



# Weekly Views Epping Views Primary

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**EVPS Values**

**Be Respectful  
Be Honest  
Be Caring  
Be Excellent  
Be Responsible**

## School Motto

**'From Little Things Big Things Grow'**

**PLEASE REMEMBER we are an 'egg & nut free' school: no eggs, peanut butter, nuts or nutella spread to come to school at any time. Please assist us to keep our students safe. Thank you.**



## Principal Views

### SCHOOL VALUES

Every day we see multiple examples of students following the school values. As parents you would also see Caught Ya card information on Compass. We are very proud of the students who continuously practise our values. Children learn from watching others and I know that the staff continuously refer to our values and the behaviours we expect our students to be following. It is hoped that when our students complete Year 6 and move onto secondary school that they remember the values and treat people accordingly.

We have some smart new values poles on the south side of the hall reminding our whole school community of our five values. We have a Be A Leader pole to be installed by the Year 6 buildings as well as our Be Sustainable pole in the Kitchen garden area as these are important messages for our students as well.



### SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Positions on School Council are for two years and each year in February/March we hold an election to fill our for staff and parent vacancies.

We wish to sincerely thank our retiring parent councillors, Nick Brain, Daniela Altandziewa and Trish Bennett. Retiring councillors are eligible to renominate. If we receive more nominations than vacancies then we will hold a ballot where all school families will be asked to vote for the candidates nominating.

If you would like to nominate to be on School Council please ask for a nomination form from the office or email me from 9am on Monday 1st March. Nominations will close on Tuesday 9th March at 4pm.

### CAMPING PROGRAM

Attending school camps develops children in so many ways: doing more things for themselves such as showering and dressing, helping to set tables, clear tables, in some instances washing up and drying dishes, making their own beds, sharing rooms with others, waiting their turn, making decisions and choices, trying new activities and building relationships with other adults such as teachers other than their own teacher.

Our school camping program is designed to foster the independence of our students and we would urge you to consider sending your child to camp if you can. All of our camps are registered and DET approved and our Prep-Year 6 program builds on skills from year to year.

Our 2021 Camp program is as follows:

- Prep Breakfast at school Friday 26th March
- 1 Dinner at school Thursday 21st October
- 2 Sleepover at school Friday 20th August
- 3 Oasis Camp 24-26 February
- 4 Phillip Island Adventure Camp 19-21 May
- 5 Woorabinda 23-27 August
- 6 Phillip Island 26-30 July -2021 only due to Covid.

### STAFF BABY NEWS

We are pleased to announce the arrival of a number of EVPS Staff babies this year. We are very excited to announce these new arrivals and wish our staff and their families all the best.

A huge welcome to:

Hannah Holloway's daughter Oakah  
Alyce Tabb's daughter Lola  
Alex Campbell's son Charlie  
Georgina Corredor-Olarte's son Joel  
Dean and Sahar Santello's daughter Lily's birth this week makes her the 86th EVPS baby since we first opened with a number still to be born this year. Congratulations to all of the families.



**Pauline Kubat: Principal**

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**Keep your hands and feet to yourself.**

**School Mantras**

**Everyday Counts.**

**Reduce, Re-use, Recycle, Re-Think  
Sustainability: It's our responsibility**

**We don't swear at Epping Views!**

# 2021 Dates

DATE	EVENT	PAYMENT DUE	YEAR LEVEL
8th March	PUBLIC HOLIDAY	-	Whole School
11th March	Out of School Uniform Day	<b>Gold Coin on the day</b>	Whole School
18th March	1AT, 1EP, 3SM Life Ed	-	1AT, 1EP, 3SM
23rd/25th March	School Photos	-	Whole School
26th March	Prep Breakfast	TBA	Preps
1st April	Curriculum Day Last Day of Term 1	-	Whole School
19th April	First Day of Term 2	-	Whole School

Payment due date is now advertised in the newsletter.

It is essential that payments are made before the due date if you wish for your child to be included in the event.

Due to the COVID circuit breaker lockdown, grades 1AT, 1EP and 3SM were not able to attend Life Education. These dates have been rescheduled to **18th March.**

# 2021 Photo Day

## Envelope and Order Instructions

Dear Parents and Students,

**Epping Views Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 23/03/21 & 25/03/2021**

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

**\*\* IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE – ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 24/03/2021 \*\***

**ONLINE ORDERING** Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

### **4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING**

**Step 1 Click Here** - For online ordering process for your school.

- OR - Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [QPN V5H Z5N]

**Step 2:** Enter your student's details.

**Step 3:** Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)

**Step 4:** Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

**\*\* Online Orders will attract a \$1 service fee**

Please Note: If you miss photo day, portrait and group packages can still be ordered online for 7 days afterwards with no late fees. After that time, late orders will require separate processing and handling and therefore will incur a \$15 late fee per package.

**FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS** No envelope required if ordering online

### **3 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING**

- Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [QPN V5H Z5N]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on 24/03/2021
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with exact cash amount.

### **ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE**

**ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE**

**Step 1: Student Details:** Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.

Please use black or blue pen.

**Step 2: Purchase Details:** Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.

**Step 3: Payment Method:** Select your payment method.

Credit Card – Online Only at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au)

Cash – Please enclose correct money – as change is not available

Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you **Do Not** wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order.

[info@advancedlifevic.com.au](mailto:info@advancedlifevic.com.au) or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team

# The world of sport!

## Interschool Sport Program

The schools involved in our sports competition are: Marymede, The Lakes, St Mary of the Cross Mackillop (SMCM), Harvest Home, Morang South and Al Siraat.

We will field two girls and two boys teams per sport (EVPS 1 and EVPS 2). The sports we are involved in **term 1** are:

- Soccer
- European Handball
- Cricket

### **All games to commence by 9.30am.**

The first named school is the home team and Epping Views Primary School (EVPS) home grounds are:

- European handball at EVPS
- Soccer at Harvest Home Ground (synthetic pitch)
- Cricket at Epping Reserve

EV1 V SMCM 1 (St Mary of the Cross)

Al Siraat V EV2 (away)

For away games this week against Marymede 2

ALL games to be played at Al Siraat (45 Harvest Home Rd Epping).

A reminder no parents/friends permitted to attend games.

A reminder there is Training every Friday morning from 8.00am-8.40am for all interschool sports teams. First training session will be Friday February 19th.

### **Intraschool Sport Program:**

Students have been placed into teams. The students will be playing a variety of sports at school/Harvest Home grounds, such as:

- Soccer
- Basketball
- Lawn Bowls
- Teeball

## Round 2 Results:

### **EV2 V Glowrey**

Cricket Boys: <b>EV2</b> 58 to Glowrey 34	Cricket Girls: <b>EV1</b> 69 to 46 Glowrey
Euro Handball Boys: <b>EV1</b> 16 to Glowrey 3	Euro Handball Girls: <b>EV1</b> 8 to Glowrey 9
Soccer Boys: <b>EV1</b> 7 goals to Glowrey 0 goals	Soccer Girls: <b>EV1</b> 7 goals to Glowrey 0 goals

### **Marymede 2 (MM2) V EV1 (away)**

Cricket Boys: MM2 65 to EV2 123	Cricket Girls: MM2 105 to EV2 63
Euro Handball Boys: MM2 8 to EV2 0	Euro Handball Girls: MM2 8 to EV2 4
Soccer Boys: MM2 2 goals to EV2 0 goals	Soccer Girls: MM2 1 goal to EV2 5 goals

## VICTORIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS' SPORTS ASSOCIATION- CODES OF BEHAVIOUR:

The codes of behaviour are put in place so that the sports played are enjoyed by all and that there are no misunderstandings as to the roles that everyone has, who is involved in school sport.

### **FOR PLAYERS:**

Be a good sport. Play for enjoyment. Work hard for your team as well as yourself. Treat all team mates and opponents as you enjoy being treated yourself. Play by the rules. Control your behaviour on and off the field. Learn to value honest effort.

### **FOR THE TEACHERS AND COACHES:**

Set a good example for your players. Encourage and create opportunities to develop individual skills. Teach a wide range of team skills. Ensure that the sport is appropriate for the age group and the skill development of the players involved. Teach your players to be friendly towards officials and opponents. Give all interested students a chance to participate in training and in games. Remove from the field of play any of your players whose behaviour is not acceptable. Keep your own knowledge of coaching and the developments of the game up to date.

### **FOR PARENTS:**

Encourage participation by your children. Provide a model for good sportspersonship for your child to copy. Be courteous in your communication with players, team officials, game officials and sports administrators. Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty. Make any new parents feel welcome on all occasions. Do not interfere with the conduct of any events.

### **FOR SPECTATORS:**

Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour. Remember children play for enjoyment. Don't let your behaviour detract from their enjoyment. Let game officials conduct the events without interference. Support skilled performances and team play with generous applause. Demonstrate respect for opposing players and their supporters.

Physical Education & Sports Coordinator - Sebastian Scanu

## Bridge Inn South District Swimming Carnival

The **District Swimming** event was run on **Tuesday February 23rd**. We had 24 very committed and excited swimmers attend the Carnival with a mixture of results. We have the following students that have progressed to the Whittlesea/Woodlands Division Swimming Carnival on Tuesday March 2nd: Kesar K, Liam A, Owen D, Harshal P, Bavleen K, Ally W, Yara A and Linaya K.

Their next event if successful on March 2nd will be at WaterMarc on March 16th for the NMR Swim Carnival. We wish all of our swimmers the very best of luck.  
Go EVPS!



# Be Excellent

PAP — Samraat	For always sitting with 5Ls and being ready to listen
PCA — Tasmin	For always sitting with the 5Ls and listening to others
PRQ — Riana	For always showing the 5Ls and listening to the teacher
PJB — Kauther	For always listening to others and using her manners
1MM — Arshveer	For always speaking and always using his manners
1AJ — Andrea	For always listening to her teachers
1MC — Hope	For being kind and helpful to other students in her activity group
1AT — Aidan	For always showing the greatest respect at all times. You are very respectful.
1SG — Ava	For treating others how you want to be treated
1EP — Jasmine	For always speaking kindly and using the 5Ls
2BL — Naba	For always listening to the speaker
2KH — Ismael	For always using his manners
2RM — Jia	For always listening to her peers and teachers and using her manners
2LW — Alexia	For showing respect to her peers and teachers all the time
2CB — Maya	For always treating others how she wants to be treated
2ME— Mosfata	For always working quietly
2KW — Louis	For consistently waiting his turn, using his manners and listening to others
2AP—Amara	For listening to others during reading share time
3SM — Harjas	For always using your manners and respecting your peers and teachers
3ST— Shreya	For always listening to instructions attentively
3JM—Sathyan	For using his manners and considering others
3KI—Meera	For always showing respect to her teachers and peers
3EA—Declan	For respecting the opinion of others and waiting patiently
3SP—Simar	For being respectful of others opinions and always listening in the classroom
4LB — Alyssa	For waiting patiently for her turn during a numeracy game
4CU — Vihara	For listening to others, teachers and classmates
4MW — Vanshdeep	For respecting his classmates during our whole class focus
4KB — Leon	For always listening to others and treating people the way you want to be treated
4TK—Scarlett	For listening to her classmates opinions and using her manners
4KF—Flynn	For always looking at the speaker and following instructions

- 5SS — Sanreet For always listening to her peers and teachers and using her manners
- 5KK — Iysadora For being considerate of others and making sure everyone feels valued
- 5LB— Japleen For always respecting and considering others in all areas of the class and school
  
- 6PT— Athens For always using her manners
- 6JP— Aarav For displaying the value of respect towards all her peers
- 6JT— Soorya For always using his manners and being respectful towards teachers and peers
- 6SB— Meena For always using her manners towards teachers and her peers



# EVPS says NO to WASTE!

*Put waste in the right place.*

We want you to help us *erase the waste!*

You can help our school reduce waste by taking home all soft plastic wrappers or pack your snacks in reusable containers.



## KITCHEN/GARDEN & CHICKEN CHATTER

Autumn is now upon us. The weather will start getting cooler and the daylight hours shorter. We will finish harvesting our summer crops during March and prepare the garden beds for our winter/spring planting.

Students and staff were excited that we were growing jap pumpkins, butternut pumpkins and cantaloupe. It was therefore extremely disappointing and frustrating to come to school after the weekend and discover that our **vegetable gardens** have been **VANDALISED!** The pumpkins were ripped from their roots and smashed onto the ground. Unripe lemons and cantaloupe were also picked and **destroyed**. The CCTV cameras will be scrutinized in the hope we can identify the culprits.



**CHEEKY CHICKENS** love being visited and fed at recess and lunch breaks. Students line up and eagerly wait to be allowed into Cluckingham Palace to interact with our 12 chooks. There are many jobs to do in the chook pen – feeding, change the water, clean out the nesting boxes & under the roosts and always lots of willing helpers!



**A pyramid of passionfruit!** Thanks to Tarun in Gr 6 for suggesting last year that we net the passionfruit vine. So far in 2021 we had harvested about 2.5kg – our best crop ever, so far!



**A tumble of tomatoes!**

So many small green tomatoes on the plants but not really ripening properly. Thinking about making "green Tomato Chutney/Relish". Anyone have a recipe ?



# Fact sheet 1: School Council Elections – Information for Parents

What is a school council and what does it do?

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the broad direction of a school, in accordance with Ministerial Order 1280 Constitution of Government School Councils, and the Education and Training Reform Act 2006. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school

Who is on the school council?

For most primary school councils, there are several possible categories of membership:

- A mandated elected parent member category** – more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. Department employees can be parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school.
- A mandated elected school employee member category** – members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.
- An optional community member category** – members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. Department employees are not eligible to be community members.
- A small number of school councils have **nominee members**.

For all schools with a Year 7 and above cohort, there is an additional category of membership:

- A mandated elected student member category, two positions.

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is parent membership so important?

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills and a range of experiences and knowledge that can help inform and shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?

Each member brings their own valuable life skills and knowledge to the role. However, councillors may need to develop skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are unfamiliar to them. It is important to have an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

Code of conduct for school councillors

School councils in Victoria are public entities as defined by the Public Administration Act 2004.

School councillors must abide by the Code of Conduct for Directors of Victorian Public Entities issued by the Victorian Public Sector Commission. The Code of Conduct is based on the Victorian public sector values and requires councillors to:

- act with honesty and integrity** – be truthful, open and clear about their motives and declare any real, potential or perceived conflict of interest and duty
- act in good faith in the best interests of the school** – work cooperatively with other councillors and the school community, be reasonable, and make all decisions with the best interests of students foremost in their minds
- act fairly and impartially** – consider all relevant facts of an issue before making a decision, seek to have a balanced view, never give special treatment to a person or group and never act from self-interest
- use information appropriately** – respect confidentiality and use information for the purpose for which it was made available
- exercise due care, diligence and skill** – accept responsibility for decisions and do what is best for the school
- use the position appropriately** – not use the position as a councillor to gain an advantage
- act in a financially responsible manner** – observe all the above principles when making financial decisions
- comply with relevant legislation and policies** – know what legislation and policies are relevant for which decisions and obey the law
- demonstrate leadership and stewardship** – set a good example, encourage a culture of accountability, manage risks effectively, exercise care and responsibility to keep the school strong and sustainable.

Indemnity for school council members

School councillors are indemnified against any liability in respect of any loss or damage suffered by the council or any other person in respect of anything necessarily or reasonably done, or omitted to be done by the councillor in good faith in:

- a. **the exercise of a power or the performance of a function of a councillor, or**
  - b. the reasonable belief that the act or omission was in the exercise of a power or the performance of a function of a council.
- In other words, school councillors are not legally liable for any loss or damage suffered by council or others as a result of reasonable actions taken in good faith.

How can you become involved?

The most obvious way is to participate in and vote in the school council elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.

In view of this, you might consider:

- standing for election as a member of the school council
- encouraging another person to stand for election.

What do you need to do to stand for election?

The principal will issue a Notice of Election and Call for nominations following the commencement of Term 1 each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March unless the usual timeline has been varied by the Minister for Education.

If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the parent member category.

Department employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not engaged in work, are eligible to nominate for parent membership of the school council at that school.

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the Notice of Election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt via post, email or by hand following the receipt of your completed nomination.

Generally, if there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

Remember

- Consider standing for election to school council.
- Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do.
- Be sure to vote if the election goes to ballot.
- Contact the principal for further information.

YEAR 3 2021

# Oasis Camp

Crate climb



Belaying



Silvan Dam Hike



Last week, the Year 3 students attended Oasis Camp at Mount Evelyn. We really enjoyed all the activities – crate climbing, flying fox, laser tag, rock climbing, ropes course and archery. On the first night we had chicken and rice. Then we went out for a night bushwalk with our torches. The next morning we had eggs and hash browns for breakfast and woodfire pizza for lunch. For dinner we had souvlaki wraps – delicious! We had time for outdoor activities before a movie. On the day we were leaving we had pancakes for breakfast before packing and heading off on a hike to Silvan Dam. We ate our salad rolls carefully so the swooping kookaburras wouldn't get any. The buses picked us up from here. A lot of kids slept on the bus on the way home.  
Lucas & Sethuli 3ST

Morning Tea



Flying Fox



Laser Tag



Rock Climb



# FREE WORKSHOP

Early Days is a series of FREE workshops for parents, grandparents, and families of young children (0-7 years) who have an Autism Spectrum Disorder or who are going through the assessment and diagnostic process.

The workshops are facilitated by Margaret Clancy who has many years of experience working with young autistic children and their families. Margaret will assist parents to understand the impact of Autism on their child and explore strategies to enable them to understand their child and family.

This 2 PART workshop is aimed at Arabic speaking families, as there will be an Arabic interpreter. Handouts and presentation will be in Arabic.

## Book Club **LOOP**

The EASIEST way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!



### Parents: Are you registered for **LOOP**?

**LOOP** is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for **LOOP** receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!



Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and register today!

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DIFFERENT JOURNEYS  
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# Autism Friendly Lawn Bowls Event



## WHERE

68 Kingswood Dr,  
Chirnside Park  
Country Club

## COST

\$20 Including:  
Sausage Sizzle &  
Light Finger Food

## AGE

12+  
U18s must have  
a parent/carer

**Drinks @ Bar Prices & Bistro Open for Orders**

Come and try Lawn Bowls with  
ready and willing volunteers!  
Learn to bowl and let's have some  
fun with tuition, bowls equipment,  
and positive experiences included!

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