From the Principal

It is difficult to believe that we have begun Term 4 already. The year has flown by with so many achievements to celebrate. Term 4 will see more opportunities to celebrate individual students, teams of learners and our community. Our final GALA days will occur over the first three Fridays and we will continue to celebrate learning, attendance, behaviour and community service at our assemblies. We will acknowledge the hard work, dedication and expertise of our teachers on World Teachers’ Day and give a heart felt acknowledgement and thank you to our volunteers with a morning tea. Daniel will be remembered and the lessons learnt from his loss with a Day for Daniel. The Year 5 students will be a part of a thorough and unique leadership selection process for 2015. Our 2015 Prep students will begin their transition to school, as our 2014 Year 6 and 7 students prepare to graduate; the cycle of education continues. We will learn to swim, share our performing arts talents at the Rock Ed. concerts and learn as much as we possibly can in preparation for the challenges of 2015. As always, we appreciate the support, encouragement and helpful ideas of our partnering parents.

FREE Parenting Opportunity

We are thrilled to provide the acclaimed 1-2-3 Parenting Course here at Eagleby State School. Families come in all shapes and sizes, but being a parent can be the hardest job we ever do. We have 10 family places available. The course is free and free babysitting will also be provided. The course will be commencing on Monday, 27th October at 9.00am. there will be three sessions, each running for two hours; 27th October, 3rd November, 10th November at 9 – 11am in our Seminar Room. If you are interested in booking a place, please email Libby on ljord32@eq.edu.au or call the office. It will be a first in, first gets a spot. If you have any questions or concerns please come and have a chat with Libby, Lara or Karen. We still have some places available.

Fun-a-thon

Our Fun-a-thon was exhilarating, exciting, exhausting and muscle challenging. We ran, threw, pulled, jumped, slid and rolled our way around the sixteen different activities, which our wonderful P.E. teacher, Mr. Brudenall, created and set up for us. The whole event was organised by our dedicated P & C. Thank you to our parents who supported their children to be financially sponsored for the activities by family and friends. Our P & C raised $1,082.00. At the time of printing, we have not yet had our first Whole School Assembly; we will announce the winners of the five prizes then. There are two first prize bikes, which were generously donated by the Beenleigh PCYC.
Eagle Rocks Choir

Our Eagle Rocks Choir performed with gusto, pitch and cheer at the Country Women’s Association International Day at the Eagleby Community Centre. Our singers illustrated talent and teamwork. We were so proud of them as they represented their school honourably.

Libby Jordan - Principal

ALL ABSENCES 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
IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS

TAKING HOLIDAYS DURING SCHOOL TERM

If you are taking your child/ren out of school for any length of time, for a holiday or a medical procedure etc…..please fill in the appropriate paperwork available at the school office.

It is government regulation that all significant school absences must be approved by the Principal.

Enrol Now to Secure Your Place for Prep 2014

Places are filling up fast

If your child was born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010, they are eligible for Prep in 2015. 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 and we will organise an interview time. Our Prep transition program will continue this term with the sessions being held from 9.00am-11.00am on Thursday the 16th October, 6th, 27th of November and the 4th December.

Lara Smith—Deputy Principal
Silver F had a fantastic Term 3 of learning. We learnt about rhymes and identifying rhyming words. We enjoyed creating our own four line rhyme. At the end of Term 3, we loved our Nursery Rhymes dress up day and we all did a fantastic job in dressing up and performing nursery rhymes for parents. We have had a lot of fun increasing our vocabulary by learning new tier two words. We started a new sounds program and have been stretching our sounds to write words and construct simple sentences. In Geography, we explored maps of our local school area. This term we are going to learn about Australian animals by exploring well known Australian animal stories. In Science, we will learn about the different kinds of movement and, in Geography, places that are special to us and how to care for such places.

Purple F have been putting in a tremendous effort into all areas of their learning and are growing in confidence with their reading and writing. We are all looking forward to another great term in Silver F!

Wow... Term 4 already.

Blue P has only one term left at primary school and then it’s off to high school. As a class, we have heaps of learning to go and we are looking forward to all the fun events that we get to be part of the moving from primary to secondary school. This term, we will be consolidating all the knowledge we have been building over the past three terms along with some fascinating new topics. During Science, we will explore melting, evaporating, dissolving, reacting and burning. In English, we will explore the book and film ‘James and the Giant Peach’ and compare the two. As a class we would like to say a big thank you to all the staff and adults who have helped us get to this point in our schooling at Eagleby State School.

This term, Purple H have been learning about narratives. To learn about the structure and how to write these texts, we have explored Indigenous Dreamtime stories such as Dunbi the Owl and How the Bird got its Colours. We read the introduction to a Dreamtime story and wrote our own problems and solutions to finish the narrative. Purple H have thoroughly enjoyed hearing the Dreamtime stories and writing their own innovations of the texts. We have seen some fantastic pieces of writing and are excited to see even more as the term progresses.
Awards

Students of the Week - 11-9-14

- PB - Royal - Settling a great example in class & always using his manners.
- AR - Matthew - Continually completing all set tasks to the very best of his ability, his work ethic is outstanding.
- RC - Kiara - Working hard on all class tasks.
- RT - Harmony - Always following directions & setting an outstanding example for other students.

Students of the Week - 18-9-14

- AR - Sade - For stepping out of her comfort zone to present her oral presentation.

Diamond Awards

Recipients of Diamond Awards are:


Congratulations & well done !!!!!!!

Bandannas will be sold out the front of yellow block everyday next week 13th - 17th October between 8:15am - 8:45am.
There are 10 different patterns at $4 each. All sales go to Canteen for Kids.
Bandannas are able to worn to school for next week only
Learning Tip

Reading and Fluency Tips

You can help them read more quickly and accurately. Schools call this reading fluency. Your kids will call it fun! When kids can read fluently, it's easier for them to understand what they're reading and they read aloud easily and with expression. Needless to say, this makes reading a lot more enjoyable.

Less fluent readers read more slowly and word by word. Their attention is focused on sounding out each word; so, they pay less attention to understanding what they've read. Their comprehension and their motivation can suffer. Of course, beginning readers aren't fluent yet, but by the end of first grade, kids should be reading books at their grade level with ease and expression.

Here are four things parents and caregivers can do to help your child continue to develop reading fluency:

**Choose the right books:**
Help your child choose books that he can comfortably read. The “five-finger test” is a useful guideline for beginning readers. As your child reads, count the number of words he cannot read per page. In general, there should be five words or fewer that give him trouble on each page. If a book contains several pages on which you count more than five words that he can't read, consider reading that book to your child until he develops more reading skill.

**Listen every day:**
Once you've found a collection of books that your child can read, listen to your child read every day. Be patient — new readers often read slowly! Offer help when your child gets stuck, and always give lots of praise and encouragement.

**Read it again:**
Encourage your child to reread favourite books, and make it fun! Repeated readings improve children's fluency and comprehension. They also provide opportunities to practice reading with expression. Children will enjoy giving the wolf a scary growl or using a squeaky little voice for a mouse.

**Read to your kids every day:**
Model your own fluent reading as you read and reread books with your child. Even though your child may be able to read on their own, continue to find time each day to read books to them that are just beyond her reading level. Children will enjoy listening to more advanced stories, and will hear a great example of fluent reading.

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**What Sort of Start is Your Child Getting?**

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but........

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**Did you know your child’s best learning time at the start of the school day?**

That’s when every minute counts the most!!

**School Starts at 8.50am!!**

Eagleby State School

Strong Minds, Healthy Bodies, Successful Futures

Ask us about help with getting your children to school everyday!!
**Uniform Shop Opening Hours**

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**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 on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Seminar Room at 3pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.**
Hope to see you there.

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**Welcome back:** I hope that everyone had a great holiday and is ready for an exciting Term 4 at Eagleby State School. We have lots of things happening this term so watch this space for updates.
A warm welcome to any new students and their family to the Eagleby State School community.

**School Bucket Hats:** These can be purchased at the Tuckshop when the Uniform shop is not open.

**Australian currency:**
Please use Australian currency only as we are unable to bank foreign currency in the Uniform Shop and Tuckshop.

**Fun a thon:**
Thank you to all students that participated in the Fun a thon. The winners will be announced at the assembly this afternoon.

**Term 3 Disco:**
Thank you to all the volunteers that helped at the disco last term.
A big thank you to our DJ, Chappy Nick for looking after the music.
Congratulations to the dancers who won a voucher to be used at the school tuckshop.

**Hot Dog Monday Term 3:**
Thank you to the volunteers that organised the Hot Dogs and drinks as a fundraiser in Term 3. The students enjoyed their lunch on this day.

**News Updates:**

**School Banking:**
School Banking will start this Friday. Please give your deposit book and money to your class teacher.

**Uniform Shop Sale:**
The uniform shop will have a sale starting this Friday for the following items only:

- **Sizes 18, 20 & 22 only on sale**
  - Polo shirts: $20.00
  - Shorts: $20.00
  - Jackets: $25.00

**Christmas Raffle:**
With Christmas fast approaching, the P&C are organising the Christmas Raffle for 2014. Donations of non-perishable items can be left with your class teacher for collection.
The class that donates the most items will win a pizza lunch, donated by the Eagleby State School P&C.
Raffle tickets will be sent home later in Term 4.
Watch this space for class tallies on items donated.

**Hot Dog Monday Lunch:**
We will be having another Hot Dog lunch on Monday 27th October. More information on this fundraiser will be sent home in our next school newsletter.

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**Graduation:**
Just a reminder that Yr 6 & Yr 7 students are able to pay for their graduation tickets either in full payment or in instalments. Please place money in an envelope with your name, class and the number of tickets required, written on the envelope. Please hand the envelope to the office staff.

**P&C Notes and 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.
Check your child’s school bag for any P&C notes sent home.

**Volunteering:**
Lend a hand by assisting the P&C in events and activities, such as: Tuckshop, Uniform shop, Book Club, School Banking, Thursday Lunch and Breakfast Club. Please leave your name and contact details at the office and a P&C member will contact you. If you would like to help in the Uniform shop, contact the convenor, Yvonne or Tuckshop convenor, Sandy if you would like to help in the Tuckshop.

**P&C Meetings:**
Joining the P&C is as easy as coming along to the next P&C meeting held on the second Wednesday of the month, at 3.00pm in the Seminar Room. Our next meeting will be Wednesday 12th November 2014. All welcome.

**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.
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