

Evatt School

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



FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEACHER

With summer around the corner and warmer temperatures here, all students have enjoyed playing outside during breaktime, especially in our new garden.



Please remind your child of the importance of wearing a hat when playing outside, as the UV is already quite high. Today the message from the Canberra UV Index read as followed: 'Max UV Today, very high risk of harm from unprotected sun exposure. Alert in effect for 7 hours between 10am–5pm.



Opening of the new garden

Thursday 31 October 2019, the date for the opening of our beautiful new garden, is approaching fast and preparations for the event are in full swing. We are expecting Minister Berry, as well as other dignitaries from the Education Directorate. Students have been practising their parts in the event and some special food for lunch is on order. All parents are invited to attend this very special event but due to the size of our garden and the event proceedings there will unfortunately be no seating available.

25 October 2019

Saturday 26 October

Working Bee – postponed
(future date to be confirmed)

Monday 28 October

Tuesday 29 October

Wednesday 30 October

School Banking

Thursday 31 October

Breakfast Club 8.30am–9.00am

Canteen Open

MCSS – Technical Rehearsal

Canteen – Sushi Special

Garden Opening–11.30am



Friday 1 November

Fete tickets due

Canteen Open

Magellan Presentation – 1.30pm

Scholastic Issue #7 – orders due

*Don't forget to
check the Back
Page*

**FETE - Please purchase your discounted Pre-sale Ride tickets by
Friday 1 November, otherwise the rides will be cancelled.**

Taekwondo Superstar Jessica Walker

We are very proud to celebrate one of our very own students, who excels in Taekwondo, winning a gold and a silver medal at the national competition last weekend. Congratulations and well done Jessica!

Assessment and Reporting – Data Dive at Evatt School

Teachers at Evatt School are busy collecting and compiling assessment pieces, ready to write Semester 2 reports.

Assessing student learning is an integral part of the school classroom. It improves learning and informs teaching. It is the process through which teachers identify, gather and interpret information about student achievement and learning in order to improve and plan for further learning. Teachers use the achievement standards when planning for, assessing and reporting student learning and achievement. This involves teachers making ongoing professional judgements against the curriculum about students' knowledge, understanding and skills.

Teachers at Evatt School use a range of assessment techniques, including work samples, teacher observation, self-assessments, pencil and paper tests, assignment work, reading records, student/teacher consultations. These tasks allow teachers to cater for all learners and learning situations.

On Tuesday this week one of our own talented teachers, Susan Hammond effectively led the teachers of Evatt School in a rich discussion about data, offering her expertise in data collation and evaluation, time and resources to prepare all staff for using our new reporting format.

The purpose of twice-yearly written report cards is to provide parents/caregivers and students with a summary overview of achievement and progress for the current reporting period.

'Select and Succeed' in Your Passion

Starting last week and led by **Mark Nicholson (Mr Nico)**, saw the 3 – 6 teaching teams offering the fortnightly program 'Select and Succeed', whereby students were offered a broad range of programs to select one that they feel most passionate about. Teachers, on the other hand, selected a program that they feel passionate to teach. A perfect learning situation, lots of fun and most importantly lots of learning was evident from the very beginning. The feedback from teachers and students was extremely positive.

Curiosity is at the heart of teaching and learning. This quality of inquisitive thinking, exploration and investigation facilitates intrinsic motivation, prepares the brain for learning and makes subsequent learning more rewarding (Gruber, Gelman and Ranganath, 2014; Stenger, 2014).

Great teachers foster curiosity in their students and have it themselves for the knowledge and skills they teach. They also bring that spirit of inquiry to their teaching practice, searching for ways to increase their positive impact (AITSL, 2011).

The 'Select and Succeed' initiative meets the above description very well and showed a high engagement rate across years 3 - 6.

Nicole Zimmer

Executive Teacher

Urgent – Due Dates Fast Approaching – 2020 Camp

In 2020, the year 3/4 and 5/6 groups will be attending camp. Camps provide a great opportunity for students to develop teamwork, social skills and independence and it is very important to us to have as many students attend as possible. The school requires advance numbers for these camps to assist with planning, and so the permission due date is before the payment due date.

As this activity has an outside provider it is not subject to the voluntary contributions policy, and payment is required for the successful running of the camp. Students not attending the camp will follow an alternative program at school, with student numbers determining the activities provided.

Notes were sent home with students last term, and links to copies of the note can be found later in this newsletter. Please note, that we will not be able to accept late permission notes after Friday 29 November 2019. We have supplied a timeline to assist you. Due to the complexity of the excursion, there are a series of permission/information notes that will need to be returned to the school at specific times.

Year 3/4 - 2020 Camp Due Date Timeline:

1. Payment Plan Lodgement due: (optional)	Please enquire at the front office
2. Permission note due:	Friday 29 November 2019
3. Payment due:	Wednesday 11 December 2019
4. Student Agreement due:	Wednesday 11 December 2019
5. Dietary requirements notification due:	Monday 14 December 2019
6. Medical note due:	Monday 14 December 2019
7. Changes/updates: Dietary or Medical information	Wednesday 6 February 2020
8. Medication administration form (if required) and medication:	Wednesday 12 February 2020

Year 5/6 – 2020 Camp Due Date Timeline:

1. Payment Plan Lodgement due: (optional)	Please enquire at the front office
2. Permission note due:	Friday 29 November 2019
3. Payment due:	Wednesday 11 December 2019
4. Student Agreement due:	Wednesday 11 December 2019
5. Dietary requirements notification due:	Monday 17 February 2020
6. Medical note due:	Monday 17 February 2020
7. Medication administration form (if required) and medication:	Wednesday 26 February 2020

Japanese News

Recently our Japanese Teaching Assistant, Maruka, moved on from her stay with the Simmons family. During her time with them Maruka enjoyed a trip to the National Museum, watching movies and playing Uno with the family. Thank you very much to the Simmons family for the kindness and support you showed Maruka.

Maruka has now moved to the Karszniewicz family for the next part of her time in Australia. Thank you very much to both families for your support of our Japanese Program at Evatt School.

Remember to contact the school if you are able to host next year's Japanese Teaching Assistant. Please consider this rewarding opportunity and contact Quayle Sensei for more information.

Think U Know

The ACT Education Directorate has partnered with the Australian Federal Police to host a **ThinkUKnow** cyber safety presentation, and all parents, carers and teachers are encouraged to attend!



When? Tuesday 26 November 2019 @ 6:30pm-8:30pm

Where? Gungahlin College Lecture Theatre, 23 Gozzard Street, Gungahlin Town Centre ACT

ThinkUKnow Australia is a cyber safety education program that educates parents, carers and teachers on how people are using technology, the challenges they may face online, and how to help them overcome these in a safe and ethical way.

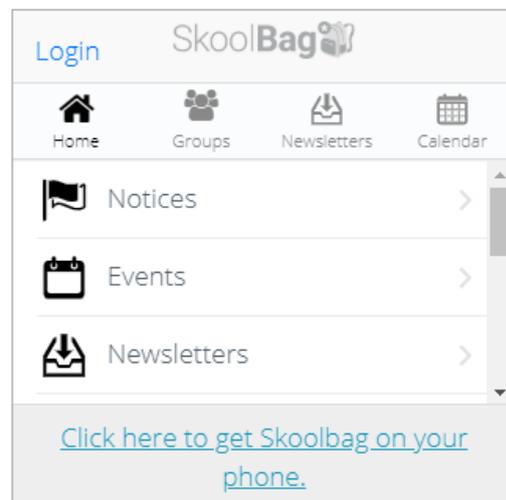
The presentation covers issues relating to children and young peoples' privacy and security online, their relationships with other users, and their online reputation. It provides insight into the devices young people are using, as well as the popular websites, apps and social networking sites they're accessing.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about young people and the online environment, and how you can help them to be safe and responsible users of technology.

The event is FREE but please register your interest on [Eventbrite](#).

Skoolbag School App – Don't Miss a Thing!

Please subscribe to our Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our parent and carer community. To install it, just search for our school name 'Evatt Primary School' in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Alternatively, if you google 'Evatt Primary School Skoolbag App', it will be listed in your search.



Fete Information & Links

Ride information

- Multi ride passes are valid for any Camelot Amusements rides (**The Storm, The Teacups, Giant slide, Jurassic Adventure, Horizontal bungee & Putt Putt golf or any substitute ride**) for the duration of the Fete (11am – 3pm).
- Multi ride tickets will be on special for \$25 each at our Eventbrite page <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/evatt-primary-school-fete-tickets-68982304931> or can be ordered on line at <http://www.school24.com.au/> (School ID number 25180963)

A certain number of pre-sale tickets must be sold for the rides provider to attend, so please support us by purchasing your tickets early.

Important links

- Pre-purchase your Multi ride passes \$25 each and Discount vouchers \$10 each from our...
Eventbrite page - <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/evatt-primary-school-fete-tickets-68982304931> (#Discount voucher not available through Eventbrite)
 - Schoolbag24 - <http://www.school24.com.au/> (School ID number 25180963)
- We need your help!
 - Please head to our online volunteer roster and add your name – <https://volunteersignup.org/HXMDR>
- Fete news
 - Keep up to date with Fete news on our P & C Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1952988988294191/>



Select and Succeed

Last week the students in years 3-6 began the Select and Succeed Program. The students have all chosen different activities and are working in mixed groups. The first session was extremely successful.

The students chose from:

- Jacob's Ladder - Mrs Steward
- Move your groove thing - Mrs Toohey
- Stop animation - Mrs Santos
- German immersion - Mrs Zimmer
- Boardgames - Mrs Stratton/Mrs Martin
- Musical props - Miss Linsell
- Musical rehearsal/Drama - Miss Argaet
- Community impact - Mrs Fleming
- Exercise Science - Mr Niko
- Coding - Miss Hammond

Year 5/6 students have shared information about their groups.

Jacob's Ladder- One of the groups is Mrs Steward's Jacob's Ladder. The Jacob's Ladder is a wooden toy which was said to be found in King Tut's tomb. For our first lesson we got our 7 wooden blocks and sanded them with sandpaper, but some of us decided to use concrete instead. Next week we start painting our blocks. The first session was so much fun.

By Ema

Musical - Select and Succeed is a group of activities we have the option of choosing. I'm involved in the school musical where, in our group, Miss Argaet taught us fun improv games. We are working on these games, so we feel ok with making mistakes in front of people. The cast also acted out a few scenes that are going to be in the school musical.

By Evie

Dance - We are a small group of people that are learning about different dance moves. Mrs Toohey would like us to create our own dance moves so that they can be a part of our dance that we will eventually create. Everyone has come up with a song that they would like to do for a dance. This program is to learn things above and beyond.

By Hannah

Coding - Our group's aim is to learn how to code using the website code.org. It teaches you coding with blocks that have lines of code in it. Code.org also has a fun section called 'Hour of Code'. Some of our codes have different themes from making animals dance to making Alex or Steve move in your coded Minecraft. The fun can't run out.

By Will

Exercise Science - At the start of exercise science Mr Niko went through some criteria like the goals and aims. After going through the criteria, we went outside and did some basic moves like push ups and sit ups. In the end Mr Niko wanted us to push our bodies to the limits.

By Harry

Community Impact - Community impact with Mrs Fleming was awesome. We went around the school making a list of things we could do around the school such as repainting the cubbyhouse. Next time we are going to walk from the oval to the shops and make another list. I really enjoyed this group.

By Zeke

Stop Animation - Stop animation is about taking tons of pictures and putting them into a video and learning about illustration. Stop animation is used quite a lot in movies. In the first session of our group we had to build using Zoetrope.

By Archer

Notes Due:

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

Canteen News and Menu 2019

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/439379/Canteen_News_and_menu_term_1_2019.pdf

2019 Voluntary Contributions and Stationery Contribution

Years K-6

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/390742/2019_Vol_Cons_and_Stationery.pdf

2019 Voluntary Contributions and Craft Contribution

2019 Preschool

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0020/409061/2019_Vol_Cons_and_Craft_Supplies_-_preschool.pdf

Japanese Assistant Host Families 2020

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/451660/2020_Host_Families_Needed.pdf

2020 Year 5/6 Camp – Cooba

Years 4 and 5

Multiple due dates

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/452468/Cooba_Camp_Year_5_and_6_2020.pdf

2020 Year 3/4 Camp – Birrigai

Years 2 and 3

Multiple due dates

http://www.evattps.act.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0005/452507/Birrigai_Camp_Year_3_and_4_-_2020.pdf

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Term 4 – 2019					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	28	29	30 School Banking	31 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am Canteen – Sushi Special Garden Opening–11.30am MCSS – Technical Rehearsal	Nov 1 Canteen Open Magellan Presentation – 1.30pm Scholastic Issue #7 – orders due
4	4	5 MCSS – Dance Showcase ANT's – Dream-in Cricket	6 School Banking Year 5 Combined Band @Miles Franklin PS	7 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am Outdoor Classroom Day	8 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.15pm – Year 3/4
5	11 <i>Remembrance Day</i>	12	13 School Banking	14 Canteen Closed Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	15 Canteen Closed 17/11 - Evatt School Fete
6	18 Bandstrav Rehearsal	19 Bandstrav Evening Performance	20 School Banking	21 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	22 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.15pm – ANT's
7 Preschool Open Week	25 Spring Expo	26 Information Nights: Preschool – 5.00pm Kinder – 6.00pm	27 School Banking	28 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am Japanese Day	29 Canteen Open
8	Dec 2	3 Canteen Xmas Party – Preschool groups only	4 School Banking	5 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	6 Canteen Open Canteen Xmas Party Assembly: 1.40pm – Year 1/2 (note earlier time) Parent Helper Afternoon Tea – after assembly
9	9 Technical Rehearsal (cast only)	10 Whole School Rehearsal	11 School Banking Concert: Matinee	12 Canteen Closed Concert: Matinee and Evening Performance	13 Canteen Closed CEIS
10	16 Moving Up Day	17	18 School Banking Year 6 Graduation – AM Year 6 Dinner - PM	19 Canteen Closed Year 6 – Farewell Assembly Last Day!!!	20 <i>See you in 2020!!!</i>

Term 1 – 2020					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	3 First Day – Preschool M/T, M/W and Kinder	4 First Day – Yrs 1-6	5 School Banking	6 Canteen Closed First Day – Preschool Th/F	7 Canteen Closed
2	10	11	12 School Banking	13 Canteen Open Breakfast Club 8.30am-9.00am	14 Canteen Open Assembly: 2.15pm

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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