



EAST BEECHBORO PRIMARY INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMATION BRIEF

3rd August 2023

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

From the Principal

Jeans for Genes Day

Each year, Australians unite by wearing jeans to support genetic research. This event supports the Children's Medical Research Institute to find cures for children's genetic diseases. This year Jeans for Genes marks their 30th year of helping to save children's lives and in 2023, the Children's Medical Research Institute celebrates its 65th year. East Beechboro Primary School will be showing their support by encouraging students to wear jeans (for a gold coin donation) to school tomorrow. Please note that this is not a free dress day. Students who do not wear jeans are to wear school uniform but are encouraged to donate. All money raised goes directly to the Children's Medical Research Institute. Thank you in advance for your support of this very worthwhile cause.

Indonesian Incursion

Next Monday, 7th August, as part of our Languages program, students in Years 3-6 are invited to take part in a shadow puppet performance. Wayang Kulit is a traditional Indonesian form of puppet-shadow play using carved figures against a lit screen. This will be a great opportunity for students to watch an ancient and traditional Indonesian performance. This is a free incursion.

P&C Meeting 10th August

Our next P&C meeting will be held next Thursday 10th August at 3.00pm. Parents who are interested in learning more about what our wonderful P&C do or are considering being a part of our P&C are encouraged to attend.

Bullying No Way Day

The third Friday in August is dedicated to the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. The theme for 2023 is 'growing connections' which supports the research findings that strong school community connections and social skills are protective factors that help prevent bullying and enables positive behaviours in students. Every member of our school community has a role to play in preventing bullying and to show our support, on **Wednesday 16th August**, students, staff and the school community are invited to wear a white shirt to promote the message that bullying and violence is never okay.

Pyjama Day Fundraiser

On Thursday 17th August, our Year 6 students will be holding a Pyjama Day fundraiser. For a gold coin donation, students are invited to attend school in their Pyjamas. As this is not a free dress day, students who do not want to wear pyjamas to school are to wear their uniform but are welcome to support our Year 6 students by bringing a donation. All funds raised will go towards end of year Leavers activities.

Pupil Free Day

Friday 18th August (Week 5) is a Pupil Free Day. On this day, all staff will be taking part in meetings as part of their professional development. Parents are reminded to ensure that they have arranged suitable care arrangements for their child and are also reminded that Camp Australia is open on this day for parents wishing to use this service.

Checks For Parent Volunteers In Schools

We are extremely grateful for the assistance of the parents and caregivers who generously volunteer their time to support our school. To ensure the safety of students, there have been some recent changes to the Working With Children Policy. If you would like to volunteer at our school or another school, you will be required to complete a 'Parent and child volunteer declaration form'. Volunteer work includes activities such as excursions, helping at sport carnivals or in the classroom, carrying out P&C duties, helping at school fundraising events, helping at the uniform shop, presenting an award or speaking at an assembly. Please note that you cannot volunteer if you have a current Working with Children Negative Notice or Interim Negative Notice. A current Working with Children Check is required by all other family members and friends over the age of 18 years who want to volunteer. If your circumstances change and you are issued with a Negative Notice or Interim Negative Notice after completing the 'Parent and child volunteer declaration form', you must advise the principal. If you are unsure if you need a Working With Children Check or to complete the declaration form, please speak to the office staff. We sincerely appreciate the support from the families of our school and trust that you understand that these changes are implemented to ensure the safety of all our students.

Planning for 2024

We will soon be looking at planning for 2024. To ensure that we are staffed correctly, we need to be as accurate as possible with our projected enrolment numbers for next year. If you know that your child will not be returning to East Beechboro Primary School next year (for all students other than our current Year 6 students), please advise the office staff and let them know of which school your child will be attending in 2024. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

Caroline Harben - Principal

Congratulations to all our students who took part in the Faction Cross Country carnival in Week 1 this term. I was extremely impressed by the determination of all our students to succeed and complete the course. They should all be very proud of their efforts. Thank you also to all our Faction Captains and volunteers who assisted with marshalling around the course and all the parents who came along to cheer their children on. The final standings for the 2023 Faction Cross-Country Carnival were:

1 st Place	Numbats	2 nd Place	Wallabies
3 rd Place	Bilbies	4 th Place	Bandicoots
Mr Maidens -Phys Ed Specialist			

Congratulations to **Numbats**



Make sure to read our next newsletter which will have photos and results of our Faction and Interschool Cross Country Carnivals.

Virtue of the Fortnight

What is forgiveness?

Being forgiving is giving someone another chance after they have done something wrong, knowing that everyone makes mistakes. It is making amends instead of taking revenge. It is important to forgive yourself, too. Forgiving yourself means to stop punishing yourself or feeling hopeless because you made a mistake.

Why practise forgiveness?

Without forgiveness we judge and criticize others instead of giving each other a chance to improve. Forgiveness is the best way to encourage ourselves and others to take responsibility for our actions, to try harder and to change for the better.

How do you practise forgiveness?

If you make a mistake you may feel sad, guilty or angry. Let your feelings come and then let them go. Avoid revenge. Decide what amends need to be made. If someone repeatedly hurts you, forgiving them won't help. You need to stop giving them chances to hurt you. Learn from your mistakes.



FORGIVENESS

CHAPLAIN'S NOTE

Hello families, Just a friendly reminder on the importance of taking care of your mental health. Here are 3 quick tips:

1. **Be Present in the moment:** focusing on the past or too far into the future can cause anxiety.
2. **Be social:** Actively be involved in the school community and weekend activities such as sport or connect with friends and extended family.
3. **Share your feelings with your family:** this supports your child in recognising and understanding their feelings.

Miss Clare – School Chaplain
(Available each Tuesday & Wednesday)



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: Opening Times

www.QuickCliq.com.au

Mon - CLOSED Tues - 8.15am-9.00am

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).

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

Waterwise Tip: 8 out of 10 people have adopted the habit of turning the tap off while they brush their teeth. Every minute you leave the tap running wastes up to 10L of water.




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.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 4th August - Jeans for Genes Day
- 7th August - Indonesian Puppet Incursion (Yrs 3-6)
- 9th August - Student Councillor Assembly
- 10th August - Kiara College Incursion (Yrs 5&6)
- 10th August - P&C Meeting
- 16th August - Music Assembly & Bullying No Way Day
- 17th August - Yr 6 Pyjama Day Fundraiser & Mid Term Rewards
- 18th August - **Pupil Free Day**



 **Camp Australia** Guiding children's growth

National Science Week

in After School Care!

Your OSHC.

In celebration of National Science Week, we have a dedicated week of science experiments and activities aligning with the national theme of Innovation: Powering Future Industries. Children will join us on a journey of scientific discovery as we explore the world of innovation. Wacky experiments and awesome activities will ignite their curiosity and inspire their inner inventor!

14-18 August 2023



To find out more and to book, visit www.campastralia.com.au/science-week

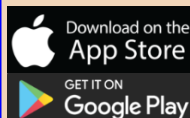
by  Camp Australia

Qkr! The Qkr! App offers mobile payment technology that aims to save parents time with school based payments. Qkr! is a safe and secure Mastercard initiative that enables payment from most financial institutions and major credit cards.



The Qkr! App allows parents to use their smartphones to manage payments. A web-based version is also available for parents without access to a smartphone.

QKR! is a free app. Download it today! Once you have registered your email address, just select our school and follow the prompts.



For **Apple** phones, click on the image (if viewing electronically) or visit:

<https://apps.apple.com/au/app/qkr/id589799471>

For **Android** phones, click on the image (if viewing electronically) or visit: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.mastercard.labs.qkr&hl=en>

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.

