



August 29, 2019

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# Eagle Point Primary School

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EDITION  
**26**

## Dates to Remember

<b>August</b>	
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Day Stall
<b>September</b>	
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hats required
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Parents & Friends Meeting 2.15pm
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	Camp Coolamatong – Grades 3 & 4
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	Paynesville Kinder to Visit
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Nexus Arts Performance
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Footy Colours & Hot Dog Day
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 3. 2.30pm Finish, No PM Bus
<b>October</b>	
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 4
Thur 17 <sup>th</sup>	Zoo Excursion – Junior School

Dear Families,

It has come to that time of the year when we begin to start thinking about plans for the following year. It is an exciting time for Eagle Point Primary School as we are advertising for a Learning Specialist for the 2020 school year. A Learning Specialist will continue to drive the teaching and learning amongst staff and students and will work closely with the Leadership Team to support all teachers and aides in our school to become even better. Currently Mrs Langley and Mrs Clarke share some of the responsibilities of this role and are doing an amazing job. We will keep you updated on the outcome of this role in the future.

Thank you to the families that invested the time to have their say in the Parent Opinion Survey. We really appreciate your feedback as we use this data in a variety of ways. Our students have also had their chance to provide feedback in their Student Opinion Survey with fantastic results. Our student's positive results exceeded the results from 2018 in all but one area. This area is Effort where our students this year reported putting in less effort to completing work tasks than in 2018. In the coming weeks the Leadership Team will meet with students to ask for their opinions and ideas as to why this might be the case and what we can do about it in the future.

A big welcome to the new families who have joined our Eagle Point Primary School community over the past few weeks. We hope you feel comfortable and welcome in our school and make the most of the opportunities offered here in our school.

Kind Regards,  
Anna Duncan



JSC - Juice Boxes are available daily at lunchtime \$1.00



### Hats

Just a reminder that hats are required to be worn starting Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

### District Athletics

Congratulations to all of the students who competed at the District Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Mrs Simpson was not only impressed and proud of your athletic achievements but also with your supportive manner and sportsmanship. A number of our students have qualified for Divisional Athletics which will be held in the next few weeks. A full list of qualified students will become available next week when places are offered. Students may only compete in 3 events and a relay at the next level so some 3<sup>rd</sup> place getters may be offered a place at Divisional level.



### VicSpell

Good luck to Brodie, Alana, Mackenzy and Jasmine who will represent Eagle Point PS at the annual VicSpell competition held at Nagle College on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August. These students will compete against

their peers from other schools across the region and we wish them all the best.

### Fathers Day Stall

Don't forget the Father's Day Stall Tomorrow. All items will be \$5.

### Cricket Clinic

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September our school will be visited by a Cricket Clinic aimed at increasing interest and skills in young children in our area. Although the skills clinic is specifically for Grade 1/2 students, other children will have the chance to try out cricket during lunchtime. Thank you to Mrs Simpson for organising this activity for our kids.

### Bushwalking Club

This week during clubs the bushwalkers went to the top of the Eagle Point Bluff.



### Uniforms

We currently have several missing jumpers, could all families please check the labels on jumpers you have at home and return any that may have been brought home by mistake.

### Library books

We are fortunate enough to have recently purchased more books to enhance our literacy program. Luckily, Bec helps us catalogue all our books and we thank her for assisting us with this process. These books need to be covered, and we have had some wonderful helpers doing this throughout Term 2. This does not have to be completed at school. You, or someone you know may be happy to contact a few at night, or in a time that suits them. If you are available to help with this process, please let the office know.



# ROOM 1 QUALITY LEARNING



## Quality Learning:

Room 1 has been learning about poetry. We read some alliteration and rhyming poems, and then we had a go at writing our own. We turned our poems into a class book. We also made a class book about Book Week. Our class books are in our classroom library and we can read them during buddy reading.

# CODE OF CONDUCT

## POLICY

### Rationale:

- This Code of Conduct is intended to provide all School Community Members with protocols and procedures for appropriate conduct and the development of positive relationships within the school community.
- Eagle Point Primary School aims to provide an open, welcoming, inclusive and safe environment for all that enhances the educational and social development of our students. Our values are outlined in the school strategic plan, which has been developed with the whole school community and is located on the school website.
- Pro-social values and expectations for behaviour are in accordance with our vision and values, which will be modelled and promoted by staff, students and the parent community. We expect that Eagle Point Primary School parents will demonstrate the school values at all times within the school setting. For the purpose of this policy the term School Community Members refers to parents, caregivers and visitors to the school.
- School community members are required to adhere to the school code of conduct, observe the child safe policy and principles, and adhere to the expectations for appropriate language and behaviour towards and in the company of all children.

### Aims:

- To ensure we create and maintain a respectful, inclusive, open environment for communication.
- To take into account the schools Strategic Plan.
- To ensure that, where possible, the values and views of the school community are taken into consideration.
- To create clear guidelines for addressing parent concerns or complaints.

### Implementation:

All members of the school community will:

- Conduct themselves in a respectful and courteous manner and in compliance with the law
- Use polite and acceptable written and spoken language in all communications
- Not use profane, insulting, harassing, aggressive or otherwise offensive language
- Act in the best interests and welfare of students, their families and staff members
- Not engage in malicious or judgmental gossip, and will ensure that anything they say about others is fair and truthful
- Not use social media to disparage or defame Eagle Point Primary School, its teaching staff, School Council and committees, other parents and children, nor incite unrest or actively promote false information
- Value our diverse community and respect the rights, religious beliefs and practices of individuals and their families
- Respect points of view that are different from our own and must refrain from actions and behaviour that constitutes harassment, discrimination, vilification or defamation
- Demonstrate behaviours consistent with the School's Strategic Plan



When visiting the school, School Community Members must:

- Respect and comply with reasonable requests and directions from the Principal and other members of staff;
- Support staff in maintaining a safe, secure and respectful learning environment for all students, including:
  - Raise any behavioural, bullying or peer group issues with a member of the teaching staff and handover the responsibility to deal with these issues to that teacher
  - Maintain absolute confidentiality of any information they obtain at school (information obtained at school can be discussed with classroom teachers or the principal)
  - Refrain from either speaking to or disciplining a child who is not theirs. In all instances behaviour of school children that is of concern to a parent must be raised with either classroom teachers or the principal
- Work in partnership with the school to enhance the learning outcomes, wellbeing and conduct of their child, including raising any concerns about their child's learning, conduct or wellbeing privately with the class teacher, leadership staff or principal – preferably by appointment;
- Respect that the priority of school staff is the welfare and education of all children in the school. Therefore:
  - Refrain from interrupting or distracting a teacher while classroom activities or learning activities are underway;
  - Be aware that the time available for staff to meet with parents is limited and must be scheduled at a time that does not disrupt the classroom. Parents should be mindful of the teacher's time, communicate the reason for the meeting and allow the teacher time to prepare, unless there is a genuine emergency that needs to be discussed
  - Appreciate that school staff members are unlikely to respond to emails or telephone calls immediately. The school advises that responses within two working days is acceptable and responses will not be made outside of working hours or during school holidays, with the exception of an emergency

#### **Unreasonable Behaviours**

Behaviours that are considered inappropriate on and adjacent to school grounds or in relation to school business and that do not uphold the principles of this Code of Conduct include when a person:

- is rude, aggressive or harasses others
- sends rude, confronting or threatening letters, emails, text messages or social media comments
- is manipulative, threatening or intimidating
- speaks in an aggressive tone, either in person or over the telephone
- makes sexist, racist or derogatory comments
- inappropriately raises concerns/make complaints about a member of staff or against the school, e.g. in public or through social media
- is physically intimidating, e.g. standing very close

### Consequences

The Principal in consultation with the School Council is responsible for determining what constitutes unreasonable behaviour.

Unreasonable behaviour and/or failure to uphold the principles of this Code of Conduct may lead to further investigation and the implementation of appropriate consequences. This may include:

- education about the standards of behaviour that are required
- utilising mediation and counselling services
- alternative communication strategies being applied
- formal notice preventing entry onto school premises or attendance at school activities. Written notice will follow any verbal notice given
- an intervention order being sought
- making a formal complaint to Police

By agreeing to meet specified standards of positive behaviour, everyone in our school community can be assured that they will be treated with fairness and respect. In turn, this will help maintain a positive school community that is safe and orderly, where everyone is empowered to participate and learn.

### Concerns and Complaints

- Should any parent wish to raise a concern or make a complaint about a matter affecting their child/ren at Eagle Point Primary School, they are to act in accordance with the Grievance Policy.
- The Department of Education and Training also has a policy which outlines the process that any parent is welcome to follow:-

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/contact/pages/complainschool.aspx>

### Evaluation:

- This policy is required to be formally minuted and reviewed by school council regularly.
- Review Date      November 2022 or as required

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

**February 2019**



# ICE SKATING & TOBOGANNING

## AT THE

## EASTWOOD VILLAGE

## SHOPPING CENTRE



30 Howitt Avenue

21st September - 6th October

10.00am - 5.00pm

Under 15 years old: \$15.00 per 1/2 hour

Over 15 years old: \$18.00 per 1/2 hour

Toboggan Rides: \$10.00 for 10 rides

All equipment provided







## Free legal help with child support

Victoria Legal Aid's Child Support Legal Service is visiting near you. We provide advice about child support and paternity testing. We may also refer you to other organisations that can help.

We also present free community legal information sessions upon request. The Child Support Legal Service:

- is independent from the Department of Human Services (Centrelink and Child Support).
- provides free confidential appointments for eligible people to discuss legal problems with a child support lawyer.

**To enquire about an appointment, go to**

**<https://www.legalaid.vic.gov.au/childsupportenquiry> or call**

**Legal Help on 1300 792 387.**

 **Victoria Legal Aid**



## Child Support Legal Service

The Child Support Legal Service of Victoria Legal Aid (VLA) assists parents with legal problems relating to:

- getting or paying child support
- parentage testing
- changes of child support assessment
- spousal maintenance
- adult child "over 18" maintenance.

Free confidential in person or telephone appointments are available for eligible people at VLA offices and regional centres.

We may provide information or referrals to other organisations that can help.

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### OUTREACH SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER 2019

#### September

Mon	2	Melbourne
Thurs	5	Broadmeadows
Tues	10	Telephone
Wed	11	Frankston
Thurs	12	Mildura
Fri	13	Ringwood
Tues	17	Morwell
Wed	18	Sunshine
Fri	20	Dandenong
Mon	23	Melbourne
Mon	30	Bendigo

#### November

Wed	6	Melbourne
Thurs	7	Broadmeadows
Mon	11	Telephone
Wed	13	Frankston
Thurs	14	Mildura
Fri	15	Ringwood
Tue	19	Morwell
Wed	20	Sunshine
Thurs	21	Shepparton
Fri	22	Dandenong
Tue	26	Melbourne
Fri	29	Telephone

#### October

Fri	4	Geelong
Tues	8	Melbourne
Wed	9	Frankston
Fri	11	Ringwood
Wed	16	Sunshine
Thurs	17	Telephone
Wed	23	Ballarat
Thurs	24	Melbourne
Fri	25	Dandenong
Mon	28	Telephone

#### December

Tue	3	Geelong
Fri	6	Ringwood
Tue	10	Melbourne
Wed	11	Frankston
Fri	13	Dandenong
Mon	16	Telephone
Wed	18	Sunshine



Looking for a fun and interactive sport for children aged 5 to 16 this summer?

**Try one or all three**  
**All Abilities Welcomed**

**Monday Afternoons**  
**@4.30pm**

**2<sup>nd</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**September**

## **Howitt Park Oval**



We are excited to announce we have formed a new committee for this upcoming season

Find us on Facebook @ Bairnsdale LITTLE ATHLETICS or contact our email address [bairnsdale@lavic.com.au](mailto:bairnsdale@lavic.com.au)



# East Gippsland Disability Expo

Information and exhibits featuring community and disability services available for people living with a disability, their families and supporters.

Are you getting the best from your NDIS package?

Do you want to do more things in the community?

Looking for other choices and new opportunities?

Then visit the expo:

- over 30 exhibits expected
- Information Sessions on disability related topics



**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2019**

**10am - 3pm**

**Bairnsdale Sports and Convention Centre  
117 Great Alpine Rd, Lucknow**

VALID invites you to visit the Expo featuring a range of local and state-wide community and disability services available for participants.

Exhibits will include agencies that provide community access, accommodation, day activities, continence, equipment, advocacy, training, employment and much more.

**Free entry (no RSVP required)**

For more info on becoming an exhibitor at the Expo contact  
Christine Scott E: [christine@valid.org.au](mailto:christine@valid.org.au) T: 0418 567 518



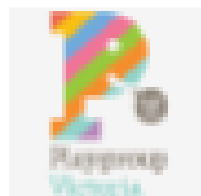
**VALID**

130 Cremorne St, Richmond

Phone: 03 9416 4003

web: [www.valid.org.au](http://www.valid.org.au)





My Time Bairnsdale – Fridays either 10am – 12noon or 12:30 – 2:30 at Uniting Church 710 Lanes Road Bairnsdale. For enquiries or to register call Rose McKenna 0409 096 587  
For more information about My Time go to [www.mytime.net.au](http://www.mytime.net.au)

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## PlayConnect Playgroup

Is a weekly facilitated playgroup for children  
aged

0-6 with Autism Spectrum Disorder or ASD-like characteristics and their siblings

Wednesdays, 10.30am – 12.30pm at Uniting Church Bairnsdale 710 Lanes Road Lucknow

Enquiries to Rose: 0409 096 587

Come along to connect with other families for information on ASD resources whilst participating with your child/children in activities suited to the needs of children with ASD