

EMERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Endeavour

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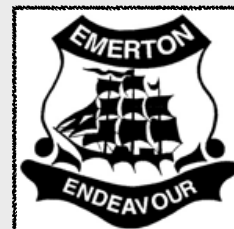
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Discovery learning in Kindergarten

FRIDAY 5 MAY 2013



Key Dates

May 9, 10 & 11: NAPLAN

May 9 & 12: Mothers Day Stall

May 12: Mothers Day/Biggest Morning Tea

Principal Farewell Assembly

Principal's Report

Mothers' Day stall

The P&C will be holding the annual Mothers's Day stall on Wednesday of next week. The committee has purchased and prepared gifts that can be purchased by the children, and prices range from \$2 to \$15.

NAPLAN testing

Students in years 3 and 5 will take part in the NAPLAN tests next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The tests are one indicator of how the students have progressed in their learning in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy.

Staffing

The school welcomes Ms Donna O'Leary to the teaching staff as a permanent member of staff. Ms O'Leary will work with Miss Arbis in 1/2A in place of Mrs Szczudlo who will move to a new role of supporting the early career teachers at the school. Ms Jane Cooper will also be working at the school 4 days per week until the end of the year.

Next week will be my last full week as Principal at the school. I will be taking leave as of Tuesday 16 May before retiring in September. The name of the relieving Principal will be shared with you as soon as it is known. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of the support that you have given me since I arrived at the school, and wish all members of the Emerton community the very best in the future. It has been a privilege to have been a part of the lives of the children and families at Emerton PS.

School jackets and jumpers

Lost items are beginning to appear more often as the weather turns cool. Please ensure names are on all jackets, jumpers and hats. These items are part of the school uniform and are expected to be worn each day. There is a clothing pool as well as new items being available for purchase at the office.

Cooking classes

This term 5/6R and 4/5L will be participating in weekly cooking classes this term. The \$40 payment forwarded last term covers the cost of ingredients. If you have not yet paid the \$40 the cost of cooking for the term is \$10 per student.

Cross Country

Students from 8 years of age and upwards participated in the Cross Country event held at school today. It was most pleasing to see the level of commitment from all participants regardless of their ability. Selected runners will represent the school at the District event later in the term.

Kel Atkins

Goodbye Mr Atkins !

We invite the
Emerton Primary School
Community
to attend an assembly to farewell
our principal

Kel Atkins

Friday 12th May
in the school hall
2.10pm

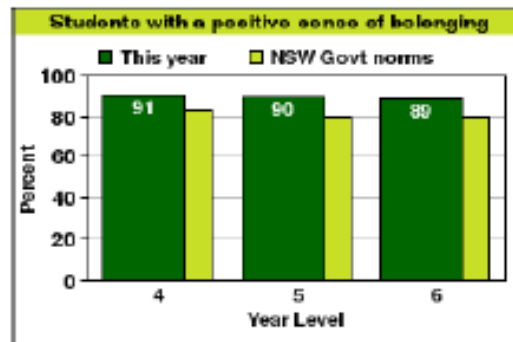
Tell Them From Me

At the end of Term 1, students in Years 4,5 and 6 took part in the Tell Them From Me survey where they evaluated their feelings towards school life and how they feel about others at school. Below are some results from the survey in comparison to state averages. Surveying students is part of our school strategic direction 3: Quality Relationships. Quality Relationships among and between all stakeholders are essential for the achievement of the schools vision.

Students with a positive sense of belonging

Students feel accepted and valued by their peers and by others at their school.

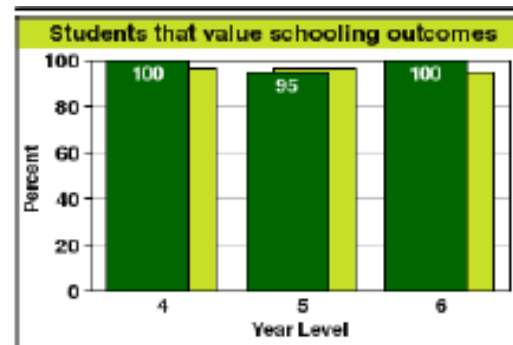
- 90% of students in this school had a high sense of belonging. The NSW Govt norm for these years is 81%.
- 91% of the girls and 88% of the boys in this school had a high sense of belonging. The NSW Govt norm for girls is 81% and for boys is 81%.



Students that value schooling outcomes

Students believe that education will benefit them personally and economically, and will have a strong bearing on their future.

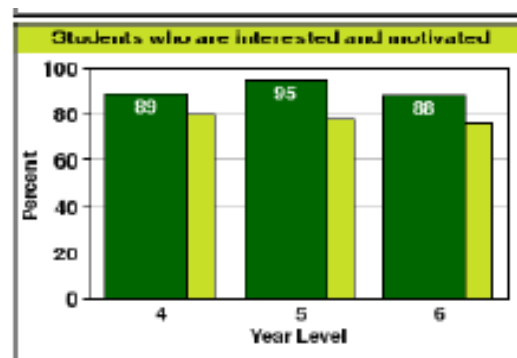
- 99% of students in this school valued School Outcomes. The NSW Govt norm for these years is 96%.
- 100% of the girls and 97% of the boys in this school valued School Outcomes. The NSW Govt norm for girls is 97% and for boys is 94%.



Students who are interested and motivated

Students are interested and motivated in their learning.

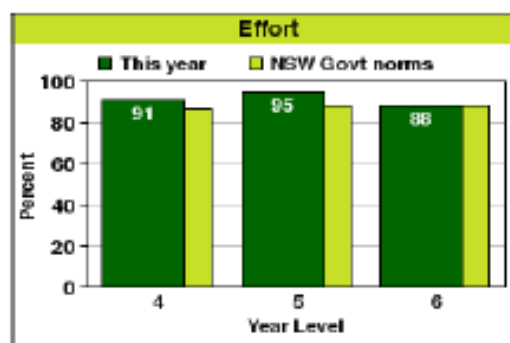
- 91% of students in this school were interested and motivated. The NSW Govt norm for these years is 78%.
- 87% of the girls and 94% of the boys in this school were interested and motivated. The NSW Govt norm for girls is 83% and for boys is 73%.



Effort

Students try hard to succeed in their learning.

- 91% of students in this school tried hard to succeed. The NSW Govt norm for these years is 88%.
- 97% of the girls and 86% of the boys in this school tried hard to succeed. The NSW Govt norm for girls is 90% and for boys is 85%.



Mothers Day Stall

Wednesday 10 May 11.30am
and
Friday 12 May 8.25 - 9.30am

prices will range from \$1 - \$15

Join us afterwards in the Gallery
on Friday 12th May for our
Mothers Day / Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea
at 11am
All are welcome!

