Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Anzac Service Feedback**

It is always appreciated when I receive positive feedback about our students and school and I enjoy passing the comments onto our school community. Diversional Therapist Coordinator, Marycrest Nursing Home, Kylie March sent me a recent email after her attendance at our Anzac Service. Her comments are below: "I meant to say thank you again for the wonderful ANZAC Service your school had, it really was a privilege to be in attendance. The respectful manner of all of the children, your heartfelt tribute of asking the children to be in their shoes and the wonderful choir performance, it was emotional but also a real tribute to our ANZACs. Congratulations to you, your staff and the children". Thank you Kylie for taking the time to send us your kind words.

**School Uniforms**

A very big thank you to the parents who have taken advantage of the uniform shop sale and purchased winter uniform items. As the weather becomes cooler children start looking for a jumper to ward off the chill in the air. Please ensure that your child has a bottle green jumper or jacket with no brand names or additional stripes, logos, etc. The school uniform shop does have school jackets available and these are of excellent quality and good value for money. All other jumpers and jackets are not acceptable to wear at, to and from school. When the weather requires additional layers, white or green skivvies can be worn as well as green track pants, leggings or tights. Please write your child’s name on all their uniform pieces. The uniform shop is open each Monday and Wednesday from 8:30am to 9:15am.

**Prep Enrolment Session**

Staff and I will be hosting prep enrolment information sessions on **Wednesday, 27th May**. Sessions will be held in the school library from **9:30am to 10:30am** and **6:00pm to 7:00pm**. Please register your interest at the office if you have a child ready to start prep in 2016.

**NAPLAN – Year 3 and 5 Students**

NAPLAN tests will take place from **Tuesday 12th May to Thursday 14th May**. Testing begins at **9:00am** so please ensure your child is at school by the **8:55am** bell. Please ensure that you contact the school if your child will not be present for these dates. We are able to arrange alternative testing on Friday, 15th May should your child be away on the official testing dates. A small snack for all year 3 and 5 students will be provided by the P&C on each testing day. These snacks will be available in the undercover area from 8:00am to 8:40am.

**CONGRATULATIONS EMAD! (Pictured here on the right)**

Several students represented not only our school but also the Lytton District in Soccer, Cross Country, Swimming, AFL and Rugby League. Well done to all the students for their great efforts and well done Emad who has been selected in the Metropolitan East Soccer Team.

**P and C Meeting**

P and C Meetings are held at East Brisbane State School on the second Thursday of each month. The next meeting for the year will be held on the **14th May June, 6:00pm** in the school library. We hope that you can join us.

**Junior and Senior Choir Performances**

The East Brisbane State School Choirs have been invited to perform at St Paul’s Fete and Music Festival on Saturday **23rd May**. As well as stalls outside the church, there is a one day Music festival featuring schools from all over the district. Mrs Hodgson has sent information letters home and I ask that parents return the requested slip as soon as possible so that we are aware of the number of students who will attend. Your help with this would be greatly appreciated.

Have a great week,
Joanne Nicholls
Principal
Trial Dates
for 10-12 yr children:

TERM 2
May 7 Met East Golf
May 7 Met East Touch Football
May 7 Free In-School Soccer
May 13 Free In-School Soccer
May 19 Met East Cross Country
June 4 State AFL
June 4 Met East Tennis
June 5 State AFL
June 6 State AFL
June 8 State AFL
June 11 District Rugby Union
June 12 State Basketball
June 12 BUDGIE CUP-Touch Football
June 13 State Basketball
June 15 Met East Softball
June 15 State Basketball
June 18-19 State Hockey
June 20 State Hockey & Netball
June 22 State Netball
June 23 State Netball
June 25-27 State Rugby League

**District Lytton Cross Country** Week 1 saw Gus, Dash, Maddy, Rame, Andy, James, Samson, Nick, Cooper, Sam and Meisko participate in the District Lytton Cross Country Event. All students put in an outstanding effort. To qualify and make it to the District Level and finish the race is an amazing feat in itself. Be proud of yourselves! I am proud of you all!

**The Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon** is returning to Brisbane and will be held at a fantastic new venue, the Sleeman Sports Complex, Chandler on **17th May 2015**. With Australia’s largest competition swimming pool and ample free parking, it’s sure to be a great day for all! Enrol on line at weetbix kids tryathlon if you are interested in this event for your children. If you are interested please check the website.

**Michael Theo soccer acadamy soccer clinics** will also be held the next school holidays look at info@soccer-academy.com.au for information about 3 day clinics and 2 day specialist goal keeping clinics held at Fairfield and Yeronga. Information about these clinics is up on the PE Board at administration near the photocopying room. If you require a form see myself students.

**Our Games Monitors** are up and running and spending this term in the Prep Area and involved in games, play and most of all fun. Thank you students for donating one lunch hour a week of your time to others. We look forward to seeing Elijah, Theo, Charysma, Emma, Nick G, Cooper, Junsu, Adi, Emad, Hiro, Jeffrey and Madeline in the Prep yard.

**District Representatives -Congratulations to Nick and Emad** who put in a terrific effort at the recent Lytton Soccer District trials. Big thank you also to Kate Taylor who ensured they got there on competition days and Jim Gilbey who ensured the boys got to practices too. **Congratulations to Emad** who made the Metropolitan East Soccer Team. **Congratulations to Rothy** who if not for injury would have made it into the Metropolitan East Rugby League Team - awesome job Rothy!!

**Thank you also to Olympic Football and Steve Gunn** for our free soccer clinics for 3 weeks so far. We look forward to practising and improving our football skills and look forward to our last remaining lessons with you and your wonderful Scottish accent.

**Brisbane Roar Marco** will be back at our school again on Fridays 29th May, 5th, 12th & 19th June 3.15pm-4.15pm for soccer clinics available for Prep to Year 6. Many of our students have experienced this great clinic over the last couple of years. Forms were handed out this week. The cost is $55 for the 4 weeks which includes a uhlsport kit worth $30(ball, markers and water bottle. The last lesson will included games inside the inflatable soccer field. If you wish to participate please return your form and money to the office.

Thoughts until next time: "In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson." and "He/she who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life”.

**Yours in Sport**
Karen Florager

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TO ALL THE WONDERFUL EBSS MUMS

HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY!

**Kids** … Don’t forget to bring your money for the Mother’s Day Stall this Friday 8th May. A variety of beautiful gifts - practical, quirky, handmade, edible - from 50 cents to $5; come and choose something for mum!

Organised by the EBSS P&C Association – thank you for supporting this Fundraising event.
**PREP/1R NEWS**

This term for our English unit of work we will be focusing on the book “Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley” by an Australian author Aaron Blabey. The children will be learning to write a character description. In Science we will learn about different materials (eg. wood, glass etc). In Geography we will be learning about ‘Place’ where we live and the meaning of place. I would like to ask, if you have any small toys available that is needed to help teach each letter of the alphabet. For example; a car would represent the letter C. This would really helpful for the Preps. Looking forward to a real interest term of fantastic learning and fun.

**1/2D NEWS**

**English**

We have been enjoying reading the story Lucy Goosey about a young goose who overcomes her fears about migrating for the winter. We have made our own connections to the text by recalling times when we were too scared to do something new. We are learning to write longer and more interesting sentences.

**Science**

In science we have been investigating various materials and their properties. We are learning about how materials can be changed and shaped to suit different purposes. Last Friday we observed different hat. We considered how the materials of which they were made suited the purpose of each hat.

**Drama**

We are excited about rehearsing our short plays that will be performed for a parent audience towards the end of term. We are learning to use our voices to express the personalities of the characters.

**2/3G NEWS**

In 2/3G we have been learning about writing narratives. We have learned that narratives have an orientation, a problem and a resolution. We are improving our writing by adding lots of descriptive language. In Maths we are practising counting money. We have been counting collections of notes and coins to $100! Geography has been really interesting because we have been learning to read and interpret climate graphs. We love philosophy because we get to talk out our ideas and give reasons to explain our thinking. We are about to embark on a new concept, “What is an idea?” Lastly, don’t forget about NAPLAN (year 3s) next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please be at school on time and have plenty of sleep the night before!

**2/3N NEWS**

Welcome back to second term. We have had a busy start back into our work. On our first Monday, we enjoyed a very well-done puppet show about the animals on the Great Barrier Reef. Since then, we have been working hard in all our subjects. In Maths we have been learning about shape, practising our number facts, etc. In Geography we will be learning about ‘Place’ where we live and the meaning of place. I would like to ask, if you have any small toys available that is needed to help teach each letter of the alphabet. For example; a car would represent the letter C. This would really helpful for the Preps. Looking forward to a real interest term of fantastic learning and fun.

**TERM 2 CALENDAR**

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**Student of the week comments**

**PG-Juliette** always being a “Have-a-go-kid”. No matter what we are learning about Juliette, you always show that you are listening and that you want to be a learner. You put your hand up and join in our class discussions. Well Done!

**P/1R-Jake** his wonderful manner in listening as he is always sitting quietly, looking at the teacher. Jake is showing he is ready to learn.

**1/2D-Nicholas** participating enthusiastically in lessons and eagerly sharing knowledge and new ideas. You listen carefully and join in all classroom discussions.

**2/3G-Vaishnavi** consistently completing homework, doing extra home tasks, completing reading eggs and a beautiful Science Journal on “Birds” at her home. Also a focused learner.

**2/3N-Nikola** listening carefully and working hard every day, and for using descriptive words and editing her writing.

**3/4K-James** consistently trying his hardest to be a focused learner.

**5/6B-Richard** Manifesting great enthusiasm and industriousness in his learning and showing leadership by setting a good example.

**5/6M-Finn** always demonstrating ways to improve your knowledge and skills by listening to feedback and putting actions into place. Keep taking risks and moving out of your comfort zone.

**STARS OF THE WEEK**

**CLASS** | **Week 2** | **Week 3**
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**PG** | Adel | Juliette | Juliette | Basmala
**P/1R** | Quan | Charlie | Jake | Kyleen
**1/2D** | Amy | India | Vaishnavi | Nazli
**2/3G** | Bobby | Sonia | Nikola | Jem
**2/3N** | Gabi | Musa | James | Alley
**3/4K** | Diyam | Abhimanyu | Richard | Jaqueline
**5/6B** | Rothy | Alicia | Finn | Elijah
**5/6M** | Hugo | Nate | Liam

**P and C Meeting**
The next meeting
14th May, 6:00pm
in the school library.
We hope that you can join us.

**CLASS OF WEEK 2**

1/2D