



EASTERN GOLDFIELDS
Education Support Centre

THE BUZZ

about Eastern Goldfields Education Support Centre

Principals Message

Dear Families,

It brings me great joy to witness our students settling into their new classes and school routines with such enthusiasm. Establishing good habits from the start is crucial for fostering a conducive learning environment.

I am equally pleased to share that our Year 11 and 12 students are well on their way to preparing for post-school life. They have begun their workplace learning, TAFE, and life skills programs, laying the foundation for their future endeavours.

This past Friday, we held our first assembly, and I must commend all students for their exemplary manners and impeccable behaviour as attentive audience members. Their conduct truly reflected the values we strive to instil at our school.

I would like to extend my gratitude to all who joined us at the welcome BBQ, have come in for assembly and have met with your teachers in person or over technology. These are excellent opportunities to strengthen our school community bonds. Additionally, a special thank you to the parents who dedicated their time to attend the School Council meeting on Tuesday night. Your support is invaluable, and we appreciate your active involvement in our school.

Recently there has been media coverage regarding the implementation of the 'Right to Disconnect' clause for our staff members, I want to underscore the significance of this initiative in ensuring the wellbeing of our dedicated staff. By establishing boundaries around work and personal time, we aim to promote a healthier work-life balance and support our staff in managing their workloads effectively. The implication of this implementation is that there is no expectation for our teachers to work outside of their regular working hours, including respond to calls or email communications.

I want to remind you that NAPLAN is approaching. This is an opportunity for our students to contribute to national data. If your child is in Year 7 or 9, you will receive more information regarding this assessment soon.

As the term progresses, we eagerly anticipate more opportunities to recognise and celebrate the successes of our students. Stay tuned for further details on upcoming celebrations and events.

Mary-Ellen Pilason

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT
4 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
8 March	School Photos
13 –25 March	NAPLAN
21 March	Harmony Day
26 March	Epilepsy and Autism Awareness Day
22 March	School Assembly 9am
27 March	Good Standing Activity Lunch & Disco
28 March	Last day of Term 1

Eastern Goldfields ESC

Boomerang Crescent,
Kalgoorlie WA 6430

Phone 9092 0000

easterngoldfields.ESC@education.wa.edu.au

Office Hours - 8am to 4pm

EGESC Contact Information Term 1, 2024

Our dedicated team of staff members bring a wealth of experience and expertise to ensure the education and welfare needs of your child are met.

For day-to-day matters regarding your child's **education and well-being**, please communicate directly with your student's Classroom Teacher. They are your first point of contact for any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress or classroom experience.

Should you have any enquiries specifically related to **Workplace Learning**, you are encouraged to reach out to Rosana Dos-Santos or Denise Waterman directly. They will be happy to assist you with any queries or support you may need in this area.

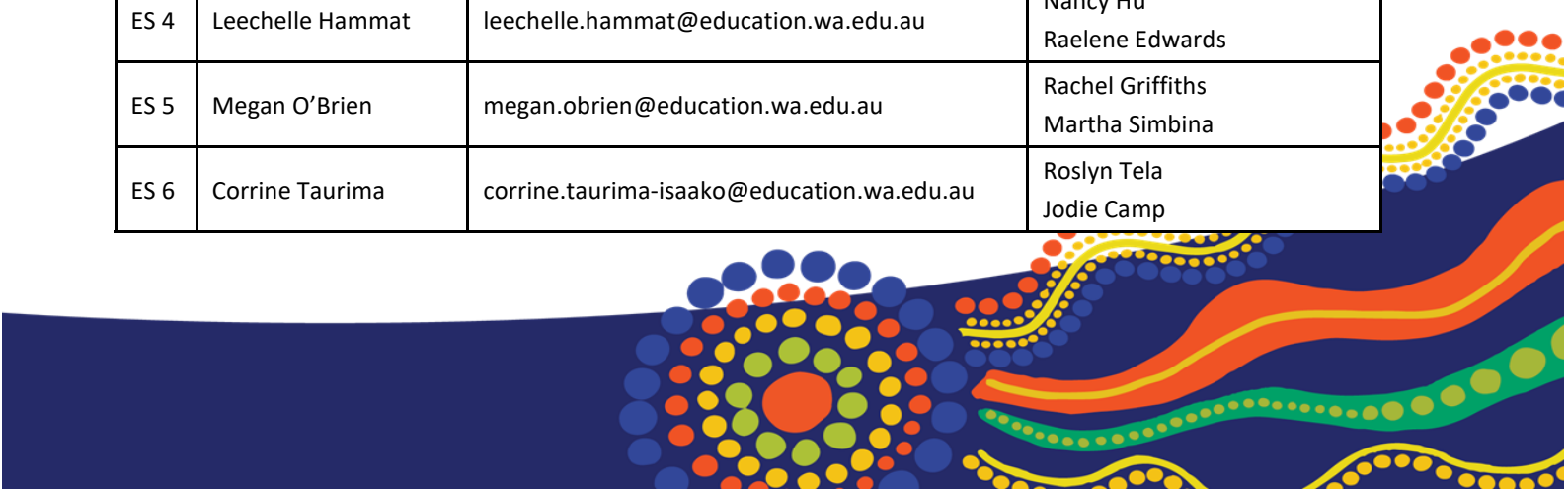
For all other **school-related enquiries, including general questions, administrative matters, or appointments**, please contact Jess Thompson. Jess serves as our primary point of contact for school-wide communication and administrative support.

Additionally, our executive team is readily available should you require any **additional assistance or information**. We are here to support you and ensure that your experience with our school is positive and productive.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education and well-being. We look forward to working together to support their growth and success throughout the year.

Role	Staff Name	Staff Contact
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Middle School Admin 9092 0000	Jess Thompson	jessica.thompson3@education.wa.edu.au
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Psychologist	Alisha Davis Angelina Fernandez	To be contacted via Executive referral
Chaplain	Blair Siebert-Wilson	To be contacted via Executive referral

Class	Teacher	Teacher Email	Education Assistants
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HIGHLIGHTS

□ **Junior Students:** Our junior students have seamlessly transitioned into their new cooking environments. These past weeks have focused on introducing them to the language and essential skills used in the kitchen. The joy on their faces as they master the basics is truly heart-warming!

□ **Middle School Students:** The middle schoolers have kicked off the year with a burst of energy, diving deep into the world of Asian cuisine. From crafting mouth-watering chicken katsu rice bowls to mastering the delicate art of spring roll preparation, they've been on a culinary journey exploring their favourite flavours. Honey soy noodles have become a classroom favourite, showcasing their new-found skills and creativity.

□ **Senior Students:** Our seniors, in their new challenging senior school environment, have not only risen to the occasion but have exceeded expectations. Their teamwork skills were on full display as they collaboratively created a picture-perfect pecan pie. Their attention to detail and dedication to the craft have left us all in awe.



The year 12 students started their work placement journey Thursday (15/02/2024) and Year 11 students just started their work placement learning (22/02/2024).

We wish all the best for all of them!

We take this opportunity to thank all the organisations from our community for the support in offering to our Senior Students workplaces.

Together we are stronger!



SCHOOL EVENTS

Weekly Commencing Week 5

BREAKFAST

CLUB

COMING SOON



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR
WEDNESDAY MORNING
FROM 8AM SET UP
OR
8:40AM: CLEAN UP



please contact the school
9092 0000



Thursday March 21st = Harmony Day:

Students are welcome to wear orange or cultural clothing and to bring a plate to share, that represents their culture on this day. Families are welcome to join us for shared lunch in the courtyard at 1:25pm.

Well done to our recent merit certificate recipients

- Bronson Heke
- Aed Forde
- Bradley Gibb
- Halle Papertalk
- Jasmin Morrison
- Kieran Gordon
- Lachlan Wende
- Matthew Bessell
- Rais Haji-Dolman



Tuesday March 26th
Epilepsy & Autism Awareness Day

A gold coin donation to wear the colours purple or blue. All money received will be divided equally and donated towards Epilepsy and Autism Funding.



2024 Term Dates:

Term 1: Jan 31 to Mar 28

Term 2: April 15 to June 28

Term 3: July 16 to Sep 20

Term 4: Oct 8 to Dec 12

Notification of Absence

A reminder - If your child is absent or going to be absent from school, could you please notify the school by one of the following options as per the school's communication policy:

An email to easterngoldfields.esc@education.wa.edu.au

A phone call to 9092 0000 or A text message to 0437 050 441



Students can collect a locker key from admin to lock their devices in during the day.

Keep updated on school events and information by visiting our school website and Facebook page

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