From the Principal

2015 Celebrations and Reflections

There have been many things to celebrate for our community as we reflect on the extensive moments of 2015. We have been recognised for our outstanding Curriculum Design and Social and Emotional programs; we have continued to have excellent improvement and development as indicated by our NAPLAN results. A focus for the year has been Improved Student Learning and this has driven our teacher Professional Development for the year with the employment of a Co Teaching team.

Our community has a strong name for its interactions with the broader community and this tradition has been extended this year. We introduced Drum Beat as a leadership preparation for Year 5 students delivered by PCYC; YFS has provided an innovative self-esteem program, The Club; Kids Hope Mentoring continued and will grow next year; daily YMCA Breakfast Club provided most students with a brain growing beginning to the day – breakfast. Our students have enjoyed the hospitality of the Men’s Woodwork Shed for a hands on woodwork weekly opportunity.

We have enjoyed the learning opportunities provided by Gala days, sports carnivals, camps, excursions, swimming lessons, university visits, and gifted and talented days. As a whole school we participated in singing a song, with our own musical accompaniment, with the nation as part of Count-Me-In. Our choir has performed at numerous events and had a sleepover at the school this year. We celebrated Literacy and Numeracy Week, Under 8’s Week, P & C Day, World Teachers Day, Office Staff and School Officers Day and NAIDOC Week. We walked to school as a large group with balloons to celebrate Walk to School Day.

Our dedicated P & C has creatively raised funds all year and have supported extensive facility projects throughout the school including the fake grass in the Prep precinct and our huge fan in the hall. We enjoyed discos, Mother’s Day and Father’s day stalls, a special Mother Day pancake breakfast and our first Concert on the Green. Our Student Council have also given back to the community by raising funds with Free Dress Days for Cancer Research for men and women, Daniel Foundation and Angel. We have worked hard at continuing to build our relationships with our local Child Care centres and continue to support families and children before they begin school through our Butterfly Wings program and 1-2-3 Parenting.

The all-embracing range of events and learning opportunities that we provide at Eagleby State School contribute to not only student learning outcomes, but also to opportunities for our community to build partnerships and spirit.

We look forward to the roll out of more exciting opportunities in 2016. We will commence 2016 with a refurbished front office, a shade shelter over the Drop and Go area, as well as the Year 1 and 2 sandpit. Next year our curriculum extends to include Atomic Theory in Science with a visiting Scientist, more WiFi extensions for every classroom and building, additional technology, an expansion of our Co Teaching Team, Music, Dance, Visual Art and P.E. with specialist teachers and much more. 2016 at Eagleby State School will be a great year!
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Farewell to our Year 6 Students
On Wednesday we had our Graduation ceremony and evening to celebrate a significant milestone with our 2015 Year 6 students. The evening began with a formal ceremony in our hall where we enjoyed the breeze provided by our new huge fan. The Year 6 students looked magnificent and represented themselves well. The Graduation Parent Committee worked tirelessly to organise a disco, lolly bar, chocolate fountains and photo booth as special treats for the Year 6’s. Families all brought along a scrumptious array of delicacies for everyone to enjoy and share. It was a night to remember! We will miss these exceptional young people and wish them well on their next educational adventure in High School.

Awards winner were as follows:

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Thank you to the committee, parents, students and teachers that all contributed to ensure this was a great memory for the students.
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Announcing our 2016 School Captains and Leaders

We are delighted to announce our 2016 School Captains and Leaders. These students have participated in a thorough selection process and we look forward to their contributions in 2016.

School Captains: Kali Barnes, Teliaha Eschler, Martin Joukoff, Kyla Morse, Loven Neilsen and Bailey-James Renfew

House Captains:
Logan: Jaycie Hamilton and Charlotte Thompson
Flinders: Ajay Brook, Alex Saverin and Tameetha Tillyer
Oxley: Summer Collier, Liz Masoe and Jaai Richards

Music Captains: Abby Gibson and Mikaylah Grech

Environment Leaders: Mercedes Wood and Claudia McCormick

Community Leaders: Rykila Cregan, Jasmin Elliott and Melissa Scholfield

Technology Leaders: Isabella Kerr and Daniel Thompson

Concert on the Green

This year we enjoyed our first Concert on the Green relishing our newly constructed stage. We would like to thank Michael Crandon for his invaluable support in ensuring that the stage happened. The stage was constructed with minimal cost to the school due to the kindness of Dan from Visual Adversity, who organised and built the stage with his colleagues as a service to our community. We will always remember this generosity towards our community. Thank you Dan!

The evening provided an opportunity for students to showcase their moves and for the community to gather together and enjoy every moment. Our outstanding P & C worked behind the scenes for some time to organise great food and market stalls, which all added to the relaxed feeling of the evening. Our teachers also worked very hard to ensure that every class performance was polished. The Concert on the Green was a collaboration between the Concert Committee of teachers and the P & C. A great partnership of willing workers. We plan for this to be an annual event.
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To access photo gallery please use the link http://bit.do/eaglebyssphotos
2016 School Uniform Expectations

Sporting Teams, Work Teams and School Teams often identify that they are united in their purpose and objective by wearing a uniform. At Eagleby State School we have a strong community that supports our students being a part of a proud school. **How we present ourselves in our uniform, helps to illustrate our shared focus and that we are united as a community.**

So that families **do not WASTE MONEY in preparation for 2016.** I wanted to clearly state the following are the uniform expectations, as agreed by our P & C for 2016. If you have your child enrolled at this school, you have signed the enrolment form stating that you are in agreement with these uniform standards.

The part of the **Uniform Policy Agreement** that I need families to clearly understand is:

- Students are to wear the Eagleby State School polo shirt and not a bottle green shirt
- Students are to wear predominantly black or white shoes with black or white shoe laces
- Students are **not to have ‘tracks’ or hair dye in their hair**
- Ear rings are to be small and nose piercings are not permitted
- Students are **not to have a ‘rats tail’ at their neck**

**GIRLS’ UNIFORM**
- Green shorts / Skorts or Checked dress (only up to size 8)
- Eagleby State School Polo shirt with logo
- Joggers – predominantly black or white with black or white laces
- White socks
- Eagleby State School sun safe hat – (bucket)
- Bottle green tracksuit – no hoods permitted.
- Girl’s hair must be tied up (bottle green or black ties) if collar length or longer.
- Jewellery - Sleeper style earrings and watch only.
- Coloured polo shirt (red, blue, yellow) as per house for sports carnivals.

- Students must not adopt dress or grooming that will cause undue comment or attention such as immodest attire, coloured and unusual haircuts, Mohawks and tracks etc. or make-up/fingernail polish.
- Except for small studs or sleepers and watches, no jewellery is to be worn. Medical alerts/cultural items to be referred to school administration - (These items should be covered at all times)
- Clothing worn under the uniform should not be visible.
- Hats, footwear and shirts must be adequately protective. **THONGS, VISORS, BEANIES, CAPS, HOODIES, SLEEVELESS OR SINGLET TOPS ARE THEREFORE NOT ALLOWED.**

**FOOTWEAR**

Students are required to wear closed in shoes which are predominantly black or white, with black or white laces and white socks to school each day.

**HATS – No hats no play**

It is endorsed policy at Eagleby State School (by the P & C Association and staff) that all students are required to wear sun safe hats when playing in the playground. Between 9.00am and 3.00pm, students not wearing hats will be directed to sit in our sheltered “NO HAT ZONE). This policy has arisen out of our concern for the damage caused by the sun to skin and Qld Government policy. **Caps are not permitted.**

**FREE DRESS DAY**

Free Dress Days are conducted occasionally as fundraisers. Whilst children are free to come to school out of uniform, the Dress Code as outlined above must be strictly adhered to. In addition, T-shirt with negative slogans or images must be avoided.

Thank you to parents and students for supporting our community and the values that we have agreed on around how we present ourselves and identify as Eagleby State School

2016

Wishing everyone a wonderful and safe summer holidays. We look forward to seeing everyone on the **27th January for the first day of school in 2016.**

Our office will be open and available for enrolments and information from the **18th January.**

The Uniform Shop will be open during the following times:
- Monday 18th 9 – 11am
- Tuesday 19th 11- 1pm
- Wednesday 20th 1 – 3pm
- Thursday 21th 11 – 1pm
- Friday 22nd 9 – 11am
- Monday 25th 10 – 12pm

Libby Jordan - Principal
End of Year
As we come to the conclusion of another year, it is appropriate to take the opportunity to reflect. As a school we have had a very successful and busy year, and I am sure the students, staff and parents are looking forward to the break. It has been my pleasure to be a part of the team at Eagleby State School this year as Deputy Principal.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their commitment and enthusiasm in leading our students. At Eagleby State School we are privileged to have such great teachers who are dedicated to achieving the best possible outcomes for your children.

At this point it is important to recognise the contribution of our parent community. Thankyou for your dedication and service to the school, whether it has been through the P&C, assisting in the classrooms, volunteering at community events or in any other capacity of service.

Prep 2016

**ENROL NOW TO SECURE YOUR PLACE FOR PREP 2016 – Enrolments are due in now!**
If your child was born between 1 July 2010 and 30 June 2011, they are eligible for Prep in 2016. We are currently taking enrolments at the school in preparation for next year. If you have a child eligible for Prep or know someone who does, please collect an enrolment pack from the office.

**Our school office will be open from Monday 18th January 2016 to take any late enrolments.**

*Lara Smith – Deputy Principal*
From the classroom.......Aqua D

Geography: In Geography we have been looking at other countries and how these countries are connected to Australia. Some of the countries chosen include the Cook Islands, Greece, Italy, Samoa, New Zealand, the United States of America and South Africa. We also found out some interesting facts about our countries; for example, Italy has only been a country for 153 years, and that New Zealand was the first country to give women the right to vote.

Science: In Science we have been looking at how the states of different matter can be changed and if those changes can be reversed. We did a fizzing experiment where we firstly had to predict what would happen if we put different materials into 4 different bottles, then cover each bottle with a balloon. We needed to predict which balloon would blow up the most, which would indicate a gas being formed from the materials being mixed in the bottle. The bottle with the most gas was the one with water, sodium bicarbonate and tartaric acid.

What are we learning at school?

School Holiday Reading for kids of all ages!

Encouraging your children to pick up a few good books during the holidays is a great way to keep their hard-earned reading skills from slipping.

Choosing good holiday reading books for your child

It may be stating the obvious, but the best books you can buy or borrow for your kids during the holidays are the ones that your child will actually read. Find out how many words they like to see on the page for it still to be fun to read, check out the last book they enjoyed, ask them what topics interest them – and don't be afraid to expand their horizons.

A visit to the Premier's Reading Challenge website lists great books that are available in bookshops. The books are listed in age-challenge levels with lots of detail to check out. Remember they are just a guide so if you have a child in Year 3 who is a good reader, you may like to look at the challenge level 5-6 booklet and use the extra information about the book to make sure the content is suitable.

When reading to young ones, you may want to pick a book you love too (as you will be reading it over and over with them).

Books for young kids

For boys and girls in Kindergarten to Year 2, you can't go past the fun rhyming text of Ursula Dubosarsky's The Terrible Plop. The team also recommends Libby Gleeson's Clancy & Millie and the Very Fine House.

For boys and girls in Years 3 and 4, Ballroom Bonanza by Nina Rycroft is a fabulous rhyming alphabetical picture book with detailed illustrations and some other hidden attractions to keep kids happy for more than just one reading, and Nette Hilton's The Adventures of a Late-Night Swearer and The Walk Right in Detective Agency series by Moya Simons have heaps of humour and a quirky appeal.

Books for tweens

Girls in Years 5 and 6 will enjoy Sally Murphy's Pearl Verses the World, the story of a girl who writes in blank verse and belongs to a group of one, and boys will enjoy any of the crazy but cool books in Andy Griffith's Schooling Around series. More advanced readers in this age group may like Noodle Pie by Ruth Starke, an Australian-Vietnamese story.

So visit your local library and enjoy some precious reading time with your children!

Felicity Pyke
Head of Curriculum
Students of the Week
3-12-15

+ AKW - AKW - A consistent effort in all classroom work this year
+ AD - Mirela - Being helpful & a leader in her words & actions at all times.
  & - Tamia - Having a positive attitude towards your peers & your learning.

Recipients of Diamond Awards are:

Jazz PB, Elektra PB, Hope PB, Maxwell PB, Lachlan PB, Andrea RB, Travis RB, Isabella RB, Izaiah RB, Tahquesia RB, Caleb RB, Jayden RB, Eliana RB, Genie RB, Isaiah RT, Nejla RT, Reece RT, James BA, Phoenix BA, Nicholas BA, Harmony BA, Samantha BA, Azarias BA, Robert BA, Unique BA, Vitoria BP, Jasmin BP, Alex BP, Charlotte BP, Summer BM, Daniel BM, Jarrell BM, Monique BM, Rickechei AD, Jherick AD, Tenisha AKW, Grace AKW, Silia PH, Zenen GG, Athena GG, Corey GC, Harlem RB, Jayden RB, Lakers BA, Hannah BP, Liz BP, Jordan AD.

Congratulations & well done!!!!!

ALL ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL MUST BE EXPLAINED
ABSENTEE PHONE LINE - (07) 3442 5360 please use this number instead of the office number.
Please leave child's name, date and reason for absence
Tuckshop is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for 1st and 2nd breaks.

Please use Australian currency only as we are unable to bank foreign currency.

NO HOT FOOD WILL BE SOLD DURING 2ND BREAK

All 2nd break lunch orders MUST be collected from the Tuckshop. There is no class basket this break.

Please remember that lunches are to be ordered at the Tuckshop before class time.

Volunteers needed for Tuckshop. If you could spare some time to help in the Tuckshop, please see Sandy our Tuckshop Convenor, or leave your name and contact details at the office.

Tuckshop news:
Prep students are welcome to order their lunch from the Tuckshop, but they cannot go to the Tuckshop at break times.

Thank you
As the school year comes to an end, I would like to say a special thank you to a few people that have been a tremendous help to the P&C throughout the year. These people include: all P&C members that have worked so hard during the year to give the students the little extras at school including discos, book club, school banking, tuckshop, uniform shop, Easter Raffles, Mother’s and Father’s Day stalls, our yummy Mother’s Day breakfast, sports day food stall, the fun a thon, the Concert on the Green food and cake stalls, the mega Christmas raffle and the list goes on. The P&C saw many new members in 2015 and with these new members came more hard workers, wanting what we all want, to let the students of Eagleby State School enjoy those little things in life that are enjoyable. Thanks P&C members.

Thank you to Sandy and Cassie as our tuck shop and uniform shop conveners. These two services are provided by the P&C and if you would like to help in 2016, in either of these area please have a chat to Sandy or Cassie.

We must also say thanks to the ‘Village People’ for all their help in many activities. The teachers, teacher aids, Richard and the cleaners are always willing to help. The office staff: Julie, Tiarna, Amanda and Tania for all their help and support. These special people do so much behind the scenes work, and they are always there to give a helping hand to the P&C.

Thank you to the parents and carers of the Eagleby State School community for your support.

Lastly a BIG thanks to the students for their happy faces and great manners.

Thank you to our parent volunteer Cassie for providing this service to our families.
Keep a watch on our school these holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school.

If you see anything suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene.

Call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

Keep the number handy – 13 17 88 – and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

For more about the School Watch Program contact Education Queensland’s School Security Section on ph (07) 3237 0874.

Join The Eagleby Giants JRLFC in 2016

In 2016 the Giants will have...

New Playing Fields
New look jersey
Improved player packs

Join the Eagleby Giants JRLFC at their new Home ground - Olivia Sports Complex Eagleby

For more info call Arthur: 0422 261 286
## Christmas Church Services 2015

### Beenleigh Anglican
- **Enquiries:** 3287 2525
- **Christmas Family Service**
- **Midnight Service**
  - 24th Dec: 7:30pm
  - 24th Dec: 11:30pm

### Beenleigh Baptist
- **Enquiries:** 3807 366A
- **Carols Evening - Carols Night**
- **Christmas Morning Service**
  - 20th Dec: 5pm
  - 25th Dec: 8am

### Bethesda Lutheran Beenleigh
- **Enquiries:** 3807 6600
- **Christmas Eve Service**
- **Christmas Day Service (1st)**
  - 24th Dec: 7pm
  - 25th Dec: 7pm
- **Christmas Day Service (2nd)**
  - 24th Dec: 9am

### Beenleigh Salvation Army
- **Enquiries:** 3408 4592 225
- **Carols on the lawn with Beenleigh Brass Band**
- **Christmas Day Service**
  - 20th Dec: 6pm
  - 25th Dec: 9am

### Bridge Community Church
- **Enquiries:** 3432 733 189
- **Christmas at the Creek**
  - (5pm BBQ and free kids activities)
  - (7pm Carols by Candlelight)
- **Christmas Service**
  - 5th Dec: 5pm
  - 25th Dec: 8am

### Centro Centre
- **Enquiries:** 3306 55 56 26
- **Christmas @ Centro**
  - 20th Dec: 9am

### St. Patrick’s Catholic
- **Enquiries:** 3287 5655
- **Children’s Mass**
- **Youth Mass**
- **Carols and Bible reading**
- **Midnight Mass**
- **Christmas Day Masses**
  - 24th Dec: 6pm
  - 24th Dec: 8pm
  - 24th Dec: 11:30pm
  - 25th Dec: Midnight
  - 25th Dec: 7 & 9am

### Twin Rivers
- **Enquiries:** 3382 4000
- **Christmas Eve Service with Carols**
  - (Followed by supper at 8pm)
  - 24th Dec: 7pm

### Bethania Lutheran Church
- **Enquiries:** 3200 8557
- **The Drama of the Christmas Story**
- **Christmas Day Service**
  - 24th Dec: 7pm
  - 25th Dec: 8am

### Citynet Church
- **Enquiries:** 3807 2169
- **“Aussie Winter Wonderland Christmas Spectacular” (Pre-activities start at 2pm)**
- **Christmas Day service**
  - 12th Dec: 6pm
  - 23rd Dec: 8pm

### Mt. Warren Park Community Church
- **Enquiries:** 3807 1917
- **Christmas Day Service**
  - 25th Dec: 8.30am

### St. Peter’s Lutheran Alberton
- **Enquiries:** 3287 2084
- **Children’s Christmas Nativity**
- **Christmas Day Service**
  - 29th Nov: 4pm
  - 25th Dec: 8.30am

### Woongooloa Bethesda Lutheran
- **Enquiries:** 3287 2084
- **Children’s Christmas Service**
- **Jacobs Well Carols by Candlelight**
- **Christmas Day Service**
  - 13th Dec: 9.30am
  - 20th Dec: 5pm
  - 25th Dec: 7am

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**Happy Christmas to all from Beenleigh and District Churches Together!**

**Join us to celebrate Christmas!**

(Beenleigh and District Churches Together support CE and Chaplaincy in local state schools)