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We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung people who are the Traditional Custodians of this land.
We pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Kulin Nation
and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people.



NEWSLETTER

Eaglehawk Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people.

7th August, 2026

2026 Calendar

Term 3

Thursday 13th August	Special Lunch Day—Pizza (Orders Due by Wednesday 12th August 9am).
Monday 10th August	2pm School Council meeting 5
Friday 21st August	'The Blurbs' Whole School Performance
Friday 28th August	Book Week Book Parade
Monday 31st August	2pm School Council meeting 6
Friday September 4th	Fathers Day Stall
Friday 18th September	Last day of term

Week 4 has been another great week of learning at Eaglehawk Primary School. Thank you to our staff, students and families for your ongoing support. We look forward to another exciting week of learning, growth and celebrating success in Week 5. Have a wonderful weekend

Happy Principals' Day!

Today we're celebrating Principals' Day and recognising the incredible work of Fiona and Rhys. Thank you for your leadership, your support, and the many ways you help our school community thrive. We appreciate all that you do behind the scenes and every day in between.

Wishing you both a wonderful Principals' Day!

Passions and Pathways Excursion

On Wednesday 5 August, our Grade 5/6 students attended their first Passions and Pathways excursion. Students visited La Trobe University, Bendigo Tech School, and Bendigo TAFE.

Throughout the day, students participated in campus tours, learning all about robots and Bendigo TAFE. We received very positive feedback from both students and staff, and we are looking forward to the next Passions and Pathways session.

Thank you to Jake G for organising this valuable learning experience

"Together we grow and learn"



100 days of prep

Next Tuesday 11 August, our prep students will celebrate 100 Days of Prep! This exciting milestone recognises 100 days of learning, growth and new experiences. Students will enjoy a range of fun activities throughout the day as they celebrate everything they have achieved. Congratulations to our amazing Prep students we are so proud of you!

BOOK WEEK AND PARADE (FRIDAY AUGUST 28th)

The theme for the 2026 Children's Book Week, which runs from August 22nd to 28th, is 'Symphony of Stories', encouraging young readers to explore new worlds through books. We will celebrate across the week, with the all-important Book Parade will be taking place on Friday 28th of August

ILLNESS

Unfortunately, we are seeing high levels of illness with many students, staff and families reporting a range of illnesses. These continue to impact the health of our school community. If your child is unwell, please keep them at home and notify the school of their absence. Illnesses such as the common cold, influenza and COVID-19 spread easily, and we need healthy students and staff at school. Keeping everyone healthy remains a priority.

Jeans for Genes Day

It was fantastic to see so many students and staff supporting Jeans for Genes Day on Thursday. Thank you to everyone who got involved and helped support such a worthwhile cause.

2027 Prep Enrolments

If you know of families who have child in kindergarten and looking to enrol for school in 2027, please ask them to contact the school next term and follow our Facebook page.

Enrolments for 2027 Prep students will open from Monday 20 April 2026. Families considering Eaglehawk Primary School are encouraged to book a tour by contacting the school phone 5446 3722 or email eaglehawk.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

The Department of Education has released the statewide Foundation (Prep) enrolment timeline for Victorian government schools. Key dates for 2027 Prep enrolments are outlined below:

- Schools can receive enrolment applications from the start of **Term 2, 2026**, following the release of 2027 school zones and Foundation enrolment information packs.

- Enrolment applications close Friday 31 July 2026
- Schools will notify families of enrolment outcomes between **Monday 3 August and Friday 14 August**

2026

- Written appeals must be lodged with the school by **Friday 28 August 2026**

Schools will notify families of appeal outcomes by **Friday 11 September 2026**.

Uniform

Please **make sure students are wearing school logo or plain navy uniform, including jumpers and pants**, and they are clearly labelled. A reminder that **black and hooded windcheaters are not part of the school uniform and should not be worn.**

Immune Deficiencies Foundation Australia proudly presents

2026 CIRCUS QUIRKUS

Circus Quirkus is a one-hour, animal-free, contemporary take on your favourite, traditional circuses of ages past, with an eclectic and entertaining mix of Circus acts from all over the world.

Enjoy a relaxed theatre experience with a casual attitude toward audience noise and movement in an accessible, inclusive environment where everyone is welcome and free to be themselves without restriction or judgement.

One hour show. Suitable for all ages and accessible for people...
- with diverse abilities and backgrounds (wheelchair accessible)
- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment when attending the theatre (sensory and neurodiverse friendly).
- who are facing hardship.

- who are without access or opportunity to attend live theatre.
**Featuring moving and flashing lights, and upbeat, sometimes dramatic music.*

ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.

**Bookings from schools, organisations, carers and families are all welcome.*

Scan the QR Code to visit the shows website and watch highlights from previous shows...



BENDIGO STADIUM (RED ENERGY ARENA)

91 Inglis Street, West Bendigo, VIC

SHOW DATE	SHOWTIME
SATURDAY, 8TH AUGUST 2026	11.00 AM to 12.00 PM

To book your complimentary tickets, please email your name and the number of tickets required to...

meredithnewman@showintent.com.au
or call / text 0404-367-782

Father's Day

STALL



OUR FATHER'S DAY/ SPECIAL PERSONS STALL WILL BE HELD ON
FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER.

ALL GIFTS WILL BE \$5.00.

PLEASE RETURN THE SLIP WITH PAYMENT TO THE OFFICE BY
FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST.

PLEASE NOTE, WE ARE SEEKING DONATIONS, THEY CAN BE LEFT
AT THE OFFICE UP UNTIL 24TH AUGUST.

<u>Child's name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Number of gifts</u>	<u>Total \$</u>

For Our School Community

Do you need some support?

Parenting is wonderful — and sometimes really hard. Free help is available right in your community.

HELP IS AVAILABLE FOR



You don't need to have all the answers.

Ask Izzy helps you find local support services quickly — free & confidential.

Find help near you today

Search over 450,000 services across Australia. Just enter your suburb or postcode.

askizzy.org.au
Free - No login needed

Proudly shared by our school community

Emergency? Call 000



Welcome DASH Students and Carers!

Blue Light Victoria will be delivering our DASH program at your school soon!

DASH is all about making sure young people in our communities feel heard, connected, and safe to make change.

Dynamic	Dynamic, experiential and inquiry-based learning; building social connections and core competencies.
Active	Providing a platform for active citizenship. Empowering young people to become local changemakers and have a voice in their community.
Safe	Fostering safe and protective community connections for the exploration of local issues.
Healthy	Encouraging healthy attitudes and engagement amongst peers and community towards a common goal.

Over the course of 8 weeks, fun and interactive learning guided by our Blue Light Facilitator will lead to the development of a project idea regarding something that you wish to change in your community. All project ideas will be presented at the DASH Showcase where community partners, teachers, and parents will select one lucky group to implement their project in the community! This group will be awarded up to \$1000 to bring their idea to life!

DASH provides a unique opportunity to meet police members, emergency services, and other important community members such as local council, environmental services, or wildlife protection. Each program invites Community Partners to join in the students learning, sharing their expertise, and helping students understand more about important community roles.

Throughout the program, students uncover what matters to them. We want to know what's important to you, what you think the problems are in your local community and give you the opportunity to do something about them.

Each week will build on your skills and teach you some new ones, and both the facilitator and community partners will support you to arrive at a creative action. You will all be given your own DASH Workbook to write down your thoughts, ideas and opinions as each week will build on the previous week.

We are excited to have the DASH Program part of your curriculum and can't wait to see what amazing ideas you all come up with!

FOOD RELIEF

We know that many families in our school community face challenges when it comes to putting food on the table, and we want you to know that support is available. Needing help with food is nothing to be ashamed of—it's a normal part of life that many people experience at different times.

If your family is finding it difficult to afford groceries right now, there are several local food relief services that can help:

BENDIGO FAMILY AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

- Free financial counselling | Utility Relief Grants support for bills | No Interest Loans
- Location: 37-39 Rowan Street, Bendigo
- Days/times: Mondays - Fridays - 9 AM to 3 PM
- Contact: 5441 5277

THE SALVATION ARMY

- Groceries | Free lunch | No Interest Loans
- Location: 65-71 Mundy Street, Bendigo
- Days/times: Mondays - Fridays - 9 AM to 3 PM
- Contact: 5440 8410

COMMUNITY HOUSE - EAGLEHAWK

- Groceries | Lunch | Meals

VINNIES - EAGLEHAWK

- Food vouchers | Bill assistance

MORE INFORMATION AND SERVICES AT

<https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2025-09/Food-Relief-Info-flyer-September-2025.pdf>



FANTASTIC ONLINE ART CLASSES

Brilliant artists and instructors take the classes in real-time on Zoom.

- Easy to organise - we make it simple for you.
- The kids produce amazing work and are really proud of their art!
- All age groups covered!
- Super affordable
- To see the activities planned for the classes click visit our website. www.artisticcat.com.au There are some amazing art ideas planned!

FIRST CLASS FREE!

Just \$18 a class after the free trial (exc GST)
The full price varies depending on the number of classes in the term.

LIMITED PLACES BOOK NOW!

To book go to
www.artisticcat.com.au



Running for over a decade, the program now delivers 1,500kg of free fruit to Bendigo school children every week.

McKern Steel Foundation
@mckernsteelfoundation

Made possible thanks to McKern Foundation and our supporting partners:



Want to support the program? Contact us to sponsor and provide more fruit to your school.

EAGLEHAWK ATTENDANCE



Weekly Class Attendance %

Prep	Prep/1	Gr 1	Gr 2	Gr 3	Gr 3/4	Gr 4/5	Gr 5/6
85%	87%	92%	92%	87%	90%	82%	89%

HERE-EVERYDAY-READY-ON TIME

CONGRATULATIONS to the Grade 1 Emily and Grade 2 Tracey!

HERO stands for **Here, Every day, Ready, On time.**

Each week, the class with the best attendance for that week wins the HERO Award. The winning class gets to keep the trophy in their room for the week, will be announced at Friday assembly, and will be featured here in the newsletter.

It sounds simple because it is. Every student that comes through the gate helps their class. One student can make the difference.

Term 3 Week 3
EPS TOTAL
88%

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Term 3 Week 4
EPS TOTAL
83%

100 DAYS -of- PREP!

Congratulations! Our Prep students have reached an exciting milestone – **100** days of school!

DATE:
Tuesday 11th August

TIME:
All day

WHAT TO WEAR:
Students are encouraged and welcome to dress up as if they were **100 YEARS OLD!**

To celebrate all of the learning, growth and friendships made over the first 100 days, we will be holding a special **100 Days of Prep Celebration!**

Throughout the day, students will enjoy a range of fun, hands-on activities celebrating the number **100!**

Thank you for your continued support throughout this wonderful first 100 days of school. We are **so proud!** of everything our Prep students have achieved and look forward to celebrating this special milestone together!

We can't wait to celebrate!
The Prep Team



PREP AND PREP/1

Phonics

Students have been learning the sound representations for the letters y and z. They have continued to build on their knowledge of letters and sounds to read simple three-letter words, such as web and job. Students have also been developing their phonemic awareness by manipulating sounds within words. For example, they practiced changing one sound at a time to transform words, such as pot to got, got to rot, and rot to rat.

Writing

This week in Writing, students have been learning to correctly form the letters y and z. Using picture prompts, they have been developing their sentence-writing skills by holding a complete sentence in their minds before writing (e.g. The bus is going to school.). Students have also been listening carefully for the individual sounds in words and recording them to independently write simple three-letter words, such as bat (b-a-t). It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow.

Reading

Students have been focusing on applying their knowledge of letters and sounds to work out unfamiliar words. Students especially enjoy using Peven and Sarah's poster.



Maths

This week in Mathematics, students have been practising counting by 10s, beginning at 0. We concluded our addition unit by revising a range of strategies, including counting on, pairs to 10, and doubles, to strengthen their confidence and fluency with early addition.

Reminders

- **Tuesday 11th July-** 100 days of Prep celebration and dress up.
- **Wednesdays-** Home reader diary check and book change
- **Fridays-** Library



3/4 UPDATE - WEEK 4

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING



Reading

We have started reading about myths! So far we have learnt about the Olympians including Zeus, Poseidon and Hera. The students have been practicing their critiquing skills, discussing any bias in the stories and whether they are fair.



Writing

This is our last week writing about fables. The students have done such a wonderful job, and have come up with some fantastic stories! They have been publishing all of their hard work.



Numeracy (3)

Grade 3 Caleb have been working on estimating this week. They have been using strategies such as grouping and chunking to estimate large quantities. They have also started learning about 2D shapes.



Numeracy (4)

Grade 3/4 Stef have been solving 2-step flow charts using all 4 operations. They have also learnt about powers of 10 and have been using that knowledge to efficiently multiply and divide!

100 GOTCHAS!

ZACH A.S.
ALYSSA
BENTLEY
CHARLOTTE B
TOM H
ACACIA
AMBER
AVA
CHARMAINE



SWPBS

This week we have focussed on taking care of school property. The students have done a wonderful job discussing why it is important.

AUSLAN

This week the students learnt about the importance of the shape of their hand when communicating in Auslan. They discussed how someone may not be able to understand them if their handshape is wrong.

HANDSHAPES



HANDSHAPES



**A BIG THANK
YOU TO
EVERYONE FOR
SUPPORTING
JEANS FOR
GENES DAY!**

4/5/6 Classroom Newsletter

T3 W4

Literacy

Reading

This week we stepped back in time, analysing the words and phrases of old England. Students unpacked unfamiliar language to work out meaning from context, great practice for tackling tricky vocabulary in any text.

Writing

We're building authenticity into our historical narratives by weaving in convict slang and First Nations language and words. It's helping students bring their settings and characters to life and think carefully about voice and time period.

Numeracy

Our focus was decimals and elapsed time. Students worked on reading and ordering decimals, and calculating how much time has passed between events, handy, real-world skills they'll use well beyond the classroom.

Thank you for
your continued
support!
Nick, Dean,
Jake and
Megan





Little Steps

→ THERAPY CENTRE ←

Play Therapy Offer

Term three:

This term we are offering any families who start sessions at
Little Steps Therapy Centre

10% OFF

four Play Therapy appointments.

 For more information call **0418272106**

 Email: madison@littlstepstherapycentre.com.au

 Address:
64a Breen Street, Quarry Hill



Wellbeing Noticeboard

NEW

Things to see:

- Parenting information resources
- Opportunities for food relief
- Useful websites

Location: In the hallway near the office

-  Come check it out
-  Let us know what you'd like to see here

email: eaglehawk.ps@education.vic.gov.au




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SPECIAL LUNCH - THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST

****Please detach and hand this slip into the office by Wednesday 12th August 9am.**
Chicken Bolognese
\$3

Student Name	Class	Chicken Bolognese \$3	Zooper Dooper \$1.00	Total
1.				\$
2.				\$
3.				\$
4.				\$
			Total Enclosed	\$

Term - Week 4		
Class	Student of the Week	Attendance
Prep Mon/Nina	Responsible: Paw Chee for working really hard on her writing goal. Paw Chee can now write her name. Well done Paw Chee!	Scarlett
Prep/1 Jameela	Responsible: Jazzy for always showing kindness, listening when others are speaking and making responsible choices in our classroom. Well done Jazzy!	Rohan
1 Emily	Responsible: Ivy for working incredibly hard to identify the sounds in words as well as including creative adjectives in her fairy tale writing.	Lylah
2 Tracey	Responsible: Hunter for settling into our classroom and consistently displaying our school expectations. We love having you back Hunter.	Charlotte
3 Caleb	Respectful: Ally for sharing spaces and equipment at lunchtime in a respectful way that makes otehr students feel comfortable and safe. Well done Ally	Charmaine
3/4 Stef	Respect: Eh Paw, for always following instructions first time, every time. Thank you, Eh Paw!	Zane N
4/5 Dean/ Nick/Megan	Responsible- Nathaniel: For being a committed learner, giving his best efforts and taking on all supports to produce some great work. Well done!	Layci
5/6 Jake	Responsible - 5/6 Jake: for demonstrating outstanding responsibility and representing our school with pride throughout our excursion. Every one of you showed respect, made safe choices, and were excellent role models in the community.	Emily P

Term - Week		
Class	Student	Total Nights Read
Prep Mon/Nina	Jazmyn	75
Prep/1 Jameela	Chester	125



TERM 4 2026 + TERM 1 2027

JUNIOR FUTSAL

MONDAY 5 a-side **WEDNESDAY**
Competition Beginner league

SCAN QR CODE BELOW TO REGISTER

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PHONE: 0428 471 077
EMAIL: admin@bendigomajorleague.com.au

