



ETTALONG
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HOMENOTE

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Term 3 Week 8

8 September 2020

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 24 Sept	Y2 Hunter Valley Zoo excursion – CANCELLED due to COVID
Fri 25 Sept	Last day of term 3
Mon 12 Oct	Students and staff return for Term 4 learning

Dear Parents and Carers

It is hard to believe that we are currently in Week 8 of Term 3! This past week our students and staff have been busy learning again. Students have shown me samples of their writing, Maths and artwork, just to name a few! Many classes have been using the VR Kits (Virtual Reality kits) that were on loan from the Department of Education's technology library (T4L), with great success. The kits included glasses where students could create and share their own worlds. They were certainly a hit and their worlds were amazing. Year 5 and 6 even went to the Eiffel Tower!

Last week we held our Public Speaking Finals in the COVID manner. It felt very unusual for our speakers to be addressing only their direct peers and without families in the audience. We are very proud of all our participants and finalists! We had such a great variety again. Early Stage 1 and Stage 2 spoke about a topic of their choice, Stage 1 read a piece of poetry (there were some very funny poems) and Stage 3 spoke about 'My nomination for Australian of the Year'. The speeches were entertaining, well prepared and well executed. Please see the passage enclosed in today's Homenote.

Our P&C have started online ordering through 'My School Connect App' for our uniform shop 'Zippies'. All the details for the ordering process has gone home today. This is a great service offered to our families. The P&C are hoping to use the same site/app to begin canteen orders in the very near future.

School Photos, the COVID way, will be taken on Tuesday 20 October and Thursday 22 October – Term 4 Week 2. Envelopes with payment details will be sent home in the last week of this term. The photographers prefer online payments but will be accepting cash payments.

REPEAT: Thank you again for your continued support in enabling the current drop off & pick up arrangements to run smoothly, efficiently and safely. I wish to remind you that both the police and council rangers have been sighted throughout the past weeks around our school, so be sure to adhere to the 'Kiss and Drop' rules and 'Disabled' parking rules. The basketball court entry is working much better too, as families remember to enter via Uligandi St and exit into Karingi street. This is a MUCH safer route for our children.

Jodie Campbell
Relieving Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Aubrey T	KT	Logan J
	Grace M		Bradley G
KZ	Violet W	KM	Charlotte L
	Trent B		Huey D
1H	Nate D	1F	Mila B
	Alyssa S		Tiago R
1L	Saleen F	1/2P	Heather M
	Calais C		Augie H
2S	Beau H	2C	Mia G
	Joshua M		Matthew M
3/4R	Sarah B	3S	Tyler P
	Sam H		Masha A
3J	Jesse W	3T	Jake H
	Haedyn E		Madison C
4J	Charlie C	4S	Trinity T
	Tyla C		Alister B
K/6JS	Casey C		

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who have been consistently demonstrating the 3Rs

Isabella C	1L
Chilli R	KM
Logan H	1/2P
Maeve O'R	2S
Paige N	K/6S
Maddy M	5J
Roisin O'R	1L
Rori Mc B	2C
Bettyann J	5B
Jaylah O-M	6H
Koa H	KM
Eadie M	KZ
Jackson P	1/2P

Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn

Mason McD	K/6M
Maddie B	KS
Joel McB	KT
Cooper J	2S
Hadil A	5L
Mehak C	6R
Amber S	1/2P
Sasha B-M	KZ
Koa G	2S
Zara T	6R
Brodie R-S	5J
Selson F	5J



PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Brooklyn M Class 1L

GENERAL INFORMATION

Public Speaking

Over the past few weeks, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have been delivering and listening to some fabulous speeches and poems as part of our Public Speaking competition. All students had the opportunity to participate in this challenge, which is designed to increase the confidence and skills of students speaking in front of an audience. On Friday, we held the stage finals, where the teachers witnessed beautifully researched and rehearsed speeches. Congratulations to all participants and especially to our champions Lily (KS), Rori (2C), Jazmin (3/4R) and Josh (5L). The winning speeches will be recorded and watched in class groups this week.

Mrs Ryan.



P & C NEWS

Good News! We are now online! Yay!! Keep an eye out for the leaflet in today's Homenote with directions on how to sign up to My School Connect! While you can still get an order form through the front office (correct cash only), we would love for you to support us by going online. Orders for the canteen are not currently available but will be soon.

In line with the current restrictions, we are unable to hold our P&C meetings. Please rest assured we are working behind the scenes to bring new and exciting fundraising to Term 4 and would love to have you as part of our P&C. Please go to <https://forms.gle/ZUYY4VBVEW4L5yNj8> to join.

As always we are available on epsandc@gmail.com if you have any questions.



we are seeking donations of items to be used in our maker-space lessons.



Students at Ettalong Public School use common household items in Maker-Space and STEM lessons to explore concepts of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

If you have any of the following items you wish to donate please send them with your child to Miss Crowther in 2C.

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| ✿ String | ✿ Buttons | ✿ Corrugated Cardboard |
| ✿ Wool | ✿ Zip Ties | ✿ Foil Pie Tins (New) |
| ✿ Plastic Lids (Washed and Dried) | ✿ Wooden Spools | ✿ Egg Cartons |
| ✿ Empty Cotton Reels | ✿ Corks | ✿ Straws (New) |
| ✿ Wooden Toothpicks (New) | ✿ Bottle Tops (Washed and Dried) | ✿ Rubber Bands |
| ✿ Small Plastic Items | ✿ Bread Tags/ Ties | ✿ Patty Pans (New) |
| ✿ Fabric Offcuts | ✿ Paper Cups | ✿ Skewers (New) |
| ✿ Small Cardboard items such as paper towel rolls. | ✿ Paper Plates | ✿ Small Wooden Offcuts. |
| ✿ Beads | ✿ Split Pins | ✿ Nuts, Bolts and Washers. |
| | | ✿ Bubble Wrap |
| ✿ Any other odds and ends you think may be useful. | | |

**These items will be placed in our Maker-Space borrowing kit for all classes to use.
All donations are very much appreciated.**

SUPPORT NEWS

K6S have been enjoying hands on computing, electronics and programming with Microsoft MakeCode and Adafruit Circuit Playground Express. The students just love seeing how computer science comes to life with fun projects that use LEDs, make sounds, sense touch, light, temperature and sound.

And when K6S aren't busy learning how to code, they have been learning all about Fractions with Mr Angus McGregor, our 4th year intern



EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Early Stage One enjoyed learning to multiply and divide using groups and rows and to share objects equally in Mathematics last week. We all made a special gift for fathers or important men in the children's lives to celebrate Father's Day. Kindergarten have been learning dances as part of their physical education program this term. Last week we danced to the classic children's song Farmer in the Dell. We are very proud of our Kindergarten children as many have received their second 3R's awards and have now achieved a Principals Award and of course, a yummy pizza party with the principal.



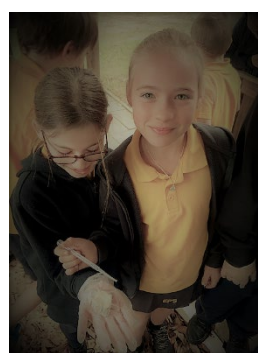
STAGE ONE NEWS

Stage 1 have had a blast this term, exploring the world through Virtual Reality. Ettalong Public School is very lucky to be able to borrow amazing technology from the T4L learning library including the Virtual Reality Kit. Students have been able to walk with dinosaurs, explore how emotions travel through our bodies, visit the inner workings of the brain and take on ninjas to complete Maths problems.



STAGE TWO NEWS

4J have enjoyed donning their geologist caps to identify evidence from patterns in rock formations and fossils in rock layers to support an explanation for changes in a landscape.



STAGE THREE NEWS

Stage Three apply their knowledge of engineering to construct structures that can withstand either a level four or a level eight earthquake.

