

SENIOR SECTOR TERM 4 NEWSLETTER

21 October 2010

Dear Families,

Welcome to the final term of 2010. This term is action packed with new learning and building to the Production 'Museum Mayhem' which will take place in Week 9.

The theme for Term 4 is 'I am a performer' with our school-wide topic 'All the Worlds' a Stage.' Our contexts include; The Actor, The Dancer, The Theatre, The Exhibit and The Production giving students an understanding of what it is to be a performer and enable students to work in their strengths and talents in this area. Our show will be held in the theatre at Epsom Girls Grammar School.

To create this fantastic event, we would like any parents with sewing/cutting or dressing skills to contact your classroom teacher. We will need support during performances as well.

Our focus for homework this year is Oral Language. Please encourage your child to talk about their learning at school and what they have been doing each day. Alongside this, students should be doing 20 minutes of reading each night, review of basic facts and spelling activities. For extra activities, students are encouraged to visit the school website in the student area and use the learning links.

http://www.epsomnormalprimary.school.nz/index.php/students/learning_links

We are expecting the school to continue wearing their complete uniform. Please ensure that your child has the correct shoes - plain black or brown shoes or sandals. Plain black sports shoes are acceptable.

Reports will be sent home on Friday 10 December. If however, you have any questions, please feel free to contact your classroom teacher.

Sports Term 4

Tuesday Sport

Year 5 and 6 will be participating in a sport every Tuesday afternoon. This Term we are looking at Athletics including Sprints, Relays, Softball Throw, Long and High Jump with some fun activities as well.

Children will need to wear appropriate clothing every Tuesday afternoon. They should be wearing an ENPS hat and have a water bottle.

The Senior School Athletics will be on Tuesday 9 November and will take place over most of the day with students moving around events. There will be no finals held on this day however scores will be recorded and the team to compete at the Zone Athletics on Monday 30 November will be announced later that week.

Extra sporting opportunities at Epsom

There are many sporting and cultural opportunities on offer at ENPS. Encourage your child to look on the daysheet everyday for any meetings being held for the other activities going on at ENPS.

<http://www.epsomnormalprimary.school.nz/index.php/daysheet/2010/02/07/>

Year 6

Auckland Normal Intermediate School

On Friday 19 November, teachers will be walking students to ANI for an Orientation morning. For this we need your permission (form attached) and some parent help to support during the walk to and from the school. We will leave ENPS at 8:55am and return to school around 11:15am and due to the start time, children need to be at school by 8:40am on this day. Students who are not attending ANI will remain at supervised at school.

Parnell Baths Trip

On Monday 13 December, as a final EOTC activity we will be travelling by bus to Parnell Baths. This is part of our send off for our Year 6 students who are moving onto Intermediate next year. We will leave school approximately 9:30am and return to school at 2:30pm. If you are able to assist with supervision (in and out of the water) please complete the form below.

Year 6 Graduation

On Wednesday 15 December at 5:00pm, we will hold the Year 6 Graduation in the Hall. Students will receive leaving certificates and there are some special awards also. Following this, we ask that each child brings a plate of food to share - more details will follow closer to the date. Parents are then invited to the staff room for some light refreshments while the students will have a dance in the hall. The evening will conclude at 7:30pm.

Important Term 4 dates to diary:

Monday, 25 October	Labour Day - School Closed
Thursday, 4 November	ANI Placement Test for Year 6 Students
Friday, 5 November	Senior Sector Assembly - 2pm
Tuesday, 9 November	Senior Sector Athletics Day
Friday, 19 November	ANI Orientation Day
Monday, 29 November	Zone Athletics Day
Wednesday, 1 December	APPA Choir Performance at The Auckland Town Hall
Friday, 3 December	Senior Sector Assembly - 2pm
Wednesday 8 & Thursday 9 December	'Museum Mayhem' Performances
Friday 10 December	Reports Home
Monday, 13 December	Year 6 Trip to Parnell Baths
Tuesday, 14 December	Save the Children Fair
Wednesday, 15 December	Year 6 Graduation
Thursday, December	Last day of School - Closes at 1pm

We hope everyone has an enjoyable last term for 2010.

Kind regards

Senior Sector Teachers

Year 5

Shawn Creamer, Trisha Dennis, Selina Kung and Jennie Adlam

Year 6

Innes Jephson, Gabby Robinson, Amy Kelly and Taryn Boyte

Liaison to the Senior Sector

Kay Wight

Teacher contact details are available on the school website in the **about us** section.

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Year 6 Permission Form for Term 4

I give permission for my child _____ to attend the following:

ANI Orientation Day

Parnell Baths Trip

I can assist with walking students to and from the ANI Orientation Day

I can assist with supervision at Parnell Baths - On land

In water

Parents name: _____ Signed: _____

Email Address: _____