CONGRATULATIONS EAST BRISBANE STATE SCHOOL on achieving outstanding NAPLAN results for 2015 across all strands in Years 3 & 5 (Reading, Writing, Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar and Numeracy). I know there has been a lot of negative talk in the media about NAPLAN results this year but I want to share the facts about EBSS and celebrate the wonderful achievement of our great school.

* EBSS has achieved the highest results across all strands in Years 3 & 5 for many, many years.
* EBSS has demonstrated enormous growth and achievement in National Minimum Standard, Mean Scale Score and Upper Bands in all strands.
* EBSS is a high performing school.
* EBSS is creating Diversity, Diligence, Distinction.

East Brisbane State School is one of the best schools in Qld and this latest achievement is only one of the many reasons why I would sincerely like to congratulate all students, staff and parents/carers on this incredible result.

Successful learning
To encourage students to be more involved with their learning and to understand what they are learning, East Brisbane State School has incorporated the characters WALT, WILF and TIB to the classroom.

**WILF**
What am I looking for...is a prompter and the character used by the teacher and the student to identify the success criteria.

When Success Criteria are used:
* The learning becomes more explicit
* Students can confirm, consolidate and integrate new knowledge
* Future learning is scaffolded

Students can see what quality learning looks like

When Success Criteria is implemented (WILF) students then can be clear about how their work will be judged and what the teacher wants to see in the finished task.

By inviting students to help create the success criteria, we are:
* involving them in their own learning and
* encouraging them to evaluate their performance

**How can you help?**
When looking at student work,
* take note of the WILF, as this is the criterion on which students have been judged
* Ask your child to explain the criteria expected and how they addressed these requirements
* Encourage your child to be explicitly aware of the criterion in assessment tasks, what they need to do to gain the desired academic rating

**School Uniforms**
It is wonderful to see so many children in full school winter uniform around the school. Please ensure that the great gains made in wearing the uniform with pride are continued into the final winter months. **Please name all winter uniform items.**

Kind regards
Mrs Sandy Hackshall
Acting Principal
Congratulations to our East Brisbane Lytton District Athletics - Gus, Finn F, Nick, Emad, Cooper, Dash, Rotthy, Elijah, Zac, Oliver S, Stephan, Manaima, James F, Rame, Meiko, Elizabeth, Anna, Emma, Josie, Charysma, Cienna, Jacqueline, Alicia & Samson who competed last week at Villanova College. What wonderful support and pride you had for each other's awesome efforts and the cheering screams matched well too. We have received another new best this year with 5 of our students getting through for 7 events.

Well done - we are proud of you:
Manaima- 1st Shot Put 9.08m (only 10cm short off Lytton Record) & 2nd Discus
Cienna-1st Shot Put 7.62cm
Emad- High Jump & 4th Long Jump 4.45m
Rame- 3rd Long Jump 3.71cm & 3rd High Jump (1.19m)
Charysma- 6th Shot Put 6.93m

Also awesome effort to:
Gus F- 8th Long Jump 3.39M, made it to 200m and 100 semis
Emad- 7th place 800m (2.40sec) - 1 spot only off making the team for this & 100m Finals 16.23secs & 200m semis
Rotthy - 100 &200m semis
Oliver S- 100 & 200 semi
Elijah- 5th Discus 17.98m & Shot Put 15th
Cooper- 14th Shot Put
Cienna- 6th Discus
Zac- High Jump 7th 1.20M
Anna- 100m Semis

Well done team this is a very hard district with 9 private schools to compete against, so you should all hold your heads up high and be proud of your efforts. Thank you also to Mrs Mc Clintock and Ms Dezen for ensuring all students knew what they were doing and where they needed to go.

AFL Clinics started after school on Thursdays 30th July - 6th September - 3.10-4.10pm. These AFL Clinics are highly contagious in fun and activity so please if you still want to join see Joshua and Jack for a reduced rate.

NRL Clinic- this week Prep - Year 6 enjoyed the start of our free inschool NRL clinics, thanks Sam for taking us through our skills and we look forward to seeing you back next week.

Budgie Cup training/trials for soccer begins tomorrow August 14th, all years 3/4-5/6 students will again visit pineapple park and we look forward to seeing some of the TAFE Students again. All children are expected to participate so please ensure you have returned your note and medical form. Please ensure the students have water and hats.

Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers We would very much appreciate them here at school.

Activated Dance We look forward to welcoming back Sue-Activated Dance, Term 4 to work with each class.

Fundraiser - I am at the moment collecting some items for a raffle for fundraising to assist Emad and his family’s costs to Adelaide in November. Thank you very much to the parents who let me know they’d like to make contributions. I was looking to see if anyone was interested in donating some items for a raffle we will hold to assist Emad - I have collected a $30 lunch voucher thanks to The Pineapple Hotel, a $25 Target Gift Card from Buranda Target and I have a signed Brisbane Roar track jacket thank you immensely Rozanne/Andy for this.

If you are a business and would like to donate something to our basket please let me know or if anyone would like to contribute in a small way like a gift voucher, scratchies, bottle of wine, movie voucher etc. please do so. Please contact me on kflor1@eq.edu.au if you can help in any way. We are hoping to get the raffle underway by newsletter of week 7, so please support us.

Interesting Body Facts:
*When you blush, your stomach lining also reddens.
*Most people have lost fifty per cent of their taste buds by the time they reach the age of sixty.
*If you could save all the times your eyes blink in one life time and use them all at once you would see blackness for 1.2 years!
*It's impossible to sneeze with your eyes open
*The tiniest muscle, the stapedius of the middle ear, is just one-fifth of an inch long.
*Our eyes never grow, and our nose and ears never stop growing.
*The thumbnail grows the slowest; the middle nail grows the fastest
*In your very own lifetime, you'll produce enough spit to fill two swimming pools.
*Your ribs move about 5 million times a year, every time you breathe!
*The palms of the hands and soles of the feet contain more sweat glands than other parts of the body.

Thoughts until next time: "There is always a U turn at the End so don't give up." And "Take one step at a time to follow your dreams. Don’t rush it. A steady foundation takes time.”

Yours in Sport
Karen Florager
CLASS NEWS

3/4K News
The term is flying by again and what a busy term it has been so far! Our students have had a delightful start to Term 3 and have all continued to work well within our classroom community. Our students have been thoroughly enjoying learning about humorous poetry and the devices authors use within our English unit based around 'The Gruffalo'. Our drama unit focusing on freeze frames has now come to an end with assessment and reflection completed. All students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to participate and it was pleasing to see so many stars in our class! In Maths we have been concentrating on concepts including number and place value, measurement and shape. In the coming weeks we will be focusing on fractions. Our class has continued using Class Dojo throughout this term and students eagerly await Class Dojo Champions to be announced every fortnight. Again, we encourage parents to continue to login to track their child's progress. Finally, our class will be again participating in Friday afternoon Sport commencing this week. Please ensure students have a hat and water bottle every week. We look forward to seeing the teamwork and spirit throughout the class whilst they participate again this Term.

5/6M News
Halfway through the term already! Our students have been working on 'Sustainable Energy Sources' in Science and are developing a Powerpoint presentation and visual display to present to others in the last 2 weeks of this term. This task has become part of their homework and their usual work has been reduced to accommodate this. There has been much hype and interest about the topic amongst students so we have organised for the students to visit Coorparoo Secondary College on Wednesday 19 August to take part in a 'Forensic Science' workshop during National Science Week. The focus of our maths learning has been on making it a ‘real-life’ experience. Students are learning about financial maths and budgets. They are eagerly starting to bringing in simple recipes to create a saving and spending plan by sourcing best value prices, adjusting recipe size with fractions and measures and work out if their marketing adventure will make a profit or loss when they sell their product. One student, Finn has already thought about his marketing audience and made two versions of his yummy mars bar slice to survey the class on which product tastes best to present. His comparison was based on choosing a ‘homebrand’ product for cheaper value or ‘brand’ product which costs more initially. We look forward to seeing what choice he decides to make and how he justifies it. Our other adventure, with the help of Mrs Florager, is learning about statistics and data and how to make accurate statements about your collections. We have been planning a fitness circuit according to a specific criterion to gather data using time and measurements of length as well as plan a data collection sheet. This task has helped develop our summary skills as each student in the group needs to write instructions for one activity in the circuit. Looking forward to testing and collecting data as well as promoting physical fitness!! Lastly, Budgie Cup Soccer trials at Raymond Park start this Friday for the next few weeks, so hats and water bottles are essential. Also, on Mondays for the rest of the term, Ms Fynes-Clinton will be working with a group of selected students on ‘Logic’ to develop and extend their thinking.

Free Dental Treatment
The School Dental Service provides free dental treatment to all school students up to Yr 10. As well as to those 0-4yr olds, and Yr 11 & 12 students who hold a Health Card or receive the Child Dental Benefits Scheme. Call 1300 300 850 to book an appointment at a clinic near you.

Student of the week comments:

PG
Maurie working well to learn all of the letter names and their sounds. Keep up the great work Maurie, and keep practising the sounds that are made by 2 letters. Don’t let them trick you.

P/1R
Sadie for being a model student as she is always prepared and ready to learn. Sadie always strives to do her best.

Henry being a Star student (safe, responsible, respectful and a learner) as he is always ready to start his day of learning.

1/2D
Ensar being such a successful learner! You always try your best when working in a group or on your own!

Mwanaisha being quick to help others and for focusing well in class. You listen carefully for ways to succeed and try your best. Well done Mwanaisha!

2/3G
Emily being a motivated and enthusiastic learner. Emily is able to work independently and is always willing to lend a hand.

Caitlin working hard to stay focused when faced with challenging tasks. Caitlin is determined and persistent and this positive mindset ensures she does well. Caitlin is always helpful and caring.

2/3N---
Grisel for working hard and with determination, on her maths facts and homework, teaching us some Spanish words and showing kind, friendly manners to other people.

3/4K
Jenny outstanding focus and commitment to all learning task. Always contributing to our class discussions.

Jack being an amazing home reader and consistently completing his homework to a high standard. Keep up the great work Jack!

5/6B
Finn S working to the best of his ability and participating well in class. He is always kind and respectful.

Elijah for demonstrating good leadership skills in volunteering to assist others on sports day!

5/6M
Emad showing enthusiasm for his learning and working hard on his English skills.

Alyssa showing confidence and great leadership during the Prep-3 sports day. Also showing great ideas and examples during discussions. Great work!

GOTCHA AWARDS

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