What a fantastic day we had on Friday at our NAIDOC celebrations. The students were lucky enough to participate in a number of activities including artistic works, cooking and dancing. Thank you to the special guests that made our opening assembly so memorable.

I have included the notice regarding our Kindergarten enrolments again this week as we have had quite a number of enquiries. Our Orientation Program includes our OPEN KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS on the 19th August and 28th August. During this time new Kindergarten students and their parents can drop in and see what goes on each and every day at East Maitland.

On Wednesday 28th August we will have a Parent Information session which will be held in the school library to as an information sharing exercise.

On 3 consecutive Tuesdays in Term 4 (21st and 28th October and 4th November) we will have our Kinder Orientation program running.

More details about these events will follow in future newsletters.

We had a very successful Blue Day on Monday to support Joshua Magann in his representation of East Maitland & NSW at the Primary Schools National Championships in Tasmania. I have attached his letter below.

Congratulations to our 2 debating teams and Girl’s Touch team who were all successful in their competitions this week.

Congratulations to Henry Edwards who has been selected as part of Team Maitland in the International Children’s Games to be held in December!

We have begun the planning for our Open classrooms and Orientation program for 2015 Kindy students. It is important for all Kindy students who wish to enrol at East Maitland in 2015 that they have the opportunity to participate in this wonderful opportunity.

Currently our enrolments indicate that we will have 4 or 5 Kindy classes, but it is very important that we have an accurate grasp of the total proposed enrolment as soon as possible so that we can plan for the coming year.

If you know of ANY child that wishes to apply for Kindy enrolment in 2015 please ensure that you have contacted the front office and left their details.

Banner Winners

Congratulations Ruby Nunn, Kalisha Buck and Claudia Maughan

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Sick Bay Linen Roster

TERM 3

25/7/14-Noelle Green
15/8/14-Jodi Smith
22/8/14-Kimberley Taylor
5/9/14-Katie Brown
12/9/14-Bronwyn Guy
19/9/14-Courtney Earsman

Canteen Roster

28/7 Billie Morrow Carly Bailey
29/7 Heather Buck Carolyn Burgess
30/7 Josie Haring Natalie Callinan Sue Ann Carroll
31/7 Judy Drap Linda Boardman
1/8 Tracey Van Tol Lara Chapman Jane Binnie

Kylie Porter

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Uniform Shop opening times:
Tuesday 2:30-3pm
Thursday 8:30-9am

EFTPOS is NOT available; please use cash or cheque only. Please make your cheque payable to:
East Maitland Public School P&C Association

Remember the convenient ordering system; leave your order and money in an envelope at the front office (you can have the order delivered to your child's classroom or you can collect it from the front office once it is processed/paid for).

We have new school pants available! Come in and take a look at the range of samples for girls and boys, all pants are $20

Please note that the uniform shop does stock a range of sizes even up to size 16.

TERM 3 ROSTER

TUESDAY
22/7 Kerry & Kathryn Blackmore
29/7 Kerry & Jo Proctor
5/8 Kerry & Lec Morgan
12/8 Kerry & Kylie Edwards
19/8 Kerry & Dea Hawke
26/8 Kerry & Natalie Boyd
2/9 Kerry & Fiona Pickard Ling
9/9 Kerry & Kathryn Blackmore
16/9 Kerry & Jo Proctor

THURSDAY
24/7 Kerry &
31/7 Kimberley & Noelle
7/8 Kerry & Alison
14/8 Jodi & Bronwyn
21/8 Kerry & Melissa
28/8 Kimberley & Noelle
4/9 Kerry & Alison
11/9 Jodi & Bronwyn
18/9 Kerry & Katie
School News

Out of Uniform Day Reminder
When we have our out of uniform days, could you please ensure students bring sun safe hats (school hat style, not caps) and safe, sensible shoes (closed-in and flat)? We want to make sure the students have a fun day, but remain safe at all times.
Thank you

Homework Club
Just a reminder that Homework Club has started for Term 3. Stage 2 and 3 students that were attending in Term 2 are welcome to continue in Term 3. Any student wanting to join Homework Club should see Mrs Hookeay.

Library News
Term 3 is always exciting in the library each year because of Book Week. All students should have received a permission note for two performances coming to our school to celebrate Book Week. Please return your permission notes and your $7 as soon as possible.
The theme for Book Week this year is ‘Connect to Reading’ - Reading to connect with children of different gender engaged in reading in contrasting environments at different times of the day.
The shortlisted books the students will be looking at in their library lessons this term are:

**Picture Book of the Year Short List 2014**
- *The Treasure Box* by Margaret Wild
- *King Pig* by Nick Bland
- *Silver Buttons* by Bob Graham
- *Parachute* by Danny Parker
- *The Windy Farm* by Doug MacLeod
- *Rules of Summer* by Shaun Tan

**Book of the Year: Early Childhood**
- *I’m a Dotty Dinosaur* by Janeen Brian
- *Baby Bedtime* by Mem Fox
- *Banjo and Ruby Red* by Libby Gleeson
- *Kissed by the Moon* by Alison Lester
- *The Swamp* by Jan Ormerod
- *Granny Grommet and Me* by Dianne Wolfer

**Book of the Year: Younger Readers**
- *I'm a Dirty Dinosaur* by Janeen Brian
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- *Baby Bedtime* by Mem Fox
- *Banjo and Ruby Red* by Libby Gleeson
- *Kissed by the Moon* by Alison Lester
- *The Swamp* by Jan Ormerod
- *Granny Grommet and Me* by Dianne Wolfer

**Eve Pownall Award for Information Books**
- *Ice, Wind, Rock* by Peter Gouldthorpe
- *Yoko's Diary: The Life of a Young Girl in Hiroshima* by Paul ed Ham

**Crichton Award for New Illustrators**
- *Big Red Kangaroo* by Graham Byrne
- *The Bloodhound Boys Book 1: The Great Blood Bank Robbery* by Andrew Cranee
- *I've an Uncle Ivan* by Ben Sanders
- *The Nerdy Birdy* by David Snowden

We will also be having a Book Parade this year in Book Week. More information will be sent home shortly.

2A News

2A students had a visit from Josh Magann on Monday. Lots of students dressed in blue colours and made a donation for Josh. We loved his talk on hockey and his trip to Tasmania. He showed us how clever he is with the Hockey stick.
We think that if Josh is as good at hockey in the State team as he was talking to our class, he's a sure thing to bring back GOLD for NSW.
Good luck and thanks for the hockey tips, Josh
From 2A

Uni NSW Science Competition
Fifteen children participated in this competition earlier last term. The Science Competition challenges children to demonstrate their understanding of science education in the areas of observing/measuring, interpreting, predicting/concluding, investigating and reasoning/problem solving.
The most successful children were:
- **Certificate of Distinction (top 10% of entrants in NSW)**
  - Cohen Petersen Year 2
  - James Williams Year 2
  - Emily Slater Year 3
  - Natalie Williams Year 4
  - Jeremy Boardman Year 6
- **Certificates of Credit (top 20% - 30% of entrants in NSW)**
  - Morgan Coen Year 2
  - Zane Williams Year 2
  - Riley King - Saunders Year 4
  - Ewyn Machen Year 6
- **Certificate of Merit**
  - Myah Willett Year 2

Congratulations to these children and all who entered.

Bookclub
Bookclub orders have gone out this week. All orders are due by WEDNESDAY 30TH JULY 2014 at 9am
Please make sure all orders have students name clearly marked and correct money.

Netball Gala Day
On Thursday 17th July, the girls netball team went to a Netball Gala day at Singleton. The girls played four games throughout the day and won 3 out of the 4 coming second in their pool. They all played extremely well and displayed EMPS values at all times and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship. Thank you again to all parents for helping with transport and to Jaymee Peterkin for umpiring on the day.
We would also like to say a big thank you to the P&C for the wonderful new uniforms that we received this year.
They look great!
Your Children’s Class needs your help
Each class is asking for at least 2 helpers for the following Events. If you are able to assist please let your classroom teachers know or email the P&C at eastmaitlandpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com

- 8th August Walk Athon Day – Helpers for canteen, BBQ, Raffle, assistance with novelty events.
- 18th August Book Week Parade – Helpers needed in the Canteen to help with sale of Coffee and Cakes.
- Any Days in August - Father's Day Gifts – Assistance with taking photos, printing and framing.
- Kindy Orientation – Why not become an EMPS Parent Buddy – If you are interested in helping out new families to our school with becoming familiar with school life please let your class teacher know or email the P&C at eastmaitlandpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com

Are you an electrician or trades person?
The P&C are looking to anyone in the school who is an electrician or trades person and could assist with the purchase and installation of hand dryers in the toilets or drainage for the sports oval. The P&C have a few odd jobs they would like to do around the school and would like to offer the work to someone from the school community.

- Electrician
- Plumber

If you have the skills and availability to assist please email eastmaitlandpandc@gmail.com.

The Uniform Shop needs your help on a Tuesday or Thursday – just an hour of your time once a term would be great. Pop your head into the shop and see Kerry she will answer and of your questions.

Would you like to be a Parent Buddy?
We Want YOU to become an EMPS Parent Buddy
Remember your and your child’s first day at East Maitland Public School? Where to drop off, where to pick up, how to talk with a teacher, could you and your non-school age children attend events, how do I get a bus pass, where is my child’s class room, how can I be involved in my children’s education? It remains fresh in everyone’s memory – that first year of not really knowing all there is to know and not knowing who you could ask. We’re looking for parents in every grade at East Maitland Public that would be willing to be a buddy to an incoming kindergarten family, or to a new East Maitland Public School family. Your role will be to help answer the questions your incoming family has - basically be a resource during that first year so our new families don’t feel so lost. If you’re interested in becoming a buddy family please e-mail eastmaitlandpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com. Thank you for remembering those lost early days, and volunteering to help make them better for someone else.

Parent Buddy details will be available at Kindy Orientation for those new to the school to contact for a chat or assistance. Name, Email address, mobile phone number and ages of your children will allow us to match you with suitable families.

Don’t forget to download your FREE Skool Bag app
Great way to keep up to date and receive reminders about what’s happening at school.

For iPhone and iPad users:
1. Click the “App Store” icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click “Free” then “install”.
4. If iPad, change the drop list to “iPhone Apps”, your school will then be visible, click “Free” then “install”.
5. When installed click “Open”
6. Select “OK” to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the “More” button on the bottom right of the App, then “Setup”.
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

For Android users:
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
1. Click the “Play Store” button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the “Install” button.
5. Click “Accept” for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
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Dear Mr Foulstone, Members of Panel C Committee, Staff and Students

Firstly I would like to thank the School and the Panel C for allowing and helping to run Blue Day and the donation of the funds raised in helping to cover the expenses incurred whilst I am representing NSW PSSA at the U12 Australian School Sports Hockey Carnival in Hobart. Your generosity is appreciated.

I would also like to thank staff and Students (plus parents) for participating in Blue Day and donating generously. Although I am representing NSW, I am also representing East Maitland Public School and upholding the values of our school. The final figure raised goes to show that East Maitland Public School is the best school in the land.

Again thank you all for your support and I will strive to represent you all to the best of my ability.

Go The Blues!!!

Cheers

Joshua Maginn
NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS
Wow, what a performance!
They looked great, sounded fantastic
and had so much fun on Thursday
26th June.
Each member of our Concert Band
has worked extremely hard to
achieve his or her success, well done!

Thank you to all the parents and
extended family of our musicians
who attended our concert.

A big ‘thank you’ to Howard Ward
for creating a wonderful School
Concert Band. Your expertise has
paid huge rewards to the
students at E.M.P.S.
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Date
Dear 
My son/daughter, of class ______ was absent from school on __________ as he/she ___________________________

Sign ________________________________

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