FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have welcomed three new families to the centre, enjoyed hosting our two students on practicum, worked on our project to learn more about Bush Tucker plants and staff have registered with the Global Corporate Challenge to get fit. Term two is flying past and soon we will have holidays.

I will be taking Long Service Leave for the last two weeks of Term Two and the first six days of Term Three. Mrs Jennifer Oversby will be relieving in my absence. Please don’t hesitate to contact Jennifer if you have any queries or concerns.

Student reports will go home early on Monday, June 20th.

COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAM—

Zanthorrea Nursery - 4th April

During the last week of Term One the students went on an excursion to Zanthorrea Nursery in Maida Vale. This is a lovely nursery that offers a great range of plants, a gazebo area for tea and coffee and a playground for the children. This is an award winning nursery, specialising in certain plants – in particular Indigenous plants that are used in cooking Bush Tucker type food. We have a focus on implementing activities to do with a Bush Tucker kitchen this year and have purchased certain plants that will enhance our gardening and cooking programs.

The students had a wonderful explore around the nursery and were delighted to be able to stand on a small bridge over a pond and feed the fish. There are a lot of little paths that lead to interesting things to see in this nursery. We had morning tea in the gazebo area and a play in the sand pit and on the play equipment. This excursion was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.
ANZAC DAY - 29th April

Thank you to Lily for laying the wreath on this special day and to Lily’s Mum, Mrs Ally Murton, for allowing us to use her photos for our Newsletter.

KINGS PARK - 5th May

On Thursday, 5 May, our students went on a big adventure to Rio Tinto’s Naturescape at Kings Park. We set off in the big bus ready for an exciting time.

Greeting us was our guide Heather, who had two very interesting and fun activities for us. The first was a colour challenge, where we had to find items matching our special colour swatch necklaces. Next we had to find items for our treasure boxes. We had to look for items of different textures and smells; with these we decorated card tiles.

We were hungry after all that hunting for treasure, so then it was time for a snack. We all ate on picnic rugs in the warm sunshine. Then we were off for our next adventure...building cubbies.

Finally it was time to go on the big bus again back to school.

Everyone had such a great time experiencing and learning about the bushland at Naturescape. We highly recommend a visit.

NEW STUDENTS

We are pleased to welcome our new students, Calvin Trinh, Hur Hussain and Saphira Charlie. Calvin has transferred to us from Cloverdale Education Support and is in Year 1, Hur is just starting in Pre Primary and Saphira has transferred from Cassia Education Support Centre.

Students on Practicum

This term we welcome Fenny Hadiwinata for her practical training in Certificate III from Fast Track Training as well as Lisa Whyte from UWA who will be completing her Psychology degree. We hope both Fenny and Lisa enjoy their stay with us.
**ANTONOV VISIT—16th May**

*We saw the biggest plane in the world!*

Students in Room 13 had a very significant experience recently.

When the biggest plane in the world, Antonov AN-225 Mriya arrived in Perth in May, just for two days, we took the opportunity to visit Perth airport to see firsthand this gigantic plane. We were among a large crowd that was gathered at T1 terminal at Perth airport for this memorable visit. We went to the viewing gallery and spent some time examining the plane from afar. We marvelled at the sheer size of the Antonov compared with the trucks and vehicles servicing around the plane and other planes landing and taking off nearby. We took our recess along and enjoyed sitting in the airport café.

Back in class we viewed the photos we took and wrote stories about our trip. Students made a picture about their excursion to share with others. Lily took her iPad and took her own photographs of the plane.

**FACILITY UPGRADES**

Many of you will have seen all the works going on around the school in upgrading our facilities. We are all so happy with the work that has been done so far. There is now a much more welcoming seating area in the rotunda with the installation of synthetic turf where new shade sails will soon be installed too. The storage unit at the entrance has been given a major facelift with new signage replacing the sad, old shade cloth. Our children all love the new "Sports Locker" at the entrance. The other big job, which has been done by Greg of Award Signs, is the beautiful mural on our façade. (Please see second last page). Our sincere appreciation goes out to Greg who took on this task with delight as he got to use his artistic skills to revitalize the front wall.
ESSN ARTIST AWARD

It is with great pleasure that we congratulate Sasha on his wonderful Easter artwork. We were recently advised that Sasha was one of the winners of the ESSN Art Awards for term 1.

Sasha was commended as all of the entries were of a high standard and they had great difficulty deciding on the winners. For his efforts Sasha received a $25 Coles/Myer voucher. Well done Sasha!

SEEDS FOR SCHOOLS

It’s Potato Planting Time
- Seeds for Schools Program

We’ve recently had a special delivery from Farmer George, from the Seeds for Schools program. He sent us some yummy potatoes for us to plant. The students dug holes and carefully popped a potato in each hole. Then we covered them up with dirt and watered them. We have many budding gardeners as you can see.

Over the next few months, we will keep you up to date on our garden’s progress. We are all excited to see how they grow. We would like to say a special thank you to both Activ Industries for packaging the potatoes and Beta Spud for donating the seed potatoes.

SERCUL INCURSION—26th May

We have been very lucky here at EVPESC with all the special PALS Program activities we have been doing. Last Thursday, Amy from the South Eastern Regional Centre for Urban Landcare came to talk to us about bush tucker plants. She brought with her different kinds of plants for us to taste and feel. Not everyone liked the flavours, but we had fun trying them. We showed her our bush tucker plants in the vegie garden and she offered suggestions on plants that may be good to add to our collections.
OUR NEWSLETTER

We welcome any feedback whatsoever regarding our newsletter, as we are always looking to improve upon ourselves. We’d love to hear if you’ve tried any of the recipes, or if there’s a particular meal/snack time you’d like us to focus on. Please come and chat to us!

MUFFINS

A reminder—you can place your orders for our fortnightly cooking of muffins. Ask the class teacher for an order form.

SCHOOL APP

Please download our school app on your smart phone. You can find the app in the Apple Store or at Google Play. You will need to search for East Victoria Park ESC. The app is used to send out reminders and notifications but will not replace the communication diary.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

2016/2017

The new Entertainment Book is now available at our office for your purchase.

Together with the Digital Membership, this is your guide to the most popular restaurants, attractions, shopping, travel and more with valuable up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers.

We receive 20% from every Entertainment membership sold!

Online: www.entbook.com.au/833501
Phone: 0413 405 969
Email: suanne@spicecreativedesign.com.au

UPDATED WEBSITE

Our new website is up and running. Please check it out at eastvictoriaparkesc.wa.edu.au

Sun Protection and Vitamin D
GETTING THE BALANCE RIGHT

WHEN UV IS:

3 OR ABOVE

- Sun protection is a priority.
- Most people get enough Vitamin D through a few minutes of typical day-to-day activity.
- Remember to slip, slop, slap, seek and slide.

BELOW 3

- Sun protection is not recommended.
- Go outdoors in the middle of the day to support Vitamin D production.
- Being physically active – e.g. gardening or going for a walk will help.

Check local UV levels by downloading our free mobile app at cancer.org.au/SunSmartApp
RECIPE

BANANA BISCUITS

These biscuits are perfect for lunch box treats! They are a great way to use up leftover ripe bananas. Using basic pantry ingredients, being nut–free and easy to make will keep them on the menu.

As a variation, you can add half a cup of chopped dates or pecans into the mix.

Ingredients:
- 3 large ripe bananas, mashed
- 125gm butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 cups self-raising flour
- 1/2 cup coconut
- 1/2 cup rolled oats

METHOD:
1. Preheat Oven to 230 C. Line baking tray with baking paper and set aside.
2. Using an electric mixer, cream the butter and sugar.
3. Stir in the bananas until combined.
4. Add the flour, oats and coconut and stir until thoroughly combined.
5. Place teaspoons of the mixture on the baking tray, leaving room for each biscuit to spread.
6. Place in the oven and turn it down to 200C.
7. Bake for 10 minutes.

WATERWISE TIPS
⇒ Keep showers short
⇒ Remember to flush the correct button in the toilet
⇒ Keep our waterways clean
⇒ If you see a dripping tap make it stop
⇒ Wash your hands
⇒ Save water in the garden by using mulch
⇒ Think about where the water goes after the drain
OUR NEW MURALS

East Victoria Park Education Support Centre staff are delighted with our gorgeous new murals that are at the entrance of our building for all to see!

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