



ETTALONG
PUBLIC SCHOOL

HOMENOTE

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Term 2 Week 10

2 July 2019

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 2 July	CC Dance Festival Laycock Theatre; Touch Football
Wed 3 July	Choral Festival rehearsal @ WWSPS; NAIDOC activities commence.
Thurs 4 July	Semester One student reports sent home
Fri 5 July	Last day Term 2; Share our Space open playground commences
Tues 23 July	Students return for Term 3 (staff only return 22/7)

Dear Parent and Carers

We headed to McEvoy Oval last Friday for our annual athletics carnival, amazed that the sun was shining brilliantly and the oval was in excellent condition after so much rain had fallen earlier in the week. It was a perfect winter's day for the children to run, jump and throw to achieve personal bests and perhaps qualify to represent our school at the zone carnival. Thank you very much to our hard working canteen volunteers, parents who assisted with carnival events and of course, our fabulous students and staff who had been practising and organising to ensure a smooth running carnival.

Our magnificent debaters won again this week, convincingly beating the team from Empire Bay PS. Listening skills are crucial in debating and I am thrilled our team has mastered these to produce intelligent, forthright rebuttals.

Tonight our dance group will perform at Laycock Theatre in the Central Coast Dance Festival. It is amazing to see the talent at these performances and we are also very fortunate that one of our very own teachers, Mrs Martin is dedicated to being part of the organising committee. Dance groups from all over the Central Coast will 'strut their stuff' this week.

Semester One student reports will be given to students on Thursday so please make sure to check schoolbags. Most students have excellent reports and these children should be very proud of themselves. I am thrilled to see the vast majority of students putting in consistent effort and dedication. Areas of concern are the number of days some children are absent from school, excluding illness of course, and also the number of children who do not regularly complete set homework. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any concerns.

Our play equipment will again be open to the public in the coming school holidays under the Share Our Space program. Why not bring a picnic lunch and catch up with friends whilst the children play? A security guard will be on site but parents and local residents are 'our eyes and ears' so we very much appreciate you visiting our school at these times.

We are excited at how many Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers we have received to purchase resources for your children. If you have any stickers at home, please send them in this week so we can include them in our total.

ABC of literacy and numeracy cont'd ... Join the Premier's Reading Challenge which encourages reading, spelling and vocabulary skills; **Keep** children of all ages reading and writing by providing magazines, comics or newspaper articles about things that interest them; **Let** your child count your coins and reinforce the importance of numeracy in everyday life.

Lynn Balfour
Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KZ	Danica K	KR	Mi Yeon K
	William H		Frankie F
2C	Olivia T		Landan H
	Riley W	KM	Mia P
1H	Hunter B		Emma M
	Eden M	1P	Eliot C
1L	Zalia G		Dylan N
	Flynn M	2P	Tarathep L
2S	Lanietta J		Cahane J
	Skylah R-B		Ruby M-B
K/6JL	Harrison F		
	Jaxon N		

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who consistently demonstrate the 3Rs
Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn.

Nathan L-T
Liam H
Ivy L

PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

No assembly last week

GENERAL INFORMATION

Our talent is endless ...

Well done again to our talented debating team who argued negatively on the topic "students in year 5 and older should be made to have a job" against Empire Bay PS.



Reward days

Students who continue to follow our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Ready to Learn can look forward to being rewarded before the end of this term. Students in K-2 who have received four or less planning room slips this semester will be invited to attend. Students in Years 3 - 6 with two or less planning room slips this semester will also be invited, as a reward for their efforts. Students who are not rewarded this semester will have the opportunity to follow our 3R's and be rewarded, next semester.

The 'Top Blokes' program

The 'Top Blokes' program has been running in our school this term and will continue next term for Year 6 boys.

It has been a great success, with the boys being rewarded with certificates of participation yesterday. We look forward to the 'Top Blokes' returning next term!

P & C NEWS

We would like to congratulate and welcome **Kerry McMorro** in her new role as Vice President of Ettalong P&C. She will be a great asset to the team!

Please look out for the upcoming **Parent's Winter Social** flyer and don't forget to Save the Date – Saturday 3 August 2019. Tickets are on sale now!

Thank you to all the new faces that have put their hand up to help, it is shaping up to be a great event!! There are still opportunities to be involved, either on the day or the days leading up to it, so please let us know if you are able to help. An organising committee has been set up for this event and it is meeting this Wednesday. Contact us at eps pandc@gmail.com or let the office know if you wish to be involved or can lend a hand.

CANTEEN NEWS

Thank you for another great term! Enjoy the holidays!

Our sports carnival was a great success. Thank you to everyone who helped at the oval. Please come and see me in the canteen and let me know what you thought about the hot dogs. We will try something different next time.

Special thank you to Impulse for their generosity at our sports carnival. It was greatly appreciated!

Very limited hot food will be available for the rest of the week.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Coding & Robotics Holiday Workshop

Looking for something fun, creative and different to do these school holidays?
Your children will love Broader Learning's Coding and Robotics Holiday Day sessions for school students aged 6 - 13 years.



When: Monday 15th July
Time: 9am - 3pm
Cost: \$120 per person (\$100 Creative Kids Voucher can be used)
Bookings Essential
For any enquiries please contact the club on 4344 7851 or uminabeach@pcycnsw.org.au



Participants must have a current PCYC Membership



July School Holidays

Date	AM Session 9am - 12pm	PM Session 12pm - 3pm
Monday 8th July	Boxing/Soccer	Gymnastics
Tuesday 9th July	Archery/Arts & Crafts	Boxing/Kids Fitness
Wednesday 10th July	Boxing/Gymnastics	Archery/Arts & Crafts
Thursday 11th July	Soccer/Gymnastics	Boxing/Kids Fitness
Friday 12th July	Photography*	Gymnastics
Monday 15th July	Boxing/Soccer	Gymnastics
Tuesday 16th July	Gymnastics/Arts & Crafts	Boxing/Kids Fitness
Wednesday 17th July	Boxing/Gymnastics	Soccer/Kids Fitness
Thursday 18th July	Archery/Arts & Crafts	Boxing/Kids Fitness
Friday 19th July	Photography*	Gymnastics

\$25.00 for a half day, or \$40.00 for a full day.
Suitable for ages 5 years +
*Photography - suitable for ages 10 years +

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Participants must be a PCYC Member
Please bring your own food and drinks



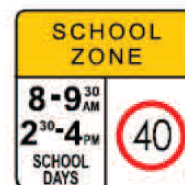
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Traffic and Parking around your School

Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others. Please consider the residents when parking in streets surrounding your school.

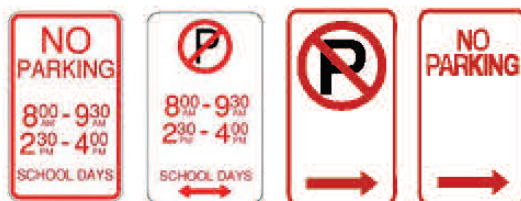
- ✓ A **School Zone** is the area around a school with a speed limit of 40 km/h. Between the School Zone and End School Zone signs you must obey the school zone speed limit. The school zone speed limit only applies on gazetted school days and during the times shown on the sign.



- ✓ **School Bus lights** – buses use signs and orange flashing 'wigwag' lights to warn motorists and pedestrians that they are picking up or setting down school children. The lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors are opened. They keep flashing for about 30 seconds after the doors close and continue even after the bus moves off. You must not drive past the bus in the same direction at more than 40 km/h while the 'wigwag' lights are flashing as there may be children crossing or about to cross the road.



- ✓ A **No Parking Zone** means that you must not stop for more than two minutes. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle. No Parking Zones are suitable for dropping off and picking up.



THESE SIGNS MEAN YOU MAY STOP HERE TO DROP OFF / PICK UP

BUT YOU MUST

- stop for up to 2 minutes only
- stay within 3 metres of vehicle

**Kids look to you to keep them safe - please park legally in school zones
HEAVY FINES and DEMERIT POINTS APPLY**

- ✓ A **Bus Zone** means that the area is restricted for bus use only. If hours of operation are shown, the restriction only applies to this time. You may use this area outside of these times.



- ✓ A **No Stopping Zone** means no stopping at any time.

