

EULO STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

From the Principal

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the 17 issue of the Eulo State School newsletter. I would like to thank everyone who contributes to this newsletter including the community page. If you would like to see anything in particular in our fortnightly newsletter please let the school know as we enjoy providing this service to our community. Our vision at Eulo State School is 'Learning Together' through high expectations, quality teaching and community partnerships. This vision was reinvented at the beginning of this year through our Quadrennial School Review (QSR). This year we have taken on the challenge of ensuring that all members of our school community know this vision and believe that through this we can provide the best possible outcomes for our students.

As you all are aware, data relating to areas of school performance is now centrally collected by DETE. This is then fed back to each individual school for review and analysis to help shape their future and set improvement targets and goals. Currently certain areas of the school are identified using traffic light colours (red, yellow and green). This year out attendance data has fluctuated from 87%-96%, coming into Term 4 we have been identified in the 'red' area. This means that our school is below both the target it set itself at the start of 2015 as well as that set by the state. Attending school every day (unless ill) is very important in improving student outcomes. We will be working hard at Eulo to improve our attendance before the end of 2015 and into the 2016 school year. For further information on the importance of regular school attendance, please visit:

<http://www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/schools/research-schoolattendance.html>

At the moment our attendance percentage is 87%. Our AIP agreement for Eulo State School is 96% attendance. This agreement has been signed off by P&C as the standard for Eulo State School. Moving forward for Term 4 let's ensure all students are attending school Every Day.

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE – START OF TERM 4 87.57%

If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child might perform is ...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 years</u>	Equal to finishing in grade 11
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>	Equal to finishing in grade 10

Bianca Lawson



Thank you to sponsors & friends for your support with items and prizes for the trivia night



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29th October 2015**

**Trivia Night
profit will be
approx. \$3250
An amazing
result
Thank you all**



WE'RE ON THE WEB!!!

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NOTICES

Great Results Guarantee

This year Eulo SS will receive \$5000 of GRG funding. This funding will be used to Ensure all Year 3 and 5 students meet NMS in Reading and Writing in 2015, develop an evidence based plan for all students at risk of not meeting NMS in literacy and numeracy, increase the level of school readiness for children yet to begin Prep and engage with Pre-Prep providers to establish transition programs from Pre-Prep to Prep and strengthen links to school and improve teacher capabilities, through professional development and focused feedback to achieve improved student outcomes. A copy of our 2015 GRG can be found on our web-site.

Parade

This term our parades will run in WEEK 4 and WEEK 7 at 8:45am. We hope to see all parents at parade.

Swimming

Currently swimming will be held from 1:00pm-2:00pm on Fridays for 5 weeks starting this week Friday 16th October.

Students will be taken to and from the pool by staff. Parents are welcome to collect students from the pool at 2:00pm or students may return with staff and be collect from Eulo at 3:00pm. Please ensure students bring their swimming bags each week.

P&C Meeting

Thank-you to everyone who attended our last P&C meeting.

Our final P&C meeting will be held on Friday November 13th at 2:15pm. Below is an extract from the minutes:

- Change of school hours for 2016 to be 8:30am – 2:30pm
- P&C to provide money for students on camp (additional lunches/breakfasts on bus trips
- End of Year concert to be held in the last week on Thursday night at the hall.
- Graduation Dinner to be organised for the last week (Hostel/School) with students and staff

Parent-Teacher meetings

A reminder that all parents are asked to schedule a parent teacher interviews. This is a very important process to ensure parents, teachers and all staff understand where the students are and where they are going. Please see Bianca to organise a time.

Upcoming student events:

Musica Viva: Friday 30th October

NRL Fun Day: Wednesday 4th November

GO Visit and Speech Visits

Our GO and Speech therapist will be visiting this term. GO visits Friday Week 2, 4, 6 and Speech Friday Week 5.

School Camp

This year we will be travelling down to the Gold Coast for our school camp on Sunday 22nd Nov – Saturday 29th Nov. More information will be made available soon.



BEHAVIOUR

Our school motto is "Learning Together". We foster and develop children's pride in their school, classroom, community and self through our daily operations and policies. Our school community has the following school rules to teach and promote our high standards of responsible behaviour:

BE SAFE, BE RESPONSIBLE, BE RESPECTFUL

Within these standards are groups of sub-standards and each week one of these becomes the 'focus of the week.' On Monday mornings this focus is highlighted and the expectations for it are explicitly taught with input from all the students. If at any time you wish to view all these they are displayed on the board just inside the end of the room.

Weekly Focus	Weekly Awards	Weekly Focus	Weekly Awards
2 – Learning Together	Holly B	6 – Being Respectful	
3 – Being Responsible	Natasha W	7 – Being a team leader	
4 – Being an active learner	Samantha W	8 – Being an active learner	
5 – Being Respectful		9 – Learning Together	



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Every day counts is a state wide initiative that aims to assist in improving student attendance at school through a shared commitment by students, parents, caregivers, schools and the community to improve students' attendance at school. To do this, every day counts promotes four key messages:

1. All children should be enrolled at school and attend on every school day
2. Schools should monitor, communicate and implement strategies to improve regular school attendance
3. Truancy can place a student in unsafe situations and impact on their future employability and life choices
4. Attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community

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Parent Information

KIDS WHO DON'T PLAY BY FAMILY RULES

By Michael Grose

You can't pick and choose

- Many teenagers at this age like to distance themselves from their families. Not quite teenagers in the real sense of the term and no longer children, they are stuck in the middle of the two stages. It can be 'Struggletown' for many parents.
- It's common for kids in this age group to want to operate outside of the family with some things, but not with others. Teenagers need to be cut some latitude and not be expected to do the same things as they did when kids. We do need to adjust. But for important stuff such as treating siblings respectfully and turning up for family mealtimes then they need to be expected to come to the party. They can't opt out of reasonable family obligations; nor can they co-operate on their terms only.

Co-operation is two-way

- Sometimes young people need to be reminded of the tenuous nature of co-operation by a parent temporarily by withdrawing their assistance for a child around things they value such as being driven to places; having a meal cooked; even having clothes washed.
- If you withdraw your co-operation in such a manner you need to be very careful how you do this as it can easily be interpreted as a play for power. It needs to be done calmly and methodically so that your young person understands that "they can't pick and choose when to co-operate. In effect, co-operation is an all or nothing thing so let them experience your non-cooperation for a time. Think this through very carefully. You may need to outlast your young person to make a point. So do it at a time when you feel strong.

'I can use your help'

- One way of working with children and young people (and adults) who directly challenge you or your status quo is to get them working for you rather than against you. In effect, you acknowledge that they are older and that you could really use their help to look out for and after their siblings.
- It's essential that you don't allow kids to operate outside the family rules and norms for too long. It becomes tiresome for you and destructive for family life as well.



Left: a view of the large crowd at trivia night.



Right: Mayor Lyndsey Godfrey ponders a question—surely not the one asking who is the mayor of the Paroo Shire is.



Left: Carmel gives the crowd their next piece of trivia



Right: Warrego Watchman editor James Clark & wife Josephine team up with Cunnamulla teacher Rachel Biggs



Left: All eyes turn to the screen for the next clue



Right: Nicky Schmidt has her head scribbling while husband Rupert enjoys a cold refreshment



Left: **Thomas' team**—Waihora couple Ross & Justine Campbell (& son Thomas) team up with Ben Dunsdon & his partner Sarah.



The winning team of Jeff , Heike, Simon & Janine sat back answering most questions correctly and scoring 92 / 100.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- November 4th *NRL Fun Day in Cunnamulla*
5th *Budget Workshop Cunnamulla—Bianca to attend*
10th *Keys Day Eulo*
11th *Remembrance Day*
13th *P & C Meeting*
- December 3rd *End of Year Concert*



P & C News

The next meeting of the Eulo State School P & C Association is on Friday 13th November in the school library at 2.15pm. All parents and others interested in our school are warmly invited to attend.



Community Information

*Flying Doctor Clinic Day Eulo
Program for November*

6th November— Dr.Claire Schmidt

20th November—Dr John Eila

**TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR A
CONSULTATION CALL THE
CHARLEVILLE BASE**

ON 46541233

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9AM - 4.30PM

**APPOINTMENTS CLOSE AT MIDDAY ON
THE DAY**

BEFORE CLINICS

Or you can email them on

rfdscvl@rfdscvl.com.au

*& someone will reply to your email with an
appointment time*



Pool Competition

Eulo Queen Hotel

Saturday 31st September

Starting 2:00pm

Referee & Hotel Rules apply!!

Followed by a BBQ

Then, back by popular demand

Double Barrel will be performing until late.

**Hope to see you all there for a fun day and night, for
accommodation queries phone us on 4655 4867 or just bring
your swags**



Church Reminder
Next Mass should be
Sunday 22nd November at 9am
All Welcome

Help watch over our school
Report suspicious acts
School watch no 131788



EULO PLAYGROUP DATES

Week	Date and Time
4	Friday 30 th October PRE-PREP ONLY 9:30am – GO visit with school readiness screeners (please let me know if you can't make this and we can organise another time)
5	FRIDAY 6 th November – Playgroup + Speech 9:00AM-11:00AM Speech Pathology Visit with screeners and Information session
6	Pre-Prep Program for 2016 Preps Tuesday 10 th , Wednesday 11 th , Thursday 12 th November 9:00AM-12:00PM
7 Last Play- group for 2015	Thursday 19 th November - Playgroup 9:00AM-11:00AM

Eulo State School

**We may be
OUTBACK
But we're
INFRONT
In Education
In S W Qld**

Statement of Purpose

Our aim is to provide opportunities for each child to reach their potential socially, emotionally, intellectually, physically and spiritually. We aim to do this in a caring, professional environment, in close consultation with our local community

We strive to provide and maintain

- A safe and supportive environment in which all children are able to develop their individualism, their independence and a sense of positive self esteem.
- Effective teaching that reflects not only an emphasis on basic skills but on individual and creative skills as well.
- Initiatives which are challenging and rewarding to students
- A strong relationship between home and school that continues to support students individual development.



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EULO STATE SCHOOL STUDENTS TURN DUST INTO GOLD