Dear Parents and Community,

New School Maths Programs

**Origo Maths:** Origo Maths is a whole school program (PP-Yr6) where students are provided a work book that covers maths concepts at individual year levels. Students in a split grade will therefore be working in different books, but covering similar concepts. The program also provides teachers with a variety of resources to assist students. One benefit of this program is that it provides a thorough coverage of the maths curriculum that can be worked through each day. By the end of the year the students should have covered the majority of topics and those that are not will be known by teachers. Books will be sent home at the end of the year.

**Mathsonline:** To help consolidate learning and provide for different ability groups, teachers of Yr 3-6 students will also be utilising Mathsonline. This online program will be used by small groups throughout classes to support concepts introduced in Origo.


Attendance Focus

Research undertaken by the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research, Centre for Child Health Research and University of Western Australia found:

“Attendance matters for achievement, and every day counts. In all analyses, average academic achievement on NAPLAN tests declined with any absence from school and continued to decline as absence rates increased. The nature of the relationship between absence from school and achievement, across all sub-groups of students strongly suggests that every day of attendance in school contributes towards a child’s learning, and that academic outcomes are enhanced by maximising attendance in school. There is no “safe” threshold. The effects of absence also accumulate over time. We found that absence from school was related to academic achievement in numeracy, reading and writing not only in the current year, but in future years as well. Parents need to be aware of these relationships, and understand that when their child misses school it can have an ongoing impact on their learning.”

Please keep encouraging your child to come to school every day that they are well.

School Board – New Members

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Nicole Whatman will be our new P&C Representative on the School Board. Other new members include Mrs Renae Adams, Mr Donald Msapenda and Mr William Green. Thank you to all of these parents for your involvement in this important decision making group.

A School Board AGM will be held on **17th March** at 3.10pm in the staffroom. All parents and community members are invited to attend. The AGM will provide an overview of the 2015 school year and appoint positions for 2016.

Safety Walking Home
We have had a request from the Manjimup Hospital for students NOT to walk or ride through hospital grounds. This is particularly important at present as there is a lot of construction and earth moving equipment in the area. I would also like to remind students to use the footpaths (where possible) when riding home and to always wear a helmet.

Reminders:
- **School Fees $40.00** – Could I please remind all parents who have not yet paid school fees to please make an effort to do so? These fees do assist the school to provide materials for our students.
- **Web Site** – Please take a moment to have a look through the wonderful web page the school has. The address is: [http://www.eastmanjimup.wa.edu.au](http://www.eastmanjimup.wa.edu.au)

Have a great fortnight!
Jeremy Hadlow Principal

**New Pages on Our Website**

Student Leadership Team

Origo Maths

First Mini Assembly

Attendance Matters

OSCAR Award for Room 1

Teacher Development School Recognition

Fun Learning in the Playground

Room 3 Scientists

**Attendance Award**

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**STUDENT UPDATE FORMS**

Please return your Student Update Forms even if no alterations were made by Monday.

If you have misplaced your forms please see us and we will print you another one.

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### Sleep

School-aged children need 10-11 hours sleep a night. Getting a good night’s sleep will help your child to be more settled, happy and ready for school, and will strengthen his/her immune system. Here are some sleep tips:

- Have a bedtime routine – this will help your child wind down from the day.
- Keep the bedroom dark, cool and quiet - this will help your child drift off easily.
- If your child has a restless night or bad dreams, it may be because the day’s events and worries are still rattling around in his/her head. Help your child to settle and relax for sleep by promoting good sleep habits.
- Remember, medication is not the answer to children’s sleep problems.

Contact your local Community Health Nurse Tracie Bremner on 97770411, tracie.bremner@health.wa.gov.au or go to www.raisingchildren.net.au for more information.

Tracie Bremner
Community Health School Nurse

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### STARS OF WEEK 2

**Respect**

**Ross Brackenrig**
Ross has a beautiful, quiet manner and treats his classmates with respect and consideration. Well done.

**Kendra Thompson**
for being such a kind and respectful young lady. Welcome to East Manjimup Primary!

**Hayley Pollitt**
for being a friendly and reliable class member who treats everyone the same.

**Jordyn Muir**
for her care and consideration of classmates, helping with visitors and assisting others in work.

**Mason Ford**
for being mindful of others and making great choices.

**Aleikye Oliver**
for amazing focus, having your best shot at everything and using beautiful manners. You are a star!

**Dontrell Lawrence**
for always being a polite and helpful class member and treating everyone with respect.

**Bailey Maxwell**
for demonstrating a respectful attitude in both the classroom and the playground.

**Delyth Phillips Johns**
you are extremely respectful towards both your teachers and peers alike. I love how you’re so considerate towards others.

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### STARS OF WEEK 3

**Care and Compassion**

**Emma Brackenrig**
for your helpful nature and the kindness you show to others.

**Emily Bennell**
for being a kind and considerate member of our class and always being helpful.

**Mia Allbon**
for being a kind, considerate and supportive class member.

**Madison French**
for being a caring person toward everyone she comes across, what a delight to have in our class.

**Asha Peskett**
works cooperatively with others and is a valued team member.

**Clare Hadlow**
for showing care for herself through good hygiene and work habits, thus setting a great example to others.

**Cyllen Harrison**
Cyllen works quietly and with focus and treats his classmates with respect. Beautiful attitude Cyllen.

**Tamika Purdy**
for being a caring individual who is always willing to help others.

**Tayla Salvona**
for her quiet approach to others when they need care and attention.