



GLOBAL LEARNERS AND  
LEADERS EXCEEDING  
EXPECTATIONS

# Essendon North

Primary School

*Brave Bold Connected*

# ENPS NEWS

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## ANZAC DAY 2020 – DAWN SERVICE @ HOME

### DIARY DATES

WebEx School Assembly  
Every Friday 3pm  
Meeting number: 780 637 920  
Meeting password: ENPS

Term 2, 2020 end  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3, 2020  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July –  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4, 2020  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October –  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December



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# SCHOOL CAPTAINS' REPORT

Hello everyone,

This week we had our open day virtually on the school website. We had around a twenty minute video so that we could get the parents for next year's Foundation students to have a bit of an insight of how we do things at ENPS. We spoke a little bit about how we use our vision, learner profiles and how we are internationally minded. We hope you all stay safe and are coping with online learning.

Hope we can all see each other soon.

Thomas and Abbey



# SCHOOL COUNCIL

Long time no see! Wishing all our great students and families in the community health, both mentally and physically, in these changing times.

Do you feel engaged with the school community? Did you know there is a Council at ENPS that acts as a supporting network and is formed not only by our teachers and executive staff? If you answer no to any of these questions, this is your lucky day because we are going to learn something new today!

## Council functions

On the [School Council](#) page of our website you will find details of each part of our Council. For today, let's focus on a sub-committee. Finance might not sound as cool or popular as Learning Environments or Community Engagement, but it is still important to get the bigger picture and concentrated efforts within our school.

## Finance Sub-Committee

What is the Finance Sub-Committee about? It regularly monitors and reports to Council progress against the budget and assists the Principal in ensuring that the school operates to a balanced budget, and that all liabilities and financial commitments are brought to account in the relevant year. In layman's terms, it supports the school to ensure there is budget to bring projects to life.

## Governance

On Tuesday 12th May we will hold our first Council meeting for this term! Following an online format of course, to look after each other.



## Three fun activities to share with your little ones, courtesy of our Finance Sub-Committee

- In case you haven't already, involve them in your family budget!
- Encourage them to save a percentage of their pocket money... or perhaps earn one!
- Plant the seed of investigation and investment e.g., ensure they are browsing safely, find a project they can bring to life and be rewarded for.

Stay safe, stay connected.

Abraham Acevedo  
School Council Treasurer

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Brrrrrrrr here comes the cold! How quickly autumn seems to slip into wintery weather. Just to add to the fun of isolation, now we have the beginning of cold and wet days to contend with.

It has been a very smooth couple of weeks at ENPS since our last newsletter. While remote and flexible learning continues, we seem to be getting into a groove and rhythm now. More and more our year level teams are moving to small group WebEx meetings and more focused learning and teaching. I even joined in on the ENPS Choir WebEx this week and what a hoot that was!



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

We still await word from the Victorian Government and Victorian Department of Education (DET) of things changing in regards to remote and flexible learning and we will continue to provide all that we can for our students and families at this challenging time. Please remember that what we are doing is *not* home schooling; it is learning from home in a crisis. The health, safety and wellbeing of your family is most important.

Wise words from the DET parent support website this week:

*When you start to think about helping your child to learn from home, remember that no one expects you to be a subject matter expert or teacher. The most important thing you can do is to continue to provide comfort, support and encouragement to your child.*

Learn more about supporting your child at home at:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/learning/Pages/home-learning-about.aspx>

### Parent Feedback on Remote Learning

In the interest of continuous improvement, we are really keen to hear how your child/ren and your family have managed with our remote learning strategy. We have developed a quick feedback form for parents to complete. This will provide us with important feedback and enable us to further reflect on and consider your perspectives from home. The survey can be found [here](#) and should take just 5 - 10 minutes. We thank you in advance for your insight.

### Open Day and 2021 Enrolments

This week was to be our 2020 ENPS Open Day on Wednesday. While the current COVID-19 pandemic interrupted our plans to open our doors and invite our community and prospective parents to see, hear and get a feel for who we are as a school, what we did manage to do was to create a virtual experience for everyone.

If you would like to see our 'virtual open day' please use this [link](#) to watch the video and visit our website for an insight into our students, staff and school community.

What we put together included photos and video footage and we acknowledge that our collection is reflective of the last couple of years at ENPS, not just 2020. There may be some past students and familiar faces pop up. Please know that we have followed our media consent guidelines through this process.

We appreciate that choosing the right school for your family is a very important decision. We hope that in watching this, as an existing ENPS family, you feel proud to be a part of our community.

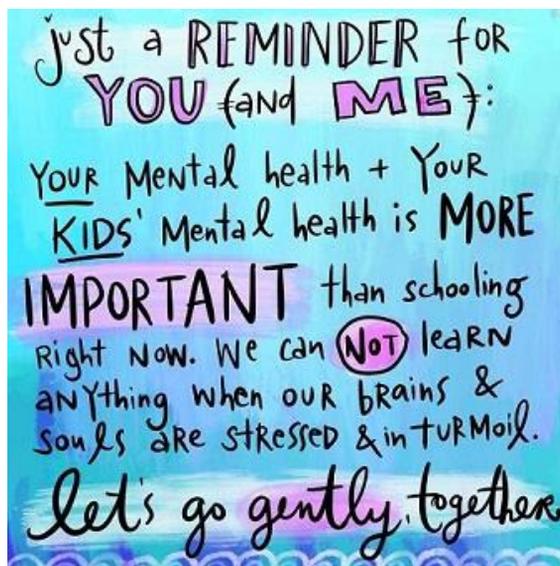
2021 Foundation enrolments are now open and we are excited by the prospect of welcoming our siblings as new Foundation students, and new families into our school community next year. Please remember that all future students are required to complete and enrolment form by the end of May. This includes all of our current families with siblings going into Foundation in 2021. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our [ENPS website](#) or available through the office.

### Staff Professional Learning

Continuing our own professional learning as a staff has been integral as we have adapted to our remote learning strategy. Each staff member has (either this week or will next week) participated in a staff wellbeing and welfare professional learning. This involves staff members being offline for a period of time. Staff will let you know when to expect this and we thank you all for your understanding and support.

### Building Works - Gas Meter

Work will finally commence next week to move the gas meter (positioned in the middle of the junior play space on the McCulloch St side) to the fence line. Disconnection of gas will occur on Friday followed by excavation work on Saturday. We are currently working with the Victorian Schools Building Authority (VSBA) to ensure maximum safety precautions are put in place and that correct processes are to be followed. It is our expectation and understanding that any works, specifically in that area, are to be done when no students or staff are on-site. This work will mean a disruption to gas to the gymnasium for the duration of the works, however do not anticipate that being too much of a challenge at this time. We will keep you posted as we hear more. It will be great to finally have it moved.



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

## CIS/IB Evaluation visit postponed till 2021

Due to the current situation throughout the world, all Council of International Schools and International Baccalaureate evaluation visits have been postponed. Our joint CIS and IB re-accreditation visit was scheduled for November and has now been postponed until 2021.

## Community Engagement

Maintaining our connections within and across our school community is just as important now as ever. This week we again support our local and family businesses in the newsletter on our community page. We encourage everyone to look out for each other and shop local where we can in support of local businesses. We know our local businesses always get behind us at ENPS whenever we ask, so now is a time we can reciprocate.

Centenary celebrations are obviously in a holding pattern, like many things at the moment. We do hope to have some plans in place for later in the year and make the most of the opportunity when we do get to celebrate again our history together.

Two upcoming events close to all of our hearts at ENPS are of course Mother's Day this Sunday, and our annual *Day in May*.

The mothers of Essendon North PS have played an enormous role in the history of our school. We had planned to recognise and celebrate this rich history at our Mother's Day open morning this year. Instead, please make sure you take a look at our ENPS history section to find out some more about the history of the ENPS Mother's Guild, and don't forget there is a great range of easy, fun activities and ideas on the Mother's Day choice board that you can do at home for mums this Sunday!

Our *Day in May* will also look different this year. Our Junior School Council is currently planning and collaborating online to still be able to support charities for childhood cancer, in particular the Marcus Rosin Foundation. Marcus and his family will forever hold a special place in our hearts at ENPS and being able to hold our *Day in May* each year is a wonderful tribute. Keep an eye out for information coming soon from the JSC!

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend and a special day on Sunday for all of our ENPS mothers, grandmothers and special ladies. It will certainly be different to usual Mother's Days however may you (we) all be spoilt in one way or another.

Take care and stay safe.

Kate Barletta  
Principal



## GROUNDS AND MAINTENANCE

The school closure due to COVID-19 doesn't mean our grounds have been neglected!



Here I am busy planting and tidying up ready for the children's return to school.

Joseph Labagala  
Grounds and Maintenance

## GREEN TEAM

Ethan from 2SW has been keeping very busy at home planting seeds – just take a look at his successfully grown seedlings!



# YEAR TWO REMOTE LEARNING SCIENTISTS!

As part of our **How the World Works** Unit of Inquiry, Year Two students have inquired into the science of force and reflected on the effect this had on different materials.

They experimented with physical and chemical change and shared their results. It certainly looked like lots of fun!

Thank you to our amazing parents that have helped to make this happen.

Year Two Team



Elle in 2SW experimenting with chemical change



Alex in 2AP experimenting with gravity by creating a cardboard tower



Akira in 2AJ experimenting with sinking and floating



We did a physical change to the paper by cutting it.



Ella in 2CM cutting the paper to make a physical change



Amy in 2SW experimenting with buoyancy and gravity

# YEAR THREE REMOTE LEARNING SHOWCASE!

Inquiring into the roles and responsibilities of community groups in our local area



Emma 3MS

Community Groups		Resources	
Name	Purpose	Roles	Traditions
300 blankets	To provide necessities	cook dinners, carry bags	Food, big bags, kitchen
...	...	...	...

Alexa 3MP

Inquiring into nouns and adjectives



Sebastian 3MP

STEM Challenges - working collaboratively vs working independently



Lily 3MP

Community groups that keep us safe...



Darcy 3MS

Bring your pet to school day



Christina 3MS



3MS enjoying WebEx meetings

# MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING CHECK-IN

As we move into our 5th week of remote learning, it is important that we regularly consider how we are going in terms of our physical and mental wellbeing. Just as you set aside time for physical exercise, it is important to make time each day to check in on your child's mental health and wellbeing.

As your child adjusts to their new routine and not being able to see their friends in person, it is important to be understanding of their feelings of frustration, anxiousness and even anger – every child will react differently.

To support your child, use these mental health and wellbeing check ins to:

- provide an opportunity to talk about how they feel and listen to what they say
- identify one or two things they could do to address what they are concerned or angry about
- ask how they are going, whether they are finding it easy or hard to learn remotely, and if there is anything they'd like your help with.



There is a risk that your child may be having difficulties with others online. If you think this happening to them, support is available on how to talk to your child and your school at [Bully Stoppers](#).

[Parentline](#) (132 289) also offers support on parenting issues such as education and bullying.

If you have any other concerns about the health and wellbeing of your child, please contact your class teacher or Mr. Blaik and we will direct you to resources that can help.

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- Set rules and limits
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Participants complete a workbook or online modules which are supported by weekly 30 minute phone calls with a trained parenting educator.

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W: [www.gatewayhealth.org.au](http://www.gatewayhealth.org.au)

## A friendly reminder Positive Parenting Telephone Service is open to support families throughout the COVID-19 lockdown.

Their **FREE** telephone based parenting education program is for parents, grandparents caring for their grandchildren and carers of children aged two to twelve years, living in Victoria. Positive Parenting Telephone Service's aim is to increase access for all families including fathers, grandparents, kinship carers and rural families. Participants will be provided with a workbook or online modules and will be supported by weekly 30 minute phone calls from a trained Parent Educator over a six to ten week period.

Appointments are available daytime and evenings.

This service is funded by The Department of Health and Human Services.

# YEAR SIX – SEVEN TRANSITION INFORMATION

## Essendon Keilor College 2020 School Tours

Please click [here](#) to watch a message from the Junior Campus Principals in relation to school tours at Essendon Keilor College.

Tours will run for approximately half an hour between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm, and conducted 1-1 (**not** in groups). Bookings are essential, please phone 9319 1346 to arrange.

You will also find the 2021 Year 7 Scholarship application attached to this newsletter, to be completed by any students who wish to apply.

## THE ENPS BOOK PLACE



With the closure of the school library and public libraries, many of you may be experiencing difficulties with accessing books and keeping your children motivated to read. Therefore, we are excited to announce the launch of [The ENPS Book Place](#).

The Book Place is a website created by the school library which students can access from a link in their daily task schedule on their Remote Learning website. Students and their families can listen to and watch videos of books being read aloud by members of staff, keep up to date with all the new releases and bestselling books, find recommendations and read reviews written by students about their current favourite books.

The videos are a great way for families to share a book; you can pause them to make predictions or mute the volume to let you or your children read them, some of the videos have questions about the story for you to discuss with your child.

To help those students taking part in the 2020 Premiers' Reading Challenge, we have also created lists in Julie's Top Picks of Challenge books which can be found on EPIC! and many of the videos are tagged as official Challenge books.

The ENPS Book Place will be updated and new videos add weekly. Happy Reading!

Julie Schenk  
Library Technician



## CSEF – FUNDING ASSISTANCE

### APPLYING FOR CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUNDING (CSEF) ASSISTANCE

Do you hold either of the concession cards?



Parents and carers holding either of these concession cards may apply for \$125 per child to use for payments relating to Camp, Sports and Excursion (**CSEF**).

Please read the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more information regarding eligibility and assistance, and visit ENPS office with your concession card and complete your form.

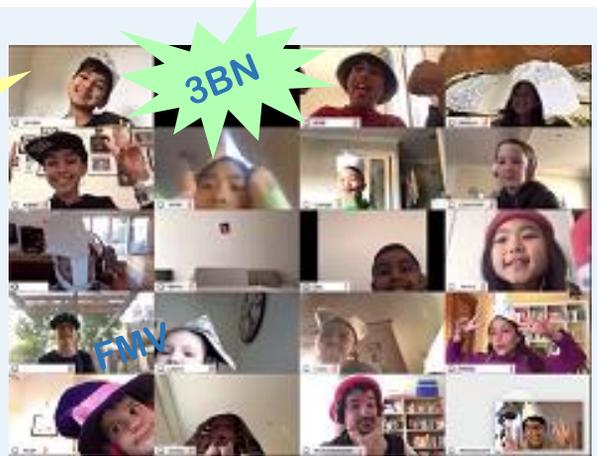
Financial assistance will be allocated to your family's account and paid towards ENPS camps, sports and excursions held 2020.

All CSEF balances roll over to the new school year. If you would like to check your family statement, please contact the office.

# WEBEX CLASS MEETINGS

Brave  
Bold

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# ANDREW NUNNS SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Dear parents, carers and students,



“The Team” hopes you are all well and safe.

We hope you are enjoying the video lessons. Please remember these can be watched at anytime, played again, paused, etc. Most importantly have fun with your learning. **Music is FUN.**

We are certainly enjoying the pics and videos we receive of you practising, asking questions and performing. These videos bring us great joy and tears of happiness. It makes us so proud, you are all amazing. Here are a few pics of us in our lesson spaces.

Take care and stay safe.



Cheers,  
Andrew Nunns, Gary Young and Lisette Payet



## COMPETITION ALERT!!

Metro Trains is currently running a competition for primary school students!

Children from Foundation to Year Six are invited to design an A4 size landscape/longways poster to promote **Safe Travel on Metro Trains.**

There are age three separate age categories and **important criteria that must be met for entry.** First place prizes include:

- Apple iPad mini 64 GB Wi-Fi (silver) + \$50 Angus and Robertson book voucher (Foundation – Year 2)
- Nintendo switch+ Game (Mario Kart) (Year 3 -4)
- PlayStation 4 Pro 1TB console+ Turtle beach recon 70 gaming headset for PS4 (Year 5 -6)

Plus additional prizes for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place from Garmin, Google, Primecolours, Angus and Roberston and more!

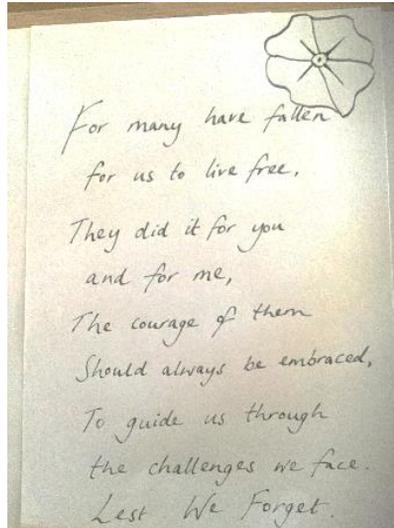
Please click [here](#) for full competition details and criteria.

**Be quick, entries close Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> 2020.**

# ANZAC DAY – YEAR SIX POETRY

On 25<sup>th</sup> of April,  
ANZACs fought for our lives,  
Little did we know,  
60000 of us dies,  
So we will commemorate,  
Without regret,  
For our fellow friends,  
Lest we forget.

By Chesith H



lest  
we  
forget



By Mia S



They had a choice  
They didn't have to join the army  
But they did  
Because they wanted our nation to stand  
They fought not because of some medal or for winning the  
fight to make sure were safe  
They were like the shield that protected us  
Without them we wouldn't have what we have  
They fell so that would we stand  
Poppies bloomed in memory of them  
For serving our country with pride and bravery they shall  
not be left in the dust  
The blood and tears that spilled for us will not be forgot  
Lest we forget

By Oviya K

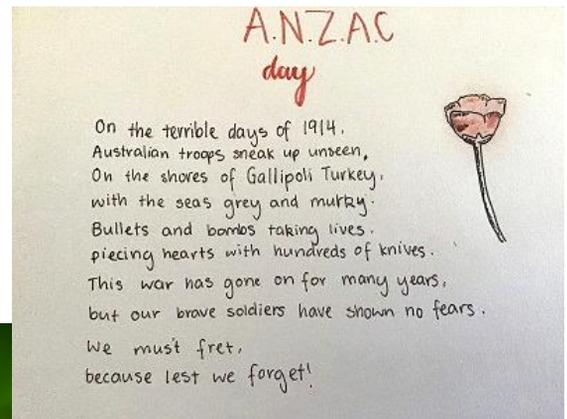
“Lest we forget” said by the  
soldiers who saved us and our  
country. Young soldiers with  
jaunty slouch hats over their  
head and kit bags over their  
shoulder marching bravely  
with courage to serve and fight  
for this country.

By Anastasia S



What would our nation be without them.  
We never got to thank them.  
All of us commemorate them.  
We will always honour them.  
It is our duty.  
And we pay our respects.  
We will remember them.

By Oren J



By Angela N



# ANZAC DAY – YEAR SIX POETRY CONTINUED

*To the thousands of men, strong and brave,  
Leaving their country in order to save.  
Lest We Forget.*

*Saying goodbye to their loved ones,  
Tears from mother's kissing their sons.*

*Lest We Forget.*

*To the brave men who fought in the war,  
Fighting all day, with bodies so sore.*

*Lest We Forget.*

By Brooke W



Dawn service  
honour brave souls  
Marching, marching for  
freedom,  
They fought  
Think how lucky we are  
Over graves Poppies grow

By Bella W

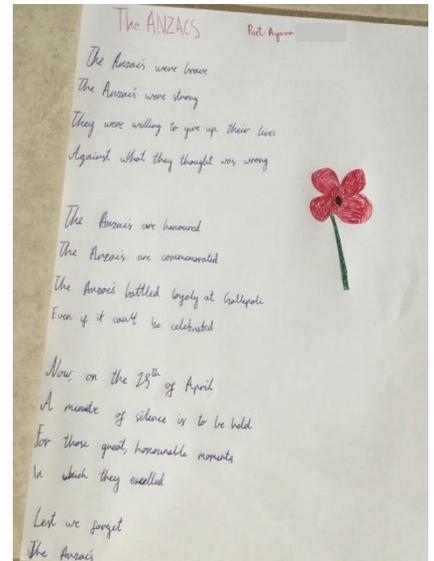
Brave men, we salute you and  
remember on the battlefields in  
the lands so far away.  
Together we all stand here today  
to pay our respects and honour  
sacrifices made.  
Lest we forget.

By Summer M



You are the one who fought for our world, you are the one who never gave up. I remember you, you were a warrior who did the best you could. without you we would be nowhere, without you our lives would be different. So thank you for everything you have sacrificed for us. we will always remember you.

~ Jordin.R



By Ayaan C

## ANZAC day poem

By Rosa

Tears of blood streaking down soldiers rough faces  
Disease spreads like a plague  
Soldiers perish to their graves  
Poppies bloom and flags rise from the ashes  
our dead as the pharaohs  
We trade on landscapes and seas  
We commemorate those who died for us.  
They went through treachery for us.  
The bloodship and treachery was for our nation  
The tears and the blood was for you  
Egyptian gods raised as our men fell  
Every year a bugle sounds to remember the fallen  
Tracherous acts were for our nation  
LEST we FORGET



## You get up

You get up when there is no crown,  
You get up when there are some doubts.  
You get up anyway,  
And when you fall you get up again.

By Montana A



## ENPS HISTORY: DID YOU KNOW...

Last newsletter we took a look back at the 1940s..... This newsletter, as we recognise Mother's Day this weekend, our history segment reflects on the history of the Mother's Guild at ENPS.

On May 14<sup>th</sup> 1924, the Mother's Guild held their first meeting. Subscription for membership was set at 2/6d and meetings were held monthly. The Mother's Guild were active in supporting the school's requests to the Department of Education and raised funds for the school to help with new equipment and buildings. In their first year, the Mother's Guild purchased a second-hand piano for 135 pounds and held their first concert and American Tea. The Mother's Guild asked to provide milk at a small charge to children while at school, however because most families had a cow, the proposal was rejected.

Dances became regular fundraising events and in 1925 the first of many Christmas treats were given to students from the Mother's Guild. In 1927 the first school fete was held. Proceeds from the fete was used to buy a gramophone, staffroom couch, cushions, a chair, rug, tablecloth and extra bandaging for the first aid kit.

Most years the Mother's Guild celebrated their 'birthday' with an event, held car nights, Children's Dances and fancy-dress balls. During the worst of the depression, the Mother's Guild did provide warm milk and arrowroot biscuits to children in need. In 1945 the Mother's Guild held their 21<sup>st</sup> birthday party and their silver anniversary in 1949.

In 1950 the Education Department deemed that school committees would now be responsible for any monies raised by 'Mother's Guilds'. The Mother's Guild was no longer able to raise money as a separate identity. This proved a contentious issue at the time as the school committee members were all male. At this time, the Mother's Club initiated the idea of a school uniform too.

In their aim to 'serve' children, in 1952 the mothers 'adopted' a disabled five year boy from the Kew Cottages. Each birthday, Easter and Christmas they would put together a present and party for him and his roommates. This continued for a number of years until the club decided that more children could benefit rather than a single donation.

The school ball continued throughout the 1950s, supported by the Mother's Club and school committee, and changed to a school concert in the early 1960s. In the 1960s the Mother's Club were instrumental in the raising of funds to build an assembly hall.

In the late 1960s the mothers started pie days as a lunch treat. A hot pie with tomato sauce was supplied by Noon Pies and sold each Monday. They chose Mondays as there was no fresh bread after the weekend. The Mother's Club had a pie warmer and also sold donuts at recess. This continued into the 70s.

In the 1970s they continued to raise funds through the school ball and fete each year, and card nights. They continued to assist in the purchase of library books however attendance at meetings declined as more mothers joined the paid workforce.

In the late 1970s a push was made for parents to be more involved in classrooms and a number of parent clubs were established. In 1984 the Mother's Club changed its name as fathers were encouraged to attend. In the 80s there was a change to more healthy food being sold instead of pies and donuts and fundraising 'drives' included honey, apples, lamingtons, hot cross buns, badge making and personalised pencils. Fundraising in the 80s also included Mother's and Father's Day stalls, family fun days, Teddy Bear Picnics and market days. The Parent Club and School Council and staff all worked together for these events.

In the 1990s the Parent Club continued with ongoing fundraising and on Fridays a stall was regularly set up to selling things like honey, apples, gift wrapping and cards, and icy poles. A commitment to fundraising continued through FOEN: Friends of Essendon North in the 2000s and Community Engagement Committee more recently.

We would be lost without the commitment of our ENPS mothers over the years and wish all our mothers a Happy Mother's Day for this weekend.

**Next newsletter find out about the 1940s- 1960s**

### Stay Connected - ENPS Facebook Page and Group

For the socially savvy, make sure you like the Essendon North Primary School Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/Essendon-North-Primary-School-106239107575995/>). This page will be used to promote the wonderful things are school does.

There is also the Essendon North Primary School Centenary Reunion Facebook group

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1905045932945758/>) connecting past students and staff, as well as sharing stories and memories from the past.

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## MOTHER'S DAY

This week students spent some time creating gifts and planning special activities for Mother's Day this Sunday 10th May.

Thank you to all the family members who assisted our students in creating these gifts over the week. Our students are very excited to spoil their mums and mother figures on Mother's Day.

**Please share your Mother's Day celebrations with us!** Email a photo of students and their mothers or mother figures enjoying their special surprise to [essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au). Remember to include student name, home group and a brief description of the photo in the email.

We wish all the mothers and mother figures in our Essendon North Primary School community a wonderful Mother's Day.

Community Engagement Committee

## Mother's Day Activities and Gifts!

**Celebrate with your Mum / Mother Figures this Mother's Day, Sunday 10th May!**  
**Choose one or more gifts to create and activities to do with your Mum / Mother Figure to show your appreciation of the special role they play in your life.**



### Make a Card

Make your Mum / Mother Figure a card to tell them how much you care about them. Use one of the [Card Templates](#) or design your own.



### Short Story Writing

Write a Short Story about a special moment or memory with your Mum / Mother Figure. Use the [Story Ideas](#) for inspiration. Publish your story on your iPad or on paper and give it as a gift on Mother's Day.



### You Are Special Jar

Write all the reasons why your Mum / Mother Figure is special to you on individual strips of paper. Roll up the strips and place them in a small jar or container from home. Tie a ribbon around the jar and give it as a gift on Mother's Day.



### Explore

Sit down with your Mum / Mother Figure and visit cool places on your iPad. You can visit the [Melbourne Zoo](#), the [Vincent Van Gogh Museum](#), the [San Diego Zoo](#) or even [Explore Mars](#).



### Portrait Drawing

Draw a portrait of you and your Mum / Mother Figure using pencils, crayons, paints, pastas and other art materials. Maybe an adult can help you frame it. Give it as a gift on Mother's Day.



### Reading

Read your favourite picture book to your Mum / Mother Figure.



### Pamper Session

Paint your Mum / Mother Figure's nails or massage their hands with a nice hand cream.



### Create a Board Game

Make a Board Game to play with you Mum / Mother Figure using paper, coloured pastas, dice or spinner.



### Listen to a story

Discover audio books at [Storyline Online](#), [Audible](#) and [Astronauts reading in space](#).



### Poetry

Write a poem about your Mum / Mother Figure. Use one of the [Poem Templates](#) or create your own poem. Publish your story on your iPad or on paper and give it as a gift on Mother's Day.



### Photo Collage

Take some fun family photos or photos with just you and your Mum / Mother Figure on your iPad. Use [Layout App](#) to create a collage with your photos. Ask an adult if they can help you print and frame the photo to give as a gift.



### Snowman

Write a secret special message to your Mum / Mother Figure. Play a game of [Snowman](#), challenging your Mum / Mother Figure to uncover the secret message before the snowman is drawn.



### Yoga

Do an [online yoga session](#) with your Mum / Mother Figure. Unwind and Relax!



### Flower Bouquet

Pick some fresh flowers from your garden or [draw](#) a bouquet of flowers. Tie a ribbon around the flowers and give it as a gift on Mother's Day.



### Cook

Make your Mum / Mother Figure something yummy to eat or drink. You could make breakfast, dinner, a warm cup of tea or even bake a cake or sweet.



### Dance Off

Turn up your Mum / Mother Figure's favourite music and dance the afternoon away!



### Scavenger Hunt

Take part in the [ENPS Scavenger Hunt](#) at home with your Mum / Mother Figure. Submit your entry by completing the Google Form.



### Family Walk

Get your bodies moving by going for a family walk. Enjoy the sunshine, fresh air and each other's company.



### Day Off Housework

Give your Mum / Mother Figure a day off from doing housework by doing all the housework yourself. Tidy your room, wash the dishes, vacuum and fold the washing!



### Video Message

Record a Mother's Day video message for your Mum / Mother Figures explaining all the reasons why you love them and why they are special.



### Relaxing Bath

Run your Mum / Mother Figure a relaxing bath with bath salts, bath bombs or bubble bath. Give mum an hour of peace and quiet to unwind while you do a quiet activity.

## STEM Engineering Home Challenge!

We are inviting all students and parents to participate in this fun and exciting STEM Engineering Home Challenge!

We would like to invite your family to work together to create a 'Zip Line' that can transport something small (think 5 marbles or 4 mini people or a phone) approximately three metres!

We would like to see your creative side and use only recycled goods!

There are a few simple rules:

1. The Zip Line must be attached to the top of a chair at one end and the bottom of a chair at the other end.
2. The 'payload' (what it is carrying) must not fall and must make it all the way to the other end!

Suggested materials include but are not limited to:

- Fishing wire/string
- Tape
- Paperclips
- 5 marbles
- Phone / small item to be the payload
- Measuring tape

We look forward to seeing your designs!



Please email your awesome creations with a photo and your name to the school at [essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) so we can include in our next newsletter. Please have your entries in by Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May!

We cannot wait to see what you create!

# OFFICE NEWS

## ABSENCES

Even though we are remote learning, if your child is unwell and unable to complete the work on a particular day, please record the absence in Compass. The data is continuously being collected and reviewed by the Department, so if your child is 'absent' from learning, you need to provide an explanatory note. Please see the step-by-step instructions on how to enter an absence in Compass below.

## INCORRECT ABSENCE ENTRIES

If you have entered a 'holiday' into Compass (prior to travel restrictions), please contact the school office and we will remove the note for you.

If you have entered an incorrect note (such as 'illness/medical'), please let us know and we will fix this for you in Compass.

## OPEN DAY AND 2021 FOUNDATION SIBLING ENROLMENT

Our Open Day 'virtual tour' of ENPS was uploaded to our school website and can be viewed [here](#). Our enrolment documents are available both online and at the school office. These can be returned to us in person during the school week between 9am and 3pm, or by email to [essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) (by scan or screenshot). For all families who have a student currently attending ENPS, you must complete the enrolment documentation for their sibling. We request that this information be provided to us the same as noted above.

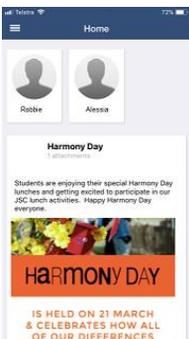
Please contact the office on 9379 3979 or at [essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:essendon.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au).

# COMPASS LOGGING A STUDENT ABSENCE

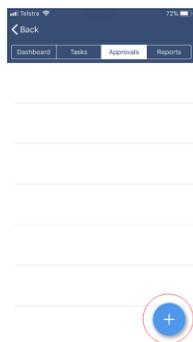
## How do I log my child's absence?

If you have a holiday coming up, or just want to log one day for medical reasons, we'll show you how to enter an absence using your device.

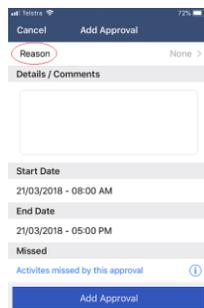
**STEP 1:** Log into Compass. On your home page, select your child.



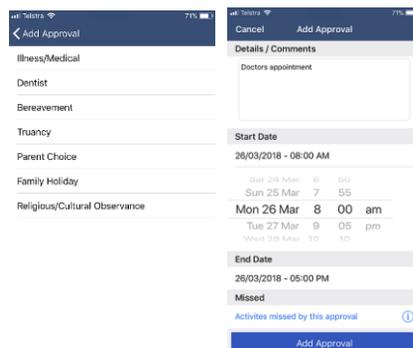
**STEP 2:** Choose the third option on the top bar – “Approvals”.



**STEP 3:** Choose the big + plus button on the bottom right.



**STEP 4:** Complete details for your child's absence – Reason; Comments; select Dates and then press “Add Approval”.



If you have any questions, please contact the school office on 9379 3979.

# Remote Learning Expectations

## **ENPS expectations for students, teachers and parents for our 'live' lessons.**

This will help ensure everyone has an understanding of how the online learning will be facilitated.

### **Student expectations**

Students will join in live sessions when they are available.

Students will engage with the online learning opportunities as appropriate for your family context.

Students will be respectful in their communication to both their peers and teachers (and their parents!!).

### **Parent expectations**

Parents will help their child prepare resources and be ready for the live session to begin when needed and as is appropriate to each family's circumstances.

Parents are encouraged to allow children to work independently during the live session so that their child can focus on the session.

Parents will not record any live sessions, however staff will provide access to recorded content where applicable.

Parents will not share or comment on any live sessions or record lessons. The content of these sessions may not be distributed or shared through any forms of social media.

Parents are encouraged to communicate via email to their classroom teacher if support is required.

### **Teacher expectations**

Teachers will offer live learning sessions to students throughout the week in either whole class or small groups - we aim for these to commence from Week 2 onwards.

Teachers will record their sessions, where appropriate, to share back if students are not able to participate in the live session - these will be shared on Seesaw or Google Classroom.

Teachers will discuss with students the expectations for behaviour when they are participating in the live session.

Teachers will be organised and prepared to provide the live sessions as stipulated on the daily overview available on the year level website.

Teachers will provide feedback and support to students and families throughout the day.

We know that the live sessions will not meet the needs of every family and so we will continue to balance this with online activities. Students can participate in the live sessions as much as they can, but we understand they may not be able to do so for every session.

## ENPS COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Let's take action to support our local family businesses during this challenging time



### Custom Living Solutions

Student desks handmade by Dan, 100cm wide x 55cm deep x 71.5cm high. Prices start at \$100 and come fully assembled! Pick up in Airport West or can be delivered for a small fee.

ph: Dan 0425 771 495  
facebook: Custom Living Solutions  
instagram: @custom\_living\_solutions



### Top Image Jewellery

Offering free jewellery polishing for essential workers and those who need to feel good at the moment, for the month of May!

[www.topimagejewellery.com.au](http://www.topimagejewellery.com.au)  
ph: Jenny 0417 518 236 Esther 0468 487 064



### The Beauty Room

Owned by former ENPS graduate Holly, The Beauty Room is a boutique salon delivering a vast range of beauty therapies, dedicated to providing exceptional service with meticulous attention to detail.

[www.thebeautyroomgroup.com.au](http://www.thebeautyroomgroup.com.au)  
44 Wingara Avenue, East Keilor  
ph: 0466 565 666  
email: holly@thebeautyroomgroup.com.au  
instagram: @thebeautyroomgroup



### Johnson & Rielly Mitre 10

Still operating and also offering click and collect from the website below.

[www.mitre10.com.au](http://www.mitre10.com.au)  
404 Keilor Rd, Niddrie VIC 3042  
ph: 9379 1001  
email: [sales@johnson-rielly.com.au](mailto:sales@johnson-rielly.com.au)  
instagram: @niddriemitre10

## ENPS COMMUNITY SUPPORT CONTINUED



### Hanrob Pet Hotels

Not just simply a cat and dog boarding kennel, Hanrob Pet Hotel Tullamarine has many other customer and pet friendly services that may be of assistance to people now isolating, working from home and or home schooling and of course post the virus lockdown easing.

[www.hanrob.com.au](http://www.hanrob.com.au)

444 Melrose Drive, Tullamarine

ph: Damien 0433 723 436 - Manager

email: [dcoles@hanrob.com.au](mailto:dcoles@hanrob.com.au)

reservations: 1300 426 762



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IF YOU'D LIKE TO DISCUSS YOUR SKINCARE NEEDS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL ME. REBECCA COOPER ON 0422 976 769.



### Emily Black Photography

Emily is an AIPP Master Photographer with over 20 years experience in the industry, and has received national and international acclaim for her work. Specialising in maternity, family and newborn photography, Emily also immerses herself in the natural world photographing and exhibiting landscapes and Australian native flora and fauna, which are available for sale via her website.

[www.emilyblackphotography.com](http://www.emilyblackphotography.com)

instagram: @emilyblackphotography



### GS Chess

Established and run by FIDE Master Grant Szuveges, GS Chess provides top quality chess coaching programs throughout Melbourne for individuals, school classes and corporate groups. Online classes are also available. GS Chess is a community minded business and a financial supporter of the Vic Streetsmart Handbook program, a program helping teenagers to make good decisions and better choices.

[www.gsches.com.au](http://www.gsches.com.au)

ph: 0401 925 075

## ENPS COMMUNITY SUPPORT CONTINUED



### Inspiring Minds Studio

GROWING TOGETHER is an online community for kids to feel connected, nurtured and educated. We want parents to be supported with the education of their 3-6 year olds and help to provide safety and structure for kids in a time where there is so much going on around them. Sessions run live every weekday morning from 9.30-10.15am. Parents have access to resources and session recordings in an online portal as join our community of learning. Subscribe weekly for just \$6 per day.

[www.inspiringmindsstudio.com.au](http://www.inspiringmindsstudio.com.au)

ph: Emily 0484 010 096 – Director

email: [kylie@inspiringmindsstudio.com.au](mailto:kylie@inspiringmindsstudio.com.au)



### Express Transport Australia

Our aim at Express Transport Australia is to provide transport and logistical services to suit your needs.

[www.expresstransportaustralia.com.au](http://www.expresstransportaustralia.com.au)

ph: George Kotevski 0419 545 528

email: [george@expresstransportaustralia.com.au](mailto:george@expresstransportaustralia.com.au)



### MJM Build

At MJM we offer a full range of both general residential building services such as full house builds including demolition, site preparation, design consultation etc, townhouses, apartments, granny flats, home extensions and renovations. We offer specialty services such as:

- Construction of basements
- Construction and installation of vehicle turn tables and elevators
- All concrete works including the construction of pools/spas, cross overs, driveways, patios etc

At MJM Build we pride ourselves in our service where the client deals directly with us, the building license holder. We provide a reliable, high quality offering at a fair price without any hidden costs. Give Travis and Heather a call to arrange a free quote or find us on Facebook!

ph: Travis Wilson 0447 338 272 Heather Wilson 0437 305 637



### Melbourne Shutters & Blinds

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[www.melbourneshuttersblinds.com.au](http://www.melbourneshuttersblinds.com.au)

ph: Laura Harbeck 0413 213 832 Sasha Milic 0404 361 799



Essendon Keilor College

### ESSENDON KEILOR COLLEGE Scholarship YEAR 7 APPLICATION FORM

Applications are invited to external students entering Year 7 in 2021. The scholarship is awarded to students who demonstrate through an application process the following criteria:

#### Criteria:

1. Overall academic performance and potential to thrive in the high quality learning environment provided by Essendon Keilor College
2. Achievement and involvement in other areas of excellence
3. Demonstrated leadership and teamwork capabilities
4. A commitment to Essendon Keilor College values

#### Application requirements:

- Application Form
- Student expression of interest. A formal letter of introduction written by the student outlining personal interests, academic pursuits and endeavours and aspirations for the future. Maximum one page.
- Grade 5 Naplan Results
- Grade 5 report December

Scholarship application are to be submitted to the college email address below no later than Friday May 29<sup>th</sup>

[essendon.keilor.co@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:essendon.keilor.co@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Student Name:		Parent Name				
Mobile Number		Address				
Primary School in Grade 6		Campus	East Keilor		Niddrie	

Any siblings who attended Essendon Keilor College	

#### Parent Consent: (To be completed by the parent)

I would like my child to be considered for Scholarship to attend Essendon Keilor College. The information contained is true and correct. I understand that if my child does not attend Essendon Keilor College I will not receive the scholarship.

Parent/ Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Sign)

Contact details \_\_\_\_\_

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

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### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit  
[www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

### HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2019.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

