

Esperance Anglican Community School

A school of The Anglican Schools Commission Inc

Comment from Principal – 26th February 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of Week 4 which seems hardly believable but things are settling-down nicely and in a positive manner.

Co-curricular Activities

One of the positive aspects is the willingness of my colleagues to offer a range of activities during the School week, either in lunch-time or after School. Students have certainly been advised of what is on offer but you may wish to know that the following activities are available:

Dance Robotics (T2) Chess English Sailing (tbc) Public Speaking Strings Ensemble Drama Discussion Group History/SOSE Homework Club Duke of Edinburgh's Award OLNA preparation Sports Bar Award Cookery

Face-painting Country Week sports **Mathematics** Tennis Band Bible Study

Not a bad menu from which to select something!

Forthcoming Events

The Calendar on the website, SEQTA and *Skoolbag* is kept up-to-date on a regular basis but just to highlight some events in the next week or so:

Tuesday 1 st March	1515 OLNA Mathematics Tutorial
Wednesday 2 nd March	1515 English OLNA Tutorial
	1730 Meeting for parents of students in Years 11 & 12
Thursday 3 rd March	0900 Volleyball Clinic
Monday 7 th March	Public Holiday – School Closed
-	Years 7-9 Camp departs*

*This week was the only one available at Metricup

SEQTA Engage

I do hope that you all now have the log-in details for SEQTA Engage which allows you to access the relevant pages of the database to keep you informed of the work being covered in your child's class and the progress being made. We are developing the use of SEQTA in many ways and if parents and students all use it as well we will find ourselves benefiting

immensely from it. If you do not have log-in details, or are having problems please contact, in the first instance, Mr Iain Clark who is the resident 'guru' on SEQTA.

Communications

I hope, too, that you have had no problems using the other ways in which we communicate with you namely *Facebook*, the website, *Skoolbag* and email; however please let me know of any issues in order that I can resolve them.

Equipment

Could I ask, please, that you ensure your child has all the necessary equipment as specified in the book lists? We have already noticed that several students are not using the correct notebooks and files which is causing organisational issues such as lost notes or homework. We have been monitoring this aspect and some of you may be contacted by your child's Tutor where we feel there are difficulties. My thanks for your help and understanding on this.

Fees

Finally I hope you will forgive me for raising a rather sensitive topic in a candid manner. If you have not paid the fees for your child, or have not yet set up a payment plan, please make sure that you do so as soon as possible in the interests of both fairness and financial probity. If you are having genuine difficulties in meeting the costs of an education here please approach me to see how we might be able to assist. In most cases an early meeting helps prevent problems from escalating; I have no wish to disrupt the education of any student.

It promises to be a hot weekend which I hope you will enjoy together.

With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Kerr

P. Kerr Fulton-Peebles Principal