Planning for our Future

Eagleby State School is currently in its Quadrennial School Review cycle and we are asking for parent and family input into our School Planning and direction for the next four years. We believe that we have the best school in Queensland, however we want to make it even better to achieve the best possible outcomes for our children. Please return the surveys to the school office by next Friday September 6 with your feedback and suggestions for the future. The surveys can also be downloaded from the school web-site, QSchools App or alternatively, collected from the office. As part of the planning cycle, Eagleby State School recently underwent a full “Teaching and Learning” Audit, conducted at the school by external personnel over two full days. The auditors collected a range of data and information about school practices, programs and procedures in the area of teaching and learning. We are very pleased to announce that we scored High/Outstanding in each of the eight areas of the audit and you are encouraged to view the results of this audit on our web-site.

25th birthday party preparation (September 7)

Eagleby State School turns 25 years of age on Saturday September 7 and everyone is invited! We are presently finalising plans for the fete which will run from 10am until 4pm with an official celebration at the stage at 11am. Arm-bands for the rides can be purchased from the school for $20, giving the students unlimited rides from 10am until 3pm on the day. Please just leave the money in an envelope with your child’s name at the school office. (Alternatively, they can be purchased on the day of the fete for a cost of $25.) Available on the day is entertainment, stalls, food, face painting and Harley Davidson rides (at a cost of $5, generously provided by Gasoline Alley Harley Davidson, Springwood) as well as a multitude of fun! Please bring all your family and friends to join us in this special celebration. Also available:

- Orders for 25th anniversary photograph
- 25th anniversary mugs
- 25th anniversary screen-printing available for t-shirts, t- towels ($3 per print) - please bring your shirts, tea-towels etc

You can bring in t-shirts for yourself and your child before the fete day with $3 for each item, allowing your child to wear the shirt to school all of next week as preparation for the fete. Paint colours available for printing are bottle green, burgundy or white; please specify what colour you would like. (Note that white can be printed onto their House colour t-shirt, allowing them to wear the shirts again on sports days.)

Thank you to all staff and families for all the time dedicated to preparing for our fete day! If you would like to assist on the day, please come to the next fete meeting this Thursday August 29th at 3pm in the seminar room or contact Sandra Eastwood on 0413 912 189. The P&C Association are still in need of volunteers on the day.
I look forward to sharing afternoon tea with you each Thursday following assembly. Have a great week!

Suzanne Jolley - Principal

Inspiration from Blind Guitarist

Last week, Lorin Nicholson gave inspirational presentations to school staff, the whole school body and then a separate presentation to our Year 6 & 7 students.

Lorin inspired the students with his own personal story of overcoming a disability to achieve his life goals. He talked about the importance of believing in yourself, having a go, perseverance and striving for excellence. This is Lorin’s second visit to Eagleby State School and hopefully not his last; thank you to Laura Graf for coordinating this presentation!

Leadership day

Our student leaders recently attended another Junior Chamber of Commerce breakfast, held at Canterbury College. The guest speaker was Michael Latter, State Member for Waterford.

Where is Robert, the travel bear?

Robert is due to touch down again in Australia this Saturday, following an exciting trip to the USA and Canada. His next expedition will be to Vanuatu during the September holidays.

MUSIC - The Haka

We are on the search for a talented person to teach some of our students the Haka to be performed at this year’s fete on the 7th of September. If you are able to assist in teaching our students please contact Ms Sheppard to arrange a suitable time.

Fete Performers

If you are involved in a group activity and would like to share your talents and promote your group at our fete please contact Ms Sheppard MUSIC with details.

Sharon Sheppard
Prep 2014

If your child was born between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009, they are eligible for Prep in 2014. We will soon be conducting Prep interviews 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 and we will organise an interview time. Our Prep readiness program for 2014 began today with our Prep Expo and the Prep Parent Information session on Thursday September 5 from 9am. We will also be conducting our prep transition program during Term 4.

Lara Smith - Deputy Principal

Deputy’s Column

Students of the Week - 15-8-13

- SL - Tia - For settling in really well in her first week in SL.
- PF - Ezekiel - For being a super listener & staying on task.
- PP - Bryce - Always having a go & answering questions in literacy & numeracy.
- AB - Joshua - For working hard on his Ancient Rome research.
- AK - Jaiden - Outstanding participation in science discussions this week.
- BJ - Kai - Making an awesome start at his new school.
- GG - Claire - Friendly new member of GG.
- RM - Daniel - Reading confidently with expression.
- RP - Mikayla - Improving with her reading.

Students of the Week - 22-8-13

- SL - Caprice - Having a positive attitude towards learning.
- SB - Kennedy - For always trying her best to improve her learning.
- PF - Malachi - Consistently making responsible choices in class.
- PP - Jahmayah - Sitting silently in Daily 5 rotations & focusing on her work.
- AB - Chantelle - For respecting our school values & demonstrating honesty.
- AK - Paris - For consistently handing in homework at a great standard.
- BP - Malachi - Working hard in Literacy & contributions to class discussions.
- BJ - Liam - Great effort on his recount.
- BB - Nicholas - For being a kind & respectful student.
- GR - Gabriella - Writing some fabulous super sentences.
- GG - James - Using impressive sentences in daily writing.
- GB - Seth - Making smart choices every day, always giving his best & being super proud of his efforts.
- RM - Montanna - Using beautiful manners today.

Diamond Awards

Recipients of Diamond Awards are:


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.
From the classroom........PF

From the classroom........SL

Silver L has been learning about their personal history and events that have occurred in the past. We are also learning about celebrations and festivals in our country and other cultures. There is a timeline in our room that we add these special events to so that we can see the order in which they occur on the yearly calendar. We also have a display in our classroom called ‘Our Museum’. It has items and photos from each of the students’ past. They include items that are significant to them, such as, first item of clothing or shoes, umbilical cord clamp, favourite teddy when they were a baby, a piece of hair from their first hair cut, hospital wrist band, baby books, baby blankets, and baby jewellery. They are on display in our silver block classroom for anyone to come and have a look.

On Wednesday we enjoyed having our grandparents in to show them what we have been learning and to spend some time doing activities with them. We loved singing to them and reading our grandparents poem.

Emily Litzow.............SL
Fête Sponsorship: To celebrate its 25th anniversary Eagleby State School will be holding a fête Saturday 7th September 2013. The P&C and fete committee are seeking sponsorship in the way of monetary donations or goods for raffles. If you’re a business owner or employed at a company which may be interested in sponsoring our fête, we can provide you with a sponsorship letter to forward to the relevant person in your business. All sponsors will be mentioned in the school newsletter as well as on the thank-you board on the day.

Thanks to the YMCA receiving a large donation of breakfast cereal for the breakfast program, our students will be enjoying some delicious and nutritious cereal.

Subway: This will be offered again on the first Monday of the month, this time being on Monday 2nd Sept.
Order forms were sent home, and must be handed in to the uniform shop Friday morning 30th August with the correct money - no change is available.

EAGLEBY STATE SCHOOL FETE.
Saturday 7th September 2013
Donations Wanted

Any craft items are welcome, for a craft stall. Homemade jams, sauces and preserves. (Please note: all ingredients must be listed)

Wanted - Clean unfilled glass jars (coffee jar size) with screw top lids.
DEAR PARENTS & CARERS: All pick-up arrangements should be made with the students prior to arriving at school, where possible.

PLEASE NOTE: Although we try, we cannot always guarantee that messages will be able to be passed on to students.
Blue P and Green B are
SCREEN PRINTING
at our Fete!

ONLY $3 WITH YOUR CHOICE OF 3
COLOURS – GREEN, MAROON OR WHITE

Bring along a t-shirt or t-towel & have this as a
memorable keepsake forever!

Or bring a t-shirt in your house colours to school
for screenprinting before the fete & you can wear
it to school next week & to our sports carnivals.
PLANNING FOR OUR SCHOOL’S FUTURE – PARENT/CARER SURVEY
QUADRENNIAL SCHOOL REVIEW

At Eagleby State School, we are currently developing our four year strategic plan, which will identify our priorities and goals for the next four years. As part of the review process, we would therefore like to invite you to have your input into the development of this plan by completing and returning this survey to the school office by Friday September 6 2013. If you need more room than provided for your comments, please use the back of the sheet or staple an extra sheet to this one. Thanks for your anticipated co-operation—warm regards
Suzanne Jolley  Principal

**Consider**

**TEACHING AND LEARNING**

What is our school doing well?
- Curriculum Programs
- Student needs
- Learning Experiences & Opportunities
- Skill Development
- Use of Technology
- Learning Support
- Students engagement
- Relevance & quality of Learning activities

What could be improved?

**Consider**

**SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT**

What is our school doing well?
- Relationships
- Behaviour Management (SWPBS)
- Communication
- Student Welfare
- Student Leadership
- Safety
- Facilities
- Grounds

What could be improved?

What do you believe are the most important things for our school and its students to achieve over the next four years?

1. ______________________________________________________
2. ______________________________________________________
3. ______________________________________________________
4. ______________________________________________________
5. ______________________________________________________