needs – survival, power, love and belonging, freedom and fun. These needs also need to be in balance.

The challenge is to work out and understand which need/s the behaviour is trying to achieve and replacing the inappropriate behaviour exhibited in the desire to meet this need/s and replace it with appropriate strategies. Creating a win/ win. If only it was that easy! I have very much simplified a very large body of research and work. Something to think about anyway or read about further if you are interested.

Have a great week. Best wishes to our year sixes on camp this week.

Jann Simmonds
**High Achievers in 2017**

Our Year 5 and 6 students will once again participate in the High Achievers Program with Kelvin Grove State College. Kelvin Grove have reviewed the program for 2017. Schools have been asked to send approximately 15% of their Year 5 and 6 students. Last year we sent 65 students. We will be only sending 27 students this year from Year 5 and Year 6.

Programs include English, Maths, Business, ICT/Games, Visual Art, Performance and Science. Selection will be based on NAPLAN results, report card information and teacher recommendation. Students attend Kelvin Grove State College for 6 weeks from 1:45pm - 3:15pm on Wednesdays from 26 April to 7 June. All transport is to be by private arrangement. Please let your child’s class teacher know if you do not want your child to participate this year.

**Queensland Academies Partnership School Network Member**

Eagle Junction State School is a Partnership School Network Member with the Queensland Academies. Our school is committed to working with the Queensland Academies as a member in order to provide collaborative environments and networks for best practice in teaching and learning for highly capable students.

**Young Scholars Program**

The Queensland Academies’ Young Scholars Program provides highly capable school students in Years 5 to 9 with challenging enrichment opportunities.

The rationale for this initiative is to develop the Queensland Academies Young Scholars Program as a teaching and learning strategy for gifted/highly capable year five to nine students within mainstream schools. In doing so this will create a sustained network to align with collaborative development and delivery of an innovative and unique 5 year curriculum that responds to the needs of Education Queensland’s provision for gifted students.

The program is delivered at all three Academies in Brisbane and the Gold Coast and includes participation by our programming partners including the Queensland Writers Centre, the Gold Coast City Gallery, the University of Queensland, the Queensland University of Technology and Griffith University.

Students interested in joining the program can be nominated by their teacher after meeting at least one of the following criteria:

- A 90th percentile on any individual or group IQ test
- A 90th percentile on a subscale (e.g. verbal performance) of an individual IQ Test
- A High Distinction or Distinction in the Australian Schools Science, English or Mathematics Competitions
- A letter from their teacher confirming that the student’s academic performance or potential in Mathematics, Science or English is within the top 10 per cent of the student population.

Students enrolled in the Young Scholars Program have opportunities to participate in the workshop program that offers a range of transdisciplinary and challenging experiences. The Young Scholars Program also affords parents opportunities to attend lectures that will enable them to further support their children’s goals and aspirations.


Have a great week.

*Angela Dawson*
Library News

With over 115 children accessing the Library during first break and with 80 Library Monitor applications, the Library has been a very busy place over the past couple of weeks.

As a result of the large numbers of children using the Library at break time, we have made a slight adjustment to our break timetable to ensure we are providing access for all children who wish to use it. If your child uses the library at break, please could you remind them of the following times:

- **Year 1** Tuesday and Wednesday  First Break  (11.00am – 11.25am)
- **Year 2** Tuesday and Thursday  First Break  (11.00am – 11.25am)
- **Year 3** Tuesday and Thursday  First Break  (11.00am – 11.25am)
- **Year 3 to Year 6** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  Second Break  (12.55pm – 1.20pm)

We would also like to give you advance notice that the Library will be closed before school on Tuesday 21st February and Thursday 23rd February for library monitor training.

Marcia Lomman and Jean Forsyth (Library Staff)
Important: QParents Android device payment issue
To our Android QParents users: If you are unable to make payments through the QParents app (you are directed to the BPoint portal but do not receive a “payment successful” message) then please uninstall the app from your device and reinstall QParents from Google Play.

QParents
Eagle Junction State School is proud to be one the first schools in Queensland to offer QParents. The QParents web and mobile application provides a more convenient, easier way for parents and legal guardians of Queensland state school students to interact with their child’s school. Parents will have secure, online access to their child’s student information, anytime, anywhere, through a smartphone, tablet or computer.

QParents allows parents to connect instantly with their child’s school to access and manage their child’s student information, including:
- Attendance and absence details, as well as the ability to notify the school of an absence
- Academic report cards
- Viewing unpaid invoice details, payment history, and making payments online
- Viewing and updating student details, including medical conditions and address
- Enrolment details

QParents will assist both staff and parents in sharing and responding to information in an efficient and effective way. It won’t replace the traditional ways you communicate with our school, but it will provide another way to communicate with us.

The Benefits of QParents
Convenience and time savings for parents
- Parents can view or update their child’s details without having to contact the school
- Secure 24/7 online access
- Available anytime, anywhere — access QParents on your smart phone, tablet or computer

Greater transparency of information
- Improves accountability between parents and schools by providing parents with timely access to their child’s information online
- Allows parents to engage more deeply in their child’s schooling

Improved administration efficiencies for schools
- Allows schools to streamline their administrative processes and cut down on printing

Please click here to see more information about Qparents: QParents Promotional Video

Registering for QParents
All parents have been sent an invitation email from us containing your unique invitation code. Simply follow the instructions in that email to complete the QParents account registration process. If you have not received this email, please check your ‘junk’ folder, and ring our office. If you do not want to register, you can just ignore the invitation and your child’s student information will not be available to anyone through QParents.

Identity Verification
When registering as a QParents Account Owner (QPAO), you will need to verify 100 points of identity documents online. The 100 points can be made up of documents in the following list:

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If you only have 60-90 points of the above ID documents you can still register for QParents, but you will need to attend the school for an additional check after you have registered online. For more information on the online identity verification process, see: QParents - Online Identity Verification Process.
Sports Report

PE Swimming lessons

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time to help with supervision.

*Just a reminder* - all students need to wear a swimming cap and swim shirt when in the water.

City District Swimming

Well done to all members of the Eagle Junction swimming team who competed at the Valley Pool on Friday. As a school we had a great result finishing second overall.

*Mark Summers (Physical Education Teacher)*

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BPAY

BPAY is no longer available at our school.

*Our school has transitioned to the new BPOINT payment portal.* We would like to encourage parents to change to BPOINT as soon as possible, as this will assist us with more efficient allocation of funds onto outstanding invoices.

*BPOINT is our preferred method of payment.*

The BPAY system had many shortcomings, and we are convinced that the BPOINT system will be a great improvement.

If you have previously used BPAY, please delete the “BPAY” biller code from your Internet Banking Software, and start making payments via BPOINT instead.

Details are on all invoices, and you will be able to make payments with a Credit or a Debit card. We will continue to accept cash, EFTPOS or cheque payments on Wednesdays & Thursdays only.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Bookshop News

Ukulele stock limited for Years 4, 5 and 6

As part of the Year 4 booklist for 2017, it was compulsory for each Year 4 student to purchase a ukulele for use in music classes if one wasn't already owned for this purpose. If you did not order one online during last year, you still have an opportunity to purchase the exact same model used in music classes: The Makala Dolphin.

The bookshop is selling these at $45 each and they come in various colours which the student can pick from in music class based on what stock is left. We only have 19 spare available for sale and will not be re-stocking once they are all sold.

You can purchase your ukulele by visiting the Uniform shop on Monday or Friday from 8-9am. You will be asked to write your student’s name and 2017 class. After this, it may take up to a week before your student receives their ukulele depending on when their next music lesson is.

Ukuleles can also be purchased by Year 5 and Year 6 students for use in music classes and at home if they wish. The process is the same as the above described for Year 4 students.

Year 4, 5 and 6 students who ordered and paid for a ukulele via last year’s ordering online (munch monitor) will start to receive their instrument over the next few weeks directly from the music teachers.

If you have any questions, please email ejibookshop@gmail.com.

*Cathy Amarantidis (Bookshop Co-ordinator)*
Reminder:
All uniforms are now available via Munch Monitor and will be delivered to classrooms. This is the best way to shop at the Tartan Trader as stock levels are updated regularly.

I am receiving daily phone calls from families about not being able to place orders through Munch Monitor.

Please check that you have updated your child’s class for 2017. Once you have updated the class you will then be able to place an order.

**Tartan Trader Information**

**Regular Opening Hours for Term 1 2017**
The Tartan Trader shop will be trading on the following days:
- Monday – 8am to 9am
- Friday – 8am to 9am

Normal Processing guidelines for online orders:

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**Delivery of online orders**
All online orders will be managed using the below 3 step process:

1. Orders packed in uniform shop by uniform shop volunteers
2. Delivered to teachers pigeon holes for distribution to applicable students
3. Student responsible for safe delivery of uniforms home to parents / care givers

**Exchange and Returns**
All exchanges and returns are subject to the Tartan Trader Refund and Returns Policy which can be viewed on the school website under > facilities > uniform shop or under the documents section on Team App. Please note exchanges will not be accepted unless in as new condition in original packaging.

For all information regarding the Tartan Trader operations please feel free to email ejssuniformshop@gmail.com.
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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**Tennis Court Hire – Weekend Only**

Our system for using the school tennis court will apply again this year.

A new lock will be put on the gate and families with children at this school will be able to obtain a key to the court for $100.00. An extra fee of $10.00 will apply for a key deposit, refundable on return of the key. Priority bookings, using the form below and enclosing payment, must be delivered to the school office by **11.00am, Friday, 17 February 2017**.

Payment must accompany booking requests.

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**Tennis Court Booking Form – Please indicate preferences 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th** and return to school office.

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Payment must accompany this form
Welcome drinks

Start the school year on a high by joining your fellow parents and carers at the EJSS P&C Association’s Welcome Drinks hosted by the O’Regan / O’Hagan family.

This much-anticipated annual event is a great opportunity to meet new families and catch up with familiar faces.

Date: Saturday, 18 February from 7pm

Address: 101 Lodge Road, Kalinga

BYO: Bring your own drinks plus a glass

Dress: Casual

RSVP: No need — just roll up with a smile on your dial!

Please note this event is for parents and carers only. Children cannot be accommodated.