From the Principal

Helping your child have LIFE LONG SUCCESS

Sometimes the concept of ‘intelligence’ is misunderstood. Intelligence is not a fixed trait that children simply possess, but something that they can cultivate through learning. Research has shown that intelligence is something that can be increased through a student’s efforts.

It is a child’s effort that needs the focus of parents and teachers. We know that, of course, there are differences among people in how much they know and in how quickly they master certain things, however, this does not determine life long success. The effort that a child puts into learning is what determines success.

When parents focus on the idea that everyone, with effort and guidance, can increase their intellectual abilities, success can follow.

This perspective has many repercussions for students. It makes them want to learn. Why waste time worrying about looking smart or dumb, when you can become smarter? In fact, students with this view will readily sacrifice opportunities to look smart, in favour of opportunities to learn something new. Even students with low confidence in their intelligence thrive on challenge, throwing themselves wholeheartedly into difficult tasks – sticking with them.

What makes students feel smart? Engaging fully with new tasks, exerting effort to master something, stretching their skills and putting their knowledge to good use, for example, to help another student to understand something complex.

Self-esteem is a positive way of experiencing yourself when you are fully engaged and are using your abilities to the utmost in pursuit of something you value. It is something we equip children to get for themselves by teaching them to value learning over the appearance of smartness, to relish challenge and effort, and to use errors as routes to mastery.

When parents and teachers combine to influence a student’s perspective of their capability to succeed; through the effort that they put in, partnered with the understanding that this builds self-esteem and a hardness that students display as they confront difficulty, they can only succeed.

We encourage all parents to assist in their child’s success by ensuring they put in the effort to be at school every day, on time everyday and putting in 100% effort.

If we all join together with this purpose, every student will succeed.

Choir Success

The choir sang joyously, moved magnificently and grooved skillfully for our community partners at Palm Lake Resort. Many of the Palm Lake Resort residents volunteer in supporting student learning; reading groups, breakfast club, woodwork, chess club, science and maths extension, as well as generally care for us! It was a privilege for Eagleby State School to do a little something in return. Thank you Ms Sheppard for leading our fantastic singers.

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Eagleby Express
Eagleby State School - Learning Together
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Strong Minds, Healthy Bodies, Successful Futures

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School Banking
Friday morning to class teacher

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NAIDOC Celebrations

This week we celebrated NAIDOC week. NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced to the emergence of Aboriginal groups in the 1920s which sought to increase awareness in the wider community of the status and treatment of indigenous Australians. This week was a time to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and an opportunity to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make.

Our NAIDOC celebrations included boomerang throwing, dreamtime story telling with drawing, Indigenous games and dancing. We finished the day with a special assembly with a guest musician and a whole school dance performance. The class art works decorated our hall. It was a day to remember.
Parent Teacher Interviews
Many parents took advantage of the opportunity provided by our dedicated teachers to discuss their child’s progress in all Learning Areas. This is an invaluable time for parents to hear where their child’s learning has come from and where their learning needs to go next. When parents actively engage with the teachers, learning success always occurs.

Fun Run
Our Fun Run is now a well-oiled machine with the morning running very smoothly. There was a good time for runners, spectators and organisers with glorious weather and enthusiastic community spirit. The event was strongly supported by the following sponsors: Michael Crandon provided bottled water, Bert van Manen sponsored the jumping castle, Jennie Breene sponsored the winners’ prizes, Wesley Mission sponsored the medallions, Twin Rivers, Calvary Care and Bendigo Bank sponsored the breakfast and Subway sponsored the cash prizes for the winners. Our Palm Lake community supported us with our Race Marshalls. Our School Chaplain organised the day for us, with the support of many dedicated teachers and staff members. Our P & C supported that day with a raffle and cooking the breakfast. A tremendous community effort! Thank you to everyone who came along and worked so hard for such a great morning.

Our Fun Run Winners for 2014 are:

| Prep-3 1st Male | Nicholas 9m 47s | Logan |
| Prep-3 2nd Male | Bailey 11m 34s | Flinders |
| Prep-3 3rd Male | Kevin 11m 35s | Oxley |
| Prep-3 1st Female | Maddison 11m 43s | Flinders |
| Prep-3 2nd Female | Amy 14m 50s | Oxley |
| Prep-3 3rd Female | Isabella 15m 41s | - |
| 4-7 1st Male | Dennis 9m 18s | Oxley |
| 4-7 2nd Male | Daniel 10m 16s | Flinders |
| 4-7 3rd Male | Ajay 12m 10s | Flinders |
| 4-7 1st Female | Anika 9m 31s | Flinders |
| 4-7 2nd Female | Kiara 9m 42s | Logan |
| 4-7 3rd Female | Hannah 11m 13s | Logan |
| 3k Run 1st Male | Blade 28m 37s | Logan |
| 3k Run 2nd Male | Cody 40m 3s | Logan |
| 3k Run 3rd Male | Mike 40m 4s | Logan |
| 3k Run 1st Female | Kyra 28m 55s | Flinders |
| 3k Run 2nd Female | Sandra 30m 30s | Oxley |
| 3k Run 3rd Female | Marshiah 30m 30s | - |
| 5k Run 1st Male | Cameron 21m 23s | Flinders |
| 5k Run 2nd Male | Dylan 24m 25s | - |
| 5k Run 3rd Male | Jeremy 27m 22s | - |
| 5k Run 1st Female | Clison 27m 48s | Oxley |
| 5k Run 2nd Female | Paige 33m | Flinders |
| 5k Run 3rd Female | Amanda 39m 6s | Logan |
Eagleyby State School is a “uniform School” because the Parents’ and Citizens’ Association, representing the parents of this school, decided, at the outset, to support the wearing of a school uniform. The advantage of wearing a school uniform includes developing a sense of belonging to a group, pride in membership of that group and identification of students travelling to and from school.

After consultation with the school community, Eaglesby State School and the P&C Association developed a Uniform and Dress Code that allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities.

Thank you to all parents for supporting the School Uniform and Dress Code, including, keeping hair neat and tidy. If long, it needs to be tied back or pinned away from the face for male and female students. Extreme hair colours and/or extreme hairstyles (e.g. Spikes, Mohawks, Tracks or Rats-tails) are not permitted and can be very costly. A good compromise, if your child asks for one of these haircuts is to state that it is not appropriate for school, however it may be a treat for the school holidays.

Also, a kind reminder that our school jumper is bottle green with no hood. The Uniform Shop is open on Friday mornings between 8.30am-9.00am and Friday afternoons between 2.30pm-3.00pm.

Once again, thank you for your support.

Lara Smith – Deputy Principal
Blue K have been studying biographies in English this semester. We have been reading and deconstructing biographies to gain a deeper understanding when writing our own biographies. We took a particular interest in a biography written about the famous Australian author, Jeanie Baker. To link this with our interest, we took her award winning book, “Windows”, and wrote stories that could match the illustrations in the book. Here is one of our student’s wonderfully, creative writing pieces.

Windows
Jeanie Baker

PAGE 1: In 1991 a baby named Sam was born in the outskirts of Australia’s bush. His mother shows him the front yard of their newly built house every day. Little did they know their beautiful bush will be transformed entirely?

PAGE 2: Sam now 2 watches the wildlife from his window and from the outside, curious about what is out there.

PAGE 3: Standing on a box in a superman costume, 4 year old Sam watches the houses and farms across the road.

PAGE 4: Sarah is waiting for Sam to come so they can go to school together, as they walk they look at the farms and they talk about how a lot can change in 7 years.

PAGE 5: A bored Sam has to stay inside because of the pouring rain, he does what he’s told even though all he wants to do is play outside on his swing.

PAGE 6: Holidays have come and to pass the time Sam is building a treehouse, wanting to make it just like the brand-new houses across the street.

PAGE 7: With cuts and bruises, Sam is going through a bad stage, from the window he tries to slingshot pigeons for the fun of it.

PAGE 8: Sam and his soccer mates, Jack and Carl, practise for the big game until they accidently hit Sam’s bedroom window.

PAGE 9: At 16, Sam needs to remember everything at high school from putting the cat away at night to bringing his science homework.

PAGE 10: With more house and shops than ever before Sam buys a rundown motorbike and tries to restore it.

PAGE 11: When Sam’s suburb becomes a city, he becomes an adult, he has his own car and his own responsibilities, and he finally finds himself a girlfriend, his best friend from when they were 6, Sarah.

PAGE 12: The removal van has come to take Sam’s stuff to Sarah and Sam’s new house.

PAGE 13: At 24, married and with a baby, Sam shows his child the front through the window of their newly built house.

During term 3, the literacy focus in our class has been all about Australian animals. The facts that we have learnt have then been transformed into an informative that includes correct spelling, correct punctuation and 4-5 really interesting sentences. So far we have learnt about wombats, bats, kangaroos and koalas. We have written informative texts together and independently. Here is one we wrote together as a class.

Bats: an informative text.

Bats have warm blood, feed their babies milk and have fur, which puts them in the mammals category. However, bats are special mammals because they are the only mammal that can fly.

Bats eat insects, fruit and nectar. Baby bats don’t eat food when they’re really young, they drink milk but older bats drink water from lakes, ponds and rivers.

Bats sleep during the day and are awake at night which makes them nocturnal. When they are asleep, they hang upside down.

Written by Purple D
Students of the Week - 31-7-14

- AM - Claudia - Settling well into her new school.
- BK - Ramoni - Being respectful & kind.

Students of the Week - 7-8-14

- SL - Tuna - Always having a happy & positive attitude at school.
- SF - Jai - Being a super keen listener during NAIDOC celebrations.
- AM - Charli-Rea - Using great research skills in Science.
- BJ - Raymond - Fabulous participation during NAIDOC activities.
- GR - Gabrielle - Trying hard to improve her reading strategies.
- RA - Kadence - For always trying her hardest in class.

Recipients of Diamond Awards are:

Congratulations & well done !!!!!!!

Move and Groove class for 2-5 years.
A fun and active class to get kids moving to music.
Low cost activity as part of Logan City Council’s new Live Well Program.
$3/child.
Enquiries ph. 0417479188
Two Class Available:
Eagleby Community Centre
Fyrr Rd Hall
Thursdays 9:30-10am
Logan East Community Centre
Wednesdays 9:30-10:15am

How to order your
Extra Curricular Group Photos for
Eagleye State School

All students appearing in the following photos should have been notified on how to place an order, via a personalised letter, issued within their school photo sethel.

- Eagle Rocks
- Music Instrumental
- Prep - Year 6-7 (students who have attended some Prep and are new to their final year)
- Student Council

These letters contain the information required for you to purchase your child’s photos from our secure website. Our secure website allows viewing of all photos available to your child, before making your purchase.

The cut off date for ordering these photos has been extended until Friday 15th August, 2014.

If you have not received one of these letters, and your child was photographed in one of the groups listed above, please contact our office on the number below to place your order.

All orders will be processed after the cut off date advised above, and distributed through the school.

For any enquiries, please feel free to contact
MSP Photography SEQ,
p 07 3848 3946
e admin.seq@msp.com.au
Learning Tip

Tips to help your child with maths

Tips for Prep to Year 3

1. **Use household items for counting practice.** Practise adding and subtracting with objects found around your house like spoons or pots and pans. When they’ve become good at these skills, move on to simple multiplication.
2. **Kitchens can be maths zones.** Bake some muffins or cookies and ask your child to help you measure out the ingredients. It may be a bit messy but it is fun family time and there’s nothing like a fresh cookie as a reward.
3. **Predict and compare.** Start to measure and estimate things like how far it is from the driveway to the house or how long a trip will take and then measure and compare the actual time it takes.
4. **Talk about time.** The concept of time can be hard to grasp. Talk to your kids about minutes and hours. Then get them to try counting days and weeks — for example how many "sleeps" until the weekend or a visit to a friend or relative.
5. **Identify geometric shapes and sizes.** Play "I Spy". Instead of looking for words beginning with a letter, look for different colours or shapes and count the number you find in the room.

Tips for grades 4 to 6

1. **Practise mental maths using coins.** For example, show that a certain item costs a certain amount and ask what coins are needed to pay for it.
2. **Play games together.** Show them maths can be fun and exciting. Play family games to add excitement to maths activities, like chess or checkers or games in the car such as maths bingo or adding number plate numbers. Lots of board games need maths such as Junior Monopoly® or playing card games such as Uno®.
3. **Cooking can be counting fun!** Get older children involved in helping out at dinner time and let them help measure ingredients for dishes or estimate the number of potatoes that are needed to feed everyone.
4. **Play the estimating game.** Ask your kids to estimate measurements, distances, time and grocery bills. Be sure to compare the estimate with actual. Or get them to guess how much the apples you are going to buy will weigh and then take them to the scale in the supermarket and find out.
5. **Sports and maths.** There is a lot of maths used in sports: averages, points per game, save percentages – these are maths terms that a sports enthusiast will love. If you watch a game with your child, read the newspaper report together sometime the next day and talk about the maths concepts.

**Measuring made easy.** Estimate and measure the area of different shapes. For example, use small square objects (plastic tiles, dice, etc.) to estimate then measure how many are needed to fill the area of various flat surfaces such as a magazine cover.

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**BEENLEIGH SCOUT GROUP**

**CAR BOOT SALE & CAR WASH**

Tallagandra Crt, Beenleigh
30 August - 7am - 12pm
$20 to hold a stall, $10 Car Wash
Book by 22 August. Ph 0490 181 933
A big thank you to everyone who helped at the Fun Run.

The money raised at this fundraiser goes to resources for the Eagleby State School and the class teacher.

If you are able to spare some time on Saturday 23rd August 2014, the P&C will be having a Drinks Stall at the Eagleby Festival and we are asking for volunteers to help at the stall. Please leave your name and contact details at the office and a P&C member will be in contact with you. All money raised at this fundraiser goes to resources for the Eagleby State School community.

Uniform Shop Opening Hours
Opening hours: Friday 9.00am - 9.30am, 2.30pm - 3.00pm
Other days by prior arrangement

School Banking:
School banking is each Friday morning. Please give your bank books to the class teacher.

On Thursday 28th August 2014 at the school assembly, a Commonwealth School Banking Representative will talk to the students about school banking.

Friday 29th August 2014 from 8.15am outside the Office parents will be able to open new School Bank Accounts for their child/children.

Fun Run:
A big thank you to everyone who helped at the Fun Run. Congratulations also to all competitors who participated.

Thank you:
Thanks to everyone who donated cakes and slices for the afternoon tea that was held in the Prep area last Friday. It was great meeting new parents from the school community.

Graduation:
Notes went home this week, inviting parents/carers of senior students, to a graduation meeting next Monday 18th August 2014.

Tuckshop Update:
The new menu price list has gone home to all families this week. Our Tuckshop Convenor, Sandy, is on leave and Jane is doing a great job as Acting Tuckshop Convenor.

Uniform Shop Update:
A new Uniform Price list has been sent home this week.

Special Thanks:
A special thanks to the ladies in the Office for updating the Tuckshop and Uniform Shop price lists and organising for the notes to be sent home.

Help Wanted:
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Subway Lunch:
Our next Subway Lunch for Term 3, will be Monday 1st September 2014.

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.

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.

Father’s Day Stall:
Information on the stall will be published in a later issue.

School Disco:
Term 3 Disco. Information on this will be published in a later issue of the newsletter.

Fun-a-thon:
Information on this great fundraiser will be published in a later newsletter.

P&C Newsletter:
Please remember to check your emails for the Eagleby State School P&C Newsletter, which is emailed out to you the week after the School Newsletter.
Also you can keep up to date with information on the schools Face Book page.

Next P&C Meeting:
Wednesday 10th September 2014 at 3pm in the Seminar Room.
Be part of your school community and make a difference.

SCHOOL LUNCHES
It is very important that your child comes to school everyday with a healthy lunch packed in their lunchbox. Please check that the lunchbox is put in their school bag before they leave for school in the morning.

Strong Minds, Healthy Bodies,

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.
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