

EPSOM NORMAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thursday, 21 August 2008

Dear Community Learning Members,

Combine four hundred children, all in costume, singing and dancing their hearts out! Add in four shows, each one better than the last, attended by parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and residents of our local rest home. Mix with a dedicated stage production crew of teachers and parents preparing performers with make up and costumes, supervising performers in rooms and directing traffic. And what do you have? An absolutely amazing show! A chance for each student to shine. An opportunity for team and community building. Something to remember from 2008!

Special thanks must go to our very talented staff, particularly Lorraine de Marigny our musical director, and her production crew (too numerous to list here) without whom this show would not have been possible.

We especially thank the leaders of our artistic and costume crews, Karen Humberstone, Vivien Wells, Louise McKee and Mandy Tomlins. Their organisation and leadership of the numerous parent volunteers was so very much appreciated. A show doesn't just happen, instead it 'comes together' as a community effort. Thank you all so very much.

We currently have a large group of pre-service teachers in our school. This is an important part of our role as a *Normal School*, providing exemplary practice for training teachers to observe. It also allows our teachers to reflect on their own practice as they articulate their craft.

A message for those who volunteered to be part of our *Reporting Focus Group*: we plan to meet on September 4 at 2:00 pm, to refine our report to parents. Please meet in our staff room.

Yours in Education,

Therese Bakker

Shelley Quinlivan

Kay Wight

SCHOOL NOTICES

Week 6 Events Monday 25 – Friday 29 August 2008

Monday	Rm 28 for new entrants opens in the Junior School. (Opening ceremony at 9:00 am in the Junior courtyard).
Wednesday	Year 6 Puberty talks with Heather Cave
Thursday	12:30 pm start: Zone Cross Country Year 6 Puberty talks continue 1:30 pm: Sports exchange with Royal Oak
Friday	9:00 am: Senior School Assembly

OTHER NOTICES

Dear Parents,

Once again we had a very successful Cross Country Finals and were lucky enough to escape the rain. With the field muddy, the ground wet and a large puddle on the track, it made the event more challenging.

Well done all taking part, especially those in the top 10 in each race for their effort. These athletes will go into the Squad for the Zone Competition next Tuesday afternoon.

It was great to see all the parents who came down to support our children as they ran. The Year 5 and 6 classes will continue to run on Thursday mornings at 9:00 am for the rest of the year as part of our fitness programme so they will need to bring suitable running shoes on that day.

Regards,

Innes Jephson
PE/Sports Coordinator

ENPS
TRIVIAL PURSUITS NIGHT
2008

The annual Trivial Pursuits night will take place in the ENPS school hall on Friday 19 September, starting at 7:00 pm. So, book your babysitters early and keep this night free!!

This is a really fun night where you can test your knowledge, get to know other parents and teachers in a relaxed atmosphere, as well as making a worthwhile contribution to the Parent Teacher Association funding, which benefits all our children.

If anyone is in a position to donate items or services which can be auctioned to raise additional funds, these would be gratefully received, e.g. sports/exercise sessions, memorabilia, new clothing, coaching, holiday homes, haircuts, books, children's items.

If you would like to become a member of the Trivial Pursuits Sub-committee (which involves helping to organise the night) I would welcome your contribution, however big or small. Thank you.
Sarah Storer, PTA

Please contact me on (027) 649 0758
Or email: sarahstorer1@hotmail.com

FREE TO A GOOD HOME

Fresh water tropical fish. We have about 17 small fry, which need a good home. If you have a tank or would like to start one, call Brigetta Young on 630 8299 or email ed.brig@paradise.net.nz

**September School Holiday Camps at
Lakewood Lodge**

The Adventure Farmstay Specialists

www.lakewoodlodge.co.nz

email: jeff@lakewoodlodge.co.nz

Monday 29th Sept – Friday 3rd October, 8 - 14 year olds

Monday 6th – Friday 10th October, 8 – 14 year olds

5 days, 4 nights \$350.

Horse trekking, kayaking, Low Ropes Course, 11 metre Climbing Wall, pet animals, disco, concert, Frisbee Golf, trampolines, pool & table tennis competitions, [Burma Trail](#), Volleyball, firepit, Hot Pools, Spotlight, mud pit, games, great meals & excellent supervision.

NEW!!! Horse Camps – own your own horse for a week; spend every day with it plus a gymkhana on Fridays with ribbons awarded.

\$395. LIMIT 10.

Week 1 fully booked. Be quick for Week 2.

We are 1 hour south of Auckland.

Transport to & from Auckland is an EXTRA \$25

Phone Jeff Lyons, Manager on 07-826-3344,

Fax 07 826 3374 or visit our website at www.lakewoodlodge.co.nz

BALMORAL SCHOOL

Primary – Intermediate
19, Brixton St., Mt Eden, Auckland 1024
www.balmoral.school.nz

Enrolments are now being received for Year 7 students in 2009, as well as out-of-zone enrolments.

An Open Day will be held tomorrow, Friday 22 August, from 9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m. Please come along with your child, visit the classrooms and talk to the staff.

Malcolm Milner
Principal

Mary Wheeler
Associate Principal

Caring Families Required

Are you interested in hosting an international student? Epsom Girls Grammar has students studying here from Germany, Thailand, Japan, Korea, China, Vietnam and Taiwan. We need more families to host for short and long-term placements. We pay \$220 per week (rising to \$250 per week in 2009) for full board and reasonable inclusion in family life.

If you have a spare room, live within 5 kms of EGGS and speak English with your family, please call Sharyn Goodall 970 6757 as soon as possible.

EPSOM CENTRAL

VETERINARY CENTRE
343, MANUKAU ROAD
(OPPOSITE BURGER KING,
NEAR ALEXANDRA PARK)

IN-HOUSE BOARDING CATTERY
– FRIENDLY STAFF
YOUR VET:
ANDREW JOSEPH, BVSC
MRCVS
24-HOUR PHONE: 623 1633 OR
0800 EPSOMVET

ART EXHIBITION / SALE
AT ST ANDREW'S EPSOM, 23-24 AUGUST, 2008
100, St Andrew's Road, Epsom

St Andrew's Church is holding an art exhibition over the weekend of August 23-24. The proceeds will be put towards the refurbishment of the hall, and a substantial donation will be made to The Books in Prison Trust, which St Andrew's has been supporting since December 2006.

The exhibition will comprise paintings and objets d'art in the hall and sculpture in the parish garden - wet or fine!! The opening preview is on Friday, 22 August, 6.30 - 9pm (tickets \$25, includes wine and finger food). The exhibition will continue on Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 from 11am to 4pm - entry by donation. To purchase tickets to the opening preview, please phone the St Andrew's office on 638 8264.

Liz Caughy for St Andrew's Church

