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From the Brain of the Deputy Principal

Past half way and no looking back! This term (year even) has gone by in what feels like a blink, Kindergarten children are ready to move to year one, and even scarier, our year 6 students are (more than) ready to go to high school. That fact alone has probably scared a few year 6 parents who think you aren't quite ready to have a high schooler yet. Kindergarten parents may think that it is a long way off, but it goes very quick! Your turn will come and much faster than you think. All we can say is the kids at Evatt are amazing, they are ready for the challenges of 2019 whether that is in year 1 or year 7. Great things are ahead for all of you, you just have to keep going.

"Great things happen to those who don't stop believing, trying, learning, and being grateful."
— Roy T. Bennett,

JAPANESE EMERGENCY

For the past three years we have been lucky enough to have a full time Japanese assistant working at Evatt. These assistants are students themselves coming to Australia to improve their own understanding and language skills. They add a wealth of cultural knowledge that is just amazing, and we are so lucky to have had them the past three years.

Unfortunately, we currently do not have enough host families willing to take on the Japanese's assistant (they board with local families and pay board). As such, we are at a very high risk of losing this amazing resource for our students. If you are willing or able to take on a Japanese student for a period next year (usually around a term) we NEED YOU NOW! Please contact the office or Quayle Sensei ASAP.

As a parent I can tell you, having these students adds a wealth of knowledge to your own family: we hosted a student from my children's school, Fraser Primary, in 2017. It is the type of thing that adds so much value. Shiori (our student) is still someone we keep in contact with and we really treasure the time we had with her. She is even coming out to holiday next year and has already organised to visit and stay with us for a few weeks! That's how strong the bond can be. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity.

23 November 2018

Term 4

Monday 26 November

Tuesday 27 November

Wednesday 28 November

School Banking

2019 Preschool Information Night – 5.00pm

2019 Kindergarten Information Night – 6.00pm

Thursday 29 November

Canteen Closed

Breakfast Club: 8.30am – 9.00am

Friday 30 November

Canteen Closed

Scholastic Book Club orders due: Issue No 8

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Staffing 2019

As we start to close out 2018 we begin to finalise our staffing arrangements for 2019. We welcome new staff and say goodbye to some familiar faces. As always, the staffing model is fluid; you never know when one of the excellent staff at Evatt will receive a promotion, win the lottery or move on for a variety of family reasons. At the moment we are pretty set, but please note, nothing is ever final.

At this point in time our 2019 plan is:

ANTS: Mrs Citowicki, Mrs Pulver and Mrs Murray

Kindergarten: Mrs Veitch (new to Evatt, joining us from Yaralumla) and Ms Thomas

Year 1/2: Mrs Davies, Mrs Toohey, Mrs York (formerly Ms Lazarakis), Ms Cooke, Mrs Todd

Year 3/4: Ms Hammond, Mrs Fleming, Mrs Stratton and Ms Meadows

Year 5/6: Miss Argaet and Miss Linsell

Mr Price will be moving from class to the PE role and supporting Year 5/6.

As many of you will gather that means there are a number of staff who are not accounted for. Mobility is one of the strengths of the ACT education directorate, and we sadly say goodbye to a couple of staff who are moving onto new challenges.

Mrs Martin (Joined Evatt 2012) will be leaving us to help start up the new school in Canberra's North (Margaret Hendry) and Mr Griffiths (Joined Evatt 2012) will be moving to Ngunnawal School to share his expertise and skills. Both teachers have contributed so much to Evatt in their time here, and although sad to see them leave, we wish them well in the next step. Good luck and please make sure to stop in and say hello from time to time. You will both be missed.



Thank
You

In appreciation of your contribution to Evatt School in 2018, we would like to invite you to our *Volunteers Thank You Afternoon Tea*.

When: Friday 7 December 2018

Where: Evatt School Library Time: 2:15pm

(We will be holding our sports award assembly at 1:30pm on this day
and the afternoon tea will follow the assembly.)

RSVP: Friday 30 November 2018 to 6142 1640

Please advise of any diet or allergy requirements.

SELF-REGULATION:

Last week I wrote about self-regulation and ways students can identify strategies to self-manage. I have received very positive comments about the junior years and ways they can help soothe.

One of the best ways for younger students to self-regulate is to breathe. Not “just” breathe, but really focus on their breathing and the impact it is having on their bodies. Focusing on breathing is a mindfulness strategy and although great for little ones, it is a skill that can be used right into adulthood. I for one really utilise the “shoulder” breathing when I need to just walk away and let something go.

Have a chat with your child about the different breathing strategies listed below, and which one they feel would be most beneficial to them.



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Have a great end to term.

Mark Nicholson | Deputy Principal Evatt School

Traffic around school

I wanted to draw your urgent attention to the traffic arrangements for dropping and collecting your children. The Kiss and Collect/Drop Zone is on Heydon Crescent, and located along the front of the school, between the carpark exit and bottom end of the fence line.



Please read the following important points:

1. You are NOT PERMITTED to turn right out of the school car park during the school hours of 8.30 - 9.30am and 2.30 - 3.30pm.
2. Dropping off/Collecting children in the staff car park is **not** permitted for safety reasons. If you need access to a disabled space, please bring your disabled pass into the school for our records. We will be recording number plates of cars parked.
3. The “kiss and drop/collect” zone will operate in the mornings and afternoons.
4. In the mornings, students can be dropped in the zone, and enter through the bottom gate (gates open at 8.40am) waiting in the barnyard area until the bell.
5. In the afternoon’s students will assemble in the library, move out to the front of the school, and wait until your car is in the Kiss and Collect zone. Students will be sent to the school side of the car. It is expected that there will be a continuous flow of traffic.
6. You are not allowed to leave your car. You may park until your child appears. If your child does not appear within 10 minutes, then you may move to another area, park your car, and come to the school office to locate them.
7. There are several exits and paths to help reduce the flow of traffic on Heydon Crescent. There is a path from McClure Street to the preschool gate to enable preschool parents to park in a less congested area. An extra all-weather path has recently been installed, coming from McClure Street to the top school gate.
8. Students in years 3/4 and 5/6 may exit the school via the gate and path, near the multipurpose court that leads to Kevin Street.
9. The **only** cars allowed in the car park are those that have a disabled sticker, staff, or those cars belonging to volunteers working in the school.
10. If you need to come into the school, there is 15-minute parking outside the preschool, on Heydon Crescent.
11. Senior members of staff will be on duty in the afternoons to manage the kiss and drop/collect zone.



These requirements are to reduce the likelihood of a serious incident at the start and end of the day. ACT Policing and Roads ACT staff will be onsite at regular intervals throughout the term to assist in the smooth operation of our “kiss and collect” zone.

2019 Host Families Needed

We are still needing families to host our Japanese Teaching Assistant in 2019. If you are at all interested, please contact Quayle Sensei ASAP to get some more details about hosting. Without more families we may not be able to have a Japanese Assistant next year.

In 2019 Evatt School will be hosting Maruka Minamino, a volunteer Japanese Language Teacher's Assistant (JTA) from Kagoshima University in southern Japan. She is 20 years old and enjoys tennis, trying new foods, meeting people and learning about different cultures.

JTAs homestay within the school community and pay a contribution towards food and board to their host families. JTAs need their own rooms but can share the family bathroom.

This is a great opportunity for you and your children to further your interest and knowledge of Japanese language and culture and you will likely make a life-long family friend. The continuation of this wonderful program relies on your support and we thank you for considering this opportunity.

A note was sent home asking for families to express interest in hosting next year. If you are interested in hosting Maruka or have any questions, please return the note or contact Quayle Sensei as soon as possible.

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/434373/2019_Host_Families_Needed.pdf

Email: leanne.quayle@ed.act.edu.au Phone: 61421640

Leanne Quayle, Japanese Teacher

Notes Due:

***PLEASE NOTE:** Paper notes are sent home on Wednesdays. Copies can be accessed at the following links*

Canteen News and Menu 2018

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/414175/Canteen_News_and_menu_term_1_2018.pdf]

Student Notes

Concert note All years Due: 3 December 2018

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/432388/Costume_note_-_all_students.pdf

Metal Straw Fundraising Order Form All years Due: 30 November 2018

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0018/434025/Metal_Straw_Note.pdf

Obstacool Student Fun Day All years due: 28 November 2018

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0005/435362/Obstacool_Fun_Day_-_permission_note.pdf

Japanese Teaching Assistant

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/434373/2019_Host_Families_Needed.pdf

2019 - CAMP

2019 - Year 3/4 Camp Year 2 and 3 Due: 11 December 2018

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/435360/Birrigai_Camp_Year_3_and_4_2019.pdf

2019 - Year 5/6 Camp Year 4 and 5 Due: 11 December 2018

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/435361/Borambola_Camp_Year_5_and_6_2019.pdf

Sports News

Jump Rope for Heart

At assembly children received the prizes they earned by participating in the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program

- Congratulations to Adam and Lachlan who raised over \$500 each.
- Congratulations to Brannagh, Macy, Richard, Isaac and Jasmine who were the first 5 students to sign up online and therefore received a Jump Rope for Heart ball in addition to their sponsorship prizes.
- Congratulations to the following people who earned prizes by getting sponsorship and raising money. Stefan, Zac, Layla, Tegan, Cody, Torrez, Kenzie, Virginia, Sophie, Matthew, Evie, Phoebe, Josh, Charlotte, Rachel, Sarah, Corey, Reuben, Madison, Emilia, Matthew, Elysia, Dominic, Ellie, Corrina, Lachlan, Emma, Hamish, Blayde, Angela and Taj.

Thank you so much to everyone who got involved in Jump Rope 2018. Every two years we run this program at Evatt school and we look forward to more success in 2020.

5/6 Physical Education

During years 5 and 6 each child will cover 16 different sports (we do two sports each term). For the first half of this term we were learning how to play volleyball. We learnt about the ready position, the dig, the set, the spike and the serve. As volleyball is a very fast paced and skilful game we modified it by using a beachball and then allowing players to catch the ball before performing one of the volleyball skills.



Sports Assembly

On Friday 7 December we will be holding our sports award assembly at 1.30pm. Awards include 'Evatt School Athlete of the Year', 'Diamond Sporting Honours', 'Gold Sporting Honours', 'Silver Sporting Honours', 'Bronze Sporting Honours' and 'House Sporting Honours'. Parents whose child/ren will be receiving an honour at this assembly will be notified in the coming week by email.

Tickets for School Musical

Matinee – 12 December 2018 – 11am
Evening – 13 December 2018 – 6pm

Please contact Dani, Narelle or Jo at the front office

on 6142 1640 or info@evattps.act.edu.au



to reserve your seats for either the Matinee or Evening performance.

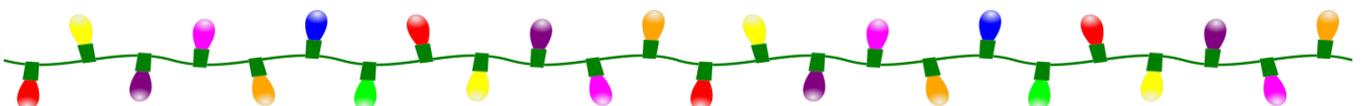
(please note: Preschool will only be performing in the matinee session)

Tickets will be sent home the week beginning 10 December. There is a limited amount of seating, so tickets are limited to 2 per family (either matinee or evening) in the first instance.

A waiting list will be kept if spares are available. Please get your ticket order in early to avoid disappointment.

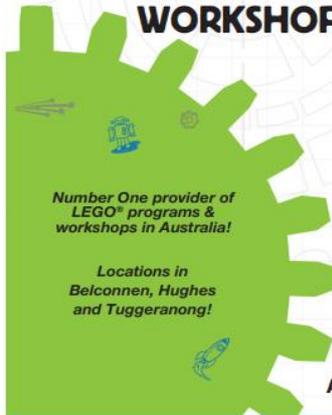
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Evatt Scouts will be providing a Sausage Sizzle for the Evening Performance.





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Term 4 – 2018					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7 Preschool Open Week	26	27	28 School Banking 2019 Preschool Info Night - 5.00pm 2019 Kinder Info Night – 6.00pm	29 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am- 9.00am	30 Canteen Open
8	Dec 3 Concert Costumes due	4	5 School Banking P&C End of Year Celebration: Obstacool	6 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am- 9.00am	7 Canteen Open Assembly: 1.30pm Volunteer Thank You Afternoon Tea P/S – musical tickets sent home
9	10 Musical: Technical Rehearsal Musical tickets sent home	11 Musical: Concert Rehearsal Waiting list tickets sent home 2019 Yr 3/4 and 5/6 Camp notes/payment due	12 School Banking Musical - <i>ShowTime at Sea: Matinee</i>	13 Canteen Closed Breakfast Club 8.30am- 9.00am Musical - <i>ShowTime at Sea: Evening Performance</i>	14 Canteen Closed CEIS
10	17 Moving Up Day	18	19 School Banking	20 Canteen Closed: Clean- up Day – Helpers welcome Year 6 Graduation	21 Canteen Closed Assembly: 2.15pm – Year 6 Farewell Last Day – Term 4

Term 1 – 2019					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	4 Feb First Day – Kindergarten and Preschool – M/T group	5 First Day – Years 1-6	6	7 First Day – Preschool Th/F group	8
2	11	12	13	14 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am- 9.00am	15 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.15pm
3	18	19	20	21 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am- 9.00am	22 Canteen Open

SCHOOL PAYMENT DETAILS:

EFTPOS: Visit the front office in person, ring the front office and pay over the phone (Mastercard/Visa only).

Direct Transfer: Evatt Primary School Management Account, BSB: 032777, Account number: 001244, Reference field: 'child/family name' & 'excursion/payment name'

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