This week Public Schools all over NSW are recognising the valued work of our most underpaid but overworked employees of the NSW DEC. SASS Recognition Week, 1st – 5th September

This week students, parent and staff in NSW schools will acknowledge the hard work done by School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS Staff) as part of National Recognition Week. Every day of the school year SASS staff face new challenges in the running of our public schools and the provision of the quality education which our children will need for life during this century.

At EMPS we recognise the range of skills and expertise that our SASS have and know that our school, like other schools, would not function without these wonderful people. SASS (School and Support Staff) in every school play an important role in the running of the school and supporting the delivery of curriculum.

They are constantly adapting to change that our children will need for life during this century. They are constantly adapting to change so that our children can have the best education possible.

SASS staff are a dedicated group of professional workers who are often overlooked in the school setting. Recognition Week gives the whole school the opportunity to demonstrate to SAS staff that they are valued members of the school community.

Please individually take the time this week to thank them for the high level of dedication they give to their work.

Our dedicated SASS staff are:
General Assistant (GA) – Phillip Howell
Office Staff – Karen King, Maxine Jongerden, Kim Rogers
Learning Support Officers (LSOs) – Jodi Bailey, Leanne Newstead, Julie Green, Trish Brown, Jacqui Linde, Jacqui Flaus, Karen Atkinson, Mark Spring.

Please take the time to thank them for the wonderful job they do on a day to day basis at EMPS.
Any problems please phone Jacki - School 4933 7524 or Home 4932 7226

Sick Bay Linen Roster

5/9/14 - Katie Brown
12/9/14 - Bronwyn Guy
19/9/14 - Courtney Earsman

Uniform Shop
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.

Uniform Shop opening times:
Tuesday 2:30-3pm
Thursday 8:30-9am
EFTPOS is NOT available, cash or cheque only.
Please make your cheque payable to: East Maitland Public School P&C Association
Leave your order with payment in an envelope at the front office and have your items either delivered to your child's classroom or left at the front office for you to collect.

Tri-Coloured Sports Shorts are in!
We have a new supplier - MR SPORTS in Maitland - $20 each

Uniform Shop Prices:
Hats $14
Navy Shorts $15
Shirts $20 (2 for $35)
Pre-loved uniform donations are always welcome. Please ensure it is washed and in good condition.

Term 3 Roster
Tuesday
2/9 Kerry & Fiona
9/9 Kerry & Kylie
16/9 Kerry & Jo

Thursday
4/9 Kerry & Deslie
11/9 Kerry & HELP NEEDED
18/9 Kerry & Kate
School News

Uni NSW Spelling Competition
Twenty-nine children participated in this competition earlier this term. The Spelling Competition challenges children to address aspects of spelling through dictation, rules and conventions, proofreading and correcting.

The most successful children were:

Certificate of Credit (top 20% - 30% of entrants in NSW)
- Pepper Kasteel Year 3
- Fraser Atkinson Year 4
- Natalie Williams Year 4
- Edward Horner Year 4
- Lorcan Atkinson Year 5
- Daniel Turner Year 6

Certificate of Merit
- Jacinta Fussell Year 4
- Arielle Taylor Year 4
- Zane Estatheo Year 5

Congratulations to these children and all who entered.

HEALTHY DADS HEALTHY KIDS... is fun!
Students in years 3-6 enjoyed a demonstration of the award winning Healthy Dads Healthy Kids program last Friday. If you are a parent of a year 3-6 student, ask your child for a game of “You’re so Strong”...but be warned, it can be a workout! The program is aimed at any primary aged children and a father figure. The program offers a broad range of activities to enjoy quality family time plus strategies to lose weight. The latest version of the program even addresses dinner table battles AND includes Mums!
Places are still available and it is free. Register soon as the program starts on Wednesday 10th September at 6:15pm at Maitland Christian School. Registrations can be made at www.healthydadsandkids.com OR email Craig Shafer on c.shafer@maitlandcs.nsw.edu.au for more info.

1H’s Writer of the Week
(This week 1H received an email from an alien who asked our class to tell him about kangaroos.)
Dear Melvin,
Kangaroos are mammals. They have fur, a strong tail and females have a pouch. Kangaroos live in the hot desert. They travel to collect green shoots to eat. And if you want to know they can jump 9 metres long! I hope this has helped.
From Dayna.

Regional Athletics
On Friday Bailey Vidler-Adams, Samantha Taylor, Henry Edwards, Josie Morley, Jared Anderson, Linken Malone, Darcy Blademore, Isaac Collins and Finn Sloan represented the Maitland area at the Hunter Regional Athletics Carnival. All students tried their hardest and represented both themselves and the school with great pride. Congratulations to you all!

Lifeskills Fathers Day Items for Sale
Fathers Day items are for sale out the front of Miss Sharkey’s room on Thursday and Friday this week. Bring your Mutuals in and purchase something special for Dad.

Reminders
- Year 2 Glenrock Lagoon excursion money is due Monday 8th September.
- Payments for the Graduation Bear or Ball are due by Friday 12th September.

ATTENTION: Important Disco information
For the safety of all children only students and teachers will be in the hall during the Infants and Primary disco.
Students are asked to attend only at the appropriate time for their disco and not to be outside the hall.
Thank you for your cooperation in keeping all children safe.
P&C News

Something to think about........

East Maitland Public School has over 550 students. Therefore well over 1000 parents, relatives, carers, community members involved.

YET – when the school asks for volunteers or assistance with the extra activities involved in providing your children with the best possible opportunities aprox 12 to 15 regular people put their hand up to help out. That’s about 8% of help.

Note - the same people helping out each time are generally associated with year 5 and year 6 so come next year there will be a large gap in regards to assistance.

An hour of your time is all it takes to make a difference and you know what you might even enjoy yourself or make new friends.

You don't need to be a member of the P&C or attend meetings to volunteer. You can help out whenever possible. This could be before school, afterschool at night or on weekends. Once a month or once a term. If you have ideas or suggestions the P&C is there to assist you with building that idea and communicating it. With every large organisation or business certain processes are in place to ensure that things run smoothly if we did not have a process in place there would be chaos.

We need a plumber or landscaper to quote on drainage options for the oval –
Do you know someone?
Please email eastmaitlandpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com

Next P&C Meeting to be held
Thursday 11th September
day time or night time meeting to be confirmed.

Don’t forget to download your FREE Skool Bag app
Don’t forget to register for the skoolbag app.

“"The skoolbag app is great it sent me an instant message about the book parade on Sunday so I didn’t forget about the costume”
This app is great it reminds me when things are on and it even puts them in my calendar”
“I remember to read the newsletter each week because I receive an instant message. The newsletter is important to read as it has all the information in it about what's happening.”
“Hi I just wanted to let you know I am so pleased with the use of the skoolbag app. I can’t wait until we are able to get our notes, permission slips etc accessible this way too. :)”


East Maitland Public School
Footy Finals Fundraiser Sunday 5th October

Celebrate the Footy Finals with Pizza from East Maitland Eagle Boys.

$1.00 from every pizza sold will be donated to the school
code word “finals footy” choice of a FREE Garlic Bread or Potato Wedges.

A Great Big Thank You to those who assisted with framing the Father’s Day Funny Photo’s. Without these volunteers this task would not have been possible.
Thank you Leighsa Cox, Jodi Smith, Georgina Balding, Kym Petersen, Julie Taylor.
Thank you to Ian, Tracey and Caroline for your Printing efforts.
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E.M.P.S’s

Green Market Day!

Put in an application to hold a store selling items made from recycled materials or that have a ‘green’ theme e.g. gardening products, green food or garden ornaments.

See Mr Eddy or Miss Sharkey to apply!
Application closing date - 10th of September

Gold coin donation to throw a sponge at a teacher! What teacher do you have in mind?
(All proceeds will go to Lifeskills)

NO MUTUALS SOLD ON THE DAY!