

ECHUCA SPECIALIST SCHOOL

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Our Vision:

To deliver excellence in education where all students develop to their full potential.

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We acknowledge the traditional Aboriginal owners of country throughout Victoria. We pay our respects to them, their culture and their Elders past, present and future.

Principal's Report—Paul Marshall

Parent Opinion Survey

Tomorrow parents will receive information about the parent opinion survey. This year the survey will be completed on line. If you don't have access to a computer and/or you would like assistance with filling in the survey, please come to the office and the staff will assist you. The survey is a vital feedback tool for the school. We appreciate your feedback and the school is always looking at ways to improve.

Crazy Hair Day

Don't forget that tomorrow is Crazy Hair Day. Students can come in casual dress and/or do their hair in a CRAZY way. The day has been organised by the Junior School Council. There is a gold coin donation.

Eye testing

Please return the eye testing permission forms as soon as possible. The team will be at school on August 17th to assess student eyesight and determine if glasses are needed. This is a free service organised by the school and the education department.

Dental visit

There has been a delay in the dental visit. We hope to receive confirmation of a new date shortly.

Generous Donation

I would like to thank Heather Coombs (Staff member) and her church (Kyabram Baptist Church) for an extremely kind donation of just over \$2500. We have decided to use this money to purchase a defibrillator. This is a machine which is

used to shock the heart back in to rhythm if you require CPR. It will be a valuable resource if the worst was to occur and has been proven to save many lives.

First Aid

I would like to thank the staff for their dedication to the school and wellbeing of students, by attending a first aid course after school. Over two nights staff work from 3:30pm to 9:00pm to learn level II first aid. Staff are not paid for this time. As you can imagine it is a tiring process, but one that staff value for the wellbeing of students. During this time staff are also trained to use a defibrillator.



Thanks to Mark for his time and patience in instructing the staff of ESS through their first aid refresher course.





WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school.

It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted **online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 7th August to Sunday 27th August**.

Approximately 75 of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey results will be reported back to our school at the end of September. Echuca Specialist School may inform that the survey results will be communicated to parents through annual reporting. Last year we used the survey results to plan Echuca Specialist School to keep moving forward into the future.

BUNNINGS AND BUSH PROGRAM WITH THE SECONDARY STUDENTS



Important Dates:

August

4th Aug—Crazy hair day

11 Aug—SSG Meetings

There will be no Club Teen on this day

17th Aug— Glasses for kids program

16th— Sept End of Term



Happy Birthday to the following student this week

Adrian Marlborough



Fundraising News

“FRIGHT NIGHT GALA”

FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER, 2017

Keep this date free. More details to come later this term.



In Term 3 we will be holding our 5 cent drive again.



So look under the couch, in the car for any 5 cent pieces lying around (make sure it is ok with mum and dad first). Last year we raised \$410.10 so this year we are hoping to get \$500. Start collecting.

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Days

of



Prep

CRAZY HAIR DAY

4th AUGUST

*** GOLD COIN DONATIONS**

*** CRAZY HAIR AND CLOTHES**

*** ACTIVITIES ON THE DAY**

*** RAISING MONEY FOR OUR NEW SCHOOL**



Just a reminder to please complete and return your Secondary School Vaccine Program Consent Card this card is to be returned even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated.

Meningococcal W Secondary School Vaccine Program Consent card - complete and return to school

Student details	
Medicare number [] (Number beside child's name)	
Surname	First name
Postal address	
Postcode	
Date of birth	Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/>
School name	Class
Is this person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/>	
Parent or guardian contact details	
Name of parent/guardian or student aged 18 or over:	
Daytime phone	Mobile
Email	

1. Read the Meningococcal W information.
2. Complete the consent section and sign if a Yes
3. Remove the consent card and return it to school even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated.

Contact your local council for more information. Details on back.

The vast majority of people complete and return this card.
Thank you for returning yours.

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We have attached a photocopied sticker sheet for you on the last page so please get collecting. There is a collection box at Echuca Woolworths or in the office at school.

Information Pack

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Earn & Learn is on again

26 July to 19 September



Woolworths

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*That's why
I pick Woolies*

In this Information Pack, you'll find everything you need to help your school or Early Learning Centre earn amazing resources.



Woolworths

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Student of the week

Room	Student	Reason
1	Aidyn	Telling staff how he is feeling
2	Ivera	Great independence with her reading and literacy activities
5	Kye	A great start to his time at Echuca Special School
7	Jai	Being a great Role Model in our room
9	Andrew	Doing fantastic job at tree planting at Echuca East
10	Ashtyn	Doing a fantastic job at tree planting at Echuca East
13	Ben	Great writing
14	Aiden	Working hard on his physic goals
15	Jack	His great work at the farm
17	Kayden T	Coming to school 4 days, nearly made the whole week. Great to see you completing all your work in class
18	Mikaela	For taking the initiative to be a team player in class activities

PBS Award of the Week

Room	Student	Reason
1	Shaun	For great participation and problem solving to help the ginger bread man cross the river
2	Ollie	Great communication of his feelings
5	Blake	Communicating with other how he was feeling
7	Kaitlyn	Communicating with others about how I was feelings
9	Beau	Communicating his feelings using the zone check in
10	Jet	Communicating his feelings to staff
13	Claudia S	Communicating her feelings
14	Bindhi	Communicating her feelings to staff and students
15	Troy	Communicating with others about how he is feeling
17	Matty McLeod	Communicating how he is feeling about issues and staff to a staff member
18	Hayley W	Fantastic behaviour all week in all areas

Cooking Corner

If you have any recipes you would like to share please send to office. This term we are concentrating on meals that includes vegetables.



Vegetable Lasagne

(Serves 2)

Ingredients:

- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1/4 brown onion, finely chopped
- 1 Teaspoon crushed garlic
- 2 cups finely chopped mixed vegetables (zucchini, carrot, mushrooms, pumpkin)
- 1 cup diced tomatoes
- 1 cup pasta sauce
- 1 cup of water
- 1/2 cup ricotta cheese
- 1 cup mozzarella cheese
- Dried lasagne pasta sheets
- 1 Teaspoon mixed herbs/ salt and pepper

Step 1

Heat oil in frying pan over medium heat. Add onion, garlic and mixed chopped vegetables. Cook, stirring, for 10 minutes.

Step 2

Stir in crushed tomato, pasta sauce and water. Bring to the boil. Reduce heat to low. Simmer for 10 minutes or until sauce has thickened. Remove from heat and cover with lid. Season with salt and pepper and missed dried herbs.

Step 3

Lightly grease a square baking dish. Spoon 1 cup of the sauce mixture into dish. Place the lasagne sheets over the sauce, breaking sheets to fit. Repeat for three layers.

Step 4

Spread ricotta cheese over last layer then cover with cheese.

Step 5

Bake for 35 minutes or until golden and pasta tender.

COMMUNITY NEWS

BASIC CAMERA COURSE FOR ALL AGES

Presented by Echuca Moama
Photography Club Inc.

Saturday 12th August,
2017, 1pm - 3pm
Venue: Echuca Library

Cost: \$50 - Payment on the day
Bookings essential - please call Anne
Leviston (President) 0409 877 687

Subjects covered: Basic camera skills,
theory and practical help in taking photos.

What to bring: A camera and willingness
to learn! :-)

Image by Annabelle Harris



ECHUCA MOAMA PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB INC.

Meets at the Echuca Library each Wednesday at 7pm

Excluding school holidays

Club Focus: Our focus is to encourage members of our community to share their love of photography in a welcoming and informal atmosphere where we can exchange our knowledge and experiences, our frustrations and challenges, and from time to time our magic moments and well-earned achievements.

Guest speakers, excursions, workshops & monthly competitions: These are held regularly. They add another dimension to our photographic experiences: much is learned, much is shared, and much fun is had by all.

Membership fee: There is a once-off off joining fee of \$15 in addition to an annual fee of \$35.

Contact: Email: echucamoamapc@outlook.com, Ph Anne: 0409 877 687

Web: <https://www.facebook.com/Echuca.Moama.Photography.Club>

COMMUNITY NEWS

Echuca Library 5th Birthday

Poster Competition for 0 to 15 year olds

Your mission is to create an advertising poster using any medium

ie. pencils, pastels, crayons, collage etc.

Include in your poster at least 1 of the following

✂ Books

✂ The number 5

✂ Birthday

Age Groups

5 & under

9 & under

12 & under

15 & under

Entries close Friday 11th August at 5.00pm

Book Voucher prizes for each age group

Posters will be displayed in the library and Echuca businesses for promotional purposes.

An initiative of Echuca Friends of the Library.

For more information please phone 5481 2400

Please cut off below and attach firmly to the top of your entry

Don't forget to fill in the details on the back!

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Echuca Library is turning 5!
And you are invited to the party!

August 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1	2	3	4 Crazy Hair Day	5	6
7	8	9	10	11SSG—Student Free Day	12	13
14	15	16	17 Glasses for kids program	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 School council meeting	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Our Values:

Excellence in education – high quality teaching tailored to the individual

Learning for life – striving for excellence in learning, utilising skills for life

Respect – having regard for self, others and environment

Inclusion – accept diversity, sense of belonging

Sept 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Swan Hill Sports	15 End Of Term 2pm early dismissal	16	17
18	19	20	21 School Council meeting	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

My Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers

My name: _____

My school: _____

Stick your Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers in the squares below, then drop your completed Sheet in the Collection Box at your school, Early Learning Centre, or local Woolworths store. Make sure you drop it in by Tuesday 19 September – even if it's not complete – so your stickers can be redeemed for your school or Early Learning Centre.

Entry to the promotion is open to registered primary and secondary schools and eligible Early Learning Centres (ELC) in Australia. Promotion period is from Wednesday 26th July 2017 until Tuesday 19th September 2017. Speak to your school or ELC to ensure they are registered or visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn and check online. One Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker is given for every 500 square at Woolworths Supermarkets, excluding purchases of liquor.

Labels and gift cards, Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers will not be accepted by Woolworths unless attached to a Sticker Sheet provided by Woolworths. Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets must be received by your registered school or ELC by 19th September 2017 for counting. For full list of Terms and Conditions, please visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn



