



NEWS

REC - Year 7 Swimming

Over the last 3 weeks of term 1, all classes in the school attended swimming lessons at the ARC. The skills developed are essential for the safety of students around water and build on what they have learnt in previous years. The students enjoyed the lessons and the weather was kind for the walk to and from the pool.

The students learnt skills including The Department for Education's Water Safety program which is designed to engage, challenge and support students to:

- ◆ become confident and safe in aquatic environments
- ◆ develop skills and understanding directly related to water safety (survival and rescue skills)
- ◆ explore, evaluate and make sound decisions about their own safety, and the safety of others, in aquatics environments
- ◆ work effectively with others.

The children engaged in a broad range of activities including using kick boards and noodles, learning how to tread water, star floats, collecting items from under the water, duck diving, swimming with life jackets, pool safety and water rescue procedures.

The Centre staff commented on the excellent behaviour of the students during their lessons.



UPCOMING EVENTS



From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school after the holiday break. From May 14-16 NAPLAN takes place for years 3,5 and 7 students. NAPLAN is a nationally developed program that provides schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and what areas need to be prioritised for improvement. NAPLAN tests are just one of many assessments your child participates in to support learning and improvement in achievement.

Students do not have to learn specific skills for NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN tests are administered simultaneously in all schools across Australia. NAPLAN consists of 4 tests; Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. All students are encouraged to participate in the NAPLAN tests.

Individual student reports are provided to all parents/caregivers and show the achievement of an individual student in a series of bands. Individual reports are expected to be ready for distribution to parents/caregivers during September.

For some students, NAPLAN can provide some anxiety. It is important that as parents, not to build on these fears, as the test is part of the school and national assessment processes and is not something to be concerned about. The teachers who administer NAPLAN ensure that the students are comfortable and reassure them if needed. Often the feedback from year 3 students undertaking the tests for the first time is that they find the tests fun and a change from how school is normally. At East Marden PS, we are using the paper based tests rather than the online testing. This was determined by the Department for Education.

This term, we will be developing a new vision statement for East Marden. It will build on the 2017 developed values and motto for the school. The values are:

- ◆ **Respect**
- ◆ **Kindness**
- ◆ **Perseverance**
- ◆ **Creativity**

The school motto, which is on the fence on James Street is '**Learners today, Leaders tomorrow**'.

Developing the vision will be done with the staff, students and parents. More information about how you can contribute ideas will be circulated this term.

Finally, with an early outbreak of the flu season, please ensure that you keep your child home if they are unwell to avoid spreading illnesses, and that you encourage regular hand washing to keep germs at bay.



TERM 2

09/5/2019	Mr Stefan Yr 3 Landcare Project
- 05/7/2019	
14/5/2019	NAPLAN
15/5/2019	NAPLAN
16/5/2019	NAPLAN
17/5/2019	Assembly K Monaco & C Taylor
21/5/2019	Year 4 Excursion
21/5/2019	Governing Council Meeting
24/5/2019	Student Free Day
30/5/2019	Harmony Day Parade 9.15am Shared Lunch 12.15pm
07/6/2019	Assembly E Weir & A Tilbrook/A Scales
07/6/2019	Year 6/7 Excursion
10/6/2019	Public Holiday
18/6/2019	Governing Council Meeting
26/6/2019	Strings Concert 6pm
28/6/2019	Assembly - L Young & H McGowan
05/07/2019	Last day of Term 2 2pm finish.



2019 PUBLIC EDUCATION AWARDS

Recognising excellence



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

2019 Public Education Awards

To Our Parents and Caregivers,

Nominate, recognise and celebrate an outstanding educator in the 2019 Public Education Awards.

Get involved and say thank you to a leader, teacher or support staff member making a significant difference to the lives of their students and their communities.

An educator's influence continues beyond the classroom and supports children and young people to reach their full potential in life. We all remember a teacher who inspired and motivated us to enjoy learning, and the awards honour the dedication and passion of individuals who deliver the best possible outcomes for young people and their families.

The Public Education Awards are entering their 9th year and we're excited to share excellence in South Australian public education and invite you to celebrate and recognise an educator who makes a positive impact every day.

The Public Education Awards recognise excellence in South Australian public education, and nominations are open 1 to 31 May. Visit www.education.sa.gov.au/awards to nominate and find out more about the awards.

Finance News



The finance office does not keep cash on premise. If you are paying cash at the finance office, please remember to have the correct cash amount as change is not available.

Thank you



The Qkr app is managed by you, the parent/guardian. It is not connected to our school accounting system & does not reflect any invoice amounts owing on the app.

You manage what you pay and when.

Please be aware that any payment you make AFTER 5pm may not be receipted until 2 days later. If you are paying for excursions, we ask that you please pay in advance (not the night before).

Qkr SCHOOL PAYMENTS will be UNAVAILABLE at the end of EVERY MONTH for accounting purposes. We apologise for any inconvenience caused & thank you for your understanding.

Payment Plans will no longer be accepted. If you already have one in place please continue to pay as per agreement.

If you would like to know what invoices you have outstanding, please contact the finance office on 83376170 or via email on dl.1043.finance@schools.sa.edu.au

If you have any issues logging onto Qkr, have forgotten your password/email or any detail when setting up your profile please contact the **Masterpass Qkr helpdesk on 1800 689 562**

Jackie Bamber
Finance Officer

Acknowledgements

East Marden Primary acknowledges student achievements outside of the school.

During the school holidays, Emma Musolino went to Melbourne to represent Salisbury Rebels, Salisbury Bowland, in the Junior National championships for tenpin bowling. After bowling 27 games, singles, doubles, mixed double and 5 man teams, Emma qualified for the Junior Restricted Masters, needed to be in the top 24. Easter Saturday Emma bowled 8 games straight to finish 1st to win the Junior Restricted Masters Championship of Australia for 2019. Along with this amazing achievement she has also won 4 gold, 3 silver and one bronze.



Fundraising

Earn & Learn is back at East Marden Primary School

Collect as many stickers as you can between now and 25th June. You can drop the sticker sheets at 3 locations: Woolworth Gilles Plains, Woolworth Marden Shopping centre or EMPS front office.



Canteen

Footy Showdown Donuts Special



TERM 2 - Friday 10th May
RECESS ONLY
Cost \$3.00 each



Port Power Donut Crows Donut

Student Name:

Room No: Teacher:

Harry Potter Day - An amazing E.M.P.S experience

Written and Edited by Lexie Mulvany – Year 7 Library Crew

Harry Potter books– Muggles continuously say that the books are just that, books. We, here at East Marden know better and that is why we have hosted a day focused on the amazing book series that Harry Potter is. Some teachers and students from Hogwarts were here and teaching classes, for example, the wonderful and slightly terrifying, Severus Snape. Not to mention some modern day Hogwarts students such as Tabetha self. We embarked on a wonderful and magical day at East Marden Primary School.

The day began with innocent East Marden muggles taking a wonderful and creative broom class with Professor McGowan and some of the amazing library crew helpers. Before the students could be allowed to fly they had to make their brooms so that is what they as a class, did. Given, the brooms were no nimbus 2000's but from my personal view, they could definitely be a close second.

Professor Weir (aka Ms Weir) laid out some ties to decorate. Are you a Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Slytherin or a Ravenclaw? Students decorated their ties to represent them however they wanted to, it was amazing seeing their weird and wonderful creations come to life. As far as I am concerned these ties were far superior to the ties worn by Hogwarts students.



Over just a few steps was Professor Snape taking a few students under his wing and teaching them about some of his favourite potions and spells. There was coke and mentos, it didn't always work but was definitely fun, elephant toothpaste where there was so much foam an elephant could brush its teeth with it! They were just a few of the many great things Snape showed our students here at East Marden. It was an engaging and enlightening class into the depths of science and magic.

In the colourful and very themed library, many little helpers and house elves were setting up a photo booth for the muggles of our school so that they could see what the lives of students in Hogwarts could be like. There were amazing props that lit up the atmosphere and invisibility cloaks to make the photos more convincing. The photos were very successful and I am undoubtedly sure we have many amazing photos of most every student at East Marden.

As you began to take a look around the library you saw the amazing setup made by Tsam, Ms Joyce, Parent volunteers and many others. It showcased all the amazing things about Harry Potter, why kids to adults love the books so much and the depths J.K Rowling took the details of her book.

Harry Potter Day - An amazing E.M.P.S experience cont...

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Directly outside the library was a shop where any student with a dollar or two could go to buy their very own Harry Potter merchandise. For example, there were magical wands made by the wonderful year 7 library crew! The E.M.P.S cohort also had the opportunity to purchase snitch bouncy balls, lollies from jelly beans to chocolate frogs. Whatever you could think of that is Harry Potter related, could be found at the shop. It was run by responsible year 5/6 library crew and some helpful adult volunteers as well. In one of the treat boxes there was a hidden Golden Hogwart ticket. The winner was Manya S, who got to keep the Hogwart Ticket and a Graphic Fantastic Beasts book and a Harry Potter journal. Well done Manya!!



It was truly a wonderful and magical day for everybody who participated. It takes a great school community to work together and make such a fun filled day like this. I hope that in the near future SWAT can work with library crew to create more of these fun, interactive and exciting incursions.

Apologies

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In our 29th March newsletter we printed

“Lack of sales has meant the long sleeve top will no longer be available. Students can wear a long sleeve top underneath their polo top when needed. “



Long Sleeve tops will still be available for purchase from UMS. A new batch is available with the new logo.

Apologies for the confusion.

Bucket Hat update: UMS has experienced unforeseen issues with their supplier which are now resolved and the hats should be back in stock in a couple of weeks. In the meantime students have been allowed to wear a SunSmart hat from home. For purchases that have already been made, once stock has been received hats will be delivered to the students classroom.



East Marden Primary School uniform is now available only at UMS's Clearview store. Check out their new and exciting website and shop online <https://umspl.com.au>

INFLUENZA

Notifications of confirmed influenza have been much higher so far this year compared to the same period last year.

Here are a few hints and tips to help protect yourself and others against the spread of Influenza.



Avoid close contact.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.

Stay home when you are sick.

If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. This will help prevent spreading your illness to others.

Cover your mouth and nose.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick. Flu and other serious respiratory illnesses, like respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), whooping cough, and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), are spread by cough, sneezing, or unclean hands.

Clean your hands.

Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.

Handwashing can help prevent illness. It involves five simple and effective steps, Wet, Lather, Scrub, Rinse, Dry. Regular handwashing, particularly before and after certain activities, is one of the best ways to remove germs, avoid getting sick, and prevent the spread of germs to others. It's quick, it's simple, and it can keep us all from getting sick. Handwashing is a win for everyone, except the germs.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.

Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.

Practice other good health habits.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work or school, especially when someone is ill. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.



Notices



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Give mum the VIP treatment with Entertainment! Packed with thousands of valuable offers across dining, retail, attractions and travel, an Entertainment Membership is the gift she can enjoy all year round.

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Birdwood



Farm Day

Native wildlife

Log chopping

Restored machinery

Spinners & Weavers

Vintage cars

Farm Animals

CFS demonstrations

Historical Entertainers

Working dogs

Whip cracking

Tractor rides

Sheep shearing

Animal nursery

Live music

Art displays

Pony & Camel rides

Bumbles the Clown

ENTRY
Adults \$10
Kids FREE
Max \$20 per car

SUNDAY 19th MAY 2019

10am – 4pm

Chalks campground, Mount Crawford Forest
(on the Birdwood to Williamstown road)



Join us for a day of country fun in the forest !

- Farmer's Pantry & Cellar – sweets and bakery treats – damper & billy tea
- huge variety of hot foods – face painting – garden stall – creative crafts
- Mini marketers showcase – prize wheel – Giant Cash raffle drawn on day
- kids rides and activities – market stalls – loads of family entertainment

For more info visit www.birdwoodfarmday.com

