

## IMPORTANT DATES

### 20 March

Athletics Carnival

### 21 March

Year 11 Parent Teacher Evening  
Harmony Day Formal Assembly

### 25 March

Year 7 Vaccinations

### 2 April

Autism Day

### 12 April

End of Term 1

### 29 April

Staff Development Day

### 30 April

Start of Term 2

### 3 May

Cross Country Carnival

8 May 11 May

Les Miserables—Musical

## From the Principal - Tim O'Brien

### SRC Induction

Congratulations to our 2019 SRC boys from Years 7 to 11. It was pleasing to see so many families of the boys present at today's induction. I look forward to hearing your ideas, along with our prefects, for our school.

Well done to our outgoing members for your services to Epping Boys High School.

### P&C

I welcome our new P&C executive who were elected at the AGM last week. I look forward to working with our new president Allan Dall and his team (see page 3).

A huge thank you to Sue Day, the outgoing president and her team for your support and hard work in 2018.

Sue has been an excellent ambassador for our parents and carers over the past four years as president. I thank and congratulate Sue for her service to our school. Well done, Sue.

## Swimming Carnival



## Deputy Principal, Years 11 and 12 - Narelle Kathryn

A wonderful day was had by all who attended the swimming carnival, the Year 12 boys did their lap of honour singing the school song which was most entertaining. The boys were generally well behaved and some great swimming and competition occurred throughout the day.

With subject changes finalised the boys in Year 11 should be settling into their HSC subjects and starting to map out on a calendar at home when their assessments tasks are due. It is always helpful for the boys if parents and carers also know when their assessment tasks fall so you can help them plan their time constructively. Year 12 are almost half way through their final HSC year and I trust they too have assessment tasks noted somewhere prominent so they do not leave completion to the last minute. Whilst on the topic of assessment tasks, it is important that the boys are familiar with the Senior Assessment Guidelines. All Senior School boys were issued with ones of these booklets and staff went through the main points. If any of the boys have queries about something in the book it is important that they clarify it as soon as possible. If for some reason a boy needs to apply for illness/misadventure a reminder that the forms are found in the front office and they need to be submitted on the *first day of their return to school with the supporting documentation*. Any boy in the Senior School wishing to apply for Disability Provisions for their assessment tasks please see Mr Symonds to organise this.

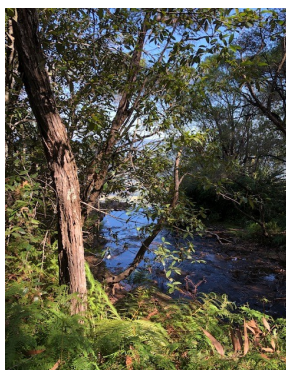
On March 21<sup>st</sup> Year 11 parent/teacher interviews will be taking place in the Edmund Barton Centre from 4pm til 7pm. I encourage all parents and carers to attend this evening as it is a great way to touch base with your all sons' teachers and start their HSC years in a supportive and collaborative manner.

## Deputy Principal, Years 9 and 10 - Seddique Martin

### Year 9 Camp

Last week the Year 9 cohort attended their camp at Fitzroy Falls. This was a good opportunity for the boys to challenge themselves with activities including canoeing, bush discovery, giant swing, high trapeze, abseiling and mountain biking. Importantly the boys worked on developing skills in teamwork, personal confidence, decision making and leadership.

Thank you to the Head Teacher Wellbeing, Mr Cameron Gordon and Year 9 Adviser, Tony Nelson for all their hard work in organising their camp. I also thank all staff who attended this excursion.



## Deputy Principal, Years 7 and 8 - Jessica Schadel

As a **Positive Behaviour for Learning** school we embrace our core values of *Respect, Responsibility and Engagement*. In our discussions with boys about their application to their learning, the importance of challenge, strategies to improve their behaviour and most importantly relationships with peers and teachers we often call on boys to articulate their goals in terms of these core values. This occurs at all levels; in the classroom, on the playground, with Year Advisers, Head Teachers and Deputy Principals. When an issue occurs at school, we will use questioning to encourage the boys to understand their behaviour:

- What happened?
- Tell me about what was going through your head when this occurred.
- Which of our school values did your behaviour not align with?
- Describe the actions you can take to make changes to the behaviour.
- How can you make restitution?
- What will positive behaviour look like?
- Who can support you with this?

This process is transformative for the boys and compels them to recognise the antecedents of their behaviour thus empowering them to engage positively with all aspects of our school and seek support when needed.

In the early years of high school, Years 7 and 8, the notion of responsibility can be challenging. As the parent of a child in high school the balance is between support for your child and encouraging responsibility. This year in particular we have found many boys are expecting their parents to run around after them chasing up notes, lost uniforms, sports selections, leave applications, catch up assignment dates and so forth. **It is imperative that our boys in Years 7 and 8 take the responsibility of doing this running around themselves.** If they are going to miss an assignment due date they need to go and speak to the teacher, if they have lost their note for an excursion they need to find out where to go to get a new one, if they want to change sports they need to see the Head Teacher PE themselves and, importantly, if they do not know where to go or who to see they need to figure it out themselves. We look forward to greater responsibility from our boys in Years 7 and 8.

## Q&A with the Office of the e-Safety Commissioner

For the *National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence* the Department of Education will be launching an interview they have recorded with Kellie Britnell from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner on cyber safety.

From **4pm on Thursday 14 March** the interview will be available as a featured video on the department's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/NSWDepartmentofEducation/>

Kellie answers questions submitted by parents and carers on keeping their children and young people safe online, and addresses key information on preventing and addressing online bullying. The interview will be added as a resource to the [NSW Anti-bullying website](#) in April.



## P&C - Susan Day

### AGM and General Meeting – 4 March 2019

We have a new team elected.

**President:** Allan Dall

**Vice-Presidents:** Renee Linton-Simpkins & Lynn Stevens

**Secretary:** Belinda Jones

**Treasurer:** Michelle Doherty

**General Committee Members:**

John Cummins; Susan Day; Samantha Hemmings-Richardson; Stephanie van Hilten; Michael Hudson; Ram Sharma; Jill Warton

Thank you to Allan and Belinda, both Year 7 parents for joining the team and to all the parents who have been re-elected. We are looking forward to a busy 2019.



I was recently approached by a resident of the Retirement Village next to EBHS requesting that parents and visitors do not park across the driveways to the Retirement Village as it is used by ambulances and residents. Please consider this when picking up or dropping off your students.

**Our meetings for 2019 will be held on the first (occasionally 2<sup>nd</sup>) Monday during term time at 7:30 pm.**

For 2019 the Meeting dates are **Term 1:** 1 April

**Term 2:** 6 May, 3 June, 1 July,

**Term 3:** 5 August, 2 September,

**Term 4:** 11 November, 9 December.

Meetings are held in the Common Room, B Block.

**Working Bes for 2019:** Sunday 19 May & Sunday 25 August

Allan will be contributing to the Newsletter in future. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mr O’Brien, all teaching and support staff, students and community for your wonderful support to me over the last few years.

Susan Day  
P&C Executive member



## EAL/D Project - *Message Abundancy*—Alison Laird, EAL/D Coordina-

Across 2018, Epping Boys High School participated in an annual Departmental Research Project exploring how we could better support the learning needs of our growing number of English as an Additional Language students (EAL/D). The core team of staff included: Narelle Kathryn, Nadine Koff, Rebecca Yang, Alison Laird and Gen de Souza.

These five members of staff led the remainder of the teachers in how to utilise teaching strategies that allow EAL/D students to achieve greater scholastic success. They focused on the EAL/D strategy of ‘Message Abundancy’, a phrase coined by Dr Pauline Gibbons (UNSW). As a result of such a successful project, Epping Boys was invited to present to the 2019 participants of the EAL/D research project about our project journey.



The Project Team

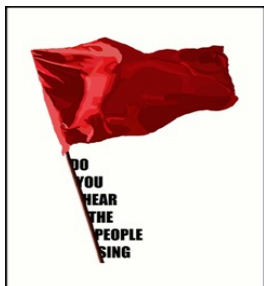
# Athletics Carnival

**20 March, 2019**

**Dunbar Park Marsfield**

**8.45 roll call**

Les Misérables - Alison Howard, Head Teacher CAPA



Les Misérables  
Epping Boys & Cheltenham Girls

Performances - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> of May



Ms Coupland directing the girls to be not so lovely ladies.....



Now that looks less lovely.....



Sets drawn by hand using chalk by the talented Ms Flynn

Tickets will be available via **trybooking** on Wednesday 13th March  
Information and a link will be posted on EBHS & CGHS Facebook pages.



Check EBHS Facebook page for updates, sneak peeks of rehearsals and activities leading up to the show.



Art Express - Alison Howard, Head Teacher CAPA

# Epping Boys High School – Art Express 2019

A very exciting start to 2019, attending two Art Express exhibitions as VIP guests and having an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful artistic success of Alex and Matthew who achieved excellence in the Year 12 Visual Arts course in 2018. Their HSC Visual Arts bodies of work are currently on display at the Art Gallery of NSW and The Armory Gallery Newington.

Supporting boys through the HSC process is a joint effort between teachers and parents and it was really lovely to share this moment with the boys' families. Seeing Alex's work on the promotional posters lining the road as I drove into Newington was also a career highlight.

Congratulations again to the all of the Visual Arts boys from 2018; it was your motivation, friendship and determination as a group that lifted the whole group and enabled so many of the cohort to excel in this subject. Alex and Matthew represent just two of this very talented group and it is wonderful that our work as a school and the guidance of their teacher Ms Chang is recognised so publically.

I encourage parents and students to take the opportunity this month to visit any or all of the Art Express exhibitions across Sydney.

<https://artexpress.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/>



Total NSW submission is 8770— 238 artworks were chosen for Art Express  
 Art Gallery of NSW: 56 artworks were chosen to be exhibited  
 Armory: 61 artworks were chosen to be exhibited

## News from the Library - Jennifer Allan, Librarian

As the new Librarian at EBHS, I wish to introduce myself to the school community. I have previously been teaching English and History and completed my Masters of Teacher Librarianship through Charles' Sturt University last year.

The Library at Epping is a great space for the boys within the school to be able to catch up on work before school or during lunch, pick up a new book to read or conduct their own independent research. I am also able to help students with their assignments if they require it, especially with assisting to point them in the right direction of relevant information.

The Premier's Reading Challenge has recently opened for 2019 and boys in years 7-9 are encouraged to come to the library and sign up to join the competition. They are also able to sign up by going to ;  
<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html>.



I am constantly at work to keep the library resources up to date, purchasing new fiction titles as well as providing non-fiction resources to support the boys' learning with the new curriculum. On the front desk I have a suggestions book where boys are able to recommend books they would like to see in the library if they are not already available.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year, inspiring a love of reading amongst the boys of the school.



## Sport@EBHS - Winners are Grinners



### Alan Davidson Shield

EBHS defeated Warner's Bay to progress to the semi finals of the Davidson Shield. Warner's Bay won the competition last season and included Australian and NSW representatives.

We bowled first and our opening bowlers, Jack O'Brien and Kartik Khetepaul contained their batsmen. Their opening spell had Warner's Bay 2/13 after 10 overs. They ended up scoring 150 off their 40 overs.

Jack O'Brien 1/16 off 8, Kartik Khetepaul 1/18 off 8  
Brendan Ford 2/32 off 8, Ammar Shirazi 2/33 off 4

We chased 4/151 in the 37th over. Ammar Shirazi 23, Brendan Ford 41, Surya Malhotra 51 no.

We travel up to MacLean for the semi final. In the last five seasons we have made it to the semi-final stage of the Davidson Shield three times, including winning the competition in the 2016/17 season.

### Winning under 15's Cricket Team



### Senior Baseball Champions



### NSW All Schools Triathlon



The weather and the competition was amazing at the NSW all schools triathlon on last Thursday 28 February and Friday 1 March. Congratulations to all the boys who participated especially Ethan, James and Martin for winning a CHS Bronze Medal in the junior teams event and Ethan M, Adam and Andrew for winning a CHS Bronze Medal in the intermediate teams event! A HUGE thank you to Mr Nelson who organised the event.

### Water Polo



Epping Boys High School Water Polo have achieved an Epping first, and possibly a Zone first, winning the 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 15 years and 14 years Zone Premier-ships.

Special mention to our outgoing Year 12s, Liam D, Ben H, Michael M and Aaron G, who have been part of the winning 1st grade team for the last three years.

Well done to all of the Water Polo boys!



## Epping Arts Fair 2019 - Susan Day, Coordinator

The 2019 Epping Arts Fair was a marvellous success in many ways. The art was of a high quality and many paintings were sold (31). The craft stalls were also very successful. The event was well attended by visitors and artists. The final amount raised will be around \$17,000. The event was sponsored by The Epping Club, Bendigo Bank, McGrath and Flex Agency. The other sponsors of Prizes are listed below with the respective awards.

The competitive works were judged by Rhonda Davis, Senior Art Curator at Macquarie University Art Gallery.

The major prize of \$2,500 was awarded to Kristine Ballard. Kristine (left) is pictured in front of her winning entry being presented with a cheque by Betty Ockerlander who sponsored the prize.



Highly commended prizes were awarded to Jum Ae Kim and Muna Issa. Thank you to Art Basic for sponsoring the \$250 Highly Commended prizes.



The \$500 People's Choice award was won by Jum Ae Kim. Thank you to Beecroft Smiles for sponsoring this prize. Local schools were invited to take part in the Student Competition, which was also very popular. This year's theme was 'Summer', with 12 prizes for the different age groups. Thank you to Eckersley for sponsoring these prizes.

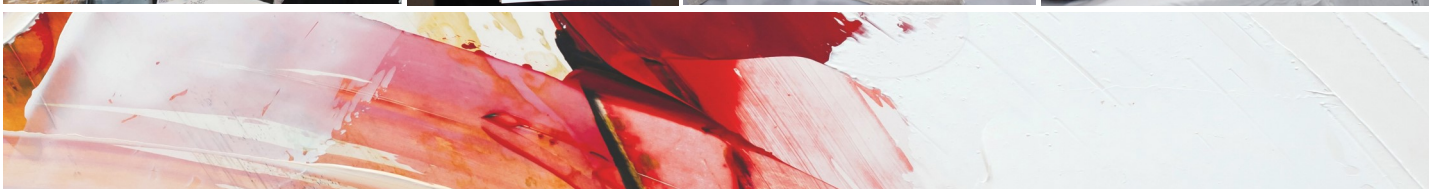


This year we also included a major raffle and we wish to thank local business for donating prizes. These businesses are listed on our Epping Arts Fair website. The raffle prize winners will be announced in the next newsletter.

Three students - Thomas Jones (7V), Adit Bhatia (7E) and Noah Thong (9R7) won a Samsung Tablet and class 7V were treated to a pizza party for selling the most tickets.

A terrific team of teachers, parents and Rotarians brought the event together. A big thank you to Ms Kathryn, Ms Howard and Ms Koff, parents Robyn Biviano, Cindy Cunningham, Renee Linton-Simpkins, Belinda Jones, Michelle Doherty, Obeid Hamid, Stephanie van Hilten and retired Principal Mr Garrard and Betty Ockerlander from Epping Rotary.

Thank you to all the Artists who entered and to everyone who supported our third Epping Arts Fair.





Epping Boys High School  
is on Facebook

**Dr Who Club**  
TUESDAYS during lunchtime in K04

See Ms Lane in the science faculty for more information

**ALL WELCOME**

**Board Games Club**  
Want to make new friends? - Are you bored at lunchtime?  
Come to the Board Games Club

**1.20pm**

Come along and have some fun  
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

**EVERY DAY AT LUNCHTIME**  
1.20 pm to 2.00pm  
In **F5** Classroom

**2.00pm**

**CHESS CLUB**

is located in K23 during lunch time on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. No experience necessary. Come along and make new friends.

**ALL WELCOME**

Year 8 are invited to play on the **BIG OUTDOOR BOARD** in the Year 8 area on Thursdays at lunchtime

**RECYCLE YOUR BATTERIES @ EBHS**

Batteries are made up of heavy metals and other toxic elements, including nickel, cadmium, alkaline, mercury, nickel metal hydride, and lead acid. It is these elements that can threaten our environment if not properly discarded and/or recycled.

A household battery recycle bin can now be found outside the science staff room.

Please take advantage of this service and help reduce toxic chemicals poisoning our environment by disposing of your household batteries in our recycle bin.

Recycle bins can also be found at Eden Gardens at North Ryde



**STEAM**

ScienceTechnologyEngineeringArtsMathematics

STEAM challenges students to solve the problems of the future in a creative way supported by evidence and first-hand research. All students are welcome to come along and change the world on Tuesdays at lunch time in K07.

**See Mr Leggo in Science**



## RYDE AREA AUTISM SUPPORT

The Autism Community Network provides support for families living with autism conditions. If you would like to meet other carers who understand you or find social opportunities for your ASD child and their siblings, please contact us or come along to our free support group meetings.

### CARERS SUPPORT GROUP

When: Second Thursday of the month

Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Venue: Eastwood Rugby Club

For more information:

[www.autismcommunity.org.au](http://www.autismcommunity.org.au)

[info@autismcommunity.org.au](mailto:info@autismcommunity.org.au)

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## Community Notices

# IT'S TIME TO BE A DOCKER!

## North Ryde AFL Club



**We are looking for players across all teams – Register NOW**



[www.northrydedockers.com.au](http://www.northrydedockers.com.au)





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 ABN 76 069 733 455  
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 Telephone: (02) 4648 1066 Fax: (02) 4647 0143  
 Email: daylight@daylightcorp.com

## Epping Boys High School Uniform Shop

### Price List

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Rec# \_\_\_\_\_

Item	Price \$	Size	Qty	Total incl GST
Tailored Trousers	45.00			
Grey Beltloop Shorts	37.00			
S/S Grey Middle School Shirt	32.00			
L/S Grey Middle School Shirt	35.00			
S/S White Senior School Shirt	32.00			
L/S White Senior School Shirt	35.00			
<b>Jumpers</b>				
Green Wool Jumpers 10 – 16	72.00			
Green Wool Jumpers 18 – 22	72.00			
Green Wool Jumpers 24 – 28	72.00			
<b>Sport / PE</b>				
Microfibre Jacket	67.00			
Winter Jackets	67.00			
Trackpants	42.00			
Sport Polo	37.00			
Sport Shorts Darvall	26.00			
Sports Shorts Harris	26.00			
Sports Shorts Terry	26.00			
Sports Shorts Midson	26.00			
<b>Others</b>				
School Socks S 2-8; M 8-11; L 11-14; XL 14-17	7.50			
Rugby Socks	8.00			
Boys Blazers	110.00			
Caps – one size	12.00			
Middle School Tie	20.00			
Senior School Tie	20.00			
<b>Total to Pay</b>				

Cash and credit card – eftpos facility. **Cheques will not be accepted.**

The Uniform Shop is open:

Monday 10.00 am until 2.00 pm  
 Thursday 7.30 am until 11.30 am

The Uniform Shop is located in G Block. If you have any queries, please contact Delma Marsden on 0451 255 624



Please note that we are now bag free



## EBHS CHANGE OF STUDENT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Student First Name: ..... Student Surname..... Roll Class .....

Previous Address: .....

..... Date Address Changed: .....

New Address: .....

..... Post Code: .....

Home Phone: .....

Parent/Guardian 1: Work Phone: ..... Parent/Guardian 1: Mobile .....

Parent/Guardian 1: Email: .....

Parent/Guardian 2: Work Phone: ..... Parent/Guardian 2: Mobile: .....

Parent/Guardian 2: Email: .....

**Emergency Contact 1** (someone other than Parent/Guardian)

Name: ..... Emergency Contact Phone: .....

Relationship to Student (eg Aunt, Friend): .....

**Emergency Contact 2** (someone other than Parent/Guardian)

Name: ..... Emergency Contact Phone: .....

Relationship to Student (eg Aunt, Friend): .....

Parent/Guardian Name: .....

Parent/Guardian Signature: ..... Date: .....

OFFICE USE ONLY	<input type="checkbox"/> ERN	<input type="checkbox"/> Student File	<input type="checkbox"/> NESA	<input type="checkbox"/> Transport
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### SMS NOTIFICATIONS

**Absences**

If you receive a text regarding your son's absence, please only reply if he is sick or on leave.  
If you believe your son is at school or on a school excursion etc., please telephone the school on 9869 2701.

**General SMS Information**

Due to the SMS system we have, all text messages are sent in bulk from the computer. We are unable to reply to any text messages we receive. If you have any queries about an SMS please phone the school on 9869 2701.



**Notification of Absence**

If your son is going to be absent, please call the school ASAP and upon return, please use the following form to explain your son's absence. NB: Early Leavers permission notes should be submitted to the Front Office. These notes must be signed by a deputy principal prior to being submitted to the front office. If your son will be away for five or more days, an application for extended leave/travel form must be filled out and submitted to the Principal two weeks prior to absence. Forms may be collected from the Front Office.

### NOTIFICATION OF ABSENCE

Student Surname: ..... Given Name: ..... Roll Class: .....

**WHOLE DAY ABSENCE** Date(s): ..... **LATE ARRIVAL** Date: .....

**EARLY LEAVER** Date: ..... **Departure time:** .....

Reason for absence: .....

Parent/Guardian Name: ..... Parent/Guardian Signature: ..... Date: .....  
(Please Print)