Dear Parents and Community,

Faction Carnival
Next week we will be holding our Faction Carnival events. Wednesday afternoon from 11.00am onwards will see the Yr 3-6 students participate in jumps, throws and long distance events. Friday will be the main carnival day, with lots of team games and running events. If you would like to assist on either of these days please contact Mrs Harrington.

New Staff
I would like to welcome a number of new staff to EMPS. Mr Syahrial is our new Indonesian Language Assistant and will be working at EMPS four days a week for the remainder of the term. He will be working across most classes supporting Indonesian lessons and supporting other learning areas as well. I would also like to welcome Mrs Sing, Mrs Griffiths, Mrs Hughes and Miss Sinclair as they return to our school to support literacy and numeracy sessions. These staff help our school provide a differentiated program to all of our students.

Parent Survey
From time to time it is important for the school to collect information from parents regarding the school's operation. In the next few weeks the school will be emailing a link that will provide parents with an opportunity to provide some very valuable feedback to our school. If you do not receive an email, please use the link in next week's newsletter to complete the survey online or come into the school and we will provide a hard copy of the survey. Copies of the survey will be available in classrooms as well. PLEASE take some time to share your thoughts and provide feedback. The survey is anonymous. Without input it is very difficult for us to improve or modify our programs/procedures.

Student Behaviour
As students begin to settle into new playground areas around the school and as they establish new friendships it is important for them to be reminded about what to do when they are not treated nicely by others. Providing steps and strategies for students to use, helps them to understand that they can do something themselves to help solve problems. The school teaches the following steps to students and we encourage parents to reinforce these to their children as well:

When someone is being mean to you:
1. Ignore them.
2. If they won’t stop then move away.
3. If they follow and keep being mean, ask firmly but politely to stop.
4. If they continue then go and tell a teacher.

A further strategy the school has employed is to teach students about ‘What bullying is and what it is not.’

The definition of bullying that we teach our students is:

Bullying is when a person or a group of people hurts you on purpose and it happens more than once.

Again we would like parents to reinforce this message and help their children to understand that bullying is not one off bad behaviour, playground accidents or disagreements. Attached to this newsletter is our school’s Pastoral Care & Behaviour Information.

Assembly
Congratulations to Rm 7 on their wonderful assembly item today. The poem and song were iconic Australian pieces that I’m sure everyone enjoyed. Our next assembly will be held on the 13th May by Rm 1.

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.
- Website – Please take a moment to have a look through the wonderful website the school has. The address is: http://www.eastmanjimup.wa.edu.au

Have a great fortnight!
Jeremy Hadlow Principal

NEW PAGES ON OUR WEBSITE

PVC Music Incursion
Australian Guide to Healthy Eating
Love Bridges
Room 3 Self Portraits
Giraffes Can't Dance
Cooking for Fun and Learning
Healthy Food Learning

We now have an “Awards” page in the top menu. This will carry the Stars of the Week, OSCAR Awards and a variety of other awards which recognize the great things that happen at EMPS. Keep your eye on it!

The Year 2 and Year 3 Support Packages for Parents can now be found at the bottom of the Curriculum page.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

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**STUDENT UPDATE FORMS**
Please return Student Update Forms even if no alterations. If you have misplaced your forms come and see us for another.

**P & C Notes**

_Easter Raffle:_ Tickets were sent home earlier this week. There are spare books in the front office if you need more. Tickets are $1 each. Every family who brings in an Easter egg gets a free ticket. Please return tickets by Friday 18 March and it will be drawn on Wednesday 23 March.

**Faction Values Shield**

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**School Photo Day Is Coming!**

Our school photo day is coming! Student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home.

You also have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please be aware there may be a limited number of sibling orders that can be placed due to time constraints on photo day. We suggest you place your online sibling order as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

**MERIT CERTIFICATES**

_Jahkobie Campbell_ for the enthusiasm he shows towards his learning.
_Alexander Scott_ for the increased focus he is giving to his written work.
_Kaprese Roberts_ for coming to school each day with a happy smile and a positive attitude.
_Dontrell Lawrence_ for good humour patience and especially perseverance beyond the call of duty.
_Sam Foord_ for always listening attentively and participating in our Geography discussions.
_Brin Booth_ for moving well and keeping in time with the music in the “Neighbourhood Friendship Dance.”
_Koby Brown_ for being such a dedicated and hard working student!
_Mazlyn Membray_ for always being an engaged and motivated learner. Your hard work is paying off!
_Paige Kirk_ for being responsible, respectful and always ready to learn. Terrific!
_Harvey Planta_ for being a polite, considerate and responsible student. Well done!
_Jed Edwards_ for excellent manners and a consistent approach to all activities.
_Rahni Smith_ for a positive approach to her learning. Well done.
_Ashtyn Carpanoni_ for showing interest and researching the habitat that he is constructing as a diorama.
_Tayla Minchin_ for being totally involved in all aspects of designing and the building of her diorama.
_Charlotte Gill_ for being a delightful individual who strives to please.
_Jake Goodridge_ for always being a helpful class member. Great attitude.
_Kaya Zdenkanovic_ for your maturity, independence and willingness to work hard are qualities that will always bring great rewards. Keep striving for excellence.
_Tayla Salvona_ you are an organised and enthusiastic learner who takes great care with presentation. These qualities, combined with your sense of humour mean you are a positive role model.
_Finlay Phillips Johns_ we look forward to the sharing of your written pieces with great anticipation. Your style is mature and highly entertaining. Keep writing, please!