Dear Parents and Friends,

Our Newsletter........

is so much better in colour!
Have a look on our website or as an email and see the difference!
If you would like to receive it each week online, please let the office know your email address and we will include it in our circulation.

Aspire Me Drama Camp

We are the girls who went to Drama Camp on Thursday 23rd April and Friday 24th April. Our names are Phoebe O’Neill, Tara Sykes, Alyssa Townsend and Maddisun Lavars. Danielle, our drama teacher, taught us how to use our vocal cords. We learnt that yelling causes blisters on your vocal chords.
Danielle was fun and easy. With Spencer McGill, we learnt about improvisation. This is when you have to make up something on the spot. Some students did a workshop with Helen Dickie, where they looked at monologues. They were acting like they had changed the universe. At the end of the 2 day program, we performed a show which went for 30 minutes. The theme was Looking Through The Glass. We would like to thank Danielle, Spencer, Helen, Ben, Kate, Edward Public School and Berrigan Public School for giving us the opportunity to attend the drama camp.

Alyssa Townsend, Maddisun Lavars, Phoebe O’Neill and Tara Sykes

Class News

Each week this term, a class will have the opportunity of sharing their learning journey with the school community through the newsletter. This week, we hope all readers enjoy reading about what’s been happening in the 5/6 classrooms.

Afternoon Tea

Last Friday, more than a dozen members of the school’s Aboriginal community met for afternoon tea. As a group, there was open discussion about the school, what it is doing well for its Aboriginal students and areas where improvements can be made. Special thanks to our Aboriginal Education Officer, Lisa Jones, on her coordination of this meeting and to all those who were able to attend.

Creative Catchment Kids

Today, our 4 participants in this innovative program met with students from other schools undertaking the 2015 program. Jack Michael, Georgia McCulloch, Ruah Fagiri and Nathan Kelvy will be representing EPS. We are confident they will gain much from their involvement this year and will include their report in next week’s newsletter.

Executive Network Day

Today, Mrs Blacker, Mrs Evans, Mrs Bermingham and Mrs McKinnon met with Director, Ms Kempton, and executives from other schools for a professional development day. Such networking opportunities are essential for maintaining currency with educational and administrative practices.

Excursion Meeting

In an effort to keep parents well informed, a meeting has been scheduled for 5.30 pm today to outline plans for the stage 3 excursion to Sydney and to answer any questions and concerns. The meeting will take place in the library and it is not anticipated to go for very long.
P&C AGM
This special meeting is scheduled for tonight at 7pm. Please refer to P & C notes for more information.

Mother’s Day Stall
Students will be given access to this stall during class time this Thursday 7th May. Please refer to P&C notes for more information.

Athletics Carnival
The following timetable is for parents who would like to come to the carnival tomorrow. Please note that these carnivals can no run strictly to time and that these times are only a guide.

9.00am - Normal assembly
9.15am - K-6 March Past
9.30am - 800m events (5,6,7 year olds to watch)
10.15am - Age Races (5 - 13 year olds)
11.00am RECESS (some field events will still continue)
11.30am - Continue with program-mainly 200m races 5,6,7 year old novelty events
12.50pm LUNCH (some field events will still continue)
1.15pm - K-2, 200m races
1.30pm - Finalists announced and marshalled 5, 6, 7 year old novelty events continue
2.00pm - House relays

Parent Helpers
Like all major school events, we need the help of our wonderful parents to assist at our athletics carnival. Having parents to do jobs like raking the long jump pit, rolling back shot puts and giving out ribbons makes the day run a lot more smoothly. We hope to see you Friday.

Track Marking
A huge thank you must go to Dean and Rhonda Blacker, Chris Shaw, Anthony Bradley, Peter Bermingham and Glenn Hayes who were responsible for marking our athletics track for this week’s carnival. Also thank you to Glenn for rotary hoeing our long jump pit to make for a much softer landing. We really appreciate you giving up your precious time to make our carnival a success.

NAPLAN
A reminder to all parents and carers that these mandatory tests are scheduled for next week. Language Conventions and Writing will be held on Tuesday, Reading on Wednesday and Numeracy on Thursday. The attendance of all students in years 3 and 5 is extremely important on these days.

Website Information
The 2014 Annual School Report has been uploaded onto the school’s website and can be viewed there. The 2015-17 School Plan has also been uploaded for your reference.

Term 2 Calendar
Please find update attached.

Canteen Roster

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NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING
Deniliquin Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. (DLAECCG)

When: Monday 18th May 2015
Where: Deniliquin Aboriginal Land Council
       426 Wood St
       Deniliquin
Time: 4:30pm

Agenda Items and Apologies to:
Matthew Daniels, President
03 5898 3725
Email: matthew.daniels.15@det.nsw.edu.au

Light refreshments will be provided

ALL WELCOME
Feel free to bring a friend and/or other interested people.
Membership fees: $2
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**Stage 3 Blurb**

**Literacy**

5/6RB & 5/6NB have been given the great opportunity to tap into some terrific writing workshops using Video Conferencing. Each week, 2 presenters from Bathurst Museum have been bombarding our students with how to begin and structure a perfect narrative. The core ideas have come from the dinosaur stimulus around the museum. Here is a snippet of an introduction from an aspiring young writer.

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As I walked up the beach I could smell the salty sea air and feel the waves crashing at my heels. The giant tropical forest loomed ahead and I could hear the horrors within. The loud roar of a nearby T-Rex was deafening. There were Pterodactyls flying and screeching over my head. The drops of crystal clear water on the leaves shone like diamonds in the bright sunshine.
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Chloe Blenkiron

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**Mathletics**

Both stage 3 classes have been using Mathletics to support and reinforce new maths concepts taught in class. This diverse program allows individual needs to be met through careful selection of tasks at the student’s appropriate level. They simply log in and complete the set teacher assigned tasks. They can also show parents the program and their progress from home. This is a fun, technological way to access maths in the 21st century.

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**Patty Pan Tuesday starts Week 4**

**Health, Personal Development & Physical Education**

Students will continue to enhance and increase their knowledge about their physical, emotional and social development. They will be continuing to discuss anti-bullying and child protection.

All stage 3 students are enjoying the 100 lap challenge. This, together with Jump Rope for Heart, should ensure we are meeting the requirements for the Premiers’ Sporting Challenge.

Students have enthusiastically participated in athletic trials and are looking forward to our carnival on Friday.

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**ANZAC CENTENARY**

Students have been exposed to various forms of multimedia to develop a deeper knowledge and understanding of the 100 year anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli. A cross curricular plethora of exciting activities have been planned.

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**Home Reading**

All Students are reminded that they need to bring in their home reading record book to their class teacher each Friday.
Mother’s Day Stall Donations - We are desperately seeking donations of items for the Mother’s Day Stall which will be held on Thursday. Donations can be left at the office. Every child will be given the opportunity to buy something for their Mum for $2 or $1 so PLEASE remember to give your child a gold coin on Thursday. Please contact Felicity Michael on 0488054356 if you can help.

AGM - the AGM for the Edward P&C will be held THIS TUESDAY 5th May at 7pm in the staff room. Come along and have a say in your child’s school. We are looking in particular for a Secretary. This job mainly involves taking the minutes of the meeting and emailing them. If you would like to know more, contact Felicity.

Athletics Carnival - the canteen will be operating as normal this Friday. Children are able to order from the regular menu, as well as from the menu below. Parents and visitors can purchase WITHOUT ORDERING.

- Tea/ coffee - $1
- Water - $2
- Hot dog & sauce - $3
- Ham & Cheese toasted sandwich - $3
- Cup of soup - $2
- Steamed Dim sims - 80c each
- Chicken Burger - $5

Canteen – A huge thank you to our canteen helpers who have kept the canteen running while Pauline is away with a family emergency. Thanks to Debbie Gazzara, Sacha Jeffries, Sarah Graham, Kerrie Parsons and Kylie Green. Without these generous people, the canteen wouldn’t be open. Please if you can help, fill in the form below.

Canteen Roster – Can you help?

Name: ____________________________ Contact Tel: ______________________

Day: (circle) Mon Wed Thurs Fri

How often? (circle) Every week Every fortnight Every month

Time (circle) Preparation 10.15 - 11.15 Lunch 12.15 - 1.15 All day 9.30 - 1.30

Comment: ____________________________________________________________________