

EGGS NEWS



Epsom Girls
Grammar School

Te Kura Tuarua o Ngā Taitanāhine o Maungawhau

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NZ Sailing Trust - visit [EGGS facebook page](#) for more details

Tēnā koutou parents, caregivers and students,

The new members of the Epsom Girls Grammar School Board convened on Tuesday after whakawhanaungatanga the previous week. Congratulations to the new presiding member (Board chair) Tahei Simpson and deputy Tovia Va'aelua.

Congratulations to Year 12 student, Lara Colpi and Year 13 student Aimee Feinberg- Danieli who have been selected to represent New Zealand in the FIFA Women's U-17 World Cup. Lara and Aimee will travel to India to participate in this incredible experience. You can catch the Games on the 11th, 14th and 17th at 16.30 pm live on sky TV. Best of luck Lara and Aimee!

Answers from last newsletter quiz:

Whānau - family

Kia ora - used for hello but literally means 'be well'

Kura - school

Whare - house

Mana - prestige, authority, influence, status, spiritual power

Ākonga - student

Maunga - mountain

Kōhine - young female

Wiki - week

Aroha - love

Kaiako - teacher

Mahi - work

Kaupapa - topic, plan, agenda, theme

Kaumātua - elderly man (or woman) of status within the whānau

Pukapuka - book

Coming up in Week 1....

Mon 17 Oct

Tue 18 Oct

Thur 20 Oct

Term 4 begins

Learning & Community Awards

Sports Awards Dinner

Coming up in Week 2...

Mon 24 Oct

Fri 28 Oct

Labour Day

Last day for Year 12 & 13

Taonga - treasure, effects

Wahine - woman

Waiata - song, chant

Ngā mihi - acknowledgements

Pōwhiri - invite, welcome

Whenua - land

Rorohiko - computer

Wānanga - discuss, conference, forum

It was another 'return to normal' having the hall full of senior students frantically writing, typing and calculating last week. I'd like to congratulate our senior students for their sound practice examination conduct and urge them to take from this learning experience and build on the feedback as they head into their NCEA examinations next term. Thanks also goes to the Year 9-11 who supported our senior students so well by respecting the quiet zones during the school day.

The first of the four co-curricular 'EGGS' celebrated an outstanding year of performance, culture, theatre, arts participation, musicianship, stage management and more at the Arts and Culture Gala held earlier this week. Congratulations to all who worked so hard to make this event such a slick and joyful occasion. Congratulations to Shuping Liang and her team. Look out for the Learning EGG, Community EGG and Sports EGG Awards next term.

And finally ngā mihi nui to the EGGs community for providing me with the opportunity to lead this incredible school during this term. I have thoroughly enjoyed this immense experience, growing as a leader and deepening my understanding of school management and governance. I would like to thank Steve Nowell for his diligent and compassionate leadership as Acting Deputy Principal in my stead, as well as Amanda Vaughan who stepped into the role of Qualifications Manager during term three. Ngā mihi nui.



Ngā mihi / Regards
Karyn Dempsey – Acting Principal

UNIFORM & STATIONERY SHOP

Term Four 2022 Additional Hours

Wednesday October 12th . 10.00am - 2.00pm

Thursday October 13th 10.00am - 2.00pm

Saturday November 5th..... 11.00am - 3.00pm

Friday November 11th..... 9.00am - 5.00pm

Saturday November 19th.. 11.00am - 3.00pm

Saturday December 3rd..... 11.00am - 3.00pm

SCHOOL BUS CHANGES (512) - TERM 4



Auckland Transport will be making to the **512 school bus** that runs in the afternoon from Epsom Girls Grammar to Lynfield.

From the first day of **Term 4 2022 (17th October)**:

The following stops won't be used:

- 8696 – Albrecht Avenue
- 8698 – Halley's Place
- 8884 – Quona Avenue

Instead, the bus will use these stops:

- 8941- Waikowhai Intermediate
- 1854- Gerbic Place

Route Description:

Gillies Avenue / Epsom Girls Grammar (8604), Gillies Ave, King George Ave, St Andrews Rd, Empire Rd, The Drive, Selwyn Rd, Buckley Rd, Fernleigh Ave, Peet Ave, Mount Albert Rd, Hillsborough Rd, Richardson Rd, Glass Rd, Dominion Rd Ext, Hillsborough Rd, Canberra Ave, Halsey Dr, Commodore Dr, The Avenue, **Lynfield Reserve (7139)**

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**Your opportunity to capture your own piece
of EGGs history and remember the amazing
events of the year for just \$20**

Available to order online via the School Shop from Term 4



CURRICULUM NEWS

From the Learning EGG - Meet the Candidates event



During week 7, the Learning Prefects and a select team of volunteers hosted a Meet the Candidates event in conjunction with Auckland Council. The purpose was to allow the wider school and local community to hear from the six candidates standing for Council in Albert-Eden-Puketāpapa. The students did a fantastic job organising the event, creating questions based on student and community interests, and facilitating on the night. They spoke eloquently and listened attentively, even when some candidates struggled to keep to their time limit! They are also to be commended for their adaptability on the night, which is a hallmark of leadership, and were praised by the Auckland Council staff and the candidates for having run a very smooth event with an engaged audience. Congratulations to Nicole Chen, Hellen Ding, Mayley Gao, Nila Maharaj, Yoonie Park, Archi Patel and Hannah Rainey. Thanks also to Angari Isara for her wonderful piano playing at the start.



Maths Competition Results

In August, many EGGs students sat the Australian Mathematics Competition. Coeun Ham (y12) gained High Distinction, and Rain Jiang (y10) gained the Best in School award.

The following students gained Distinction:

Year 9: Ruxin Chen; Laura Du; Georgina McCallum; Nozomi Waga, Jin Jia Wu.

Year 10: Rain Jiang; Min Luong; Daksha Nitsingham; Nina Zhang; Emily Zou.

Year 11: Ella D'Arth.

Year 12: Eliza Chi; Theibana Vignakumar.

Another 32 students gained a Credit placing.

In Term 1 a number of EGGs students entered the Kangourou Mathematics Competition and the following students gained Distinction: Ruxin Chen (Year 9), Ella D'Arth (Year 11), Coeun Ham (Year 12), Cindy Soobin Kim (Year 12), Nicole Wong (Year 12) and Kyubeen Kim (Year 13). An additional 21 students gained a Credit placing.



Congratulations to all the students who entered mathematics competition this year!

Science Bowl

On the 5th of September, EGGs sent four teams of four students (two junior teams and two senior teams) to the annual North Island inter-school science bowl competition held at Auckland Grammar School. While we did not place, our teams had a lot of fun!



2022 Waikato Culinary Fare

Congratulations to all the Food Technology and Hospitality students that took part in this years Culinary Fare.

View the full results [here](#).



ARTS & CULTURAL NEWS

Hip Hop World Championships

A big congratulations to Year 9 student Maayan Bialik, who recently participated in the Hip Hop World Championships in Phoenix, Arizona in August with her crew Yung ID from Identity Dance Company. She and the crew won a silver medal in the Junior-Varsity megacrew division – an outstanding accomplishment!

All the best to Maayan as she continues to champion this dance form while representing Aotearoa with pride on national and international stages.



2022 ARTS AND CULTURAL AWARDS



FOUNDATION NEWS

Annual Giving Appeal – EGGG Solar Project [DONATE NOW](#)

We have launched our **Annual Giving Appeal - EGGG Solar Project** to raise funds to install solar panels on three major areas of the school (Joyce Fisher Sports Centre, the main Administration Building and the Aquatic Centre) for a sustainable future. We would like to sincerely thank everyone that has made a donation so far.

Epsom Girls Grammar School was the first organisation in New Zealand to gain the

ISO 50001 Certificate in Energy Management

and this project aims to continue to achieve our vision to become a carbon neutral school by 2030 and New Zealand's leading school in sustainability.

This initiative is in line with the [EGGG Board of Trustees Strategic Plan](#)

Joshna Baskar, former student at EGGG, helped obtain the ISO accreditation. She is always committed to help EGGG reach our sustainability goals and is a member of the Foundation sub-committee driving the **Annual Giving Appeal – EGGG Solar Project**.



Joshna Baskar



The Sustainability Committee

“The Sustainability Committee’s mission is to encourage meaningful action for the environment and continue our EnviroSchool silver journey. The Sustainability Committee fully supports the EGGG Foundation Solar Project as a learning experience for students”.

Please watch the video that our Sustainability Students created: [EGGG Solar Project](#)

If you would like further information about this project, please click [here](#).

FUNDING \$\$\$ AVAILABLE

DO YOU NEED RESOURCES NOT COVERED BY YOUR DEPARTMENT BUDGET?

The EGGS Foundation can help by applying for grants on your behalf.

Please email any requests to foundation@eggs.school.nz

Examples of successful grants in the past:

- Waterpolo goals
- School Hall PA system
- Playing uniforms for hockey, netball, lacrosse and football teams
- Kiln for Art Department
- Staging
- Kapa Haka uniforms
- Lane ropes for Aquatic Centre

Homestay Families Required – January 2023

In January, 2023, the Epsom Girls Grammar School International Department is delighted to welcome short and long term International Students from Asia, South America and Europe etc.

We are looking for families who can provide a caring and supportive home environment for an international student. If English is your first language, you have a spare room and live within close distance to school, we look forward to hearing from you.

Hosting an international student is an enriching experience and a wonderful opportunity to share your family life, Kiwi culture and hospitality, experience other cultures and learn more about the world.

In 2023, NZ\$335 per week is paid to cover full board.

Please call Jo Bostock on 970 6757 for further information or email accommodation@eggs.school.nz

WINTER TOURNAMENT WEEK - *continued from the previous newsletter*



Senior Basketball Premier

After a tough game against Westlake Girls losing 84 - 41, the team moved on and focused on their final game against Takapuna. After a long 4 days of competing and already qualified for Nationals, the team finished off strong beating Takapuna Grammar 49 - 76 and finished 3rd! Now the team is training hard and preparing for Nationals in Palmerston North, from 3rd - 8th October. Keep up the great work team!

Curling North Island Secondary School Championships

The Curling team had a fantastic time competing in the North Island Secondary School Championships. They were well supported by their coach Pauline Farra and secured 2nd in their grade. A fine result!



Equestrian North Island Champs



We had one rider, Sienna Ogilvie-Taylor who travelled down to Taupo for the Equestrian North Island Championships. Sienna and her pony Mighty Mo did an amazing job as the only representative from EGGs. They came 2nd overall in the Junior dressage out of 48 riders. Sienna had to learn 3 different dressage tests and came 8th, 4th and then pulled out a beautiful final test for 1st place. In the showjumping they had 2 great rounds. Only missing out on the placings by less than a second. They had a lovely clear round in the Cross country but were too fast for the optimum time and came 12th. It was a great week for the students to mingle with riders from all over the North Island.



NZSS Weightlifting Championships

EGGS had two students travel to Porirua, Wellington for the NZSS Weightlifting Championships. Gabriella Napper (Year 11) successfully completed a 75kg snatch and a 103kg clean & jerk, and Jaelyn Su'a (Year 13), a 82kg snatch and a 101kg clean & jerk. Amongst high calibre competition, Gabriella and Jaelyn both placed 1st in their respective categories. Amazing work! We are so incredibly proud!



Jaelyn Su'a



Gabriella Napper

Underwater Hockey Nationals



Over Winter Tournament week, both the Junior and Senior A Underwater Hockey teams traveled to Wellington to compete in the Secondary School National Championships. After many close games, it all came down to the last goal, and going into overtime, both teams came away with 5th place in their respective grades. Anya Chaplow was named Female Player of the whole tournament, which was an incredible achievement and we are all very proud. Well done to both of these teams for all their hard work over the season and their great tournament week!!

FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup

Lara Colpi and Aimee Feinberg- Danieli have been selected to represent New Zealand at the 2022 FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup in India. Both Aimee and Lara were outstanding at the NZSS Premier Tournament in Taupo where Epsom Girls Grammar School came away with GOLD!

Aimee and Lara are masters in their craft, and we are so proud of their selection to the NZ U17 Squad! Congratulations Aimee and Lara- we wish you all the best at the U17 Women's World Cup!



Lara Colpi



Aimee Feinberg- Danieli