The school and the community in joint partnership for 37 years of teaching and learning for our children.

‘A KidsMatter School because kids do matter at Eastbourne Primary School.’

Eastbourne Primary School provides high quality and engaging educational programs that encourage opportunities for success. We promote positive values within a safe, supportive and caring environment for our school community.

We acknowledge that Eastbourne Primary School is built on Boomerwrung land.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 1 2016
February
8th Parent Teacher Chats Years 1-6
10th No Preps
School Swimming Trials
12th Infusion Presentation Years Prep and 3-6
15th Assembly
16th Prep Twilight BBQ
17th No Preps
18th Year 6 Point Leo Camp
19th Year 6 Point Leo Camp
Infusion Presentation Years 1-2
24th No Preps
District Swimming
26th Free Dress Day for Mums
Supporting Families in Need
Gold Coin Donation

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

CSEF
The Camps Sports and Excursion Fund of $125 per child will once again be available in 2016 for all Health Care Card holders. This funding will start flowing through in early March and can be used only for camps, sports and excursions.

Books
If you haven’t paid for and collected your child’s books please do so before Friday as they will be returned to our suppliers next week.

Library Books and Resources
Throughout previous years, library books, readers and other resources from around the school are sometimes borrowed by students and not returned. If you have any school books and resources from Eastbourne Primary School they can be returned by placing the item in a box just inside the library door.

Car Parking at the Start of the Year
As we have many parents wanting to see their child begin the day at the start of the year the usual ‘Kiss and Go’ in the mornings is not happening meaning less car park spaces are available. Please look at other alternatives for car parking such as behind ‘the Hub,’ ‘Kiss and Go’ at the bus stop on Allambi Avenue, walking from the Illaroo shops or catching the ‘Walking School Bus’ from Colchester Swimming Pool.

Parents and Friends
The first meeting (Annual General Meeting) will be held on Tuesday February 16 at 9.30a.m. in the Multi-Purpose room. All parents and friends are welcome. We need your ideas so come along for a cuppa and a chat.

Play Group
Eastbourne Primary School have two Play Groups each week on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the Multi-Purpose Room starting at 9:30a.m. Anyone with preschool children are welcome to attend.
Hot Weather
It is extremely important that your child wears a broad brimmed hat every day. Sun cream on the face before leaving home is also something to be encouraged.

Remember not to leave children for any length of time in cars on hot days.

Fruit Roster

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The above Fruit Roster is put in place to assist the cutting up and distribution of fruit and vegetables to all classrooms. This is a great program that can only continue with parent assistance. If you can assist go to the Multi Purpose Room from 8:45a.m. on the above date.

Neighbour Day-Sunday March 6
Neighbour Day is again on in 2016. Vern Wright Reserve Rosebud West is the site and the fabulous activities, food and entertainment begin at 10a.m. and goes until 2p.m.
Once again Eastbourne Primary School will be performing on the day. Come along, meet some neighbours/friends and have a great time!

Have you made a booking for the Parent /Teacher Chat on Monday February 8? If not, book online (Code is AV4C5) or come to the office.

Five Cent Friday
Don’t forget to bring in your five cent pieces every Friday for our “Five Cent Friday” collection. This money is used to increase the ingredients cupboard in the kitchen garden. All the children thoroughly enjoy the extras this enables us to supply.

Stephen Wilkinson
Principal
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The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)
Will provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. $125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students, with $225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student. Application forms are available from the office if they were not completed on book collection day.

Kitchen Garden Program 2016
The Kitchen Garden Program is up and running for 2016. If you are able to help out with a small donation of eggs and butter or would like to assist as a volunteer in the Kitchen Garden Program, please contact the office and we will pass the information on to Kelly. Don’t forget our 5c Friday is up and running again for 2016!

Second Hand Uniform
We currently have a good supply of second hand uniform available from the office. If you have any uniform that your children have outgrown we would be are always grateful for it in the office/sick bay. From time to time students require an emergency change of uniform.

Very Important Preps!
Our 2016 VIP tops have arrived an are for sale from the office. They are $25.00 and stock is limited so come in and have a look—they are very special!

Out of School Hours Care Program
Danielle and Tanisha are currently taking permanent bookings for 2016 Before and After School Care. Some days are extremely busy so if you require care on a permanent basis on certain days please visit them in the Multi Purpose Room between 2.45 and 3.15pm or 7.00am – 8.30am to arrange your days. They may also be contacted on 0408 589 387 during the same hours. Alternatively the office staff have full information on the service.

Birthday Cakes
Unfortunately due to increases in allergies parent are no longer able to provide treats for their child’s classroom on their birthday. However did you know that the canteen can supply birthday muffins or cookies for your child’s birthday? The cost is $15.00 for 28 muffins/cookies with icing and a lolly. Order forms are available from the office and 3 days notice is required.

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to the following Students:
February

3rd Mason Collett
4th Sapphire Cornwell
      Cameron McShane
6th Archie Hocking
      Kelsea Glaum
8th Hunter Smyth
11th Miah Debernardi
      Mia Jones
12th Sean Davidson
      Brody Snelders-Schmid
13th Matthew Dunn
14th Faith Sayer
15th Nicolas Lane
      Georgia Novak
      Jakob Lane
16th Taj Smale
18th Lochlan Hocking
20th Kai Whitehead
      Lochlan Stewart
      Tyrone Potocnik
      Tahlia Potocnik
Welcome back to Eastbourne Primary School in 2016, and a warm welcome to all of our new families joining Eastbourne in 2016.

Eastbourne Primary School provides a personalised approach to learning for all students. Staff take time to find out the learning needs of all students, and tailor the curriculum accordingly to meet individual students’ needs. Eastbourne also provides your child with a high degree of feedback about where they are at in their learning, allowing students to set goals and build their confidence as a learner.

This approach to teaching has seen our school undergo significant improvement over the last few years, and students and families are benefiting from the dedicated work of our staff. Our staff are passionate about ensuring that all children make greater than 12 months progress every 12 months, regardless of whether students are at, above or below the expected level. Staff know that effective teaching leads to greater than expected learning progress for students, and they are constantly refining and extending their skills. Our curriculum days at the start of the year allowed us to focus on staff professional development, and all staff work closely with school leadership throughout the year to refine and extend their skills in Professional Learning Teams.

Parents and families are key in the learning process at Eastbourne. Our parent-teacher chats which are being conducted next week provide an opportunity for staff to get to know you and some background information about your child. All staff are provided with parent contact details, and staff are encouraged to keep you aware of where your child is at in their learning, and how you can support their progress at home.

Teaching teams utilise parent email addresses to help keep you up-to-date on what’s happening currently in your child’s class: if you have not provided your email address to the office, please pass this on to your child’s teacher so they contact you via email. All staff emails are available via our website, which also includes a parent calendar to help keep you up to date on important events at school.

Student safety and classroom management are key areas of focus for us as a school. Our school has made significant improvements in students’ perceptions of safety across the school thanks to our work in upskilling staff in maintaining a safe, friendly and positive learning environment both inside and outside. Our wide range of play opportunities, as well as increased teacher supervision during at recess and lunchtimes has seen a huge reduction in the instances of negative behaviour in the yard. Our school’s focus on building relationships between students, parents and teachers, as well as explicit teaching of social skills through the Infusion and You Can Do It programs have assisted greatly in this area also.

Our students demonstrate great desire to improve in their learning across the school, and as a result, feel strongly connected to their teachers, the principal staff and other students. Our extra-curricula activities set our school apart from other schools, giving all students an opportunity to demonstrate their skills and build their passions and interests.

All of these aspects have contributed to our school being judged by parents in the top 14% of schools in Victoria in terms of parents’ general satisfaction with the school in 2015’s Parent Opinion Survey. Our goal is to continue to improve our service to the school community in 2016, and we look forward to working with all families through School Council, the Parents and Friends group, as well as our day-to-day interactions with families.

At Eastbourne staff are used flexibly to meet the needs of students regardless of their level of development. In 2016, specialist staff including Chris Swayn, Christine Walsh-Hipwell, Skye Miller, Mark Hustwaite, Judy Hardeman and Robyn MacKenzie are utilised in the classroom to reduce teacher-student ratios so all students receive personalised instruction. It is important to note that these groups are not considered remedial, but provide students with access to teaching staff that can help them achieve their personal goals. Please speak to me or your child’s teacher if you would like to know more about how we are meeting the needs of your child.

Hugh Greer  
Assistant Principal – Teaching and Learning  
greer.hugh.a@edumail.vic.gov.au
Rosebud Kinship Carers Support Group

When: 10am- 12pm
Where: Seawinds Community Hub
11a Allambi Avenue, Rosebud West
(Next to Eastbourne Primary School)

For Kinship carers on the Mornington Peninsula.
“Come and share the highs and lows of being a Kinship Carer”.

“To care for the carer is to care for the child”.

Support group Dates for 2016:

Wednesday February 10th
Wednesday March 9th
Wednesday April 13th
Wednesday May 11th
Wednesday June 8th

Wednesday July 13th
Wednesday August 10th
Wednesday September 7th
Wednesday October 5th
Wednesday November 2nd
Wednesday December 14th

For more information contact either:

Mel Wyatt
Parent Engagement & Group Work Coordinator
Anglicare Victoria,
Ph: 0499027753

Sue Gale
Kinship Program Information & Advice
OzChild
Ph: 9212 5600

Ozchild and Anglicare gratefully acknowledge the support of Mornington Peninsula Shire

Anglicare Victoria acknowledges Aboriginal people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we operate. We commit to working respectfully to honour their ongoing cultural and spiritual connections to this country.
Rosebud Netball Club invites you to join our club for the 2016 junior netball season.

Registration day:
- Saturday 13th February
- 10am – 12pm
- Rosebud Netball Courts, Olympic Park (Besgrove Street)

Juniors can participate at all age levels (under 9 to under 15) at Truemans Rd on Saturday mornings. Training sessions are held at Olympic Park directly after school (days to be determined).

The Club also offers a NetSetGo program, ideal for children aged 5 to 10 wanting to try netball for the first time.

For more information, email your name, contact details and date of birth to rosebudnetballclubinc@hotmail.com or come along to our registration day.

Make friends, have fun and be part of your local sporting community.

Soccer Stars Keeping Kids Active

Elite Soccer Coaching are excited to announce we will be running our ever popular development program through Feb & March. The program consists of a one hour session per week, for eight weeks. Improving confidence on the ball, spacial awareness, vision, technical skills and so much more! Running on Monday evenings. Continue to develop your skills and never loose that edge over your opponent.

For bookings please contact Craig on 0438 585 820 or email: elitesoccercoaching@outlook.com

Claim your free ESC Kit if you register before February 3rd Midday

www.elitesoccercoaching.com.au

Mornington Peninsula Schools Environment Week
15th - 18th March 2016
The Briars Mount Martha

$10 Full day $7 half day

Bookings Open 15th November

More details www.morningtonpeninsulaenvironmentweek.com.au

Free Extended Programs linked to Australian Science Curriculum:
- Indigenous Culture & the Natural Environment
- Renewable Energy & Energy of Home
- World Oceans Health & Traditional Harvest
- Woodland Habitat, Plants & Animals
- Growing our Own Food & Cooking Compact

Explore the Eco Podock, Investigation:
- Sustainability Issues, Concepts and Ideas
- Life Cycles Growth & Change
- Agriculture in a Pond
- Living Things and their Environment
- Communities Caring for their Environments

JUNIOR SOCCER CLINIC FOR PLAYERS AGED 5 - 8 YEARS

WHEN
Mondays from 4.30 – 6.00pm
8 February – 7 March 2016

WHERE
Truemans Road Recreation Reserve

COST
$75 per player

Run by three of our talented Under 17's players, Dino, Zach & Liam, this is a great way for new players to trial the exciting game of soccer and for existing players to hone their skills!

For more information please contact our club Vice-President, Rob Vojjan on 0438 585 820 or at vice-president@rosebudhearth.com.au
School Council

At this stage there are 4 parent and one community member positions for the Eastbourne Primary School Council in 2015. This is an opportunity for parents to access a closer understanding of the workings of our school and participate in some of the decision making processes within the school. School Council wishes all parents to be aware of the Election of School Council members that occurs early in term 1. The following guide for these elections is set out below. For those unfamiliar or requiring more insight about this process, I have included some information to assist your understanding. Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you need further clarification.

The process of the elections remains unchanged:
* call for nominations
* nominations close, at least seven days later
* ballot papers circulated, at least seven days before the close of the ballot
* ballot closes seven days later. This must be fourteen days after the close of nominations
* poll declared.

The following is the Time Line for the 2016 Eastbourne Primary School Council Election process.
* Friday 29 January 2016: Term 1 commences
* Friday 29 January 2016 Call for nominations
* Friday 5 February 2016: Nominations close.

Display list of candidates, nominator and seconder Monday 22 February: New council to meet at 6.00 p.m. in the staffroom (if no election required)

If there is a need for a ballot.
* Thursday 11 February: Distribute ballot papers by this date
* Monday 15 February: Close of ballot.
* Tuesday 16 February: Count votes and declare the poll
* Monday 22 February: New council to meet at 6.00p.m. in the staffroom

Immediately following the declaration of the ballot, the first meeting of the new school council can be called. This meeting is chaired by the Principal and the School Council co opts up to 2 community members. This meeting will elect the council office bearers. The second meeting can follow on immediately after the confirmation of community members.

What is a school council and what does it do?
All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally formed bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within centrally provided guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council?
There are three possible categories of membership:
A mandated elected parent category. More than one third of the total members must be from this category. Department of Education and Training (DET) employees can be parent members at their child's school. A mandated elected DET employee category. Members of this category may make up no more than one third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members. An optional community member category. Its members are co opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be community members. The term of office for members is two years. Half the members must retire each year and this creates vacancies for the annual school council elections.
Why is parent membership so important?
Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school. Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging. How can you become involved? The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in February or March each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant. In view of this, you might seriously consider:
* standing for election as a member of the school council
* encouraging another person to stand for election.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?
No. What you do need is an interest in your child’s school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school’s future.

What do you need to do to stand for election?
The Principal will issue a notice and call for nominations in February. For parents, this notice will be done through this newsletter. If you decide to stand for election, you will need to arrange for someone to nominate and second you as a candidate in either the parent category or DEECD employee category or self nominate (there are forms for both types of nominations). Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the notice of election. If there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted in the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

Remember...
* Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do - 59864884
* Consider standing for election to council next year.

Be sure to vote in the elections.

Notice of Election and Call for Nominations
An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of Eastbourne Primary School. Nomination forms may be obtained from the school office and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on Friday February 5 2016.
The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on Monday February 15 2016.
Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.
The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:
Parent member From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2015 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2016
DET employee member From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2016 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2017.
If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.
**Breakfast Club**
Every day from 8 to 8:50am
– all welcome!

*Eastbourne Primary School would like to acknowledge the generous support of the following businesses/community members who have supported the Breakfast Club Program in 2015.*

*Bakers Delight (Rosebud Plaza) * Ilaroo St Milkbar
* Waterfall Gully Bakery
* Rangas Bakery *The Peninsula Life Church

Also thank you to Katrina Barry for her bread donations