



EAST BEECHBORO PRIMARY INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMATION BRIEF

16th March 2023

School Website: www.eastbeechboroprimary.wa.edu.au

From the Principal

Term 1 is flying by and we only have 3 weeks to go until the end of term. Thank you to all our students for their efforts so far this term and I would like to encourage them all to remain focussed and to give their best at all times at school.

Interschool Carnival

In Week 9 (Friday 31st March), our Year 5 and 6 students will be taking part in the Summer Interschool Carnival at Altone Park. Interschool carnivals are fantastic opportunities for our students to meet peers from neighbouring schools and compete in friendly and good-hearted competition. It is also an opportunity for us to showcase the talent of our students in the sporting arena. Students have been training hard in sports sessions and I wish them all the very best for the day. I hope students enjoy the day and trust that they will represent our school with pride. Parents are most welcome to attend and show their support for our teams.

Easter Raffle

Tickets for our Easter Raffle went on sale yesterday. All families were sent a book of 10 tickets to purchase if they wish. Each ticket sells for 50 cents each (\$5 for the book of 10). The raffle is run by our Year 6 students to raise money for end of year events. Extra tickets are available from Room 16 and the office. The items for the hampers are very kindly donated by the parents and families of our Year 6 students. The raffle will be drawn at the final assembly of the term. Please ensure that all ticket stubs and money are returned to school no later than Monday 3rd April.

We will hold our Easter Hat Parade at the assembly in the last week of term. This is an exciting and enjoyable time for students as they get the opportunity to demonstrate their artistic flare in making their Easter hat. I eagerly await the wonderful creations that our students come up with.

Harmony Day

Harmony Week is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism. Australia is one of the most successful multicultural countries in the world which is worthy of celebration. The message of Harmony Week is everyone belongs. It is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, irrespective of cultural background. This is a great time for us all to celebrate the diversity of Australia and is a chance to show our respect for all the different cultures that make up our wonderful country. Orange is the chosen colour to represent Harmony Day as it signifies determination and meaningful communication and it also represents mutual respect and freedom of thoughts and ideas. To show our support, students are invited to wear orange or traditional costume of their country on Wednesday 29th March. We also look forward to Room 15's assembly which will be Harmony themed.

Medical Conditions

It is vital that we have the most up-to-date information about your child's health and medical conditions. Without this knowledge we are not able to provide your child with the attention that they may require. If your child has a medical condition that we should be made aware of, please advise the office as your child's health and wellbeing is a priority.

Student Update Forms

Parents are reminded to please update and return Student Update Forms as soon as possible. It is essential that the details we have on our system are accurate. If there are no changes, please check the box indicating 'No Changes Required' and return to school. Your support with this matter is appreciated.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN commenced yesterday for our Year 3 and 5 students. Students were well-prepared in regards to how the tests are delivered and parents are reminded that students are not able to study for these tests. The best preparation that they can do is to ensure that they are well rested and that they come to school having had a healthy breakfast. Students should feel no pressure with these tests as it is just a snapshot of their learning so far. All we ask is that they do their best.

P&C Meeting

Thank you to those parents who attended our P&C meeting. I hope that you gained a good understanding of the work that our wonderful P&C do for our students and school, and that you may consider becoming a part of the group. Parents who would like to become a part of the P&C can register their interest at the office.

Caroline Harben - Principal

What is Bullying - Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are **not** defined as bullying.

Behaviours that do **not** constitute bullying include:

- mutual arguments and disagreements (where there is no power imbalance)
- one-off acts of meanness or spite
- not liking someone or a single act of social rejection
- isolated incidents of aggression, intimidation or violence.

However, these conflicts still need to be addressed and resolved so it is important to report these incidents.



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www.campaustralia.com.au



P&C EARLY BIRD PRIZE DRAW

Contributions paid by Tuesday 28th March will go into the draw for \$100. Payment can be made by bank transfer or at the office in cash, credit card or Eftpos. The draw will take place at the assembly on Wednesday 29th March. Thank you to our fantastic P&C who have kindly donated the prize.



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Contributions

Virtue of the Fortnight

What is courtesy? Courtesy is being polite and having good manners.

It is a gracious way of speaking and acting which gives others a feeling of being valued and respected. "Please", "Thank you", "Excuse me", "You're welcome", are not just words. They are courteous expressions that show people you respect them and care about them.

Why practise courtesy? When a person doesn't practise courtesy, people feel insulted and disrespected. They think this person is rude and ignorant, not caring about anyone or anything. Practising courtesy gives people a sense that they are valued.

How do you practise courtesy? Courtesy is remembering your manners. Speak politely. Wait your turn. Instead of interrupting someone, say "Excuse me", and then wait patiently for them to give you their attention. Greet people pleasantly. When you are courteous, you make requests instead of demands. Bring courtesy home. Your family needs it most of all.



COURTESY

P&C Payments All credit card purchases incur a 2.35% surcharge which applies to all credit card transactions made to the P&C. Online payments for uniforms are to be paid to the **P&C bank account**. Details as follows: BSB 036 033 Acct: 186571.

Uniform Shop: NEW OPENING TIMES

www.QuickCliq.com.au

Mon - CLOSED **Tues - 8.15am-9.15am**
Wed - 2.20pm-3.00pm **Thurs - 2.20pm-3.00pm**
Fri - CLOSED

Orders can be placed on **QuickCliq** and will be delivered to students. (A charge of 21 cents applies to each order).

Waterwise Tip: To save water in the shower, aim to get your shower time down to 4 minutes or less. Use a shower timer or your favourite 4-minute song to time your showers.



IMPORTANT DATES

15th - 27th March - NAPLAN (Years 5 & 3 students only)

Please note that there are no assemblies during NAPLAN

20th March - National Young Leaders Conference (Councillors only)

29th March - Rom 15 Assembly (Harmony themed)

31st March - Summer Interschool Carnival (selected students only)

5th April - Easter Assembly

6th April - End of Term Rewards **LAST DAY OF TERM 1**

24th April - PUPIL FREE DAY

26th April - FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 FOR STUDENTS



Connect is our primary form of communication with our school community on school events and what is happening in your child's classroom. Please ensure we have your correct contact details and that your Connect account is active. If you are having issues with Connect, please visit the office.



Bank Transfer -The school offers bank transfer as an option for payment of contributions, excursions/incursions etc. (BSB: 066 132 Acct: 00902273) Please use first initial and surname of student as reference. For confirmation email: EastBeechboro.PS@education.wa.edu.au

Dear Parents/Carers and Community

Parking around our school may be problematic, particularly at the end of the school day.

Areas of concern include parking on footpaths, parking contrary to regulatory signage and parking on resident's verges and across their driveways.

We have been advised that City of Swan Officers will be attending the school on a regular basis to conduct parking patrols, **with the potential to issue Infringement Notices** with associated financial penalties.

To avoid receiving an Infringement Notice, I would encourage you to:

- consider the use of alternative transport options (eg carpooling, public transport, cycling and walking);
- plan your trip so you arrive with time to spare in case you have to walk a distance;
- use "Kiss and Drive" or other pick up/set down areas where possible; and
- park safely and legally at all times should you have to drive.

If you wish to make a report of drivers who are not driving/parking safely around our school, please contact the City of Swan (on 9267 9267 or swan@swan.wa.gov.au).

To further assist, the City has developed a School Road Safety Guide to reinforce the key messages around school road safety, including safe parking practices. The Guide is attached and available on the City's website under the "Parking near schools" tab at the following link: [Safe-and-legal-parking](#).

I strongly urge parents to be mindful when parking and driving around our school. The safety of our students and community is paramount.

Please note that this is a City of Swan initiative and has not been instigated by the school.

Concerns/Complaints: If you have a matter which you feel you need to discuss please contact the school. Please note that ALL formal complaints should be marked Private and Confidential and sent to the Principal.

