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Facebook
We are excited to introduce you to our Eagleby State School Facebook page.

How do I keep up-to-date with what is happening at Eagleby State School?

CHANGE can be OK
“If you don’t like something, change it. If you can’t change it, change the way you think about it.”
Many times in the past, I’ve complained that things weren’t fair. Sometimes, I was legitimately wronged. Other times, I victimised myself to avoid taking responsibility, for example when I didn’t prepare well and bombed at a community theatre audition, but attributed my failure to favouritism. As an indignant adolescent, I blamed many of my difficult early experiences; it wasn’t my fault that I was angry all the time; there was just a lot to be bitter about. At least that’s what I thought back then.
One day, when I was commiserating with a friend who was upset about a seemingly unfair situation in her life, I wondered: What good does this do us? Grumbling about injustice doesn’t make things just and the ensuing hostility doesn’t help us effectively address things that need fixing.

You can’t create positive change from a negative mindset.
Studies have shown that the reward centres of our brains activate when we recognise fairness, even when it pertains to someone else. When we witness unfairness, it triggers our amygdala, the primitive part of the brain that controls fear and anger.
Every day, we have abundant opportunity to recognise injustice, on scales large and small, in our own lives and the lives of people we love.
Those people who don’t let unfairness make them bitter aren’t somehow better than others. They aren’t necessarily people who haven’t experienced severe injustice or inequality; and they also aren’t people who simply accept whatever happens without ever taking a stand.
The people who handle unfairness well possess three things in common:
- They catch their emotional response before it leads to obsessive thinking
- They think rationally before they act
- They recognise the difference between what they can control and what they can’t

We can’t change mistreatment that happened in the past. We can address mistreatment that’s happening now. We can’t change someone else’s decision or behaviour if they aren’t willing to change. We can change how we respond to them. We can’t guarantee specific outcomes for our actions, but we can increase our odds of making a difference by being clear-headed, patient, and consistent.

Student Toilets
At the beginning of the year, we trialled using soap dispensers and paper towels in the student toilets. The students found it difficult to avoid the temptation to use the soap to wash more than their hands. Soap ended up on the walls, clothing and the floor. The soap-covered floor meant that it became unsafe with students slipping. Students thoughtfully tried to help by using paper towel all over the floor. Health Authorities have advised that when hands are rubbed together vigorously under running water, effective cleaning occurs. We have found that the toilets are now safe for all students without the soap and we have stopped wasting a huge amount of paper towel with students’ air-drying their hands.

‘When a person washes their hands with water and rubs their hands together vigorously they can get rid of the same amount of germs and bacteria that soap does. In fact, depending on how the soap is stored—on the sink where it can create puddle of water, closed areas, etc.—the soap can end up developing bacteria and spread the bacteria to hands when used’ Rin Mitchell.

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible
Basketball Court
We are fortunate that our Basketball/Netball courts are being resurfaced. The courts had many cracks and particular areas that were especially slippery due to age.

Education Week
At the time of writing we are in the midst of our action packed Education Week.
Our Spelling Bee illustrated that there is some natural talent at Eagleby State School. Congratulations to Robert R. from Red T who was the Year 1 – 3 Spelling Champion.
From the Principal cont........

Our School Photos have now been taken for 2014.
On Friday the school participates in our annual Walk To School event and Under 8’s Day.

Subway Support
On Saturday 17th May, our local subway supported Eagleby State School. For every subway sub sold, $1 was given to support our Year 5/6/7 camp. We raised $157 towards the subsidised price of the camp. Subway has also contributed $209 to our school so far for 2014 through Subway Lunches.

Libby Jordan - Principal

Deputy’s Column

Importance of Homework
I would like to strongly encourage you to support your children with their homework each week. It is important that your child has a set place to complete their work at home and is encouraged to regularly complete homework at the same time each afternoon, preferably before they are involved in other activities. The discipline and good work habits established early at primary school will set your child up for success as they further their studies at secondary school and beyond. Please contact your teacher if you would like further information to assist your child with their homework.

Disco
It was great to see so many students come to the disco and enjoy the night. All students looked great in their crazy gear and great fun was had by all.
A big thank you the P & C for putting on the disco and the BBQ.

Lara Smith – Deputy Principal

Life Education
Life Education will be visiting our school from Wednesday the 21st May to Wednesday the 28th May. All classes from Prep to Year 7 will attend an educational session. Parents are invited to a free Life Education Parent Session on the 27th May from 8:30am – 9:30am in the Life Education Van. Please return to the office the information slip indicating if you can attend by Friday 23rd May.
This term, Red B has been learning about the life cycles of living things as part of our Science unit. As part of our learning journey, students have begun growing their own plants from a seed. The seeds have begun the process of germination which means that the seeds have received water and warmth, and have begun their life cycle. It has been very exciting to see the changes in our seeds!

We have had a large focus on reading this year and have been learning how to choose good-fit books. We have been sharing what we like about our choice of books and what makes our books a great fit for each and every one of us. Red B has also been learning about a range of great strategies that we can use to help us understand what we read and make reading a FANTASTIC experience!

Miss Burness
Red B

Lately the office has been receiving many last minute requests for change of pickup places, people and times for students across all year levels. We realise many of these changes are unavoidable but we ask that firm arrangements are made with your child/children before they leave in the morning.

Alterations to these arrangements should only be made in an emergency.
**Students of the Week - 8-5-14**

- AM - Mason - Always being a respectful & responsible student at Eagleby State School.
- AR - Johnathon - A fantastic start to Eagleby State School.
- BJ - Naomi - An outstanding effort on her writing.
- RA - Tameetha – Improvement in her attitude towards the school rules.

**Students of the Week - 15-5-14**

- SL - Leela - Doing an amazing fairytale retell to the whole class.
- PB - Julian - Doing a fantastic job in science & making good choices.
- PD - Ammar - For being a wizz in place value.
- AM - Shayne – Always being a helpful & responsible class member.
- AR - Rabia - For always being a respectful & responsible class member.
- GR - Jaden - Working really hard to improve his reading & writing skills.
- RA - Red A - For displaying resilience & perseverance this week.

**Congratulations & well done !!!!!!!**

**Awards**

**DIAMOND AWARDS**

Recipients of Diamond Awards are:


**SWPBS Focus of the week**

Follow Instructions

Instructions HELP us reach our goals

Instructions are HELPFUL Directions . . .

SO JUST STOP this START that

Keep on going you are on the right track........

**WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY**

On Friday, 23 May, we will be holding the annual National Walk Safely to School Day. We are encouraging all students to walk to school on this day. Walking to school is fun, good for the environment and much healthier than driving. Students need a minimum of 30 minutes exercise every day. One step uses 200 muscles, that is far more than using 17 muscles from smiling. So why not combine both and walk to school smiling!

This year a FREE APP is available to download. The App maps children’s walks to and from school. Participants can challenge themselves, classmates, other classes and even other schools and they can win great prizes! Take the challenge and go to walk.com.au

We will be meeting at Cecil Clark Park on Friday 23rd May at 8am to walk to school, so please join us!
Tips for reading aloud to your child

Reading to your kids is one of the best gifts you can give them. Not only is it a great way to bond, but you're also preparing your child to read on his own.

It takes a while to get used to reading aloud. But with a little practise and these tips, you too can become a master storyteller.

Set aside special times each day to read to your child
Select a place that is cozy, quiet and away from distractions.
Cuddle up together so you can laugh, be silly, relax and enjoy!
Read to children... don't expect them to read. If they chime in on a word now and then, it's a bonus.

Pick a great book
Choose books that interest both you and your child.
Choose books with rich illustrations so you have more to talk about than the words on the page.
Read children's favourites as often as they want to hear them!

Read slowly with expression and enthusiasm
Read at a leisurely pace with pauses here and there. This gives children time to take in what they hear, to notice the pictures and to build mental pictures of what you have read.
Read with expression and feeling - try different voices and sounds - make the snake hisssss and the door creeeak! Use pacing by reading slower or faster as the story changes.

Involve your child
Stop and talk about some of the pages. Don't feel like you have to read uninterrupted.
Share your feelings with each other during exciting or sad parts.
Make mistakes: This is fun to do, especially when reading a book you've read a hundred times before. Try replacing words and let your child correct you. For example, try saying, "Don't let the pigeon drive the car!" and you'll be met with screams of "the BUS!" Not only does this involve your child, but it also shows him that it's okay to make mistakes when reading.

Ask questions
Ask your child to find things in the illustrations. Many books have things hidden in the illustrations for this purpose. Look closely at the pictures and use them to understand the story and make predictions about what might happen next.
"What do you think is going to happen next?"
"What would you do if she were the character?"
"Where did he go? Why did she do that?"
Kids love showing off their knowledge. They love knowing a book or story thoroughly and in detail - pretty soon, they'll be asking you questions.
Knowing there will be questions gives them a reason to pay even closer attention!

SLEEP – HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

Preps
Prep students are recommended to sleep about 10 to 12 hours per night. A prep student who gets adequate rest at night may no longer need a daytime nap. Instead, a quiet time may be substituted.

School-Age Children and Preteens
School-age kids need 10 to 12 hours of sleep a night. Bedtime difficulties can arise at this age for a variety of reasons. Homework, sports and after-school activities, TVs, computers, and video games, as well as hectic family schedules might contribute to kids not getting enough sleep.
Lack of sleep can cause irritable or hyper types of behavior and may make it difficult for kids to pay attention in school. It is important to have a consistent bedtime, especially on school nights. Be sure to leave enough time before bed to allow your child to unwind before lights out.

http://kidshealth.org
Next P & C Meeting will be held on the 11th June 3pm in the Seminar Room - All Welcome

Uniform Shop Opening Hours

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Lay-by welcome
Cash Only
-no eftpos

School banking started again Friday 2nd May. Please hand banking to class teacher and please make sure you have completed a deposit slip so your banking can be processed.

Tuckshop

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.

School Banking

We have had food service training, which was attended by Shirlene, Jane & Rob.

**Raffle** - we have a raffle for a $35 voucher to be used in the uniform shop. Tickets cost $1 each and can be purchased from the uniform shop during opening hours.

**Chaplaincy Week** - Happy Chappy Week to our wonderful Chappy Nick who continues to do an amazing job with our children.

**IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE**

**Parking** - the Staff car park and the Administration car park are for staff and official visitors only.

For safety reasons **do not drive into these areas - do not drop off or collect students** from these areas as this is the main area used by students with bikes and scooters.

Car parks are available for parents at the front of the school for the purpose of student drop off and collection.

To ensure the safety of our children, please do not drive into the school grounds or the staff or administration car parks, this area is **NOT** for dropping off and picking up students.

P & C Meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Seminar Room at 3pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Hope to see you there.
Parents - For your information

Roster for Assembly Term 2
2pm Thursdays

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Sales begin Wed, 21st May until 26th May 2014
Times: 8:15 - 8:45am; 11:15 - 11:40am; 2:45 - 3:15pm
Where: The Library

Under the Commonwealth Government’s Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) which commenced on 1 January 2014, children aged from 2 to 17 years, whose families receive Family Tax Benefit A, will qualify for dental services up to the value of $1000 per child per two years. The CDBS requires a parent/legal guardian to attend all dental appointments with their children and sign the necessary forms.

From 22 April, all dental examination and emergency appointments will be made by calling our Oral Health Hub (the Hub) on 1300 300 850. Families can make appointments at any of our school dental clinics or other clinics in Metro South Health, by calling this central number.
JACOBS WELL VILLAGE
ARTS BY THE SEA FESTIVAL
24TH MAY 2014

SATURDAY 24TH, ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

7:00am - 2:00pm  Arts and Craft Markets, Rides, Food and Community services displays, Village Green
10:00am - 2:00pm  Entertainment Park Stage
9:30am - 2:00pm  Street Performers, Main Street in the Village
9:00am - 4:00pm  Meet local artists that love, sharing their Art and Sculptures in an exhibition Hosted by Don J Waters, Village Galleries
2:00am - 4:00pm  Open Mic Comedy afternoon, Jacobs Well Tavern

Evening  Join us for a night of elegance and dance the night away to 80’s band “BACK TO THE FUTURE”, hosted by the Jacobs Well Tavern. Tickets available soon. Like us on facebook for further updates on events and times.

Follow us for news and updates at: https://www.facebook.com/JWFestival

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