

# Evatt Eagle



*In a caring environment, we will achieve our full potential.*

## From the Executive Teacher,

The Australian Curriculum is designed to help all young Australians to become successful learners, confident and creative individuals, and active and informed citizens. It asks schools to teach and develop skills and abilities intended to help prepare young Australians to learn, live and work in the 21st century.

As the press often informs us, the skills required by workers in the future will be very different to those of today. Last week, the ABC detailed the New Work Smarts Report from the Foundation for Young Australians (FYA) that this generation of students will be working in jobs that are not even invented yet and they will have 17 changes in employers and up to 5 different careers over their working life! The chief executive said that there needed to be a greater focus on STEM subjects in schools — science, technology, engineering and mathematics. This (STEM) is a challenge that all educators face at this point in time.

At Evatt we are making moves in this direction and trialling different things, although it is very difficult in an already overcrowded curriculum. Many of you may have heard your child talk about some of these things or seen it in the new term overviews. There are some exciting things that are happening across the school. Preschool and Kinder classes are having a STEM focus. This has been cleverly integrated across other learning areas. In preschool, the children had to construct a new home for the three little pigs that couldn't be blown down by the big bad wolf (using straws and lollies and tested with a hair dryer). Kindergarten students were given the challenge to make a tower from straws and one metre of tape that can balance a ball. Year 1/2 classes have been learning coding skills on computers. Staff participated last week in a professional learning session about coding skills presented by Kavita Davies, one of our talented Year 1/2 teachers, who is passionate and knowledgeable in this area. These activities require creative thinking, problem solving and persistence.

This leads to the great opportunity that Education Minister Berry has given the Canberra community. As mentioned in previous newsletters, the Minister has opened a consultation period to stimulate a conversation across the community about the future of education. This is an absolutely unique opportunity and may lead to the biggest change in education in the ACT since its establishment.

## 4 August 2017

### TERM 3

#### Monday 7 August

School Banking  
Bookings close for Trivia Night!

#### Tuesday 8 August

ICAS – English

#### Wednesday 9 August

#### Thursday 10 August

Canteen Open  
Breakfast Club 8.30-9.00am  
Year 6 Pairs Band Combined  
Rehearsal 9.00am-12.30pm @  
Miles Franklin Primary

#### Friday 11 August

Canteen Open  
Assembly: 2.10pm – Year 6 Band  
1/2 Limelight  
Uniform Shop – 3.00 – 3.30pm

**Trivia Night!!!**

*..... don't forget to  
check the Back Page*



Here are the 2 questions again:

- What works, or could be improved in our education system?
- How do we best meet the long term education and wellbeing needs and aspirations of all our children and young people?

You may email Susan directly with your thoughts on these two questions. It can be a one liner or a paragraph. If you wish to give your answer orally, you can leave your message on the school voicemail.

**Trivia Night:** Please consider supporting the Trivia Night on Friday 11 August. P & C committee members do an amazing job organising fundraising events. They would hate to cancel it again due to lack of support. There are two teacher tables in competition with the parents. May the best team win!

**One more reminder:** There is a Working Bee on Saturday morning starting at 9.00am (weather permitting). Jobs include trimming trees at preschool, planting and tidying the front gardens and painting chalkboards in the new sensory area. Any offers of help will be greatly appreciated.

**Louise Frawley**, Literacy and Numeracy Field Officer / Junior Team leader

## Year 5/6 – Heron Island News

With the coming of August we are questioning where the year has gone. However, from a teacher's perspective we begin to really see the academic and social development that students have made over the last six months. In the 5/6 classes it has been wonderful to see those students who have taken on board the feedback from the half yearly reports and interviews and returned this term with motivation and desire to achieve their personal learning goals this semester.

In literacy we have been examining procedural texts, with particular focus on the structure and language features of this text types. Students have been using connectives and verbs to make their steps in the method as explicit as possible which has led to several published pieces already. We will begin to look at different types of poetry from next week to support the task of writing an effective poem this term.

In maths we have been focusing on the link between fractions, decimals and percentages this week and last week students were identifying the features of different triangles, such as isosceles, scalene and equilateral triangles. This involved students measuring side length and angle size to name each triangle accurately, based on its features.

This Friday we will be doing our first of three STEM challenges for the semester. STEM is a recent educational development that encompasses science, technology, engineering and mathematics into group and independent tasks to develop skills and understandings in these areas. We will be cancelling our regular Friday program for the day and devoting it to a group task this week.

Our first homework project went home on Monday and students have been asked to research an Asian country and present their research as an information report. The report is due at the end of week five and our next homework task, which is our annual Spring Project, will be handed out in week six.

Finally, August signals the return of hats on the playground and students have been given until next Monday to have their hat for play time. It was great to see so many students who had their hat ready for Tuesday this week and we congratulate those students for being great leaders and role models on the playground. The other great thing about August is that the warm weather will soon be here.

**Brent Griffiths**

## Flying Highs

**Onesi – Friendly Frogs:** This year you have demonstrated success in all areas of your schooling. You have strived to meet your learning goals in writing and maths. I can't stop telling everyone about your spelling test and how much you have improved. I love your positive attitude and that you walk in and out of school happy. Congratulations! Miss Thomas



**Mia – Planet Protectors:** Yesterday saw you take on a new challenge. As part of our investigation afternoon you, along with your classmates, were asked to produce a straw tower to hold a tennis ball. It was exciting to be able to discuss your invention with you, and challenge you by asking questions like "how will it hold the ball?" and "what will you do to make sure it stands up on its own?" Your optimism and can-do attitude meant that you were able to produce a tower which not only stood the tallest in the kindergarten unit, but also held the ball for a considerable amount of time. Keep up that critical thinking Mia. Continue to challenge yourself. Mrs Fleming

**Zoey – Planet Protectors:** You are showing me that you are a dedicated learner who is willing to have a go at everything we do in kindergarten. You are super polite and consistently show me your ability to "show 5", resulting in a wonderful improvement within classroom activities. Your writing is incredible to read - you use your knowledge of letters and their sounds to write tricky words and are continuing to increase your ability to read increasingly difficult books. You are using your knowledge of the world around you to make connections with your learning. I cannot believe how far you have come this year. Keep it up!!! Mrs Fleming

**Aurora – Planet Protectors:** I say it all the time, but Aurora, you are a super-star. Your attitude towards your learning is infectious. This week when your reading group was discussing why some words have "ing" at the end, you very quickly picked up on the reason and were able to apply it to a number of other words with ease. You have the ability to make a change Aurora. You have taken the school value of Success and are SOARing. I can't wait to see where you land. Mrs Fleming

**Lily - Earth Enthusiasts:** Lily, the energy and enthusiasm you put into your learning always makes me smile. I am especially 'wowed' by the effort you are putting into writing. You challenge yourself to sound out tricky words and are writing interesting sentences – all by yourself! I can see your brain thinking, as you work so hard! Keep up the amazing effort and anything is possible! I am super duper proud of you! Miss Lazarakis

**Zara - Earth Enthusiasts:** Zara, you have wowed me this week with your fantastic attitude towards school and learning. You are a fantastic listener and always ready to share your ideas. Zara, you are trying your hardest on all tasks, especially when writing. I love the way you are now independently having a go at all writing tasks! You are a caring friend and always treat others with kindness and respect. I look forward to seeing how you will continue to amaze me in Term 3. Miss Lazarakis

**Alice – Quirky Quokkas:** Alice, I love the way that you excel at your writing in class. Your positive attitude to the way you write is an inspiration. You always strive to produce quality work. I am also impressed at how you always try to help other members in Quirky Quokkas. I also love your energy and enthusiasm while participating in our GoNoodle activities. Ms Davies and Mrs Hawker

**Ellie – Quirky Quokkas:** Ellie, you are a dedicated worker and strive to produce quality work. You are a fantastic listener and are always ready to help others, making you a valuable member of the Quirky Quokkas. Mrs Todd also says that you are working hard and doing well in maths. Well done! Ms Davies and Mrs Hawker

## August is Hats ON

In Canberra average daily UV levels reach 3 and above for part or most of every day between August and May. When UV levels reach 3 and above the Cancer Council recommend a combination of sun protection behaviours to reduce the risk of skin damage which lays the ground work for skin cancer later in life, including deadly melanoma.



From the beginning of August through to the end of May sun protection will be required each school day in Canberra.

## Sports News

### Learn to Swim Program

Further information for the Learn to Swim Program which will be held at the AIS from 11 September to 22 September, went home this week. Please ensure notes are returned and payment is made by Wednesday 30 August. If you have paid the \$20 deposit, the balance of \$75 is owing.

### ALL@Evatt

Active Lunchtime Leaders @ Evatt (ALL@Evatt) is back this week.

The aims of the program are to:

- build leadership and communication skills;
- develop communication and organisational skills;
- provide opportunities for students to contribute to building a positive school environment that supports healthy, safe and active choices for everyone;
- give some of the junior children structured outside play opportunities;
- give the junior children a senior school buddy - a familiar face.

The year 5/6 students currently coordinating this program are Cilantro, Jaime, Rachel H and Sarah K. The program runs at B1 on Thursday for the Kindergarten children.

### School Sport ACT

#### Belconnen Track and Field Carnival

If you have been selected to represent Evatt School at the School Sport ACT Belconnen district track and field carnival of Tuesday 22 August please remember to return your permission note by Monday 14 August.

### Sport Trials

No new trial dates have been released this week, but please continue to check the School Sport website ( [www.schoolsportact.asn.au](http://www.schoolsportact.asn.au) ) for up to date information.

## Breakfast Club

We are looking for some more volunteers for our Evatt Breakfast Club. Each Thursday morning, our Breakfast Club serves a free breakfast to students in the canteen foyer from 8:30 – 9:00am.

If you're interested in helping serve cereal, toast and drinks to the kids please contact Felicity Kelly via [felicitymcnamara@gmail.com](mailto:felicitymcnamara@gmail.com) or leave your contact details at the front office.

## Uniform Shop

Uniform shop will be open week 4 - Friday 11th August from 3-3.30pm outside the hall.

## Trivia Night

We are still very low on numbers for the Trivia night on the 11th August. This fundraiser was planned so the adults could have a fun night out and meet others in our school community whilst raising funds for resources for our children. We would really appreciate your support for this event. Please register your table or yourself with the front office by Monday 7 August.

## Canteen

Available this term:

- Pumpkin soup - \$3.00                      Add breadroll - +\$1.00
- Minestrone - \$3.00                      Add breadroll - +\$1.00
- Mac & Cheese: L - \$4.20, S – \$2.10

## Woolies Earn and Learn

Collect stickers when you shop at Woolworths, then hand into the front office. There is also a box for Evatt School, at the Charnwood Woolworths.

## Evatt Eagles – Softball

Registration for softball is now due. An Expression of Interest form as been sent home or contact [evatteaglesssoftball@gmail.com](mailto:evatteaglesssoftball@gmail.com) for more information.

# Parent Direct Toy Fundraiser

This year we are using the Parent Direct Toy Fundraiser to raise \$\$ to purchase additional education resources. Parent Direct offers you to the opportunity to purchase quality educational toys with a direct benefit to our school.



Just by ordering toys from Parent Direct, up to 25 cents of every dollar you spend will be given back to the school. For every 20 orders, the school gets an additional \$200.

Catalogues will be sent home with Preschool-Year 2, with spares available at the front office. It can also be found at <http://www.parentdirect.com.au/page/pd-au-catalogue>. Log into [parentdirect.com.au](http://parentdirect.com.au) and nominate Evatt School for the fundraising voucher during checkout.

Thank you for your support.



## Come along to the Evatt School Trivia Night.

It will be a great night filled with fun, laughter, games and lots of prizes.

**Over 18's only**

When: Friday 11 August 2017

Time: 6:30pm for a 7pm start

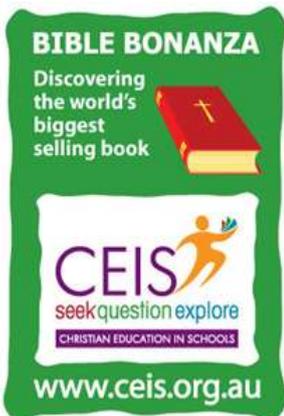
Where: Raiders Club Kippax, Hardwick Cres Holt

Cost: \$15 per head (this includes a platter of nibbles per table)

Book tables of ten for \$150, individual tickets are also available.

Some amazing prizes available - \$500 travel voucher, \$500 McDonalds Uniform Shop voucher and many more.

Please contact the front office to book and pay for your tickets. Tickets must be purchased by Monday 7 August 2017. We look forward to seeing you all there.



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

### Term 3 – Bible Bonanza

This term we will go on a thinking journey to discover more

about some different characters who are part of

the 'one big story' told in the Bible

**Only students with permission will attend.**

Christian Education In Schools (CEIS) occurs if parents request it for their children, under ACT legislation. Sessions are coordinated by CEIS, using approved resources and volunteers. If you wish to add your child to the current attendance list print the section below and return it to school or go to [www.ceis.org.au/yes](http://www.ceis.org.au/yes)

**Please return this section to the school if you wish to add your child to the existing list.**

**YES, I request that my child/ren listed below participate in the CEIS sessions offered at school.**

Child: \_\_\_\_\_

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Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Notes Due:

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

Excursion Medical Consent form

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0004/402295/Excursion-MedicalInformationandConsentForm.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/402295/Excursion-MedicalInformationandConsentForm.pdf)

Canteen Menu

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0005/393278/CANTEEN\\_MENU\\_2017.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0005/393278/CANTEEN_MENU_2017.pdf)

Canteen News

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0006/393279/Canteen\\_news.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/393279/Canteen_news.pdf)

School Intentions 2018

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0010/402796/School\\_Intentions\\_2018.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/402796/School_Intentions_2018.pdf)

Sensory Area Launch - Sausage Sizzle order

Due: 15 August 2017

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0011/403895/sausage\\_sizzle\\_note\\_-\\_wk5\\_T3.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/403895/sausage_sizzle_note_-_wk5_T3.pdf)

Evatt Eagles - Softball – Expression of Interest

Due: 11 August 2017

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0010/403894/Evatt\\_Eagles\\_Softball-expression\\_of\\_interest\\_form\\_2017.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/403894/Evatt_Eagles_Softball-expression_of_interest_form_2017.pdf)

Disco Hot Dog Order

Due: 12 September 2017

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0009/403893/Disco\\_Hot\\_Dog\\_Special\\_15-09-2017.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0009/403893/Disco_Hot_Dog_Special_15-09-2017.pdf)

P&C Slice Fundraiser

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/403892/Slice\\_Fundraiser.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/403892/Slice_Fundraiser.pdf)

Year 1/2 NMA Excursion

Due: 31 August 2017

[http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0015/404124/Year\\_1\\_and\\_2\\_Excursion\\_to\\_NMA\\_2017.pdf](http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0015/404124/Year_1_and_2_Excursion_to_NMA_2017.pdf)



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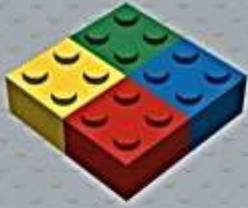
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## Where is it?

The Hellenic Club, Matilda Street Woden

## When is it?

1:30 pm - 6:00 pm, Friday 11th August 2017  
9:00 am - 6:00 pm, Saturday 12th August 2017  
9:00 am - 4:30 pm, Sunday 13th August 2017

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## Term 3 – 2017

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<b>4</b>	7 School Banking	8 ICAS English	9	10 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am Year 6 Band Pairs Combined Band @ Miles Franklin Primary School	11 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.10pm – Year 6 Band 1/2 Limelight Uniform Shop – 3.00 – 3.30pm <b>Trivia Night!!!</b>
<b>5</b>	14 School Banking Science Incursion Tennis Gala Day	15 ICAS - Maths	16 Maths Olympiad	17 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	18 Canteen Open Opening: Sensory Space 20/08: P&C Bunnings BBQ
<b>6</b> <b>Book Week</b>	21 School Banking	22 Belconnen U/12 Athletics @ AIS Limelight Technical Rehearsal	23	24 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	25 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.10pm – Quirky Quokkas Limelight Dress Rehearsal and Performance <b>27/08: Family Portraits– P&amp;C</b>
<b>7</b>	28 School Banking Yr 5/6 Boys Basketball	29 Father's Day Stall: 9.00-10.30am	30	31 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am Father's Day Stall: 9.00-10.30am	Sept 1 Canteen Open Father's Day Stall: 9.00-10.30am
<b>8</b>	4 School Banking Yr 5/6 Girls Basketball	5	6 Maths Olympiad	7 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	8 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.10pm
<b>9</b> <b>Swimming Program</b>	11 School Banking	12 Father's Day Stall: 9.00-10.30am	13	14 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am Learning Journey	15 Canteen Open CEIS Disco
<b>10</b> <b>Swimming Program</b>	18 School Banking Yr 3/4 Boys and Girls Basketball	19 ACT - Athletics	20	21 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	22 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.10pm – Year 3/4

## Term 4 – 2017

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>1</b>	Oct 9 School Banking	10	11	12 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	13 Canteen Open
<b>2</b>	16 School Banking	17	18	19 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	20 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.10pm – Yr 3/4
<b>3</b>	23 School Banking	24	25	26 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	27 Canteen Open

### SCOOOL 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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