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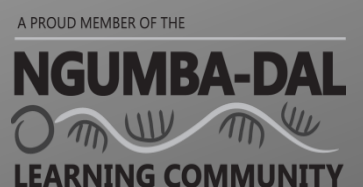
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2020 Term 4 Weeks 4, 5 & 6

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Calendar

Term 4, Week 6

Friday 20 Nov Kindergarten Transition

Friday 20 Nov Tennis

Term 4, Week 7

Friday 27 Nov Kindergarten Transition

Thursday 26 Nov Community feedback Zoom

Friday 27 Nov Tennis

Term 4, Week 8

Tuesday 1 Dec Year 7 2021 Transition JHS

Friday 4 Dec Final week of Tennis

Friday 4 Dec Swimming 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Term 4, Week 9

Wednesday 9 Dec Swimming 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Thursday 10 Dec EPS Presentation Day

Friday 11 Dec Santa Dash Fundraiser

Term 4, Week 10

Monday 14 Dec K-6 Excursion Wagga Wagga

Tuesday 15 Dec Swimming 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Wednesday 16 Dec Swimming 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Wednesday 16 Dec Last day of school

Feature Photo



Melbourne Cup 2020

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A message from Mr Gill

Kindergarten transition



It is that time of year when Eurongilly Public School excitedly welcomes our new Kindergarten students for transition sessions. Fred, Leo, Sophie and Will have already had a couple of short-day visits and are spending the whole of today and next Friday with us. On their very first visit, they were in the classroom and settling in well before their parents had a chance to say goodbye and good luck. It has been so wonderful to hear that they can't wait to be with us every day. Thank you to Miss Case for implementing a wonderful program and to all the students, particularly those with special supportive roles, for being influential on providing a positive big school experience for Fred, Leo, Sophie and Will.



Year 6 transition to high school

At the other end of the primary school journey, Ellouise, Grace, Liam and Sienna have been experiencing high school life at their prospective high schools. All reports suggest their transition experiences have been hugely positive and successful and our Year Sixes are eager to

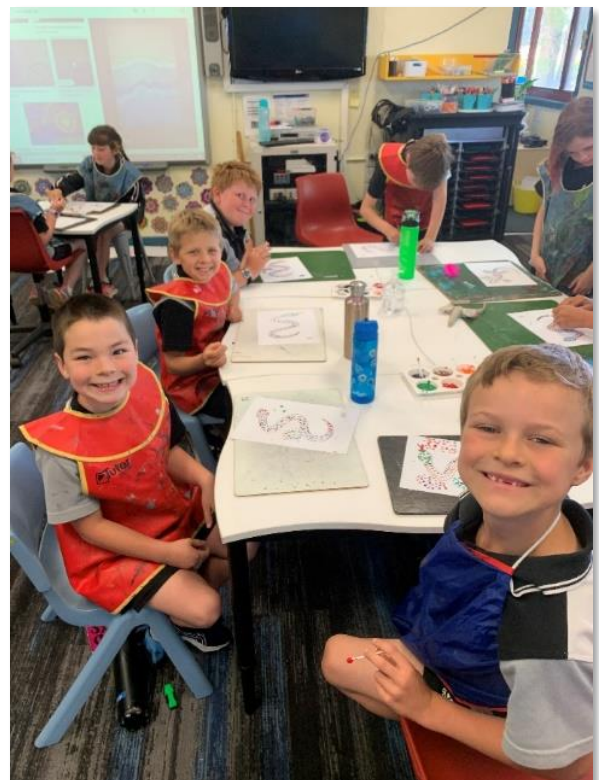
get there, as much as we know how much they will miss our school and we will miss them.

Assessments and reporting

It's been wonderful to share and reflect on student improvement data over the last couple of weeks with Miss Case and Miss Daley whilst they work tirelessly in preparing student progress reports. As big and strenuous of a job as it is, there has been time to share and celebrate successes of each student and realise how far they have come in the school year. We look forward to sharing student reports when they are sent home on Friday 11 December.

Parent consultation and feedback via Zoom session

Eurongilly Public School staff will be hosting a parent consultation and feedback session via Zoom on Thursday 26 November, beginning at 4pm. The session has been set up specifically for EPS parents as a forum to provide feedback on the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) survey, which most of our parents completed this year. We would also like to provide an update of the current Situational Analysis and hopefully collect some further insights from our parents that will guide future planning. An email with the Zoom link will be sent to parents early next week. If you would like to participate but have issues with timing or technology, please contact the school.



Presentation day update/ change of date

Preliminary plans are in place for holding a revised Presentation Evening on Thursday 10 December at Eurongilly Hall, starting at 6pm. Within updated COVID-19 guidelines, we can now begin planning an event inclusive of our parents. Parent attendance is our first priority and other Eurongilly Public School traditions, including inviting the broader community and catering are currently being reviewed. Please keep Thursday 10 December evening free and more details will be provided as we finalise planning. We appreciate your patience and understanding in advance.

Return of perpetual trophies

In preparation for our Presentation Evening, can any families with perpetual trophies at home now return them to school ASAP so we can have them engraved for this year.

Other end of year events

Planning is being finalised for our day out excursion to Wagga Wagga for K-6 on Monday 14 December, including a trip to the cinemas, lunch and ten-pin bowling. A permission note will be sent home in the coming weeks. A revised Year 6 farewell is still being planned during school time. We hope to include parents via a Zoom link up.

Student voice

Our school is focused on improving strategies to collect and respond to student voice. How we do this will evolve in time, but we have already had many successes in 2020. In Term 3, Year 3-6 students brainstormed areas resourcing could be targeted to improve day to day school experiences. From this, a list was developed and students voted on their favourite ideas. The most popular voted item was for new student desks, which Sienna has detailed below.

Sienna- In Term 3, Mr Gill came into the 3-6's classroom and asked us what we would like to change about our classroom. Most of the children voted to get single desks that could join when needed to. The desks arrived last week and all of the kids are so happy that they have finally arrived. They can be put together to work in groups to collaborate or they can be singular to work individually. They also have detachable trays which makes it a lot quicker and easier to access our learning books.



Staffing update

Our wonderful School Administration Manager (SAM), Nichole Scott, was successful in an application to relieve in a higher duties position at Junee Public School. Mrs Scott will be on leave from our school until the end of Term 1, 2021. We wish her all the best in this new career opportunity. We welcome Sadie Jansen to our school. Sadie brings plenty of office and administration experience from Junee Public School and Junee High School and is excited for the opportunity to relieve at Eurongilly for 3 days a week. Alice Worldon has joined the EPS team this term and is currently supporting in both the classroom and the office. We are looking forward to Alice sharing her photography and art skills with the students during planned craft activities.

Seeds of Hope Santa Dash Walkathon

During Spanish lessons with Miss Case this term, students have been introduced to Seeds of Hope, a non-government organisation supporting children suffering from extreme poverty in Peru. Miss Case herself has had a lot to do with the organisation and is currently the donations and sponsorship coordinator. As part of global connections and developing an understanding of complexities throughout the world, we would like to build on the opportunity to host a fundraising event, the Santa Dash in support of Seeds of Hope. Full details are provided in this newsletter and sponsorship forms will arrive home soon.

Term 4 sport

Cricket



Last Friday, Stage 2 and 3 students had the opportunity to participate in the Woolworths Cricket Blast School Cup. As one mixed team, Eurongilly played four games against Junee North Public School, St Joseph's Primary School and Junee Public School before sadly having to cut the day short due to poor weather.

Students had the chance to learn and refine some of their cricket skills. The day was lots of fun and enjoyed by everyone involved.



Tennis

Over the past few weeks, Eurongilly Public School have taken part in a school-wide tennis program on Fridays during sport time. The school was granted funding for some brand-new tennis equipment and were able to acquire a local Wagga Wagga tennis coach who has been teaching us lots of new tennis skills and rules. All students are enjoying the opportunity to try something new for sport.



P&C News

Mango tray fundraiser

Our 144 trays of mangos are still on track to be delivered to the school **the week beginning the 9th of December**, we will let you know the day and time for delivery as soon as it is confirmed by our supplier.



Governance and Grant Writer Training Sessions

There will be a number of free training sessions on governance and grant writing held at the Eurongilly hall from Monday the 30th of November until Wednesday the 2nd of December. It would be great if we could have a few representatives from our P&C attend some of these sessions. Further information contact IRCF Junee facilitator, Kate Brabin on 0418 296 805.

Next meeting

Our next meeting and AGM are scheduled for the 18th of February 2021 at 3:30pm

Thanks, Fi Rankin

HONOUR WALL



Community Notices

Santa Dash Walkathon for Seeds of Hope, Peru.



On the **11th of December**, Eurongilly Public School will be hosting a Santa Dash Walkathon to raise money for Seeds of Hope. Seeds of Hope is a Non-Government Organisation that supports children living in extreme poverty in Huaraz, Peru. The organisation offers a safe environment where these children can obtain help and encouragement with their homework, are given emotional support, taught the importance of personal hygiene and provided with a nutritious meal at the end of each session.

Miss Case is the Donations and Sponsorship Coordinator of this NGO and volunteered here herself as a tutor in 2017 and returned in 2018 in the role of International Coordinator. Our students have been learning about the work of Seeds of Hope through their Friday Spanish language lessons with Miss Case. It will be a nice connection for them to help raise money to support these children.



Each December Seeds of Hope usually runs an event called The Santa Dash. The children who attend the Seeds of Hope program dress up in Santa suits and participate in a running race. There are prizes for place getters and they celebrate with a special meal afterwards. The event sees both local and international fundraising, with students being sponsored to run by local businesses and foreign friends of the NGO. The money raised provides much needed funding for the following year's nutrition program. Due to CORONA Virus restrictions in Peru, the event will unfortunately not be able to be held this year. To help out, we thought we would like to run our own Eurongilly version.

Our Santa Dash will be a walkathon where our students will walk around the perimeter of the school on the morning of Friday 11 December. 30 laps will be the maximum and as the name suggests, this is a *walkathon* so running will **not be permitted!** Students will be encouraged to dress up on the day either in red and white clothes (Santa colours but also the colours of the Peruvian flag) and/or with tinsel or other Christmas decorations adorned. Students will be sponsored for this event, with family and friends pledging a sponsorship amount per lap students complete or pledging a set donation. These sponsorship forms will go home next week, along with more details.

We look forward to hosting this fun event as well as contributing to Seeds of Hope's nutrition program.

June Summer Football will be kicking off this week and we are still accepting players from Under 5 to Under 13 in Juniors and from 14 and above in Senior Comps.

Costs will be \$35 for Under 13's and \$60 for Seniors.

Juniors will be playing from 445pm to 540pm (kick off at 500pm)

Seniors will be playing from 630pm to 730pm (may go back 30 minutes to facilitate shift workers)

Venue is Burns Park Junee.

All players must be registered on the PlayFootball system and the links are included below:

Regards

Craig Duncan
Organiser.

<https://registration.playfootball.com.au/common/pages/reg/welcomeregplus.aspx?misc=PEXs3RWAQE6nZNSyHuXx8KPnGMR7K%2fcN7Wt%2fV8pbUq8%3d&id=84659&entityid=74765>

Senior Link

<https://registration.playfootball.com.au/common/pages/reg/welcomeregplus.aspx?misc=PEXs3RWAQE7UozFy%2bUSGCzn5CbRWHyMz7Wt%2fv8pbUq8%3d&id=84657&entityid=74765>

YOU'RE INVITED!!

GOVERNANCE TRAINING AND GRANT WRITING – NOVEMBER 30, DECEMBER 1-2, 2020

Investing in Rural Communities Futures (IRCF) together with Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) are delighted to be able to deliver to the Junee Community Not for Profits and Community Groups training in Governance and Grant Writing delivered by the esteemed Natalie Bramble.

We urge each and every single organisation planning to apply for funding with IRCF/FRRR to attend this training as it will highly regarded in considering future grant submissions.

Don't be alarmed by the 3 dates/days as you may send each member or employee of your organisation or community group to all sessions or alternatively select individuals to attend various or all sessions or further select sessions to best suit individuals and your group(s) or organisation(s) needs.

VENUE – EURONGILLY HALL, EURONGILLY Cnr of Dollarvale and Eurongilly Roads

COST – Funded by FRRR and Coordinated by IRCF

TRAINER – Natalie Bramble, for more information on Nat please visit

<https://www.nataliebramble.com.au/>

EVENT TIMETABLE

DAY	Date	TIME	SESSION INFORMATION
(1) Monday	November 30	6pm – 8.30pm	Building a healthy group that volunteers and funders will love! Better meetings, minute taking and decision making. Tools, templates and go to resources will be provided.
(2) Tuesday	December 1	9am – 1pm	Best Practice Governance for Committees and Boards. Legal responsibilities, directors and officers; roles and responsibilities.
(2) Tuesday	December 1	6pm – 8.30pm	How to win a grant and why you missed out last time. For beginner writers and projects under \$15k. Natalie will share insider assessor and professional grant writer secrets!
(3) Wednesday	December 2	9am – 1pm	How to win a grant and why you missed out last time. Advanced grant writing skills targeting projects above \$15k. Natalie will share insider assessor and professional grant writer secrets!

Please RSVP by Wednesday November 25 via Eventbrite using the link provided below
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/128081223387>

For any further enquiries please contact IRCF Junee Facilitator, Kate Brabin 0418 296 805