From the Principal

2014 Celebrations and Reflections

There have been many things to celebrate for our community as we reflect on the many moments of 2014. We were recognised by the Australian newspapers own statisticians as the Most Improved Primary School in Queensland; we have continued to have excellent improvement and development in our curriculum design, as indicated by our NAPLAN results. Our Disciplinary Audit illustrated the determination and hard work of our community with outstanding results. A focus for the year has been Improved Student Outcomes and this has driven our teacher Professional Development for the year.

Our community has a strong name for its interactions with the broader community and this tradition has been extended this year. We received a State Award for our community partnerships and innovative programs that have been developed. 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 Garden to Table program fed us with our own home grown vegetables by our Garden Club. Our students have enjoyed the hospitality of the Men’s Woodwork Shed for a hands on woodwork weekly opportunity.

Many activities have been initiated, developed and hosted from within the school. This year we initiated P – 3 and Year 4 – 7 Assemblies which rotate with our P – 7 Assembly. The community voted on this after a term trial. We have enjoyed the learning opportunities provided by Gala Days, sports carnivals, camps, excursions, swimming lessons, university visits, Gifted and Talented Days and a Fun-a-thon. 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 their first sleeperover 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 plans to support some facility projects throughout the school. Our Student Council have also given back to the community by raising funds with Free Dress Days for Juvenile Diabetes, Autism, Daniel Foundation and the PCYC. 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 introduction of our Eagleby State School Facebook has provided another avenue for clear communication between home and school.

This year we have extensively built the capacity for learning through technology. The entire school is now WiFi, we have tripped our broadband width and every classroom has access to a large range of laptops and ipads.

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 2015.

Upcoming Dates:

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2015 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 2015. I wanted to clearly state the following are the uniform expectations, as agreed by our P & C for 2015. 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 or velcro
- White/black 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.

**BOYS’ UNIFORM**
- Green shorts
- Eagleby State School Polo shirt with logo
- Joggers – predominantly black or white with black or white laces or velcro
- White socks/black
- Eagleby State School sun safe hat – (bucket)
- Bottle green tracksuit – no hoods permitted.
- 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 joggers which are predominantly black or white, with black or white laces or velcro and white/black 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-shirts 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
Can parents please come and discuss any questions and concerns with me in preparation for 2015.

**Safe and Joyous Summer Holiday**
I would like to thank the Eagleby State School community for the many kindnesses that have been offered to me in my first year as Principal. It has been a great experience. I sincerely wish all families a safe and connected holiday time. It would be appreciated if everyone could keep an eye on the school during the holidays, as we have had some acts of vandalism in recent weeks.

**Libby Jordan** - Principal
Deputy’s Column

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 places for 2015 are filling up fast, if you haven’t handed your enrolment forms into the office, please do so now.

I would like to wish you all a very happy and safe holiday.

Lara Smith—Deputy Principal
Awards

Recipients of Diamond Awards are:
Jaai RB, Indyanna PD, Tanya PD, Amy GT, Alen GT, Caleb RT, Josh RA, Bella SL, Amanda BM, Kauri BM, Dennis BM, Tenisha AR, Moengarau AR, Christopher BP, Broedyn BM, Emilee BM, Chelsea BM, Jayda AM, Maioha PS, Izabella PS, Mercedez PS.

Congratulations & well done !!!

Students of the Week – 20-11-14

♦ SL - Remi - Consistently showing responsible, respectful & safe behavior.
♦ SF - Haylee - For showing a responsible attitude when coming to school.
♦ PB - Tyarah - A great effort with your sentence writing.
♦ PH - Jai - For always helping to keep our classroom neat & tidy.
♦ BJ - Jarred - Excellent results on his Mathematics test.
♦ RA - Red A - For being amazing & resilient during the past week.

27-11-14
♦ PH - Jaedyn-River - For independently producing a weekend recount using his knowledge of letters & sounds.

From the classroom...........Aqua M

Aqua M and I have had a wonderful year of learning many different new things. We have learnt to be responsible, respectful and safe both in the classroom and the playground. In class, we have become independent learners throughout our small group learning rotations. We have also improved in our reading, writing and spelling using the many personal goals we were given. Aqua M and I would like to thank those that helped us be better leaders.

We all wish you a very happy and safe holidays.

Aqua M

Healthy Habits

It’s that time of year when teachers say farewell to students, hoping that they remember everything they have learnt throughout the year will stay with them over the holiday break. It is also the time of year when parents and carers take on the challenge to keep the boredom away until school returns.

Help to entertain the kids by:
♦ Accessing local libraries: they are free, air-conditioned and they offer a range of holiday activities.
♦ Teach kids to cook: it’s an important life skill that includes, kitchen safety, measurement and creativity.
♦ Origami: construction for those inside raining days
♦ Physical activity: walks, local parks, bike rides
♦ Local attractions: Berrinba and Eagleby Wetlands, Daisy Hill Koala Sanctuary
♦ Create musical instruments: from materials around the house
♦ Create and illustrate your own comic book

Or try local events at no cost:
♦ Logan Libraries are offering gift and Christmas craft workshops, read for summer prizes program and Bedtime story times.
♦ Logan Mayors Christmas Carols on the 13 December from 4pm – 8pm at the Logan Civic Gardens.
♦ Christmas in the Park at the Logan Civic Gardens on the 20 Dec from 3:30 - 7:30 with arts, crafts, markets, live music and entertainment.

Medication at school

Dear Parent/Carer

All medication that is kept at the school office must be collected by a parent on your child’s last day of school. Any medication left at the office at the end of the school year will be disposed of.

Reminder to parents - if your child requires medication to be given by the office next year, new paperwork will have to be filled out at the start of 2015, along with a new letter from the prescribing doctor. Medication cannot be given until this paperwork is complete and the doctor’s letter is received.

Thank you
### Uniform Shop Opening Hours

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### Lay-by welcome
- Cash Only
- No eftpos

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**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 supportive of the P&C throughout the year. These people include: the P&C members that have worked so hard during the year to give the students the little extras at school including the discos, book club, school banking, breakfast club, Thursday lunch, tuckshop, uniform shop and the list goes on.

Thank you to Sandy and Yvonne as our tuck shop and uniform shop conveners.

We must also say thanks to the ‘Village People’ for all their help in many activities, the teachers, teacher aids, Richard and the cleaners. The office staff: Tania, Julie, Tiarna, Amanda and Sharon for all their help and support.

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.

**Good bye**

To the students, their families and staff that are leaving our school community, we wish you all well in 2015.

**Merry Christmas and a safe holiday**

Merry Christmas to you all and have a safe and happy holiday and we will see you in 2015.

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**End of Year Concerts**

Thank you to the P&C members and Chappy Nick for volunteering their time on these special nights to provide a sausage sizzle for everyone to enjoy. These special people give up their time and volunteered to help make these nights enjoyable.

The only payment they receive is the ‘thank you’ that many people say to them.

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**A TRIBUTE TO VOLUNTEERS**  
*(Author Unknown)*

- Valuable is the work you do,
- Outstanding in how you always come through.
- Loyal, sincere and full of good cheer,
- Uniting in your efforts throughout the year,
- Notable are the contributions you make,
- Trustworthy in every project you take,
- Eager to reach your every goal,
- Effective in the way you fulfill your role,
- Ready with a smile like a shining star,
- Special and wonderful - that’s what you are!

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**Subway Lunch**

Thank you for your support of this P&C fundraiser during 2014. I would also like to say ‘THANKS’ to Chris and his team from Eagleby Subway for all their support during the year. Lastly I would like to thank the P&C volunteers that have helped in many ways with this fundraiser.

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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.

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 will be closed on Friday 12th December**

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**Graduation**

To all the Yr 6 and Yr 7 students that are graduating next Wednesday evening, I hope you have a great night.

We wish you all the best in your next new adventure in your education. As you enter your high school life, you take with you many things from your time at Eagleby State School, including great manners and lots of friends. Good bye and good luck.

A few reminders for the Graduation

- Wednesday 10th December, commencing with the Graduation Ceremony at 6pm, in the hall.
- 7.30pm BBQ to be served. At this time there will be a photo booth
- The evening will conclude with a disco in the hall.

$25 per person, this includes the student and their invited guests. Each graduating student can have four (4) guests n total: two (2) for the ceremony and two (2) more at the BBQ and Disco.

**Dress Code**

Girls: Knee length or longer dress or tailored trousers and shoes that the student can walk and dance safely.

Boys: Boys: Buttoned up collared shirt, long pants and closed shoes.

**Message From Breakfast Club**

Friday 5th December 2014 will be the last day, of Breakfast Club for this term. Thank you to the YMCA and the volunteers that provide this service each week.

**Uniform Shop Clearance Sale**

- Culottes, various sizes available - $10.00
- Polo shirts - Sizes 18, 20 & 22 only - $20.00
- Shorts- Sizes 18, 20 & 22 only - $20.00
- Jackets- Sizes 18, 20 & 22 only- $25.00

**Uniform Shop Raffle**

$1 per lucky number will be drawn when all numbers sold.

One prize only: $35 to be used in the Uniform Shop.
Christmas Raffle
Donations for the raffle can still be left with your class teacher.
Raffle tickets are due back at school by next Monday and the raffle will be drawn next Thursday 11th December.
Good Luck!

Tuck shop & Uniform shop special notes
The Tuck shop will not be open next Friday 12th December due to stock take.
The Uniform Shop will not be open next Friday 5th December 2014, due to stock take.

School Banking - Tomorrow, Friday is the last school banking day for 2014.

Second hand uniforms
If you have any second hand uniforms that you would like to donate to the school, please leave them at the office or at the uniform shop. These uniforms will be used for students that may need to replace their uniform due to an accident and then returned to the office.

Please support our Eagleby State School Choir at

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS DURING CHRISTMAS BREAK

Monday 19th January 2015, Wednesday 21st January 2015 & Friday 23rd January 2015
10am - 2pm each day
STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2015

Excluding Year 6 & 7 Students

Please complete and return to the school office.

- Child/ren’s Name/s: ____________________________________________________________

- 2014 Class/es: ______________________________________________________________

- 2014 Year Level/s: ____________________________________________________________

- Reason for departure: __________________________________________________________

Your name: Signed: Date:

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 ph 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.
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Happy Christmas to all from Beenleigh and District Churches Together!