

# EMBLETON ECHO

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Parent Newsletter No 1

6<sup>th</sup> February, 2018

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*DEPUTY: Chris Walker*

*REGISTRAR: Janet Gordon*

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents

A warm welcome back to a new year for those who have been here before and to new students and their families.

Our enrolments are continuing to grow. The Census is due on 16<sup>th</sup> February and some classes are quite full whilst there is room in others. We may have to restructure some of the classes in the next two weeks. If your child is affected, we will contact you prior to any changes.

We welcome Miss Robertson who is teaching the Year 4/5 class, Mrs Tandy who is with us as a Support Teacher and Mr Thomson who will be teaching Physical Education and Drama/Dance.

2017 has started very smoothly and Term 1 is getting very busy with lots of things on. Please check the whiteboards in front of the classrooms for classroom events and the website for school events.

Please remember that to achieve the best for our students, we need to work as partners in Education and effective communication is the key to achieving this. If you have any concerns or you would like to let us know of good things happening, please see the classroom teacher in the first instance or talk to Chris or myself.

We look forward to the 2018 school year which promises to be an exciting and productive year.

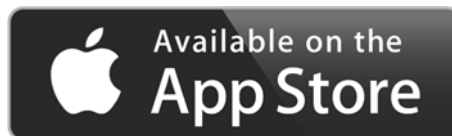
*Sheryl Pilkington*

*PRINCIPAL*



We're very pleased to inform you that our school has implemented a phone app called **Updat-ed** that will make connecting with you so much more convenient.

To download the app just visit the App Store for iPhones or Google Play for Android's. Search for **Updat-ed** and from the menu select our school. We'll receive your registration request and will need to approve you before your app is up and running.



So what will the app do?

The app's great for sending out alerts and reminders with one of its best features being the ability to save events directly into your phone's calendar.

You can access the School Newsletters, Upcoming Events and even complete Absentee Forms notifying the office that your child will not be attending school that day.

If you have any troubles downloading the App please come and see Mr Walker in the office.

We hope you enjoy being **Updat-ed**.



## **Interm Swimming Lessons 2018**

Notes will be coming home soon regarding Interm Swimming classes for PP - Yr 6 commencing **Week 6 of Term 1**, from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March inclusive.



## **Running Club**

This term running club will be held on Friday mornings, please meet at the stage at 8am. Parents are welcome to come along and join in the fun and run with the kids.

## **Canteen**

As of Monday 12th February our online CANTEEN will only be available on FRIDAYS due to lack of volunteers helping with the collection from Hillcrest Primary.

## **Early Arrivals**

Students should not be at school before 8.15am as there is no supervision of students before this time. Mrs Pilkington and Mr Walker supervise the students from 8.15 until 8.35 in the mornings on the stage outside the office. The classrooms are then open so that students can get ready for the start of the day.

## **Bicycles and Scooters**

These must be wheeled, not ridden, into school grounds and stored in the bicycle rack. Bikes are to be wheeled through the gates near the School Library, not Admin. Students are responsible for supplying and fitting their own bicycle locks. No student is permitted to use or interfere with anyone else's bicycle. It is recommended by the Police Lecturing and Traffic Staff that children under the age of nine don't ride bikes to school as they have neither the experience nor skill to cope with the emergency situations often encountered by cyclists.

## **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop is open every Monday from 8:30am till 9:15am, or for your convenience you may complete an order form and leave with Admin to collect later.

## **SUSTAINABILITY NEWS**

Have you noticed the garden area outside Rooms 6-9? At the end of last year students from Year 2/3 planted watermelon, rockmelon and tomato seeds. We have had great success and the students and staff have been enjoying the rockmelons and tomatoes. We are now looking to plant our next lot of seeds.



Embleton Primary School promotes the recycling of paper through our office and classrooms. Empty boxes and scrap paper which can't be used for other things is gathered for collection into two recycling bins in the staff resource area.

We are also collecting used batteries from home and school for recycling. You can find the battery recycling bin outside of the office entrance, stage side from next Monday. Unfortunately we cannot collect car batteries. This facility has been arranged through the EMRC.

Starting from Week 5 we will be providing scrap food bins for the collection of left-over food at lunchtimes. We hope to collect apple and pear cores, carrots stalks etc that we can either compost or give to our worms in the worm farms.

## **BREAKFAST CLUB MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY OPENS 8am DOORS CLOSE AT 8:35am**

Breakfast Club is starting tomorrow Wednesday, 7th February at 8.00am. The doors will be closed at 8.35am so please make sure you are in by 8.25 at the latest or you will miss out.

*Children please be seated at tables while you eat.*

