EGGSNEWS



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Dear parents, caregivers and students

We are very pleased to announce that the current L Block redevelopment will be named in honour of our major benefactor, Hon Dame Judith Potter DNZM, CBE.

The redevelopment will be officially opened in February of next year as the Judith Potter Centre. Through Dame Judith's generosity we have been able to bring this project to fruition.

As many of you will be aware, in 1994 Dame Judith was awarded a CBE and in 2013 she was made a Dame Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to the judiciary and the legal profession. As an alumna of Epsom Girls Grammar School she has always been most supportive of any projects



Honourable Dame Judith Potter DNZM, CBE

to enhance the educational experience for students attending the School. As examples, she was a patron during the Capital Campaign for the Joyce Fisher Sports Centre project and, most recently, she has been a key organiser of the Women in Law events held at the School.

On behalf of the School and the Board of Trustees we would like to thank Dame Judith for her commitment and generosity.

We look forward to declaring the Judith Potter Centre officially open early next year.

Ngā mihi / Regards

Lorraine Pound - Principal

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Chris Iles - Board Chair



Coming up in Week 5....

Tue 20-21 Aug Fri 23 Aug Year 12 Drama Production
Mid Term Break holiday

Coming up in Week 6

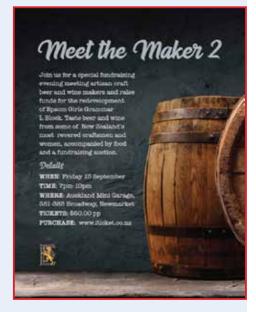
Wed 28 Aug Fri 30 Aug Writer's Night - Library EGGS /AGS Interact Trivia

Event

Sat 31 Aug

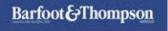
Auckland University Open Day

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GENERAL NEWS

Pathways Information Evening

At the Pathways Information Evening held in Week 1, career education expert, Lila Pulsford presented information on Parents as Career Educators. In response to requests please find a link to the presentation.

>> PARENTS AS CAREER EDUCATORS

CURRICULUM NEWS

Brain Bee

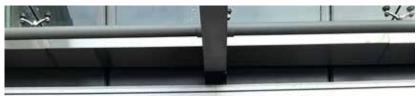
At the end of Term 2 we had 6 students qualify for the North Island final of the annual Australasian Brain Bee Neuroscience Competition held at the Auckland University Medical and Health Sciences faculty.

These students independently studied information about the human brain and the field of neuroscience so they would be prepared to compete against over 100 students from schools all over the North Island.

Although we didn't progress to the final round of the competition, we still had the opportunity to challenge ourselves to answer the increasingly difficult questions. Students also had the exciting opportunity to tour the Anatomy museum, seeing preserved body parts and reading pathology information. They also saw a variety of specialist areas of the faculty including MRI and Optometry.

The event inspired students to pursue a career in science and medicine by introducing them to so much information about the brain and also allowing them to meet scientists and hear from leading neuroscientists about their educational pathways.

This year there were also Golden tickets on offer as spot prizes for students to return to the medical school and spend a day working alongside a neuroscientist. We were not lucky enough to win a Golden ticket, but fortunately our Brain Bees have been offered a return visit to spend time in the neurosciences laboratories anyway.



Faculty of Medical & Health Sciences



From left: Kelly Wang, Sanne Bosman, Anwesha Banerjee, Sammi Leung, Peace Yin, Bahar Parsaei

FACILITIES FOR HIRE

Epsom Girls Grammar 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 Stadium, Dance Rooms, Field, Lecture Theatre and Classrooms, please contact: Katie Holmes

Facilities Manager kholmes@eggs.school.nz

Geography trip to Stonefields

On Wednesday 7th August Year 11 Geography students visited Stonefields. The students were collecting data in a high density housing environment to look at how Auckland is coping with population growth.





On Being Bold

Action against Climate Change campaigners, Rebecca Kerr, Brittany Clark, Marcail Parkinson and Sarah Paton-Beverley were guests of On Being Bold, a network of high-achieving women. On Being Bold aims to support woman as leaders, developing their potential, particularly in the workplace. This was the key message delivered by a range of engaging presenters, business women and workshops last week. Students were also addressed by Governor General, Dame Patsy Reddy, who reminded them that 'Curiosity leads us to explore possibilities, to test ourselves and to learn. It stops us from standing still'

The day was incredible, I think we all came away from it not only feeling really inspired but also with a new perspective on work and success. Marcail.



EVERYBODY EATS OPENING IN ONEHUNGA - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!



Everybody Eats is a pay-as-you-feel restaurant that serves three courses of restaurant quality meals made from rescued food, they have been operating out of Gemmayze St each Monday night for two years and are now opening a new permanent restaurant in Onehunga.

They are recruiting for volunteers to help at the new Onehunga restaurant, please tell your friends and register your interest online at everybodyeats.nz/volunteer

Days: Sunday - Thursday.

Positions: kitchen prep, cooks, front of house, dishes.

Times: afternoon shifts and evening shifts.

No experience necessary, just a big heart!

Languages Department Spanish Video Dance Project



In Term 2 our Year 9 and 10 Spanish students participated in the Spanish Dance Video Project NZ 2019 from the University of Canterbury. They danced to 'Lo Digo' by Carlos Rivera. We are so pleased to share the link to the final edition with you. We hope you like the video. Thank you all for your support and participation.

>> Spanish Video Dance Project



NZ School Students Chinese Short Film Contest





In Term 2 Year 10 students Isabella Adams, Nitya Das, Harriet Gane, Taylah Harris, Elizabeth Huang, Belle Judd, Elisha King, Juno Parallag, Onitsha Tse, Rosanna Whyte and Jessica Wong participated in the New Zealand School Students Chinese Short Film Contest. Organised by Future Learning Solutions-Centre for Languages and New Zealand Chinese Language Teachers Association (NZCLTA) the students filmed a video demonstrating their interpretation of this year's theme of "Having fun with Chinese". Their short film has been selected as the Best Creative Award. These eleven Chinese language learners took the initiative to write their scripts, practise their lines, choreograph their dance, prepare their costumes and props, film and edit the video. This video showcased their excellent language abilities, creativity and high quality filming techniques. Congratulations to everyone involved!

EPSOM MUSIC

Music Concerts

The Epsom bands and orchestras performed two fantastic showcase concerts in the Raye Freedman Arts Centre last week. Epsom Symphonia, Chamber Orchestra, String Ensemble, Concert Band, Intermediate Concert Band and Stage Band all presented programmes. Thank you to everyone who came along to support them.

KBB Festival

This week Epsom bands and orchestras travelled to Holy Trinity Cathedral to perform in the KBB Music Festival. The Epsom Symphonia, Chamber Orchestra, String Ensemble, Concert Band, Intermediate Concert Band and Stage Band all worked hard on their programmes and gave fantastic performances. A big well done to all the students involved.











Paradisum Choir

Following their performance at the Big Sing Festival in June, Paradisum were selected to participate in the Upper North Island Cadenza Festival, which will take place in Rotorua next weekend. The choir will perform a recital as well as taking part in workshops and a gala concert across the two-day festival. All the best to Paradisum on their travels.



Contemporary Music

A big congratulations to Sophie Brown, who has won the School of Rock Songwriting Competition with her song Lifeline. Her song will be performed live at the Civic Theatre by the international touring cast of the musical School of Rock. She will also have the opportunity to record at Roundhead Studios. Read more about her fantastic achievement in her interview with the NZ Herald here:

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/entertainment/news/article.cfm?c_id=1501119&objectid=12256567

FOUNDATION NEWS

Meet the Maker 2 Grab your ticket!

Following on the stunning success of last year, the EGGS Foundation is once again hosting the "Meet the Maker2" night at Mini Garage in Newmarket.

This was a truly fantastic event last year as a key fundraiser for EGGS but particularly because it was a wonderful social occasion bringing parents and friends of the school together in a relaxed, fun event. Our Foundation is looking to repeat this success with Meet the Maker 2. We would love to have as many of you there as possible for our biggest social event on the school calendar as we bring together fine food and beverage artisans and enjoy their offerings in a party-like atmosphere at the superb Mini Garage showroom.

Get in as soon as possible to secure your tickets.

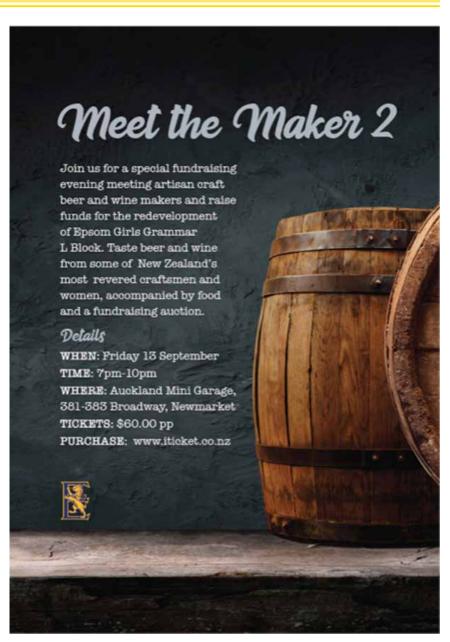
Event: Meet the Maker 2

Venue: Mini Garage, 381-383 Broadway Newmarket (access and parking for setup is on Clovernook Rd off Broadway)

Date: Friday 13 September 2019, 7.00pm

Tickets: \$60 ea (includes all food, a standard drink and all wine and beer tasting). Cash bar thereafter.

Evening includes 2 auctions and opportunity to purchase the wine and food on offer from our artisans.



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Family portraits by Timeless Images Photography

Timeless Images Photography has generously offered to support EGGS by donating family portrait packages. This package is valued at \$785.00 but it will cost you only \$95.00.

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- A professional portrait session
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- Two 6x8inch (15x20cm) prints

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Limited offer — book you session now

To book your family portrait package, please click on the button below to make your donation and enter your details.

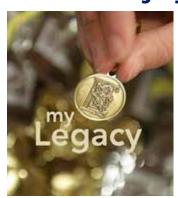
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Create a lasting legacy



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 <u>foundation@eggs.school.nz</u> if you're interested in leaving a lasting legacy.

Please download our My Legacy booklet for more information.

For more information click here

#WANNATALK

Asian Youth Life Skills Workshop

Life is full of ups and downs and sometimes we struggle to cope. This workshop is designed to give you some of the skills we all need from time to time to get through some of the tougher days.

It might also help you understand the issues your friends and family are working through and how you can help.

Date & Time: 3rd September 2019 6:30pm-8:30pm

Venue: Raye Freedman Arts Centre

(Cnr. Gillies Avenue and Silver Road, Newmarket-

Next to Epsom Girls Grammar School)

Key Speakers: Mr. Patrick Au

(Registered Psychiatric Nurse & Counsellor)

Dr. Hyeeun Kim

(Lecturer, Laidlaw College & Registered Counsellor with NZAC)

Attendees: Asian youths (age 14 to 18)

and their families and friends (Certificates of completion will be available for youth attendees.)

RSVP: By 23 August 2019 using QR code



For more information, please contact Tiffany Tu at tiffany.tu@waitematadhb.govt.nz











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Get to Go Challenge

On Tuesday 6th August our adventure racing teams competed in the Get to Go Challenge (involving orienteering, mountain biking, paddle boarding and problem solving).

Our mixed EGGS/MAGS team came a close 2nd and the all girls gold team came 5th and all girls blue team came 6th. These are outstanding results.

EGGS/MAGS: Emily Hayes, Amelia Wood, Charlotte Wood and Sophia Johnston

EGGS Gold: Milly Sceats, Millie Osborne, Mia Niccolls, Xanthe Savill, Sama Rowe, Jozlyn Parker, Monique Lewis and Erica Chambers

EGGS Navy: Isobel Allan, Maia Barclay, Caitlin Bell, Cassidy Bradley, Hanna Brathwaite, Tegan Feringa, Megan Hume and Sasha Tuxford

Lastly a big thanks to Sarah Brooks and Kate Carlton who supported the students on the day.



Underwater Hockey

We have another current Epsom student travelling overseas to represent New Zealand! Year 12 student Terri Warner is currently preparing for the Underwater Hockey Age Group World Championship in Sheffield, United Kingdom! Best of Luck to Terri and the team! We will keep you posted with results!

(Terri is pictured front row, second in from the left)













Senior A Underwater Hockey

On the 6th August the Epsom Senior A Underwater Hockey team won the Auckland competition 3-2 against Auckland DIO! Congratulations to the team and coach Rachel Colquhoun! Thank you to the parents, families, friends and TIC Mrs Herbert who have supported the team this year!

Squash



Congratulations to the Epsom Squash team who placed 10th overall at the NZSS Championships! Thank you to Mr Chignell and parents who supported the team over the weekend! The team were lucky enough to get a photo with Dame Susan Devoy who dominated the sport in the late 1980's and early 1990's.

Orienteering

During the school holidays Epsom student Ella Watson competed at the NISS Orienteering Championships held in the sunny Hawkes Bay.

Ella competed in the Intermediate Girls (Year 10 & Year 11 students) Division which turned out to be a very competitive division at this event.



Results as follows:

Sprint Course Race – Ella placed 5th (out of 50 runners)

Long Course Championship Race – Ella placed 9th (out of 36 runners).

Ella also competed in the Long Course Relay Race (Composite Team) with a student from Carmel College and Havelock North College. The team placed 9th (out of 18 teams).

Congratulations Ella!

