

# EPPING HIGH STANDARD

THE NEWSLETTER OF EPPING BOYS HIGH



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## IMPORTANT DATES

**7—18 September**  
Year 11 Yearly Exams

**24 September**  
Year 12 Farewell Assembly

**25 September**  
Last Day Term 3

**12 October**  
Students Return

**20 October—11 November**  
Year 12 HSC Written Exams

**26 October**  
P&C Meeting (held virtually)

**23 November**  
P&C Meeting (held virtually)

**16 December**  
Last Day Year 7—11

## From the Principal - Tim O'Brien

Congratulations to all the boys who were recognised in the Honour Book Assembly on Friday. Entry into the Honour Book is the pinnacle of achievement at our school and is representative of six years of excellence and dedication to their school and community for these young men.

I also acknowledge Year 11 for the positive approach to the Yearly Exams after a very disruptive learning experience for their Preliminary HSC.

Year 12 continues to be our main focus as they prepare for the HSC after the challenges of COVID19. Please let the school know as a priority if you have any concerns for your son.

Major events for Term 4 are still being reviewed, including Speech Day. We will provide details as soon as they are available. Importantly, despite all the interruptions, school remains settled due to the commitment of staff, the boys and the support of the community. Our strong community tradition continues.



Honour Book Award Recipients 2020



## PROTECT YOURSELF AND THOSE AROUND YOU



Stay at home as much as possible



Wash your hands regularly



Cover your coughs and sneezes



Avoid touching your face



Keep 1.5 metres away from others (as much as you can)

## Senior Executive Report

Narelle Kathryn 7 & 10 | Seddique Martin, 8 & 11 | Jessica Schadel, 9 & 12

There have been many wonderful learning experiences and recognition of student achievements in the last few weeks at our school:

- Year 8 E Enrichment Project, Videos for Change—Thank you to Mrs Dunn and the 8E teachers
- Middle School Tournament of Minds—Thank you to Mrs Dunn for her co-ordination of this
- White Card Training for boys in Year 8, 9 and 10—Thank you to Mrs Koff and Mr Mathieson for their organisation of these events.

Also a huge congratulations to the students who have completed their HSC Major Works in the following subjects

- Drama
- Extension 2 English
- IT Multimedia
- IT Timber
- Music 1
- Music 2
- Music Extension
- Visual Arts
- Languages Oral Exams

Well done to all the teachers of these courses for the incredible hard work they have shown in preparing their Year 12 classes.

Reminder:

- **All Boys are to wear full school uniform each day.**
- **Correct school shoes .**
- **No Hoodies, ever.**

### Year 12 HSC Major Works—Congratulations boys on your fantastic work!







## HSC Year 12 Multimedia





## Languages

“Travelling—it leaves you speechless, then turns you into a storyteller.” – Ibn Battuta

In our current circumstances, our definition of travel—both overseas and domestic—has been turned on its head, with many a planned trip cancelled, including our incoming sister school trip from Japan in May. In such a world, what relevance do foreign languages have?

Yet, thanks to technology and our hardworking languages faculty, students at Epping Boys have been able to access the world in a way that increases their intercultural sensitivity and assists them to become open-minded, global citizens.

We congratulate our Year 8 students for their diligence and enthusiastic engagement as they learned about ‘Restaurants and Japanese Food’ - your sons are now all equipped with the language to order food in Japanese restaurants (and some of them can even serve as a waiter!). Having become masters of Japanese cuisine, we hope that some families will take the opportunity to broaden their palates, whether in-store, via Uber Eats or through a home-cooked meal!

As they embark on their ‘Travel in Japan’ unit to round off the term, we are sensitive that the luxury of international travel will be far off yet, but strive to provide an opportunity for them in which to explore our planet and its cultures from the classroom.

Our Years 9 and 10 students have applied themselves well to their language studies and while the hurdle has risen, so have they risen to the challenge and have embraced the joys of communication in another language. We also congratulate our Year 12 Japanese students on their hard work during their Trial HSC Examinations and wish the best to Year 11 student as they begin their Preliminary HSC Examination period.

Finally, we wish the best to all EBHS families during this challenging time and ask that parents feel free to contact us if your son needs any support in his language studies.

EBHS Languages Faculty

Mr Weillen Sano, Mr Wilson Pang, Mr Benjamin Gibb



Network Café



In the wake of the readjusted COVID restrictions on schools this week, unfortunately our school café has had to put a temporary stop on food service (even including Goulby's ever-popular Banana Bread #RIP)

Instead of seeing this food either go to waste, or worse, be eaten shamelessly by our Café Coordinators Mr Percy and Mr McInerney, Ben Papandrea, one of our four Year 11 Café Managers, came up with an idea to donate the remaining supplies to those who need it more.

Ben quickly did the research and initiated a partnership with OzHarvest, who collect surplus food supplies to then distribute to those in need through their community kitchen and supermarket. It was wonderful to see our boys finding a silver lining to in an otherwise difficult time. Well done Ben P. and the Café Team!

## Music Activities

Well, 2020 will be a memorable year for our Music Program. As so many parts of school life have been affected by Covid-19, so our Music Program has had to adapt to the changing conditions. Our overseas Music Tour to Europe that was planned for April 2020 was cancelled only 7 weeks prior to departure. Unfortunately, our largest event of the year, the Annual Evening of Music was not able to be held this term.

The music department oversees 13 ensemble groups with around 200 students involved. There are Wind Bands, Stage Bands, String Ensemble, Vocal Ensemble, Percussion Ensembles and Guitar Ensembles.

During the Covid time when students were learning from home, all our ensembles continued to hold zoom sessions with their conductors. Although not able to play their instruments at the same time, valuable instruction was given and practice goals set. Once students returned to school, we held group rehearsals with the conductors still on zoom. We all celebrated when normal rehearsals were able to resume in the middle of June.

Fortunately, we were able to have some ensembles perform for the BTM assemblies and the Prefect Induction Assembly. Well done to those students who performed and to our conductors, Ms Christine Pringle (Concert Band), Lachlan Skinner (Percussion Ensemble) and Mike Kenny (Jazz Band and Stage Band) for working under difficult circumstances and preparing our ensembles for their performances.



The latest updates to Covid restrictions have meant that our Wind Bands, Stage Bands and Vocal Ensembles are unable to rehearse at this time. However, we are still working with our students to provide online content to keep them motivated and practising. We applaud the creativity and flexibility of our conductors, Mike Kenny, Christine Pringle, Lachlan Skinner, Mel Kenny and Nick Murphy as well as our music staff, Michael Tabrett, Antony Mutch and Jane Meney. We look forward to the time when we can rehearse and perform freely again. After all, that's what musicians enjoy most. We thank our music families for their understanding at this time and look forward to holding performances as soon as we are able.

Michael Tabrett  
EBHS CAPA

**Ask R U OK?**  
Start a conversation using these 4 steps

1. Ask R U OK? 2. Listen 3. Encourage action 4. Check in

**R U OK? DAY**

**"Being a good friend doesn't mean you always have all the right words to say."**

**Sometimes it means you just know when to be a good listener."**







## School Drop-off and Pick up Arrangements

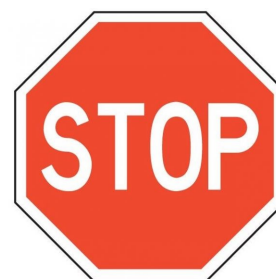
Epping Boys High School is a very busy school, with more than 1300 boys entering and exiting the school at peak times before and after school. To keep your students safe, we all need to follow some simple rules.

While we encourage the boys to make their own way to and from school to encourage responsibility and self-sufficiency, we understand that it is not always possible. From time to time you may need to drop him off or pick him up from school.

If you are going to drop off or pick your son up before or after school please ensure you:

-  Do **NOT** drive into the school grounds
-  Do **NOT** stop in the Bus Zone
-  Do **NOT** stop in the No Stopping Zone

 Do drop your son past the school gate on Vimiera Road at a safe place. A popular and safe option for dropping and picking your son up from school is in the Car Park at Marsfield Park located opposite the school on Vimiera Road. Be aware of signage.



### EMERGENCY INFORMATION CONTACT DETAILS

It is extremely important that we have the most up to date information in case of an emergency.

If there are any changes to your son's Student Emergency Contact Details, please email or call the school front office immediately.



UPDATE YOUR DETAILS



## LOST PROPERTY

**Please remember to label all of  
your son's belongings.**

Lost property will be returned to students if they are labelled with their name.

Items in lost property that are not labelled and have not been claimed by the end of term will be donated to the 2nd Hand Clothing Pool.

**LABEL**  
your stuff

# UNIFORM SHOP

## 20% OFF SALE\*

20% OFF



**MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER  
TO  
FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

It's Sale Time at the Daylight Uniform Shop ! 20% off stocked items

*Excluding Soft Shell Jackets, Jumpers, Blazers and Special Orders*

*No refunds or exchanges (unless garment is faulty)*

*No rainchecks*

**SPECIAL OPENING TIMES (FOR 2 WEEK SALE ONLY)**

**MONDAY 7.30 am TO 2.00 pm**

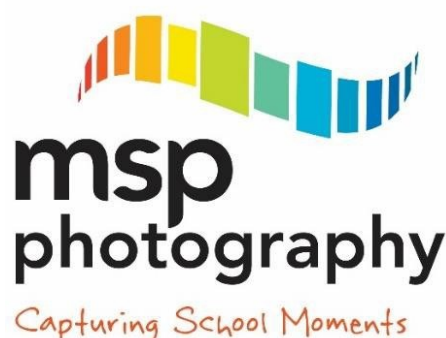
**THURSDAY 7.30 am TO 2.00 pm**

Phone 0451 255 624 to place your order or order online at [daylightsportswear.com/epping](http://daylightsportswear.com/epping)

Pick up on the next opening day after placing your order

Delma Marsden

Daylight Uniform Shop



## Epping Boys High School

Dear Parent / Guardian,

MSP Photography has photographed your **Extra-Curricular Groups**.

Group photos will be taken of your child's class and will be available to purchase online from **Friday 21 August 2020** for a limited time only.

**Cut-off date will be Sunday 20 September 2020.**

Should you wish to order any of these photographs, please go to:

<https://mspsydney.fotomerchanthv.com/search/> (do not enter in google search)

You will need to use the following access code to gain entry into the portfolio of photographs:

**Code: EBHS2542**

The cost of each photo is **\$25.00**

To order your photos:

1. **Sign in using your passcode and fill in the automated form**
2. **Select Traditional Group Photo**
3. **To choose which photos you would like to order click on the icon CHOOSE PHOTO and add to cart.**
4. **To purchase multiple photos, repeat the 3rd step**
5. **Once these have been added to your cart you can continue onto the payment process to complete your order**



If you require any further information please contact  
**MSP Photography—Sydney on 9499 6555**



## Community Notices

NSW Department of Education

### Take care of your mental health



It's okay to feel stressed, anxious or worried.



Use credible sources when looking for information about COVID-19 and how to stay safe.



If you're feeling overwhelmed, take a break from watching the news and social media.



Try these healthy coping strategies to find the ones that work best for you:

- Talk to family, friends or teachers about your problems.
- Do something you enjoy.
- Use relaxation techniques like deep breathing or meditation.

If you want to talk it through with someone or find more tips, reach out to one of the following groups:

**Kids Helpline**  
1800 55 1800 (24/7)  
[kidshelpline.com.au](http://kidshelpline.com.au)

**Reachout**  
[au.reachout.com](http://au.reachout.com)

**headspace**  
1800 650 890  
[eheadspace.org.au](http://eheadspace.org.au)

**Lifeline**  
13 11 14 (24/7)



**Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing**



**Clean your hands regularly**

**Stay home if you're sick**



**Contact your GP or HealthDirect on 1800 022 222 if you're concerned**



## Community Notices

**RU OK?**<sup>TM</sup>  
A conversation could change a life.



“  
We need to get the message  
out that seeking help is not  
a sign of weakness.

It's a sign of courage.

”  
- Dr Samantha Batchelor  
yourtown

# Useful contacts for someone who's not OK

Sometimes conversations are too big for workmates, friends and family. At these times, it can help to call upon these organisations:

**Lifeline (24/7)**

13 11 14

[lifeline.org.au](http://lifeline.org.au)

**Beyond Blue (24/7)**

1300 224 636

[beyondblue.org.au](http://beyondblue.org.au)

**Suicide Call Back Service (24/7)**

1300 659 467

[suicidecallbackservice.org.au](http://suicidecallbackservice.org.au)

**Kids Helpline (24/7)**

1800 55 1800

[kidshelpline.com.au](http://kidshelpline.com.au)

**THERE'S  
MORE TO SAY  
AFTER  
RU OK?**<sup>TM</sup>

What you're going  
through isn't easy.  
It's good we can  
talk about it.

Have you been  
feeling this way  
for a while?

That's tough.  
Keep talking,  
I'm listening.

**RU OK? DAY**<sup>TM</sup>  
10 September 2020

Learn what to say at [ruok.org.au](http://ruok.org.au)  
A conversation could change a life



## OCTOBER DRAMA WORKSHOPS



ENROL NOW

[WWW.MSTYP.ORG.AU](http://WWW.MSTYP.ORG.AU)

KILLARA AND ONLINE

WE TAKE CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHERS  
1 - 5 DAYS CLASSES AVAILABLE

**MSTYP** MARIAN ST  
THEATRE  
FOR YOUNG  
PEOPLE



The City of Ryde proudly presents the 2020 Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize (SWAP) exhibition.

The exhibition will launch on Wednesday, 16 September with the announcement of winners and run until Thursday 1 October. Gallery hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm.

## Community Notices

### North Ryde Farmers Market

**When:** Sat September 5, 2020 @ 8:00am - 1:00pm

Sat September 12, 2020 @ 8:00am - 1:00pm

**Where:** North Ryde RSL Car Park 27-41 Magdala Rd North Ryde

#### Celebrate the Start of Spring

at the first Henley Growers Market. There will be fresh produce, fresh food, fabulous coffee and community connection on offer in the friendly surrounds of the Henley Green Community Garden.

**Date:** Saturday September 19, 2020

**Time:** 9:00am - 1:00pm

**Location:** 2 Crown Street, Henley 2111

# HENLEY GROWERS MARKET

Celebrating and sharing the seasons.

FRESH PRODUCE • FRESH FOOD • COFFEE



City of Ryde

# GRANNY SMITH FESTIVAL

ONLINE

OCT 2020

FOR EVENT UPDATES VISIT [RYDE.ROCKS/GSF](https://ryde.rocks/gsf)



FESTIVAL SPONSOR



HOSPITAL AND CLINICS



## Board Games Club

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



Epping Boys High School  
is on Facebook

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

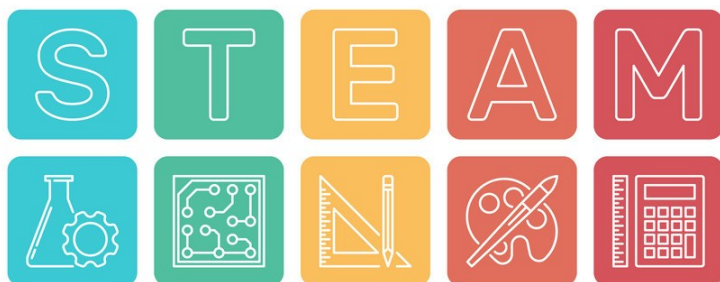
## Dr Who Club

THURSDAY lunchtime in K2



See Ms Lane  
in the science faculty  
for more information

**ALL WELCOME**



**SCIENCE | TECHNOLOGY | ENGINEERING | ARTS | MATHS**

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 Thursday Lunchtimes in K05

See Mr Leggo in Science



## RECYCLE YOUR BATTERIES!

AT Epping Boys High School

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

## LEGO Club

Every Monday K5 Lunch

Weekly building challenges, LEGO news and much much more!



## 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**



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 6-8 Lone Pine Place, Smeaton Grange NSW 2567  
 Telephone: (02) 4648 1066 Fax: (02) 46470143  
 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	35.00			
L/S Grey Middle School Shirt	37.00			
S/S White Senior School Shirt	35.00			
L/S White Senior School Shirt	37.00			
<b>Jumpers</b>				
Green Wool Jumpers 10, 12, 14, 16, 18	72.00			
Green Wool Jumpers 20, 22, 24, 26, 28	72.00			
Polar Fleece Jacket	45.00			
<b>Sport / PE</b>				
Microfibre Jacket (summer)	67.00			
Winter Jacket	67.00			
Trackpants	45.00			
Sport Polo	37.00			
Sport Shorts Darvall (red)	30.00			
Sports Shorts Harris (yellow)	30.00			
Sports Shorts Terry (green)	30.00			
Sports Shorts Midson (blue)	30.00			
<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	121.00			
Caps – one size	12.00			
Beanie – one size	15.00			
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 BRING YOUR OWN BAG\***

**Why not order online?? It is quick and easy. Simply create an account profile, place your order and pick-up from the Daylight Uniform Shop on the next open day.** Daylightsportswear.com/epping or phone 0451 255 624 to place your order when paying by credit card (expiry date & CCV are required).



**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

☐ ERN

☐ Student File

☐ NESA

☐ Transport

## 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)