



29 November 2024

Esk State School

Ever Seeking Knowledge

Dear Esk State School Community,

I would like to congratulate all of our Year 5 students who nominated for a leadership position and stood up and delivered a speech this week. It is a very challenging thing to speak in front of so many people and each student should be congratulated on their efforts. Final leadership positions will be announced to students on Tuesday afternoon.

Week 11 overview: As you would be aware, the final term of schooling this year will be an 11-week term. The school will remain open during Week 11 and an alternative program will be in place for students who attend. Classes will be combined and alternative teachers will provide supervision.

Week 11 will be a critical planning time for our teaching staff who will use this time to prepare for the implementation of the new Australian Curriculum in 2025, ensuring that we deliver the highest quality education tailored to meet the evolving needs of our students.

End of Semester Reporting: as we head towards the end of semester two, our school has had its focus on the assessment of end of term units. It is important that all students are able to demonstrate their academic growth across the second six months of this year. I encourage all families to take the time to discuss these reports in depth with their children to teachers to discuss successes as well as next steps for learning.

Facility Upgrades: this week there has been a range of work happening across the school. Our long awaited courtyard project has been completed and is open for use. We have also had new shade sails hoisted over our playgrounds as well as upgrades to the Blue Machine.

Kind regards,

Jonathan Case

Around the classroom- Yr 4/5

The 4/5 class have FINALLY finished their assessment. The last one we had to do was our Arts. The students had to create onomatopoeia Pop Art. There were some fabulous creations.

I would like to thank all of the students in 4/5 and their families for a fantastic year of schooling.



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Weekly Awards

Term 4 Week 8

PREP/1K

Serenity – Owning her actions
Charles – Trying hard with his writing
Gabiella – Great efforts in writing

1/2L

Jackson – Being honest and owning the choices we make
Emily – For consistently putting in 100%
George – Amazing improvement in reading and spelling

3/4T

Jed – Maintaining friendships
Gabe – Striving to do his best
Liam – Striving to do his best

4/5R

Ember – Being friendly
Joel – More focused week
Hudson – Asking for help when needed

5/6S

Jessica – Being open to new people and places
Pheobe – Supporting others
Steely – Improved focus on learning



Attendance Stars!

The class with the best attendance rate for week 8, was Yr4/5R with 92.14%



Positive Behaviour for Learning

Each week our whole school has a PBL focus for the Star Awards presented on parade. The current unit of learning is "Our Behaviour Expectations".

Each class then has a lesson that develops that topic, and children are awarded according to the new learning for each week.

This week, all classes have been continuing to learn about: **P-2 Apologising, 3-4 Changing Friendships, 5-6 Meeting new people**

Important Dates: Term 4

DECEMBER

- 02 Year 6 Graduation Night
- 02 Year 6 Orientation – Faith Lutheran College
- 04 Presentation Night
- 04 Year 6 Farewell Parade @ 9am
- 04 Year 5/6 Class Break Up Day
- 05 Break Up Day / Year 6 Transition Day TSHS
- 06 Clean Up Day / Year 6 Transition Day TSHS

Admin News

Mrs Lukritz and Mrs Dennehy

Enrolments for 2025

Enrolments are now open for 2025. If you have intentions on leaving the school at the end of this year, could you please advise Admin as soon as possible.

Lost Property

As the term draws to a close, please check the Lost Property bins for missing belongings.

P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting: TBA

Uniform Shop: Please complete a uniform order form available from the office foyer.

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TERM 4 SWIMMING TIMETABLES

Every Monday and Thursday until the end of term

Monday Timetable

9:00am – 9:45am	Year 1/2
9:45am – 10:30am	Year 4/5
11:15am – 12:00pm	Year 3/4
12:15pm – 1:00pm	Year 5/6
1:45pm – 2:30pm	Prep/1

Thursday Timetable

9:00am – 9:45am	Year 3/4
9:45am – 10:30am	Year 4/5
11:15am – 12:00pm	Year 1/2
12:15pm – 1:00pm	Year 5/6
1:45pm – 2:30pm	Prep/1



2025 Yr5/6 Emu Gully Camp

Please remember to send your expressions of interest forms in for next year's Emu Gully camp. The most important aspect for us at this time is getting the numbers of students attending the camp. If you need more time with the deposit, that can be organised. Please talk to Mrs Rollston or Mrs Lukritz if you have any concerns.

Check out Emu Gully's website <https://www.emugully.com.au/> and their Facebook and Instagram pages - Emu Gully Adventure Education. There are many pictures of school groups participating in the activities.

HEALTHY CHOICES

Ham and Vegetable Fritters

- 1 small carrot, grated
- 1 small zucchini, grated
- ¼ cup frozen corn kernels
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1/3 cup grated cheese
- 50 gm shaved ham, chopped
- 2 eggs lightly beaten
- ½ cup plain flour
- 3 teaspoons vegetable oil



Combine carrot, zucchini, corn, parsley, cheese, ham, eggs and flour in a bowl.

Heat 1 teaspoon oil in a frying pan over medium heat Add ¼ cup carrot mixture. Using a spatula, flatten slightly. Repeat to make 2 more fritters. Cook for 2 minutes each side or until golden and cooked through. Transfer to a plate lined with paper towel. Repeat with remaining oil and mixture to make 8 fritters. Cool. Refrigerate in airtight containers or snap-lock bags. Serve.

CHAPLAINCY FUNDRAISER

As a means of raising funds for chaplaincy, Chappy Jennifer will be holding a Giant Jellybean Guessing Competition at the Grade 6 Graduation Night. Lots of prizes have been kindly donated from local businesses including IGA, Esk Fruit and Veg, Brisbane Valley Roasters, Nash Cafe, Felicity Madden Florists and Short Cut Hair Salon in Crows Nest.

Please come along prepared to give generously to the work of your chaplain. Tickets will be 3 guesses for \$5.00.

Thank you for your support.

Chappy Jennifer



TUCKSHOP ANNOUNCEMENT

At the end of every school year the tuckshop cleans out the freezers and turns them off over the holidays as to reduce power costs and to start each year off with fresh stock, This means moving forward, we will be reducing orders and striking items off the menu on QKR to clear out the freezers before the end of the year.

P&C NEWS

P&C will have Zooper Doopers for sale on Friday afternoons \$1 each
Afternoon frozen treat. What a great way to end the week 😊

ZOOPER DOOPER

Cash Only

DONATE YOUR CONTAINERS TO HELP MAKE CHANGE

Every eligible container helps to make a difference in the Great Barrier Reef.

A collaboration of the Esk State School P & C and Student Council, are seeking your help to help make money towards much needed improvements around our school through Containers for Change. The more containers you donate to us the more money we can raise for our school. Containers for Change is a state wide recycling scheme that enables charities and community groups who participate in the scheme to fundraise for their cause.

Every eligible container collected is worth 10 cents, which can really add up! We are asking our community, friends and neighbours if they could also save their containers for collection and donated to our school project.

If we could ask you to please save your containers from landfill, bring them into the school to our many containers for change bins, some are conveniently located on the outside of the teachers car park. Alternatively you can also drop off at any containers for change depot with our schools (07 54244111).

Thank you very much for your help and support (and containers).

What's eligible

Water, soft drinks, plastic, metal and food/beverage containers (excluding aerosols, flammable liquids and so on).

Here's your organisation's member number. Keep it handy - share it with your supporters to raise funds and to track your fundraising efforts.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Toogoolawah PICTURES
Saturday, 30 Nov
 Doors: 7 pm Movie: 7.20 - 9.35 pm

Book Now

Child to High School Student - \$8.00 Adult - \$10.00 Family - \$30.00
 Effpos on Door. Hot Dogs, Pop Corn, Snack Bar.
 Bookings welcome, please message us on Facebook -
 "Toogoolawah Pictures - Alexandra Hall" or Text/Call - 0467 301 924

Pool MOVIE NIGHT

LOWWOOD SWIMMING POOL
 MONDAY, 16 DECEMBER 2024
THE POLAR EXPRESS (G)

WILCOY AQUATIC CENTRE
 THURSDAY, 19 DECEMBER 2024
JUNGLE BUNCH 2 WORLD TOUR (PG)

TOOGLOOLAWAH SWIMMING POOL
 FRIDAY, 20 DECEMBER 2024
KUNG FU PANDA 4 (PG)

FREE ENTRY AND SAUSAGE SIZZLE
PLUS A MINTY MINTY

Come along for a pool movie night

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 JOIN US ON FB

Free Family Fun Ages 5+ | Free Skate Hire or Bring Your Own | Retro Disco Tunes

ROLLER Disco

Somerset Civic Centre, Esk.
Saturday December 14th 5.00pm - 8.00pm

roller skates provided
 adult sizes 4-14, limited adjustable child sizes 11-5
 please wear long socks and protective gear
 BYO skates welcome

more info at
 Somerset
 rollerdanceaustralia.com.au

Toogoolawah Christmas Tree
Saturday, 14th December
4.30 - 8.30 pm

Free Rides for the Kids Fireworks
Twilight Markets BBQ
Ham Wheel Christmas Raffle
Live Entertainment Stilt Walkers
Photos with Santa

Gift Tickets - \$15.00 for Presents with Santa
 Available at Toogoolawah IGA Office
 Monday to Friday from 8.30 am - 3.00 pm. CASH Only
 Age: 0 - 2
 Girl/Boy: 3 - 5, 6 - 8, 9 - 10
 Inquiries: Tania - 0438 147 291

ESK STATE SCHOOL PRESENTATION NIGHT

Wednesday, 4 December, 2024

Somerset Civic Centre

5:30pm – Finger food provided by Esk SS P&C

6:30pm – Official proceedings to commence

YOU ARE INVITED

Esk State School would like to invite all parents, carers and extended family to attend our annual Presentation Evening. The students at Esk School are ready to celebrate the year's achievements, receive awards and -- most importantly -- would also like to perform the School Song for you.

As a thankyou for the support experienced by school this year, the P&C is providing complimentary platters of finger food for our school community, so that the students are able to eat prior to the event. Drinks will be on sale. (Non-alcoholic)

While it is a family event, the students of Esk State School will need to be in School Uniform and sit in class groups with their teaching team.

We hope you can join us!



Esk Before-Afterschool & Vacation Care



TERM 4 WEEK 9








Week 1: 16 Dec – 20 Dec 2024	Week 2: 6 Jan – 10 Jan 2025	Week 3: 13 Jan – 17 Jan 2025	Week 4: 20 Jan – 24 Jan 2025
MONDAY Sand Pit Creations	MONDAY Garden Guru's Design an Eco-System	MONDAY Dance & Shout Pajama Disco	MONDAY GEMSTONES & FOSSICKING
TUESDAY Arts & Crafts  Art	TUESDAY ARTS & CRAFTS Write your own Story Book	TUESDAY Balloon Games	TUESDAY Taco Tuesday Teddy Bear Picnic
 WEDNESDAY Laser Tag Adventure Games	 WEDNESDAY Game-Over Playground	 WEDNESDAY Cormorant Bay Hiking & Playground	 WEDNESDAY Japanese Gardens 10 pin Bowling
THURSDAY Scooters & Skateboards	THURSDAY Face Painting & Fake Tattoos	THURSDAY Movie Time with POPCORN	THURSDAY Arts & Crafts – Pastels Scooters & Skateboards
 FRIDAY Dress-up Christmas Party	 FRIDAY LOGANS INLET SWIMMING	 FRIDAY ICE SKATING	 FRIDAY New Year Party





Call or Text
0459 089 668

To secure your child's place in our Vacation Care Group, please book in with Ms. Chris, at your earliest convenience.
All children must arrive with a broad brimmed hat, water bottle, sleeved shirt and covered shoes.
Morning Tea, Lunch & Afternoon Tea are provided, please advise of allergies.

 Excursion Fees Apply

Esk Grand Hotel Raffles

The first Friday of the month benefits
our Esk SS P&C!

Thank you Esk Grand Hotel for your support!





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