



# H O M E N O T E

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**Term 2 Week 4**

**11 May 2021**

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Tues 11 May	NAPLAN commences today
Wednesday 12 May	P&C Meeting 9.15am in the hall
Fri 14 May	Zone Cross Country (Backup date), GRIP Leadership for school leaders

Hello Parents and Carers

We have had another busy week in our lovely school and despite the rain and a few inside playtimes, the learning has been in full swing! There have been many students visiting the office to show us a variety of amazing learning this week. Just to name a few, we have seen students from our Support Unit with beautiful space art, students from Stage 2 who achieved their personal best in spelling, students from Stage 3 who shared their persuasive writing pieces, some students from Early Stage 1 shared their maths and we even saw Dave from KT write numbers 1 to 100! Our students are certainly demonstrating that they are 'Ready to Learn!'

We have been reminded throughout this past week about being alert and aware of restrictions due to COVID19. While our school remains open, please be reminded to check in using the COVID Safe QR code. We also request that parents/carers remain only on the pebbles and that at all times when you are in our school grounds, the 1.5metre physical distancing is applied and congestion is avoided wherever possible. We are also reminded that all attendees - students, staff and visitors, including parents and carers, must be well and free of any flu-like symptoms. If you or your child/children are displaying symptoms, you are strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received. Please be assured that our school continues to support students with reminders of good personal hygiene practices, longer cleaning of surfaces across the school and recording any visitors to our site.

The rain put a dampener on a few activities for our students last week. Our soccer teams saw their gala day postponed with a new date yet to be finalised. The Southern Central Coast Zone Carnival was also washed out and will now be held this Friday, 14 May. Students progressing to this carnival must turn eight years old this year, at least, and have received permission notes to attend. Also on Friday, our leaders have been invited to attend the GRIP Leadership Day at Terrigal. GRIP stands for Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity, People and aims to help students develop skills in leadership.

NAPLAN assessments began today for all students in Years Three and Five. Students are already half-way through with two assessments being completed today. The remaining assessments will be completed across tomorrow and Thursday, with breakfast being provided again for these students. Thank you to our P&C for supporting and sourcing the breakfast foods for our Y3 and Y5 students. Our regular Breakfast Club will continue to be available five days a week.

Thank you to your P&C who held a Mother's Day stall last Thursday with our students loving the opportunity to shop for those that they love. At bus duty on Thursday afternoon, many students shared the reasons why they had thought to purchase certain items for their Mums, Step-Mums, Nans, Grandmas or those that they love. I love to see the pride and excitement on their faces. Our world is in great hands with the kindness and care that they show.

Jodie Campbell

Relieving Principal

### 3Rs AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Harley A	KT	Adam H
KZ	Max T	KL	Rafiq T
1H	Faith H	1F	Cooper G
1P	Lacie C	1/2A	Aubrey T
2L	Edie L	2S	Mia P
2C	Azaria R-B	3/4A	Cash T-K
			Haedyn E
3S	Summer H	3R	Tahlia M
	Phoenix T		Koa G
4B	Abigail M-B	4S	Braxton L
	Oakes F		Riley W
4K	Jess W	5H	Zierrah A
	Jake H	5T	Charlie C
5J	Sarah B	6H	Liliella M
6D	Brodie R-S	K/6M	Avelyne McB
6R	Lexi F		Sayeth A

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

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Isla T	1P
Kaleb K	3R
Haylee P	4B

### PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Layne H	1P
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### STRANGER DANGER

All parents are encouraged to have a friendly chat to their children about Stranger Danger. Children are often out and about playing outside of school and meet a variety of people in various settings. Please ensure you and your child know what each other are doing, set times to meet and always encourage your child to not travel alone. For more information on the topic visit [www.kidsmartz.org/StrangerDanger](http://www.kidsmartz.org/StrangerDanger)

### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Every time a student is absent, we require a note or a phone call explaining why they are away. We have included a sheet of notes for your convenience. Please return a note to your child's class teacher on the day that they return to school. Thank you for your ongoing support.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Friday, 14 May is National Walk Safely To School Day.  
On this day, walk the whole or part of the way to school with your child.



The objectives of National Walk Safely to School Day are:

- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children
- To promote the health benefits of walking and create regular walking habits
- To help children develop vital road crossing skills and ensure children up to the age of 10 years hold an adult's hand when crossing the road
- To reduce car dependency and traffic congestion
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles
- To promote the use of public transport



### P & C NEWS

Thank you to everyone that supported our Mother's Day stall. We hope you enjoyed your gifts and that you had a wonderful day with your families.

Our next meeting is this Wednesday at 9:15am and it will be held in the school hall. We would love for you to join us and hope to see you there.

As always, we are available at [epsandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsandc@gmail.com) if you have any questions, comments or want to get involved and help.



## SUPPORT NEWS

K/6M have been exploring patterns and algebra within their numeracy sessions over the last couple of weeks. Students displayed their knowledge on creating growing patterns with the three-dimensional shapes.



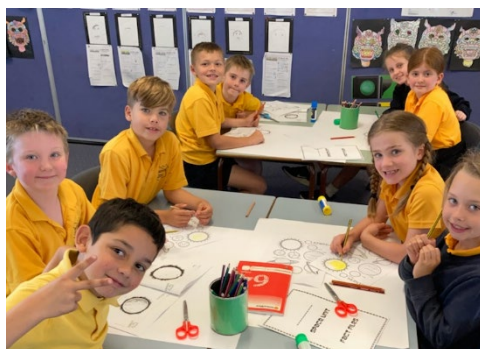
## EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Last week students had a deeper look into the sounds 't' and 's'. In Mathematics, students looked at comparing one mass to another using hefting and an equal arm balance. Students were also very busy making all sorts of Mother's Day craft for our wonderful mums! Thanks also to the P&C for the fantastic Mother's Day stall, students loved choosing their gifts from the store last Thursday.



## STAGE ONE NEWS

2L are working hard on their first group project. They have been researching the planets in our Solar System and working in pairs to colour, cut and paste the planets in order from The Sun. They have discovered some interesting space facts along the way.





## STAGE TWO NEWS

Rheese and Ms Kennedy were fortunate enough to take our Year 4 Aboriginal students to the Cultural Continuum held at Umina Beach Public School on Wednesday. They were able to spend the morning with students from all over the Peninsula learning about Aboriginal culture, discovering traditional gathering techniques and tasting bush tucker with Jake Casaar. Students represented Ettalong Public School beautifully and had a fantastic day.



## STAGE THREE NEWS

Year 6 had a taste of high school Science with special visitors from Brisbane Water Secondary College, learning all about matter, density and different forms of energy.

