



Eidsvold P-12 State School

Newsletter

From the Principal's Desk

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Date Claimer

Feb 18-Mundubbera District 10-12
Years Touch Trials

March 4-Mundubbera District 10-12
Years Netball, Soccer Trials

March 18-Basketball, Touch football
Trials

March 8- International Woman's Day

April 1-End Term 1

April 2-Good Friday

April 19-Back to school term 2

April 26-Anzac Day

Welcome to our new students

I would like to start the year by welcoming our awesome bunch of preppies for 2021. I have been watching Ashton, Lily, Zac, Jacob, Hazel, Alfie, Hudson and Jalaari settle in over the last week and I can already see that we have a talented group of prep students at Eidsvold. I look forward to following these smiling faces throughout the term and seeing them settle in.



I have also been lucky enough to get up regularly and check out the learning they have been doing with Ms Hansen. I was also fortunate enough to visit the goliath stick insect that ended up outside their room the other day. The preppies then thought it best that we play a game of freeze and it took me half an hour to get away from their classroom. I look forward to dropping up to their space more often for story times and to visit their new class pet (Peg the turtle).

I would also like to welcome all of our other new students throughout the primary and high school. We trust that settling in at ESS will be effortless and we look forward to working with you all and your families.

Teacher meet and greet and Softball game

Every year we hold a special 'Meet and Greet' out on the oval for our new teachers to catch up with families and community. I believe that our 'Meet and Greetings' have been very successful in the past and it has opened opportunities for our parents/ carers to be able to speak to our teaching staff in an informal setting.

We look forward to 2021 and we encourage all parents and carers to join us on Tuesday 16th February from 4 – 5:30 pm on the school oval. We will have a game of softball, a barbeque and cold drinks together. See you all there!

Toilet block and Playground upgrade

Our final concept designs and approvals are going through for the toilet upgrades this year. We are hopeful that the works will be completed by mid-June. It is going to be a huge project but we look forward to having some of the flashiest toilets in the North Burnett. I was pleasantly surprised with how aesthetically pleasing the designs are and how they will complement the relaxed environment of the school. BAS have also been looking into designs for the shade structure of the new P-6 playground. Due to the shape and length of the playground, the design could be quite interesting – watch this space...

A strong student voice – school leaders

This year our student leaders will again play an integral part in the direction of our school. I believe that this is the greatest honour for any leader, to have a voice in the decision making of our school. I look forward to the amazing group that has been chosen for 2021 and I believe that they will continue to drive our school decisions in the right direction.

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Head of Department – Secondary

Miss Bettiens

Welcome back to a new year at Eidsvold State School and I hope you have all had a great two weeks back at school. It was great to see so many excited students returning this year and a big welcome to our new staff, students and families joining us this year. We have a very exciting year ahead of us, and I know the staff and students are all keen to kick some big goals and continue to make our school great.

This year we are continuing to strive towards reaching our target attendance rate of 95%. We will be continuing to track attendance data across all year levels and displaying it on our weekly attendance chart in the office foyer. I will also be continuing to present an attendance award to a student who has 100% for the week and rewarding prizes to our year level in primary school and high school with the highest attendance rate at the end of each term.

Sports News

Miss Bettiens

Fingers crossed we will be able to get back to a full sporting calendar this year. Already this term I have sent our nomination forms for sporting activities in both the 10 – 12 years age group and 13 – 19 years age group and were due back to the office yesterday.

Just a reminder that if a student is wanting to nominate for a sport, it is their responsibility to return the completed form and required money to the office by the due date specified on the form. We will be continuing to follow a strict policy around due dates, with late nominations not being accepted. Payment must also be handed in by the due date.

I am really excited for another great year here at Eidsvold state school and remember, every day counts.

Head of Department Curriculum (Primary)

Mr Spencer

Welcome back to 2021. We had an excellent first week with all students displaying respectful, responsible and positive attitudes to their learning. I would like to acknowledge our wonderful staff for their herculean effort in ensuring our classrooms were ready for our students.

Mr Hooper joins us from the Sunshine Coast. He is a very experienced teacher who brings a wealth of knowledge to our fantastic school. Please have a chat with him if you see him around town.

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New Staff

David Hooper

When I first started teaching I was given an opportunity to learn my craft at several small rural schools. From there I ventured to the Sunshine Coast where I had the opportunity to teach at a number of government and independent schools. As a contractor I was often asked to take on a wide variety of curriculum areas. I even had a short stint teaching Music and Japanese.

I'm pleased to be given a chance to teach at Eidsvold State School, which already reminds me so much of when I first started teaching in those small country towns 28 years ago. The sense of community is ever present with warm welcomes and country smiles. Teaching Year 3/4 promises to be a fun but rewarding experience.

I have been really impressed at how well the students have settled in. They have obviously formed some great habits in their time at Eidsvold State School.



Year 1-2

Ms Trudie



Welcome to Term 1, 2021 from the 1-2 classroom. I am so excited to be teaching the Year 1's and 2's beside Mrs Mac this year. The first two weeks have been very exciting, as we have spent time together getting to know the learning and teaching styles within the room.

Children are always keen to participate in Show and Tell. This year show and tell will be on Fridays for all children. We ask that they do not bring in toys but rather something interesting that they have researched or found. Feathers, pictures, rocks, books etc.

Reading and homework will be sent home each Monday. Could reading please be returned each day and homework only on Friday morning so your children can continue to practice their spelling words for the week. Parade will continue to be on Friday afternoon at 2:30 in the stadium.

If you have not provided all supplies from the book lists could you please do this as soon as possible. If you are having difficulties please contact the office to discuss.

I hope all parents and carers had an awesome holiday with their children and that Term 1 is just as awesome with an abundance of learning and fun.



News from the Prep Room 2021:

MS Hansen

Ngara Yumbin.

We have welcomed 8 Prep students to Eidsvold State School. Our group has been busy settling into our room and school routines.

We love adventures around the school grounds.

We explore nature and we have been listening to environmental sounds as we walk.

Our students have tried painting, drawing, modelling and collage to share creative ideas.

We are remembering some Wakka Wakka words. We have been singing some songs and telling our stories through dance.

We love story time and we have been sharing books with our families.



*"We are
confident
and
capable
learners."*

Come and Try Day
Dive into Swimming!

Eidsvold Swimming Club
Tuesdays 9th & 16th February 2021
5.30 pm – 7 pm
Please contact Linda for more info
0457 213 585
or drop in to the pool during opening
hours of Mon – Fri 6 am to 9 am and 2
pm to 6 pm.
Sat/ Sun 12 pm to 6 pm.

Swimming Queensland
Website: qld.swimming.org.au
SwimmingQLD Swimming_Qld
swimming_queensland

Police Beat

Geoff Price



Ngara yumbin,

Welcome back to school for another exciting year. It was good to see everyone come back in a positive frame of mind. Over the school holidays I got the chance to see several students out and about at the park, river, pool, and just out having a wonderful time. It was great to see positive interaction between all the students and it's good to constantly hear the feedback from other police regarding the good behaviour of the children and youth in Eidsvold. Your behaviour is constantly observed by others so it's important to maintain a positive image of yourself through your behaviour. Lately there has been a few children riding around town with no helmets on. Despite it being the law, helmets are also good at preventing serious injury if you fall off your bike. So if on your bike put on a helmet and continue to do yourselves proud with your respectful and positive behaviour.

New Staff

Angela Graham

Ngara Yumbin!

My teaching journey has been an incredible experience that has taken me from Prep to Year 12 and back again, teaching HPE, Agriculture, Science, Maths, Outdoor Education and everything in between. I have taught in one-teacher schools in Western Queensland, large secondary colleges in the NT and even a small school on Hamilton Island! At the end of the day, however, there is often no place like home and so, my hubby and I have finally moved back to a small farm at Mulgildie to be closer to family again....and we are loving it!

Teaching at Eidsvold is brilliant. The caring atmosphere is obvious to all who first walk through the gate and country kids always make for a great class. All of our students have a unique set of gifts and talents, and I look forward to watching these develop. I have a bit of a bent for practical learning experiences and, as a parent myself, I realise the importance for our kids to feel happy about school. My door is always open and the wellbeing of students is a top priority so please don't hesitate to make contact if there is anything that you would like to discuss. Congratulations on a beautiful school. I look forward to becoming part of the furniture here at Eidsvold.



Student Leaders





Stepping Up

FOR KIDS

MUNDUBBERA & FRIENDS

Connecting families of young children with community and local information, services and events.

OUR FACEBOOK GROUP IS AN EASY AND SAFE WAY TO CONNECT ONLINE AND SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING IN AND AROUND MUNDUBBERA

ON THE PAGE YOU'LL FIND:

- Tips, tricks & useful information for parents and carers of young children 0-5yrs
- Upcoming community events
- Schedules for various playgroups and community organisations
- Links to services
- And no page would be complete without a 'Friday Funny'

Join our Facebook group... even better, like it and share with friends!