Principal’s Pen

Today NAPLAN testing is over for another year. However it is important to note that the ever pressing strive for excellence is never over.

Eidsvold State School teachers, teacher’s aides and the school leadership team are continually driving the improvement train, aiming high and working hard to improve student outcomes.

Academic improvement is as equally important as looking after our students emotionally and socially. There are many programs within our school that support students to be the best they can be to learn. One of them is the student leadership group.

The student leadership group meets once a week to help build the capacity of students in the area of leadership. Thus far students have learned about the seven basic values of leadership, self reflected and chosen a project to work on.

Seven Basic Values for Leadership

"Giving frees us from the familiar territory of our own needs by opening our mind to the unexplained worlds occupied by the needs of others.” - Barbara Bush


Over the next few weeks I will explain each one of these values as they have been taught to our students. Parents and community members can help out by expanding on these values at home.

While most will have you believe that true leadership lies in ‘managing’ people and delegating work, the virtue of good leadership skills lie in service. In leading a team or organization, a leader is serving his or her people, which is something he or she must always remember.

Teach children to put the needs of the people they lead before their own, and that, no job is too small for them to do. It is in understanding what goes into getting a certain task done, that they are in the best position to manage it.

"A person doing his or her best becomes a natural leader, just by example." - Joe DiMaggio

In the first few weeks of the program students self identified values that they felt they could improve upon as an individuals. This week they chose projects and tasks to take on to develop that value. Congratulations students on your hard work so far. Kind regards Ms Elliott
Highlights of the last P & C meeting held on May 15 were:

- To hold all future meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, commencing at 5.30 (next one is on June 10);
- To support the Eidsvold State School Sports Day on June 13 by running a canteen so that students can purchase lunch and drinks;

Our most exciting decision was to commence tuckshop at school. We will keep you posted on when our first tuckshop day will be. In order to do this, we need the help of parents. It would only require a couple of hours of your time twice a term! If you can spare a little time, please let us know by calling the school on 41657333. As the weather gets cooler, our students will look forward to being warmed by delicious winter dishes such as spaghetti bolognese, savoury mince rolls and homemade pizza!

MOTHER’S DAY STALL

Thank you to Trudie Roth for organising this year’s Mother’s Day Stall and to the families who supported it. The primary purpose of the stall was to provide students with a fun opportunity to purchase some lovely gifts for their mums. I’m sure you enjoyed receiving them as much as the students enjoyed choosing them.

The P & C needs YOU! Join now! Just turn up - June 10 @ 5.30. The P & C News

Term 2
Tue 27th May – Wide Bay Cross Country
Fri 6th Jun – Rugby League Gala Day (in Monto)
Fri 13th Jun—Sports Day

Term 3
Thur 7th Aug – AFL Gala Day (in Mundubbera)
Fri 22nd Aug – North Burnett Athletics (in Gayndah)

COME AND TRY TEE-BALL!!!!

WHO: Students aged between 5 and 9 (turning 9 this year).
WHERE: Eidsvold State School oval.
WHEN: THIS SATURDAY MORNING (tomorrow!), 17TH MAY AT 9AM.
WHY: Queensland softball coach, Mrs Macpherson will teach students throwing and catching skills, hitting a ball, running and playing in a team environment whilst having lots of fun with their friends. Closed-in shoes, a hat and a water bottle essential!
Congratulations to the following students for upholding the four pillars of the Eidsvold way — being respectful, being a learner, being responsible and being safe!

Prep/Year 1: Alissa Fort

Years 2/3: Noah Farr

Years 4/5: Tahlia Lette

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding homework efforts:

Years 2/3 — Lily Hastings, Riley Preston, Ella Fort and Kody Pope

Years 4/5/6—Zoe Williams

Congratulations also to Clinton Kyle for his enthusiasm in a drama performance.
Years 4/5/6 with Mrs Schulz

This semester in our 4/5/6 students have been working on a range of projects. In English, students have been writing persuasive text; during history we have had a focus on historical narratives, celebrations and commemorations and in science we have been studying physics and how heat is produced and transferred. As a class, we have participated in many other activities such as Eidsvold Show, Mother’s Day and ANZAC celebrations.

Congratulations to all students who participated in NAPLAN. It has been a big week and I am proud to say that all students gave their best. I look forward to receiving the results in term 3.

Year 12 Graduation Fundraising

To raise well-needed funds for their graduation, the year 12 students are running a lolly jar guessing competition. The cost is $1 per guess. The year 12 students will be selling guesses around the school at lunch time. Any parents or caregivers who wish to participate in this fundraising event can contact Miss Carlita McKean through the front office. Thanks in advance for your support.
Students are evaluating and reflecting upon their manufacturing of a timber pencil case.
Hayden is chiselling the mortise and tenon joints for his squatter’s chair.

Clinton is turning the legs for his chess table.

Travis is preparing his squatter’s chair for painting.
Help the Student Council raise money to cement the outdoor eating area!

Hot Milo available at the Tuckshop
Monday and Wednesday mornings 8:30 to 8:50
50c a cup!
Abercorn State School

Goodwill Games

24 May at Abercorn School

Call the school!

Nominate!

Nominations will also be taken on the day.

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