# EGGSNEWS Epsom Girls Grammar School





Year 11 Sports Science surf trip to Pataua North

Dear parents, caregivers and students

Summer Tournament has meant some wonderful results across a number of codes. Thank you to all staff and parents who supported the competition, and congratulations to team members. See Pages 6 - 10 for full details.

Students interested in signing up for sports should watch for sign-up and trial dates in the Student Notices, available when they login to KAMAR.

Mrs Milner, the Deputy Principal who liaises with Year 13, has been awarded a Ministry of Education term sabbatical, which she will be taking during Term 2. We wish her the very best for this, and Ms Jaclyn Druitt will be Acting Deputy Principal for the term.

This week with the Year 12 Growing Leadership Summit and the Year 13 Unicorns and Vacuum Cleaners Summit, as well as Student Led Conferences at all year levels, it has been an opportunity for reflection and for looking ahead. The two days also provide seniors an opportunity to put extended time into end of term assessments. It has been good to have conversations with students and their families as they have come in for Conferences.

Today, Jennifer Ward-Lealand was the keynote for Year 13 which was a real privilege. I would like to thank Jennifer and also all workshop presenters for both summits this week. Congratulations go to the organisers, staff and student leaders from Community and Learning, who planned the programmes.

After Easter, we look forward to Fia Fia Night – Saturday 10 April. Groups are putting hard work into preparations for this event and for Polyfest.

I hope everyone has a good break over Easter. School will be back next Wednesday – normal Wednesday late start.

#### Ngā mihi / Regards Lorraine Pound – Principal

#### Coming up in Week 10....

Mon 5 Apr	Easter Monday
Tue 6 Apr	Easter Tuesday
Sat 10 Apr	Fia Fia Night

#### Coming up in Week 11....

Mon 12 Apr	Student Council Mufti Day
Wed 14-17 Apr	Polyfest
Fri 16 Apr	End of Term 1
	OGA Women in Law Event, 6pm

#### TO VIEW MORE EVENTS CLICK HERE >





#### Pasifika Fono

The EGGS first Pasifika Fono for the year was held on Wednesday, the 17th of March from 5-6pm in the Judith Potter Centre. The Pasifika team together with the student committee had a talanoa session to discuss the year's upcoming highlights.





# Light and Dark 2020 Competition winner



Now in it's seventh year, artists across Aotearoa enter into Yoobee's Light & Dark character design competition. Light & Dark focuses





on the art of emotion. Contestants create a character by hand, or animation, that embodies two contrasting emotions; one light emotion, and one dark emotion.

Congratulations to Eva Hu who won 1st place. The prize includes a One Year Scholarship to Yoobee's Bachelor of Animation Degree, or Bachelor of Software Engineering Degree.

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

#### **Personal Assistant to the Principal**

This position provides support to the Principal and requires excellent interpersonal and communication skills, highly developed IT and administrative skills, a collaborative and proactive attitude, professionalism and flexibility. The position includes the role Secretary for the School Board and a Human Resources component.

For full details and application visit https://www.eggs.school.nz/about-us/work-at-eggs/

Applications close: Thursday, 15 April

## **CURICULUM NEWS**

#### **Learning Conferences**

Thank you to all of the Students and Whānau who braved the weather and came in for conferences this week. We value this opportunity to meet with families and to see students leading conversations about their learning. If you would like to provide feedback, please use this google form.

#### **Sports Science Trip**

Last week 85 students from the Year 11 Sports Science course had a trip away to beautiful Pataua North in Northland to learn how to surf. While a handful of students had surfed before, for the majority, this was a new experience. Students were taught by instructors from the Surfpad Surf School and had three days of surf practice. The conditions were tough on some days, with a strong wind making it difficult to paddle out but many students managed to be able to catch a wave, stand up and surf into the shore. While they were away on camp, students stayed at the Pataua Outdoor Education centre, planned and cooked all their own meals and applied information they had been learning about in class (related to learning a new skill), to learning to surf. Well done everyone for an impressive surfing effort.



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EGGS CAREER EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN IN TRADES**



New Zealand's post COVID-19 pandemic economic recovery depends upon construction and infrastructure investment; however, this industry has a skills shortage. This means there are lots of opportunities for women in trades. Studying towards a trades qualification has a number of advantages including getting paid while you learn, no student debt and opportunities to start your own business. If you are a tradesperson interested in smashing gender stereotypes, we would love it if you could come and speak to our students about your work. If interested, please contact lpulsford@eggs.school.nz

# Manatū Wāhine | The Ministry for Women has three detailed publications about women in trades <u>here</u>.

On a related topic, Te Amorangi Mātauranga Matua | The Tertiary Education Commission has released a <u>report</u> which identifies patterns of unconscious ethnic, gender, and socioeconomic bias that often limit young people's career aspirations and choices. For example, boys are more likely to choose builder, engineer and farmer; while girls are more likely to choose teacher, artist or singer. The EGGS Career Education team would like to help end career stereotypes and tertiary educators we have spoken to are keen to increase the number of women studying Trades, IT and Engineering. Please encourage your teen to book a career session so we can discuss all of the career options available to them.

#### **CONTACT US:** https://eggscareereducation.simplybook.me





## SPORT

#### **Summer Tournament Week**

Our EGGS Sports teams represented the school with pride and performed extremely well.

A very successful summer tournament week across all our sports! It was amazing to see so many sports going ahead and reinforces how lucky we are here in NZ to do so. EGGS sports teams included Basketball, Cricket, Dragon Boating, Rowing, Ultimate Frisbee, Waka Ama, Waterpolo and Yachting. All sports fought right to the end showing encouragement, dedication, and hard work. Here are the results from each sport:

#### **Basketball 3x3**

Placed 8th out of 20 teams in the Senior A grade.

#### Cricket

Won the Auckland qualifying tournament, qualifying for nationals in December.

#### **Dragon Boating**

5 medals total- 4 gold and 1 silver, placing 1st overall.

#### Rowing

Maadi Bronze U17 4 – Jessica Mabey, Brianna Jolly, Francesca Carr-Smith, Pepper Hall and Coxswain, Sophia Jones U18 8+ crews 5th & 7th in their B final

U18 novice 4+ place 8th in the A final U15 8+ placed 5th in the A final U17 8+ Place 6th in the A final

#### **Ultimate Frisbee**

1st Place at Nationals.



#### Waka Ama

J19 - 9th in 250 Champ Final J16 - Semis (top 16 in NZ)

#### Waterpolo

4th Place at NISS.

#### Yachting

4th Place in the competition (mixed grade), 1st Placed female team by a large margin.





#### Lacrosse





On the weekend of 13th and 14th March we had some EGGS students who were selected to participate in the U18 National Lacrosse Tournament. Outstanding achievement from Ella Freemon, Sophia Webb and Sienna Niell for making the tournament team! Not only did these students make the tournament team we also had Hanna Brathwaite, Lucy Johnston, Sophia Johnston and Isobel Allan selected to join Ella, Sophia and Sienna in the overall team taking out 2nd place. Well done!

#### **Junior Waterpolo**

Junior Waterpolo is underway for 2021, with the team kicking off the year with a great performance at a one-day-tournament (ODT) held on Saturday 20 March. The team had two games, taking out the win in each, with a 3 – 2 victory against Carmel and 6 – 3 victory against Northcote. A massive well done to the team!

The Junior squad is training on Wednesday mornings 7.30 – 9.00am at the EGGS school pool for the rest of Term 1 – any and all students interested in joining Waterpolo this year can still come along to trial. For more information contact Miss Ali – <u>yali@apps.eggs.school.nz</u>



#### **Senior Waterpolo**

The Epsom Senior Waterpolo team had a very successful weekend playing at the North Island Secondary Schools tournament in Auckland from the 25th – 28th March. The team had a strong start in the pool play coming top of their pool and advancing through to the top 4. A tough semi-final against Mount Maunganui saw EGGS play Mount Albert Grammar School (MAGS) for the bronze medal match, with a final score of 10 - 4 to MAGS. A huge achievement for the team to finish in 4th place overall, well done! A special mention to Olivia Burt (Year 12) for an outstanding performance across the tournament and to captain Jamie Ashforth (Year 13) for her team leadership and dominance across the National tournament in the April school holidays – good luck to the team!





#### **Yachting**

Last week the Auckland Cup Regionals were held at the Royal Akarana Yacht Club. The regatta was very successful for the EGGS sailing team who managed to earn a place in gold fleet after the first round robin. After some competitive sailing Epsom placed 4th overall behind three all-boys teams resulting in Epsom Girls Grammar placing 1st girls team in the regatta.

#### Swimming

The SNZ Secondary School Open Water Events had three possible events, a 3.5km swim, a 1km swim or a 500m swim. Hannah Henson competed in both the 3.5km and the 1km events. For the 3.5km event she placed 21st in the 14-15 age category completing the course in the fantastic times of 53 min 15 seconds. In the 1km event she placed 13th with a time of 11 min 57 seconds. Olivia Bates competed in the 3.5km and placed 2nd in the 12-13 age category completing the course in the astounding time of 45 min 50 seconds – she was also the 10th female to finish from the 320 females entered.

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#### Football

Congratulations to Stella Lawson, Sienna Neill, Emily Pilbrow, Katherine Fulton, Breearne Illing and Ella Mackay for taking out the U17 National Champs! Thank you to Jordan Roberts our Junior A coach for assisting.



#### **Ultimate Frisbee**

The Ultimate Frisbee nationals team had a wonderful 2 day tournament in Taupo for NZSS. Everyone played super well in each game and the team spirit was extremely high. They fought hard and ended up winning the final against the Wellington competitors HVHS with a score of 9-6. So proud of the team and also a huge shoutout to all our supporters, parents and teachers that came down and of course our amazing coach!





#### Volleyball

Last week our Senior Volleyball team participated in the Auckland Champs 3 day tournament. Many of the games being so close, always lots of fun. Well-done team!

#### **Dragon Boating**

Our Dragon Boating team had a successful regatta at Lake Hood in Ashburton over Friday and Saturday. With a total of 14 races (heats and finals) for the students over 2 days, we came away with a medal in all events. We got 5 medals total-4 gold and 1 silver.

We placed 2nd in the standard boat 2km race, 1st in the 200m and 500m standard boat race and also our small boat of Epsom Blue placed 1st in the 200m and 500m races. Standard boats are made up of 20 paddlers and small boats only 10 paddlers but the same boats are used for each race.

We were lucky enough to have sky sport next covering our nationals live and videos can be found on youtubehttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-4z4VXldgKl

if you skip to 30 minutes you'll see the final race of the 200m final in standard boats- this was a special race for the boat after they finished 3rd and 2nd in the heats prior to this win!!

Regionals is 2 weeks away on the 11th of April at Lake Pupuke if you want to see more races first hand!





#### **FACILITIES FOR HIRE**

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

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

Facilities Manager kholmes@eggs.school.nz



# Don't miss the Raye Freedman Arts Centre's screening of Revolt She Said!

#### Friday, 09 April at 6pm

Directed by EGGS old girl, Louise Lever, 'Revolt She Said' interrogates ideas about contemporary feminism and considers why the needle hasn't shifted far enough on issues that affect us today. Since graduating EGGS, Louise graduated with a MFA (hons) from Elam School of Fine Arts, and has shown a passionate interest in the areas of feminist philosophy, film making and globalisation. She describes her film as a "call to arms" and hopes to inspire a new generation of women to continue to fight for their forebears.

In this film she asks, why are women still protesting and fighting for equal rights

and autonomy over their own bodies. Featuring interviews with powerhouse women, this documentary gives unflinching personal accounts and coming out stories from the LGBTQIA+ community as the film explores themes of identity, gender politics, queer identity, power and women's roles.

For more information and ticketing head to the Raye Freedman Arts Centre website: https://www.rayefreedmanarts.co.nz/