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COMING EVENTS

Thursday 9 February
Admin Assembly

Wednesday 8 February
P & C General Meeting

Tuesday 14 February
Constable Care
Incursion

Friday 17 February
Community BBQ
P & C lucky dips &
popcorn

Monday 20 February
School Photos

Dear Parents

Welcome to all our new families to Eddystone Primary School and welcome back to our families that have been with us previously. Thank you all for choosing Eddystone PS as the school for your children. By any measure, Eddystone is a good school with an excellent reputation for student achievement and progress and I am very privileged to be appointed Principal of the school.

It is important to acknowledge and thank Glen Bewick, Alec Kanganas and Robert Croft for their leadership during 2016. Eddystone is in very good shape as a result of their care and stewardship of the school. Our school community can feel confident that the education provided here at Eddystone PS is of the equal of anywhere.

Professional Learning: Since the commencement of the new school year, staff have been engaged in some significant professional learning. Firstly, Talk for Writing which develops good writing practises by commencing with the expanding of oral language skills. This is a proven program being used in many schools with great success. We expect to have Eddystone PS students achieving good outcomes as this programs gets traction.

We have also completed (along with Clarkson PS and Mindarie PS) the next phase of John Hattie's Visible Learning. This is about creating a classroom learning environment that maximises learning for your children. The action we take as teachers is based on well researched evidence about what actually works best in classrooms.

It is important to acknowledge that staff attended these professional learning opportunities during the school holidays because that is when they were scheduled. Staff are committed to helping your children to be the very best they can.

We'll be providing more information about these programs and other significant programs as the year progresses, but I am happy to supply information to you if you are interested. Simply email me at: gary.bryant@education.wa.edu.au

Other Priorities for 2017: As always the Literacy and Numeracy skills of your children remain a priority for us. Along with the implementation of Talk for Writing, we will be placing an increased focus on mental computational skills. The wellbeing of students is always of concern in schools with the general pressures of society so our Friendly Schools program takes on great importance.

Mission Statement: Across the bottom of this page (and in all future newsletters) I have included my personal mission statement. As an experienced school leader, I have found it very helpful to let the school community know what my work in the school will be all about. By printing my mission statement in our regular newsletter, it serves to remind me of what I want to achieve at Eddystone PS and also it offers the community an opportunity to hold me to my word. I won't achieve this mission in the next few weeks but over time, I will strive to achieve this outcome for the sake of our students and your children.

Best wishes to all of school community for an optimistic 2017.

Gary Bryant
Principal

WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

We would like everyone to welcome to our school community all our new staff

Gilles Robveille, Kendall Hammond and Tarnya Meegahage
French teacher N12 teacher School Officer



“REMEMBER”

- On line Canteen - Wednesdays - www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
- Uniforms - Wednesdays - 8.30 - 9.00 - NEW library bags \$15
- School Banking - Thursday before school in library
- Eddyfit Program - Tuesdays 7.45 - 8.15
- Recycle your mobile phones and batteries. Please take them to N11

ONLINE CANTEEN

Our on line canteen is available every Wednesday. They are super yummy, good value for money and easy to order. Please remember to enter your child's class on the order form.

We need helpers to sort lunches. If you can spare 30 minutes, 11.15 - 11.45am, on a Wednesday please let the office know.

Thank You

MATHS BOOKS AND DIARIES

A reminder that Maths books and diaries are now available at the office. It is expected that all children in mainstream will have the maths books and diary in their class room.

If parents are experiencing financial difficulty, please come to the office and arrangements can be made.

P & C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Eddystone P&C Association Annual General Meeting, has been set for Wednesday 8 February, 2017 at 7:00pm. All office bearers' positions will be made vacant & parents and community members are invited to attend and become part of our successful committee. You can contact any one of the current executive members to find out about what the roles entail. Immediately following the AGM, will be the first P&C Association meeting for 2017. Hope to see you there!

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