



ETTALONG
PUBLIC SCHOOL

HOMENOTE

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Term 4 Week 1

13 October 2020

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 13 Oct – 16 Nov	Online applications for Selective High School open for Y7 2022 (complete online)
Tues 20 Oct	School Photos
Thurs 22 Oct	School Photos (continued)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another term of exciting learning and I am thrilled to be back! It is hard to believe that it is already Term 4 of 2020! This term we have many activities planned for our students including school photos which will be taken next week. Envelopes for School Photos, 'the COVID way', were distributed last term. Photos will be taken on Tuesday 20 October and Thursday 22 October. The photographers prefer online payments (payable on their website) but will be accepting the correct cash in envelopes.

For our current Y5 students who will be in Yr 7 2022, the Selective High School application process opens today until November 16, 2020. All applications must be completed online. More information will be sent home with today's Homenote for Yr 5 students only.

We are delighted to offer Breakfast Club four days per week this term. Breakfast Club will now run Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The increase in days is due to our generous Yr 6 student volunteers, staff, Mrs Lynch and Corinne. Thanks also to Baker's Delight at Woy Woy for the bread for the toast. Great effort everyone!

If you have a child who is starting school next year or you know someone in the community with a child eligible to start school, please enrol or get them to enrol ASAP. Enrolment can be done online or in person. We will keep parents of Kindy 2021 informed of developing Department of Education guidelines due to COVID-19.

We are looking into ways that we can support our 2021 kindergarten students with orientation and also our students moving on to high school. We are also amid discussions around how we can still hold our Yr 6 Farewell under the modified guidelines. These are trying times but we are certainly proving to be patient and thoughtful in our endeavours to care for our students. We again thank you, our families, for your ongoing support.

In terms of COVID-19 restrictions, we continue our restrictions which are in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) and NSW Health advice. Like in Term 3, our gates will be closed and students will continue to enter and exit via the same gate as per Term 3 arrangements. All students should be learning at school unless they are unwell or have a medical certificate to support their absence. We will continue to be vigilant when implementing infection control, physical distancing and personal hygiene protocols to protect the health and safety of students and staff. Extra cleaning throughout the day will continue. All classrooms have hand sanitiser available. We will also continue to promote the need to follow good hygiene practices such as: regularly washing hands, avoiding sharing drinks or food and coughing or sneezing into your elbow, or a tissue which should be discarded immediately.

I am pleased to advise that the play equipment near the hall is finally repaired and open for use. Hooray!

Have a great week!

Lynn Balfour

Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Mason M	KT	Amaya R
	Quade W		Jax M
KZ	Ellie M	KM	Jai S
	Brock C		Malte G
1H	Colby M	1F	Karthik S
	Reuben L		Maximus M
1L	Georgia H	1/2P	Allegra P
	Sonny C		Cooper B
2S	Jacob P	2C	Noah M
	Phoenix T		Lexi S
3/4R	Quinn L	3S	Olivia G
	Jay S		Josh B
3J	Riley W	3T	Arabella D
	William H		Indiana C-A
4J	Troy P	4S	Keisha R-B
	Rory M		Elina R
K/6P	Dylan I		

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn

Ben J	3/4R
Ethan L-D	3S
Lila R	3S
Emilia F	3J
Nikita V-R	3J
Leilani McM	6R
Ethan P	6H
Tahnay M	6D

Mateo B	KS
Charlotte B	KS
Alana E	KT
Mia P	1H
Joel S	1H
Azaria R-B	1H
William H	1H

PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Sophie G	6H
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P & C NEWS

The end of the year is in sight! Welcome back to term 4! We hope to have some exciting things coming up so keep your eye on Facebook and the Homenote. Don't forget school photos are coming up soon if you wanted to get any new uniform supplies! We are waiting on an order of uniforms to come in so they will be filled ASAP.

We are very excited to announce that as of Tuesday (today) our canteen will be online! This means that you can use the same portal on My School Connect as our uniform shop to place your child's recess and lunch orders. No more scrambling around at the last minute looking for some change if you didn't get a chance to do any shopping, you can even stay in your jammies!

At this stage, due to the ongoing COVID situation, there will be no meeting on Wednesday but please watch this space as we are hoping to hold a meeting sometime in the near future.

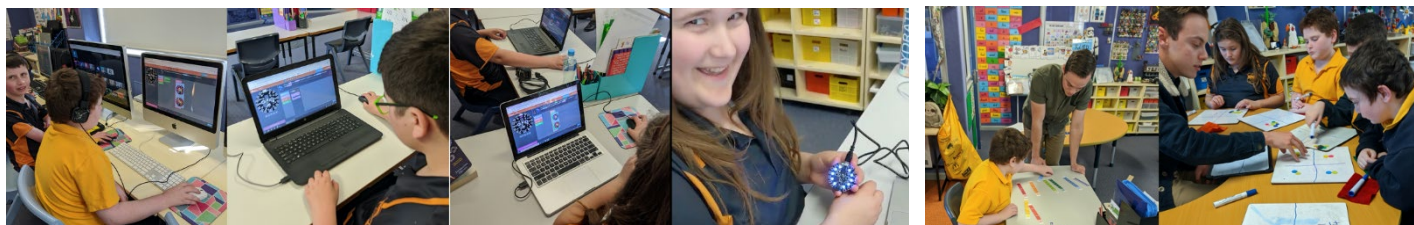
As always, we are available on epsandc@gmail.com if you have any questions or suggestions

CANTEEN NEWS

Due to Covid our canteen will stay the same as last term with limited volunteers until further notice but online orders are now very welcome. Welcome back.

SUPPORT NEWS

K6S has 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 their 4th year Intern.



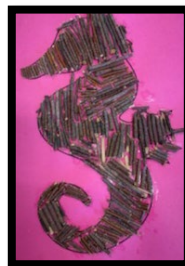
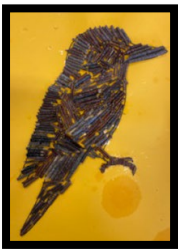
EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Early Stage 1 children enjoyed their last week of Term 3. They have been working on their skills in Mathematics. They have been learning to count to 30 and revising and extending their knowledge about how numbers are made and how to model addition and subtraction. On Wednesday they participated in a number of PE activities to assist the Kindergarten teachers to assess their skill development in this area. It was a lot of fun being outside in the lovely spring weather, with hats on of course! Most Kindergarten children also enjoyed extra playtime on Thursday as a reward for making good choices about their behaviour in the playground and classroom throughout Term 3. We hope all our children and families had a safe and fun filled holiday and are ready for an amazing Term 4.



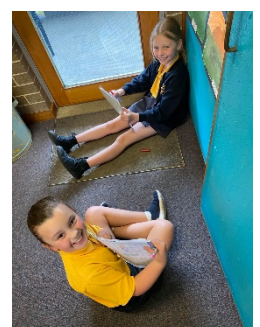
STAGE ONE NEWS

Stage One has been learning about Australian artists. This week classes learnt about local artist Pete Rush. Pete is famous for his driftwood sculptures that can be found on many of our local beaches. He was kind enough to answer some student questions and send us images of his sculptures. Students then created their own mini stick animals. Here are just a few.



STAGE TWO NEWS

3T were learning to use grids to plot positions of objects in maths. By using grids and grid references, students battled each other in a game of Battle Ship. This game allowed students to use mathematical language and concepts in a fun and engaging way. 3T had a blast trying to sink each other's ships.



STAGE THREE NEWS

5J has had a fabulous start to Term 4. New seats have been chosen and they are back working hard during Literacy time.





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.**



**WHETHER YOU'RE A NEW PLAYER, AN EXPERIENCED PLAYER,
LOOKING TO HAVE A HIT AND GIGGLE OR LOOKING TO
VOLUNTEER AS A COACH, MANAGER OR SCORER,
OUR CLUB HAS A PLACE FOR YOU!**

REGISTRATION FEES

All registration fees are based on players age at 31 Dec 2020

AGE GROUPS	AGES	REGO FEE
Benny Ball	4-6 years	\$120.00
Sub Junior	7-12 years	\$155.00
Junior	13-17 years	\$170.00
Senior	18+ years	\$190.00

ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS ACCEPTED!



ALL TRAINING HELD AT:

James Browne Oval,
Woy Woy

WHEN:

Wednesday
Afternoons

UNIFORMS

All NEW players will receive a
Playing Shirt **FREE!**

All NEW players 15yrs and
under also receive a Glove and
Ball **FREE!**

Playing Pants/Shorts can be
purchased through the club or
you can BYO

ALL GAMES PLAYED AT:

Bateau Bay Sports Ground,
Bateau Bay

WHEN:

Saturday

Juniors play AM

Seniors play PM

REGISTER AT:

www.peninsuladucks.sportingpulse.net

SEASON STARTS

7TH NOV. 2020

FOR MORE INFORMATION:



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