



# EHSHS Newsletter T1 2024

**Pic of Senior Band going on Music Tour 2024**

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## Principal's Report

I am so pleased to have this opportunity to thank you all for the warm welcome I have had in coming into the school. It has been wonderful meeting the students and starting to meet some of the parents and caregivers.

The start of term saw the launch of our Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) program. This research-based approach works to improve student outcomes by making sure that students get an appropriate level of support. It involves having a consistent approach to positive behaviour expectations and developing a common language and understanding of positive behaviour. As someone who is new to the school, it has been exciting to see staff and students embrace this approach. We are also appreciative of the positive feedback that we have received from a number of parents and caregivers.

As you are likely aware, Eastern Hills was granted \$1.5 million for a new STEM facility following the last state election. We are in the process of working with the architects to design the space, with the hope that the build will commence before the end of the school year. Our focus is on developing a space which encourages collaboration and supports students in developing 21st century skills.

It has been a busy term with the school and interschool swimming carnivals, NAPLAN and OLNA, and the band camp, to name a few. Student engagement has been outstanding with many of our students demonstrating our PBS value of **growth** by having a go, even when they find it challenging and outside of their comfort zone.

Finally, we have had the first P&C meeting of the 2024 school year. The work that this group does adds real value to Eastern Hills. Parent, caregiver, and community support are critical to the life of the school and to achieving the best possible outcomes for our students. The P&C meets once per term for approximately an hour each meeting. You are welcome to join us at our Term 2 meeting; details will be available on our social media in advance of the date.

Regards

Kristy Watson



## Superstars of ESHS



1 - Photo credit: School Sport WA

**Congratulations** to Lucius H for winning his third Interschool Swimming Champion Boy! Also congrats goes to Deagan T in Year 7 who was awarded Interschool Swimming Runner Up Boy, well done boys.



Massive GOOD LUCK to ESHS teacher Kenya and her horse Sandros who are off on their journey to the 2024 Paris Olympics!!!! They have been selected for the 2024 Australian Senior Oceania Eventing Team Championships being held in Hastings, NZ in March and then continuing to the UK in July where all our fingers and toes are crossed for them.



Congratulations to our Media students!

Two of our students were ranked in the top 19 ATAR films from across the state, Jade N and Jezemae M. for their films 'Perfection' and 'Dear Younger Me'. These were screened to 600 people from across the state at the Perspective Films Festival which screened on the 6th of March.

A group of our students, Jemima E., Sitara S., Stevie S., Amariah S. and Cleo B. from the Year 10 Advanced Media class of 2023 were nominated as a finalist for the Next Wave film festival for their film "The Clown". It is to be announced this April.

## NAPLAN



NAPLAN 2024

Thank you to all the Year 7 and Year 9 students who participated in NAPLAN this term. Student behaviour and participation was excellent. Well done to all students involved.

NAPLAN Reports will be issued to the school later in the year in order to be distributed to students/parents. Further information regarding this will be circulated at a later date.

A record 992 positive behaviour entries were added for students as a result of their exemplary behaviour during NAPLAN, well done!

## School of Isolated and Distance Education (SIDE)

There are several students in Years 11 and 12 at the school who are enrolled in distance education courses through the School of Isolated and Distance Education (SIDE) due to being unable to access desired courses owing to timetable constraints at the school.

SIDE delivers a high standard education using digital technologies to deliver online education programs. This occurs in two forms:

- **Synchronous**, real-time communication through the **Webex** web-conferencing platform. Students are timetabled for two Webex lessons per week for most subjects providing them with access to scheduled live instruction.
- **Asynchronous**, using Moodle to deliver learning and staff and student collaboration. Moodle provides 24/7 access with students completing work independently under the direction and guidance of their teachers. As with any enrolment in an upper school course students are provided with a course outline, an assessment plan an Assessment and Reporting Policy that complies with the requirements of the School Curriculum and Standards Authority. So students are well aware of what they need to know and how they will be assessed. SIDE teachers are in regular communication with schools and students. The school provides access to a quiet and well-equipped learning environment which supports the Webex and Moodle requirements. A dedicated SIDE supervisor (Deputy Principal) and a point of contact in the library manage timetable requirements and assist students with their day-to-day studies.

Students need to understand that while SIDE happens at the school the enrolment in SIDE courses is the responsibility of the School of Isolated and Distance Education not the school. Students have been provided with an *Assessment and Reporting Policy* through SIDE which they must observe regarding completion and submission of assessments. Incursions, excursions and school camps which impinge on their attendance at school must be communicated to their SIDE teachers and appropriate adjustments agreed to for any absences from participation in Webex lessons or for their inability to meet assessment deadlines. Any absences from school that affect SIDE deadlines must be communicated to SIDE through the Deputy Principal. Please read the assessment and reporting policy to understand what is required for the successful completion of SIDE courses.



## School Dress Code



I would like to sincerely acknowledge those parents and students who consistently meet the dress requirements of the school which enhances the profile of the school within the community. The dress code sets a positive standard for the school. It supports all students to participate fully in school life and helps to create a sense of identity amongst them and a school culture in which every student experiences a sense of belonging. The school dress code intends to keep costs of clothing within reasonable limits for parents.

Items not supported by the dress code will not be accepted by the school. Such items include black items, hooded jackets and items with highly visible logos or offensive.

The cold weather will be on its way next term, please ensure your child comes to school in the appropriate attire including plain navy pull over jumpers and long pants (no hoodies) and their school uniform shirts. Thank you.

## PE Update

### *House Swimming Carnival*

The annual House Swimming Carnival was held on the 23 February 2024 on what was a fine and sunny day. Conditions were ideal for fast times and lots of fun. The day ran smoothly thanks to the work of the House Captains and organising staff with swimmers trying their best to achieve the fastest times. Congratulations to all of the individual race winners and to the Champion Swimmers on the day and congratulations to Flynn for the Win!

The overall results for the House Swimming Carnival were:

Flynn - 1656

Carrick – 1572

Connolly – 1473

### *Interschool Swimming Carnival*

The Eastern Hills SHS Interschool Swimming team placed 5th at the School Sport WA Champion Schools Swimming Carnival held at HBF Stadium on the 8 March 2024. The team should be extremely proud of their efforts on the day. The following swimmers received individual awards at the carnival:

Deagan T Year 7 Runner Up Champion Boy

Lucius H Year 10 Champion Boy









*2 - Winners are Grinners*



*3 - Flynn for the Win*

## Outdoor Education

### *Omeo Wreck Snorkelling Excursions*

As part of our Outdoor Education program a number of Year 10 and 12 Outdoor Education classes have participated in excursions to the Coogee Maritime Trail to snorkel on the Omeo Wreck and surrounding snorkelling trail. The Omeo was a iron steamship built in 1858 that was used to lay the Bass Straight Telegraph cable and the Overland Telegraph linking Australia to Britain via Singapore. The Omeo was driven ashore and wrecked in 1905. This was an excellent opportunity for students to demonstrate their snorkelling skills learnt in class using the Mt Helena pool in a quality marine environment.





## Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) - Care, Pride and Growth

It has been an exciting start to the 2024 school year with the introduction of PBS to the school community. Students have participated in a range of PBS lessons based on the positive behaviour expectations of Care, Pride and Growth which are outlined in our PBS matrix.

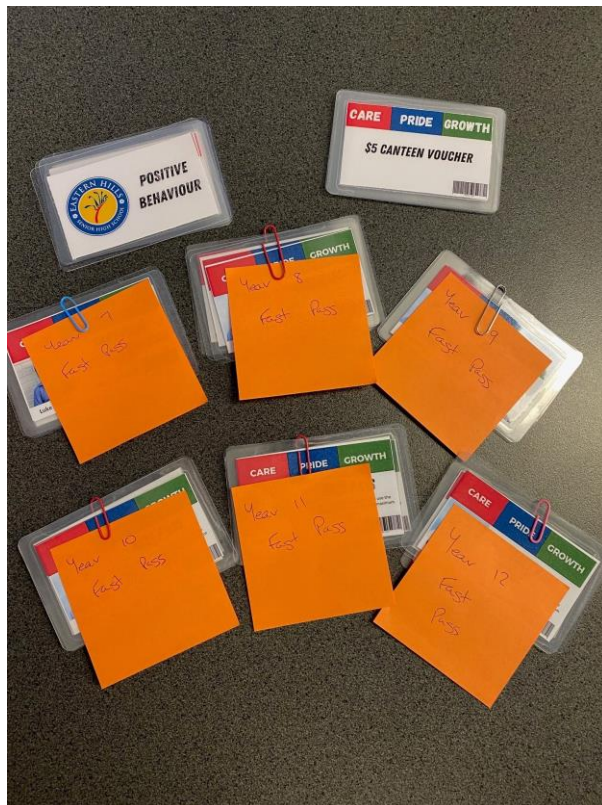
Staff have been awarding students positive points to acknowledge them when they display the expected behaviours. Parents/ Care givers can use the Compass App to monitor how many positive points have been collected. Students accumulate positive points which make them eligible to win prizes. The first reward raffle was conducted in Week 5 with \$5 canteen vouchers and Canteen Fast passes up for grabs. Congratulations to all students who received a prize.

Regular reward raffles and student acknowledgements are planned for the remainder of the year.

If you have any questions or feedback regarding PBS please feel free to contact Mr Scott Baker ([scott.baker@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:scott.baker@education.wa.edu.au)).







## Japanese Student Visit

We had 24 Japanese students join us at ESHS from 25th - 27th March. A big thank you to the **hosting families** from around the community who could make this possible. Each Japanese student

was buddied up with a fellow student at ESHS and joined them in their daily classes along with lots of extra special activities that were organised.

Special thanks goes to **Mrs Thomas** who took the cooking class in which they made some yummy Aussie Lamingtons.

**Mr Redwood** also hosted a Woodworking workshop in which they used the lathes and sanding machinery to make a spinning top. Many of the Japanese students had never seen or been in a workshop before and really enjoyed this new experience.

**BIG thank you and special mention goes to Ms Zhou** who worked tirelessly on organising the the fun filled schedule to make the experience for the visiting students a memorable one.







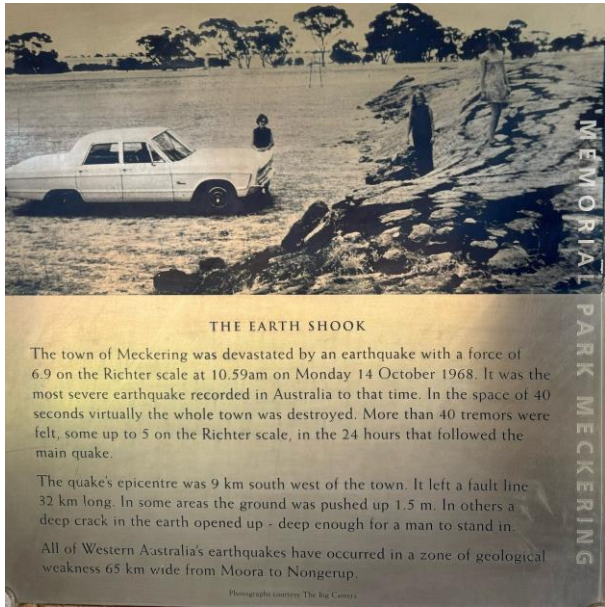


## Geography Excursion

In Term 1, the Year 11 Geography class conducted a field trip to Meckering/Cunderdin to investigate the cause and effects of the 1968 Meckering Earthquake. They heard firsthand accounts of the day and the months and years after the quake. They also experienced the Earthquake through the simulator “The Quake House” that is inside the Cunderdin Museum. They got to see some of the effects from the earthquake through visiting the “Snook House Ruins”, the Memorial Rose Garden

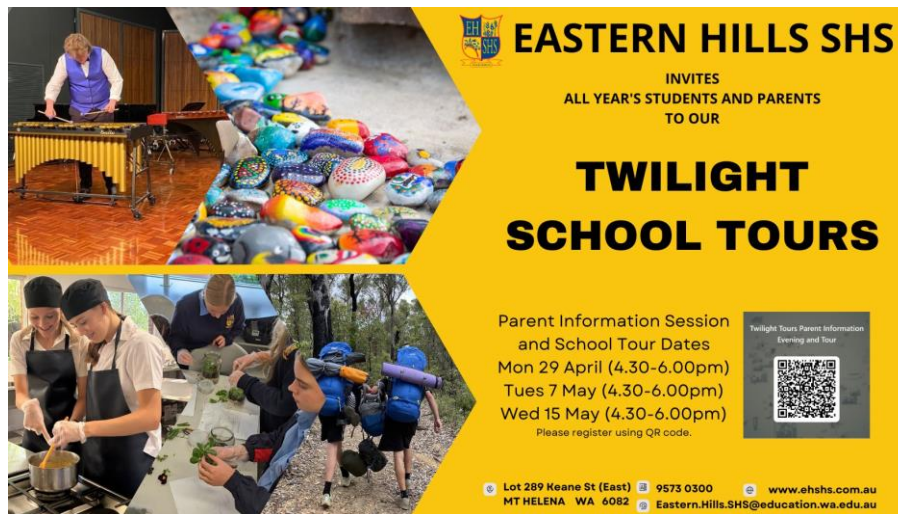
where damaged pieces of the rail and pipeline have been preserved, they visited a section of the Faultline that has been left by the owners of the farm which showed how the land was uplifted.





**Twilight Tours**  
***EHSHS Twilight Tours***

Twilight Tour flyers were sent out to our local catchment Primary Schools last week. If you know of any families interested in coming for a tour, help spread the word and get them to register through the QR code to come along and attend a parent information session and tour.



**EASTERN HILLS SHS**

INVITES  
ALL YEAR'S STUDENTS AND PARENTS  
TO OUR

**TWILIGHT  
SCHOOL TOURS**

Parent Information Session  
and School Tour Dates  
Mon 29 April (4.30-6.00pm)  
Tues 7 May (4.30-6.00pm)  
Wed 15 May (4.30-6.00pm)  
Please register using QR code.

Twilight Tours Parent Information  
Evening and Tour

Lot 289 Keane St (East) 9573 0300 www.ehshs.com.au  
MT HELENA WA 6082 Eastern.Hills.SHS@education.wa.edu.au

## Year 7 & 10 School Based Immunisations

The Year 7 and Year 10 school based immunisations online consent process has now been streamlined to make the process easier for parents.

This is a quick link to the online consent form [consentpublic \(health.wa.gov.au\)](https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fvaccinatewa.health.wa.gov.au%2Fs%2Fconsentpublic%3FdHlwZT1zYmlw&data=05|02|claudia.peet%40education.wa.edu.au|a436b414730b40fe0e7008dc4c8cbf4a|e08016f9d1fd4cbb83b0b76eb4361627|0|0|638469414597065140|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiv2luMzliLCJBTiil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D|0||&sdata=M7G7nBNpwuVfCjpR13hrhBSOU6OcpJDHxqn9IAy5HZs%3D&reserved=0)<sup>1</sup>

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Dear Parent/Caregiver

Your child is eligible for free vaccinations at school, protecting them against serious diseases.

**Year 10 students** (during terms 1 or 2) will be offered:

- 1 of menACWY vaccine (meningococcal ACWY).

**Year 7 students** (during terms 2, 3 or 4) will be offered:

- 1 of adolescent booster dTpa vaccine (diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough)
- 1 of HPV vaccine (human Papillomavirus).



#### Find out more

Scan this QR code to learn more about the **School-based immunisation program** or visit: [healthywa.wa.gov.au/Schoolimmunisations](https://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Schoolimmunisations)



This page also has information in other languages.



#### Consent

You can provide consent online through this secure **online consent form**. Scan this QR code to register your child online or visit [healthywa.wa.gov.au/Schoolimmunisations](https://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Schoolimmunisations) for a printable consent form.



#### Need help?

For help with registering and providing consent



[SBIP@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:SBIP@health.wa.gov.au)



9222 2486

If you have a question



[CAHS.CHSBIP@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:CAHS.CHSBIP@health.wa.gov.au)  
(School-Based Immunisation Nursing team)

## School Photos

School photos are due to arrive on the second week back of Term 2. They will be given to form teachers to hand out for students to bring home.



## Important Dates



- **Monday 15th April - First day back for students**
- **Thursday 25th April - ANZAC DAY Public Holiday**

- Thursday 9th May - Year 9 & 10 Lightning Carnival
- Monday 13th May - Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 16th-17th May - Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
- 21st & 22nd May - Mid Year Concerts
- Monday 3rd June - WA DAY Public Holiday
- Wednesday 19th June - Year 8 Lightning Carnival
- Wednesday 19th June - Farewell Tour Music Concert
- **Friday 28th June - Last day of Term for students**



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*EHSHS would like to wish our families a Happy and Safe School Holidays*

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## Contact Us



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