

EGGSNEWS



Epsom Girls
Grammar School

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Year 13 Unicorn and Vacuum Cleaners Conference Day

Dear parents and caregivers

Congratulations to students who were involved in the cast, orchestra and crew of the Production at Auckland Grammar School recently, and congratulations to the organisers of the Year 13 Unicorn and Vacuum Cleaners Conference Day.

Students will be at home on Wednesday of next week – parents and caregivers have received an email regarding this combined secondary and primary teacher unions' strike day. In the following week the annual mid-year Staff Planning Day is on the Tuesday after Queen's Birthday Weekend, and students will be at home that day also.

Educators throughout the country are deeply concerned about conditions and pay rates for teachers. The concern is, of course, also related to recruitment and retention of a quality teaching workforce into the future. University graduates are not choosing secondary teaching in the numbers usual in the past and a major factor in this is that initial pay rates, and then steps for advancement in pay, are not attractive.

Yesterday I received notification from Public Health relating to the measles outbreak currently being experienced in a number of areas. More information can be found in the poster they supplied on Page 2 of this edition of EGGNEWS and on the Public Health website <http://www.arphs.health.nz/public-health-topics/disease-and-illness/measles/>

Tonight we look forward to the Year 13 Ball. The Head Prefect Team are all set for the Prefects' Campaign Week next week – starting with cake pops on Monday, and I hope everyone has a good Queen's Birthday Weekend at the end of next week.

Ngā mihi / Regards

Lorraine Pound - Principal

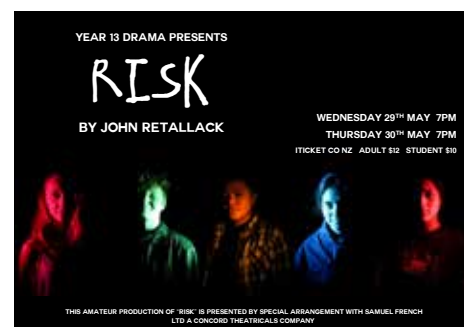
Coming up in Week 5....

Mon 27-31 May	Campaign Week
Wed 29 May	Teacher Strike - School closed for instruction
Wed 29-30 May	Year 13 Drama Production
Thur 30 May	Music Concert - Akld Library

Coming up in Week 6

Mon 3 Jun	Queen's Birthday
Tue 4 Jun	Staff Planning Day - School closed for instruction
Wed 5 Jun	Choral Concert, School Hall

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GENERAL NEWS

Learning EGG



Over the last few weeks of Term 1 and the first fortnight of Term 2, the Learning Egg Committee spearheaded a stationery drive, encouraging EGGs students to donate new and unused stationery to a decile 1 school. This initiative also ran last year, so we cast the net wider for a deserving recipient in 2019, coming up with Clendon Park School in South Auckland. Last week, the learning prefects took the 5 boxes of donated stationery to the school and enjoyed the opportunity to chat with the principal, deputy and student leaders, one of whom hopes to attend EGGs next year! The learning committee would like to thank the school and parent community for their support of this initiative and wishes to pass on the gratitude of Clendon Park School for the generosity of our 'pride'!

Measles in Auckland schools

Please vaccinate your child or young person if they have not had one measles (MMR) vaccine. It is free at your GP.

Students in a class with someone who has measles may be asked to stay home for one to two weeks, if they have had no MMR vaccinations.

Students with one or more MMR vaccinations can still attend school.

Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles

Check your child's immunisation records in their Well Child/Tamariki Ora book or ring your GP clinic.

Tell your GP or after hours clinic if you suspect measles before you arrive, so you don't infect others.

Symptoms: cough, runny nose, fever, sore red eyes, then a rash.

Auckland Regional Public Health Service
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Auckland Regional Health



Learner Licence workshops

<https://at.govt.nz/driving-parking/road-safety/young-drivers/learner-driver-licence-workshops/>

Restricted Licence workshops

<https://at.govt.nz/driving-parking/road-safety/young-drivers/restricted-driver-licence-workshops/>

CURRICULUM NEWS

Year 13 Unicorns and Vacuum Cleaners Conference

May 21st was a very busy, exciting, informative and special day for the entire Year 13.

Organized by the student leaders of the Learning Egg and the Community Egg the girls were bedazzled by seven key note speakers and then attended two of eight organised workshops. The aim of the day was to provide experiences and knowledge to support the students as they move from their schooling years to life beyond school.

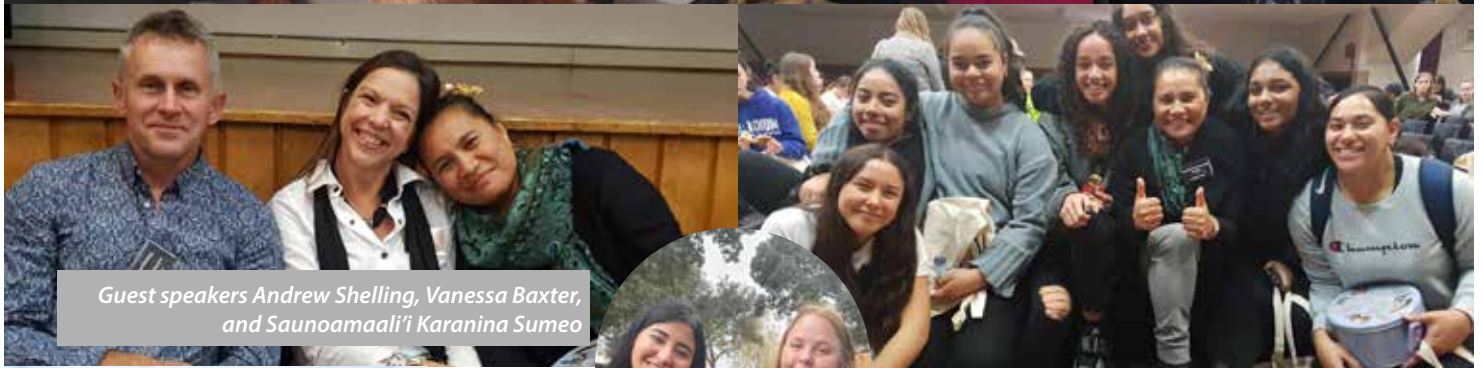
They learned self defence, used VR helmets for design skills, learned about Uni and trades, got advice from teachers and heard from speakers in mental health, careers and finance.

Community Leaders:

Sophie Larsen, Katherine Nicholls, Sophie Chisholm, Rozhina Moradi

Learning Leaders:

Rebecca Kerr, Ally Langenkamp, Ariba Iqbal, Jennifer Chen



EPSOM MUSIC NEWS

Choral Showcase Concert

Wednesday 5th June, 7.30pm

Come along and hear our wonderful EGGs choirs!

Epsom Singers, Canto Vivo, and Paradisum present three exciting programmes of choral music in preparation for the Big Sing competition.

Also featuring special guest choirs Grammar Voices and Grammarphonics.

Tickets \$5 – door sales only.

Chamber Music

EGGS alumna Dianna Cochrane, who is principal second violin in the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra, has been working with our chamber music groups over the past two weeks. We are lucky to have such an experienced chamber music mentor and the groups have learned a lot in their sessions.


Best of luck to all EGGs students competing in the National Chamber Music Contest on the 5th-8th June.

Contemporary Music

Last week New Zealand singer-songwriter Lisa Crawley gave a workshop on performance and songwriting for Epsom Music students. Lisa will also be working with EGGs songwriters on their Play It Strange and Rockquest entries, which is a valuable opportunity for these students.

City Library Concert

Epsom Music groups Paradisum and Chamber Orchestra, along with solo pianists Kelly Liu, Corliss Chu, and Lily Zou, will be performing a public concert in Auckland City Library on the 30th May at 12pm. This concert is part of Auckland City Library's Heritage Concert series.



Epsom Music presents

EPSOM CHORAL SHOWCASE

Featuring Canto Vivo, Epsom Singers, and Paradisum
With special guest choirs Grammar Voices and Grammarphonics

WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE 2019
7:30PM | \$5 AT THE DOOR
EPSOM GIRLS GRAMMAR SCHOOL HALL

YEAR 13 DRAMA PRESENTS

RISK

BY JOHN RETALLACK

WEDNESDAY 29TH MAY 7PM

THURSDAY 30TH MAY 7PM

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THIS AMATEUR PRODUCTION OF 'RISK' IS PRESENTED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH SAMUEL FRENCH LTD A CONCORD THEATRICALS COMPANY

OGA NEWS

EGGS OGA 98th AGM

Our 98th AGM will be held on Monday 10th June. We love connecting with Old Girls at this event and this year we are especially pleased that BOT Chairman Chris Iles will be attending, giving him an opportunity to meet with Old Girls. In addition to formal business, the AGM enables us to mix and mingle over drinks and nibbles. On the night, we'll be acknowledging new Honorary Members, including Marama O'Loughlin who retired last year after 17 years at EGGs. We invite Old Girls to join us.

EGGS Founders Assembly

On Tuesday 18th June we'll be honouring our 2019 Founders Award Recipients at a special School Assembly. We held a private ceremony for the late Ro Bellamy in March, due to her illness, and we will honour our other Founders at the Assembly.

Year 13 Graduation Dinner

We have already started making plans for this year's Grad Dinner, which is set for Wednesday 3rd December. It's always a lovely occasion, marking the end of school days for Year 13 students and their families. We look forward to enjoying the occasion with this year's leavers in December. Mark the date in your diaries!

Sally Blyth & Lynley Sheweiry - OGA Co-Presidents



Year 12 Photography trip to Highwic House



Last week we celebrated Pink Shirt day to stand up against bullying. It was great to see many students and staff wearing pink. "Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!"



Year 12 Sports Science Camp

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Epsom House Relief Staff

Epsom House – our boarding facility – is looking for relief staff. We have various roles that sometimes require cover and we are looking to have a pool of staff who would be able to help out when called upon. The various roles could cover breakfast supervision (6.30am – 10.00am) or an evening position (5.00pm – 10.00pm) or helping out during the day over a weekend or after school. Delicious meals are provided with the role. You will receive some training and other staff are always on hand to help you.

If you think this sounds like you please get in touch with Chris Barnes – cbarnes@eggs.school.nz and she will be happy to show you through Epsom House and give you the opportunity to talk with other staff members. This role would not be suitable for any male applicants.



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FOUNDATION NEWS

Help us build a brighter future for Epsom Girls

The L Block renovation will create positive outcomes for young women, a multi-functional space for connected and collaborative studying and a stronger sense of community.



We have begun renovating our L Block into a flexible multi-functional learning environment. L Block is the weatherboard building to the left of the Marjory Adams Hall as you walk into the school from Silver Road. You will have noticed the cyclone security fencing placed around the perimeter in preparation for the commencement of the building work.

Make a donation today – we have almost achieved our target

Yes, we are still taking donations!

To contribute please complete a [donation form](#).

The school is raising **\$150,000** to extend the flexible learning environment to a multi-purpose outdoor space. This space will be for breakout learning, meetings, individual and group work and covered recreational space for lunchtimes. With your generous support we can complete the entire build.

Help us provide our students with an outdoor area that:

- encourages creative and critical thinking
- optimises learning
- betters student achievement
- provides access to the winter sun's light and heat
- provides protection from summer heat and sun
- gives shelter from the rain during all seasons

The flexible learning environment creates positive, supportive relationships between students and teachers and forms the basis for our learning. The space will be a vibrant, well connected, physical environment that encourages and supports our students through their EGGs journey.



What is the Donor Wall of Honour?

The Donor Wall of Honour will be a permanent exhibit of individual or family names featured on a dedicated wall inside L Block. While honouring your family, an individual, friends or lost loved ones, you will at the same time help us transform L Block into an innovative learning space.

How can I place a name on the Donor Wall of Honour?

The names of individuals and families will be inscribed on the Wall of Honour for posterity as gifts of remembrance through donations made to advance learning at EGGGS. You can place a name on the Wall of Honour by completing an [online donation form](#). For each contribution of \$500.00, your name will go on in perpetuity allowing future generations to benefit from your kindness.

[Click here to become a permanent part of EGGGS history](#)

Alternatively, you can contribute any amount you choose, small or large.

Create a lasting legacy



Making a gift in your will is a unique way of reflecting your own interests, passion and vision for the future success of Epsom Girls Grammar School in areas of education, sports facilities and resources, teaching or community benefit. Whether you wish your gift to be made in memory of someone close to you, to carry on your own name in perpetuity or to be given anonymously, it is a gift with value and that on-going will make a difference to thousands of young women every year.

Speak in confidence with the Foundation Office by phone 09 970 6753 or by email foundation@eggs.school.nz if you're interested in leaving a lasting legacy.

Please download our [My Legacy](#) booklet for more information.

For more information [click here](#)

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Ultimate Frisbee

Congratulations to the following Epsom students who were in the Auckland Ultimate Frisbee team who took out the NZ Youth Championship title during the holidays: Tyla Bow, Ella Lamb, Olivia Judd, Emma Whitlock, Lily Botting, Cynthia Zhou, Briana Su'a, Vicki Lee and Epsom Old Girl Lucy Parson!



Underwater Hockey



Congratulations to Terri Warner who has been selected into the U19 Underwater Hockey Team to represent New Zealand at the Age Group World Champs in August!



Cross Country

Epsom had a great group of students who represented Epsom at Auckland Central Zones Cross Country Champs last week!

Congratulations to the team on the Top 10 placings:

- Tess Swinson - 2nd Junior Girls
- Lucy Clark - 9th Intermediate Girls
- Jemma Cherguit - 6th Senior Girls
- Terri Warner - 8th Senior Girls
- Zaria Ireland - 9th Senior Girls
- 3 Person Team - 2nd Senior Girls

Thank you to Mrs Krishnan who was TIC for the day and the parents who transported and supported the team!



HIRE OUR FACILITIES



Epsom Girls Grammar School has a variety of venues and spaces for hire during evenings, weekends and school holidays.

For enquiries about the Marjorie Adams Hall, Outdoor Courts, Gymnasiums, The Joyce Fisher Sports Centre, Dance Rooms, Field, Lecture Theatre and Classrooms, please contact :

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