



Dear East Para Community,



Winter has certainly started with a vengeance with some very wet and windy weather. We have been lucky to have times of clear skies, which allows students to go outside and have a run and get some fresh air. As we move into the wetter months, these opportunities may be far less prevalent. Please remind students not jump in puddles before school as wet and soggy feet do not encourage a great learning environment.

Attendance has been a significant issue across all schools with Covid. This is understandable with the uncertainty and unknowns that we were all dealing with. As society and schools all begin to get back to 'normal,' it is important that we have our students at school every day.

Attendance Why should it matter to me?
So what? I am only 5 mins late to lesson!
7 WEEKS
3 days and 2 hours of lessons will have been missed in your school life by missing only 5 minutes of learning.

Bullying is often a word that is used when students have a fight or disagreement. This can often be resolved when incidents are reported to staff to follow up. I have included the following graphic to help with some clarity. Disagreements, arguments and falling out will occur throughout our students lives. It is important that we instil in all of our students the importance of reporting incidents so that they can be followed up and to ensure we do not have bystander behaviours where people watching can be seen to condone the behaviour. East Para PS is very fortunate that our students have strong values which they demonstrate throughout the day.

What is Bullying?

What Bullying Is Not:

- *Hurting someone's feelings
- *Teasing or name calling
- *Ignoring, or not wanting to play
- *Taking something that's yours
- *Cutting in line
- *Not sharing or turn taking
- *General Meanness

Types of Bullying:

- *Physical bullying
- *Emotional bullying
- *Social bullying
- *Cyber bullying

UNLESS, it is:

- *Repetitive or continued after you ask them to stop
- *An Imbalance of "power" or strength or being outnumbered
- *Intentional and deliberate meanness or cruelty
- *Motivated by race, sexual orientation, religion, or disability

Calendar Dates

TERM 2

WEEK 6

9th June JP Footsteps

**Friday 10th June
Pupil Free Day**

WEEK 7

**MONDAY 13TH JUNE
PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

16th June JP Footsteps

17th June Soccer Yr 2/3/4

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Be the one who makes others feel included.

INTEGRITY
Be the best person you can be

- Respect**
Value yourself and others. Respect differences.
- Trust**
Believe positively in others and they will believe in you.
- Caring**
Care for yourself, others and the environment.
- Honesty**
Be open and honest in all that you do and say.
- Responsibility**
Be responsible for your actions.



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Leadership Cont.

School Improvement Plan

One of the areas of focus for learning improvement at East Para PS is Reading, of which phonics is the first step towards proficient reading.

What is phonics? Phonics is the understanding that there is a predictable relationship between the individual sounds (the phonemes) of spoken language and the letters (graphemes) that represent those sounds in written language. Phonics instruction is most effective when it begins in the first or second year of formal schooling (NICHHD, 2000) and, for most students, most letter-sound relationships can be taught within two years.

Our explicit phonics instruction begins in Reception and we use a systematic synthetic phonics framework to underpin our practice. The sounds are taught in a specific order (not alphabetically). This enables children to begin building words as early as possible. Learning the letter sounds children are taught the 44 main letter sounds. This includes alphabet sounds as well as digraphs such as sh, th, ai and ue. They are not taught in alphabetical order.

The first group (s, a, t, p, i, n) has been chosen because they make more simple three-letter words than any other six letters.

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| 1. s,a,t,p,i,n | 2. ck,e,h,r,m,d | 3. g,o,u,l,f,b |
| 4. ai,j,oa,ie,ee,or | 5. z,w,ng,v,oo | 6. y,x,ch,sh,th |
| | 7. qu,ou,oi,ue,er,ar | |

You can support your child's reading progress by reading to them as well as listening to them read for at least 10 minutes every day. If you would like any information with regards to your child's progress or how you can best support them at home, please make a time to meet with your child's teacher. They will share what their reading goal is and what they are doing in class to support them to achieve their goal. Whilst reading improvement will look different in Reception compared to Year 6, at East Para Primary School we are committed to developing all our students as 'Balanced Readers' and that begins with strong phonological awareness and phonics knowledge.

Belinda Kopania

NETBALL

Matches played 28/5/22

NETTA 6

East Para defeated Linden Park 6-0. Well done to everyone playing in the wet conditions.

SUB JUNIOR 6

Marryatville defeated East Para 19-1
Good try everyone you never gave up.

Reminder to everyone about **uniforms**.

Every player must be wearing the school performance top and either a navy blue straight line skirt or shorts without pockets. If you wish to wear a jumper or tracksuit pants they must be navy blue.

The umpires will no longer let you on the court if the uniform is incorrect.

Teresa Norsworthy 0419824813



EPPS GRADUATION

Graduation date has been confirmed
Thursday 15th December 2022
Further details will follow closer to the date.

Traffic Monitors

Term 2 Week 5



Ivy



Olivia



Laila



Maddison



Joshua



Hayden

Term 2 Week 6

RECONCILIATION GARDEN FIXTURE

Our Groundsman Allan has recycled tree limbs from our school grounds. He has stained them and the classes had the opportunity to put their hand prints on the tree limbs. These will be added to our ATSI Garden area.



Year 5/6 Soccer Series Cancelled

The Year 5/6 Soccer Series that was set for Friday 3rd June has been cancelled due to the excessive rain this week and Friday's predicted forecast of rain and cold conditions.

If your child in Year 5/6 has pre-purchased a special lunch order, that's awesome, they will receive it at lunch eating time as planned.

If you have any questions about this decision, please send me an email at peter.waller227@schools.sa.edu.au or come speak to me on yard duty in the mornings.

Thanks, Mr Peter Waller



Year 2/3/4 Soccer Tournament Change of Date

The Year 2/3/4 Soccer Tournament will now be held on Friday 17th June at the end of Week 7.

The original date clashes with our school Footsteps Program which includes two classes that are involved in the soccer carnival.

We are still finding information from the department around whether parents/caregivers can attend and watch the Soccer Tournament. When we have this decision, we will Seesaw all classrooms with that information.

If your child has already pre-ordered the canteen "special soccer player lunch order", that's awesome!!!! A reminder though, students will now get the special lunch order on the new soccer carnival day!

I apologise for the change of date. I noticed the clash this morning, hence this article in today's newsletter.

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BENEFITS OF GOING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY



more likely to stay on track and progress academically



opportunities to take part in social and learning activities organised by the school



more likely to have stronger social and peer connections



learning positive life skills



safe in the care of school staff with access to support and services when needed



will reach their full potential and have a range of opportunities in life

100% Attendance!!!

Congratulations to the following students who have been at school every day in 2022:

Maria Schmitz - Room 14

Grace Turner - Room 17

Jacob Pound - Room 17

George Schmitz - Room 26

Tyler West - Room 32

Samantha Heward - Room 34

Lucas Turner - Room 34

Well done to the following students who have been at school all day every day so far in Term 2 (to Monday 30th May):

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| <p>Room 34</p> <p>Jahkya Laird Bella Young Lauren Maina Adriana Zenunaj</p> <p>Room 33</p> <p>Dexter Swain Sean Watson Myles Johnson</p> <p>Room 32</p> <p>Kooper Deer Zoe Tompkins Kyle Welsh</p> <p>Room 16</p> <p>Cooper Mace Kiara Ashman Hayden Wyatt Ben Merrett</p> | <p>Room 14</p> <p>Freddy Swain Scarlett Taylor Aariv Sarna</p> <p>Room 12</p> <p>Stella Kuskoff-James Liam Rundle Florian Zenunaj Amelia Cech Ruby Handsworth Woon</p> <p>Room 17</p> <p>Abby Sharp Mila Deer Oliver Mace Edward Yates</p> | <p>Room 20</p> <p>Emmy Thach Maisie Munn Hayley Johnson Cohen Welsh Isla Gilligan</p> <p>Room 21</p> <p>Jethro Arthur Eliya Alimoradi April Yates Wyatt Hill</p> <p>Room 26</p> <p>Ruby Evans Lucas Thach Jana Cech Aryan Verma</p> |
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BUILDING ATTENDANCE HABITS

How to help your child build a habit of going to preschool or school every day.



regular evening and bedtime routine and enough sleep



limit the use of electronic devices in the evenings



help your child be organised in the morning to get them to school on time



arrange alternative transport in case something unexpected happens



take family vacations during school holidays



make appointments outside of school hours or in school holidays



talk positively about school



show interest in what your child is learning, their progress and their friends



regularly communicate with your child's teacher

