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Principal’s Column

Dear Parents,

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Yesterday the staff and I were privileged to share in our awards ceremony and a special evening with our year 6 students.

The following students listed are the award winners for 2011:-

Chaplaincy Award - Jasmine D
Junior Citizenship Award - Julia W
Principal’s Encouragement Award - Stephanie T and Lain J
Peter Krenz Award - Erin Vand Jenna W
Literacy Award - Cleo L
Numeracy Award - Joel M
Performing Arts Award - Keisha B
Arts Award - Jasmine S-S
PE Award - Mikki P

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holidays. See you all in the new year.
I was most impressed with the maturity and friendliness of these wonderful students who very easily engaged in conversation. Most students reflected upon their fond memories of our school. It was a fantastic evening!

Congratulations to Anita Pilling and her hard working crew for a great meal. Well done!

There are also several families that will be ending their association with us when the grade 6’s move on. Some who have been with the school for many years. Thank you and very best wishes to the Barker, Bibby, Brohan, Brown, Couchman, Frank, Kirby, Madden, Meaker, Ryan, Brook, Carter, Crawford, Cumming Drummond, Farnell, Gahan, Hommelhoff, Ingham, Patton, Beeton and Ruiter families. We have enjoyed the association and look forward to hearing of the successes in the future.

On behalf of the staff, I wish our Year 6 students and their families all the very best.

**SCHOOL REPORTS**

Our End of Year Reports were forwarded to families yesterday. Parents wishing to discuss any issues with any teachers are asked to arrange a suitable time with the teacher concerned early next year.

**FAREWELL FOR NOW**

I would like to thank Cherie Slattery, Anna Rookes and Glenn Lahtz for their contribution to our school this year. Miss Slattery may return for only a few days in 2012 before commencing family leave whilst Miss Rookes will travel overseas and is scheduled to depart next Tuesday. Mr Lahtz may return at some stage in the future. Thank you.

Finally, as this will be our final newsletter for 2011, may I wish all children, parents and staff a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year and thank you for all the hard work that is done on behalf of the school. We have a very skilled and dedicated staff, very supportive parents and a great group of children.

*Thank you all.*

*Best Wishes,*

Craig Arrowsmith

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**Assistant Principal’s Column**

**PLAITS**

I haven't managed to have a baby photo in my column for quite awhile so I thought it might be an opportunity for a photo of my favourite plaited head at ENPS. It belongs to Maddison G. Her mum Thea sends her along with magnificent plaits, sometimes up to eight in number and I promised I would include her in my column. The photo shows Thea proudly admiring her handiwork in the background.

**GRADUATION**

I was one of a good number of staff who went along to the Grade 6 Graduation Dinner last night. Our graduating students were a credit to all of their families, magnificently attired and beautifully behaved. It was one of the easiest Graduation Dinners I have attended.

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Whipstick Whispers

The manners and goodwill on display in the room were terrific to see. The positive interactions between our children were very nice to observe. Having seen the number of ENPS award winners in the Eaglehawk Secondary College Awards Night booklet I am confident that this tradition will continue with the latest batch we send them.

100% ATTENDANCE

The following seven students managed to attend every day of school this year, avoiding illness and other issues: Kimberley Godfrey, Zac Gartside, Mercedes May, Andrew Murphy, Stephanie Trew, Erin Varker and Koby Hommelhoff. Two of these children are in Grade 4/5 Coffey. When the going got tough they still kept coming day after day. I noticed that Mr Lahtz’s Grade 3 class had 17 students with 95% or better attendance. Keeping in mind that 1% equals two days of school have a look at the average attendance per grade level at our school this year: Prep=93%, Grade 1= 94.2%, Grade 2= 93.5%, Grade 3= 95.2%, Grade 4= 94.3%, Grade 5= 92.9% and Grade 6 students averaged 92.3%.

John Morton
Assistant Principal

School President Report

On behalf of the School Council, I wish all families, students, teachers, staff and friends of our school a very merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

Farewell to our grade six students and good luck with your continuing education journey at your secondary schools. Farewell to any other students and to families who are leaving our school, thank you for your contributions and for being part of the Eaglehawk North Primary School community. I hope you remember your time at our school with fondness.

During the school holidays, take care on the roads and please be careful around the water. Be safe and enjoy your break.

Robert Filcock

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holidays. See you all in the new year.
Senior News

Yesterday we celebrated our Grade Six students’ graduation with a special assembly. There was a great turnout of relatives and friends and the students were very excited about their special day. Congratulations to all Grade Six students and we wish you all the best in your future years at high school.

This week several of our senior classes were the first to experience life in our new school building. The teachers have been busy setting up their new rooms in readiness for the new year and are looking forward to teaching in this new learning centre.

We would like to congratulate all senior students for a wonderful year. There have been many fantastic achievements by our students and all have enjoyed some memorable experiences. We wish all students a wonderful holiday and look forward to seeing you all for a new year in 2012.

Rik, Bron, Amy, Jake, Anna and Jo

Junior News

P-3 Team

We have made it to the end of the year. Thank you to all the parents who contributed to the class parties yesterday. The children had lots of fun. We must say a big thank you to Mr Lahtz for taking over in the middle of the term and doing a wonderful job in his class. We hope to see you in the future, teaching back at ENPS. We also have Miss Slattery leaving early at the beginning of next year and wish her a safe and happy break. From the Junior team of ENPS, we wish all the families a safe and happy Christmas. Thank you again for all the support you have given your child’s teacher throughout 2011.

Carolyn, Tina, Taygen, Cheryl, Cherie, Glenn and Amelia

Bus For Eaglehawk North?

We are currently seeking expressions of interest from families who would be interested in their children catching a bus to school if they had the opportunity. The school is considering chartering a bus in the Eaglehawk area as an additional means of transport for some of our families.

If you would be interested in utilising this service please complete the form below and place in an envelope marked ‘Bus Service’ Attention Wendy Kofoed. All forms need to be returned to the front office by Monday 19th December.

Name of Family:......................................
Contact person:......................................
Eldest Child’s Name.......................Grade.......
Number of children who would use the service..............
Address:...........................................................................
Postcode..............
Ph:..................................
Mobile:..............................

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**KELLY SPORTS SUPER SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

Don’t miss out on the fun of with Kelly Sports this Summer Holidays!

Come and join us for 7 days of sporting fun and make new friends!

We will be at THE ZONE (4 days) & Quarry Hill Community Hall (3 days), Hamlet St, Quarry Hill. **8.45am – 4.30pm daily.**

Laser Tag, Mini golf, AFL9’s, Saville, Roller skating, Soccer, Circus skills, Zumba and more! **Friday 13th Jan – Tuesday 24th Jan 2012. $39 – $49 per child per day.** Great discounts apply for 2+ kids! Email kristi@kellysports.com.au or 0417308139 for full program and enrolment forms.

**Term 1, is full of fantastic sporting opportunities for your children!**

It’s fun, it’s fast, it’s AFL9’s. The newest AFL game, AFL9’s is the game for everyone. Our Friday night competition starting 10th Feb (6 weeks) is open for boys and girls aged 9 -14 years old. Held at Mason Oval, Reservoir Rd, your children will love participating in this exciting new non-contact version of footy. First 90 boys to enrol will receive a **FREE** football and all girls who enrol will also receive a **FREE** football. Your school could **win $100 worth of sports equipment** and an **AFL player visit**, if it has the most number of registrations! Don’t miss out! [www.afl9s.com.au](http://www.afl9s.com.au)

**Super Summer Sports and Zumba Fitness**

In Term 1, every enrolment in the Super Summer Sports program receives a **FREE** ball! Please check out our website to view

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**Fundraising Calendar**

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** Thank you to the families who have donated items for our Christmas raffle.

Listed below are our winners for our raffle: **1st** Josh Bibby, **2nd** Poppy Mc Pherson, **3rd** Joshua Sea and **4th** Katelyn Sinclair.