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Term 2 Week 9	15 June 2021			
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY				
Friday 18 June	PJ day – Gold coin donation			
Tuesday 22 June	Spelling Bee finals			
Wednesday 23 June	Central Coast Dance Festival – our girls perform.			
Thursday 24 June	Reports to go home; Central Coast Choral Festival rehearsal at EPS			

Hello Parents and Carers

Thank you to our students, families and staff for your support of the Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea last Wednesday! An amazing \$832 was donated to this very worthy cause. Some of our students made a comment that we had sold a LOT of cupcakes to raise that money! Cheryl Lynch in our canteen did an amazing job organising this event and was even baking between recess and lunch to ensure our students didn't miss out!

A HUGE thank you for the amazing response to our P&C's initiative last Friday afternoon! The Family Fun Afternoon was buzzing with excited children and it was terrific to see our families again. Thanks to our very eager volunteers (on the BBQ, setting up and pulling down, running the raffle and guessing competition, helping in the canteen, hair spraying), our Y6 students and staff and to our community for your ongoing support, input and patience (especially in line for the face painter!). The afternoon was very well attended. There are more details about the afternoon over the page in the P&C NEWS, including an update on the amount raised! Thanks again for your support.

Our students have again been working hard this week both at school and on the sporting field. Some have been dropping by the office to show us their great work! We have seen Malakai from KZ with his best writing so far this year. Last Wednesday our Aboriginal students from Kindergarten attended the Kindergarten Cultural Continuum at Woy Woy South PS. This is the first of many connections for our Indigenous students across our learning community. Then last Thursday our Rugby League team competed at Roger's Park in the Classic Shield. The boys had a terrific day, winning two of their three games. I was amazed by the skills that the boys have, considering some of the team had not played league before. Thanks to Mr Leary, Rheese, coaching support from Mr Goddard and to all our families for their support.

Next week we will also be buzzing with our Spelling Bee finals being set for next Tuesday. Families of the finalists will be invited to attend the school hall where we will socially distance so that you can see your speller compete. Best wishes to all our class representatives. I was fortunate to observe a couple of finals in classrooms and what amazing spellers we have!

This afternoon our staff are continuing their training in iPlay with our school's mentor, Ian. Staff will be engaging in hands-on activities and are looking forward to sharing these games and 'brain breaks' across the school.

There have been a lot of works commencing and being completed around the school. Our new building looks set for occupation from day 1 next term, the environmental corridor from Uligandi Street through to Karingi Street has started and during last week's P&C Meeting we discussed the plans to install the fans in the hall. This application is now with the Department's Assets Management and we hope to have more information around the installation soon. We are also in the process of finalising the organisation around the shade cover over the K-2 playground equipment. Our school is a busy place!

Jodie Campbell Relieving Principal

REPEAT: The current COVID guidelines have been revisited by NSW Health after the recent restrictions in Victoria. This means that NSW staff and students in schools can continue to attend school to work and learn, except that they must remain at home if they are unwell, even with the mildest symptoms. If they are unwell they must receive a negative COVID test and be symptom free before returning to school.

3Rs AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Lyllah T	KT	Alfons W
KZ	Clementine K	KL	lvy H
1H	Matilda P	1F	Ellie M
1P	Indi M	1/2A	Roisin O
2L	Nate D	2S	Tanisha A
2C	Emma M	3R	Lucas W
3S	Navita H	3/4A	Bastian C
4B	Mia B	4K	Mason Q
5H	Jay S	4S	Charlotte C
5J	Nash F	6D	Selson F
6R	Rayden S	6H	Lauren D
K/6P	Ruby D	K/6 JS	Jaydan H
	Taylor R		•

PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Mia P 2S



GENERAL INFORMATION

Friday is Pyjama day. For a gold coin donation, students can wear modest and warm pyjamas that are appropriate for a normal day at school (including sport for primary students).

All money raised will be donated to Coast Shelter as we support our local community.



Repeat: Reminder for our Kindergarten Families 2021 Re: Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

Between May and July this year, our school will be taking part in the AEDC. This is a nationwide census/survey of early childhood development held once every three years. The AEDC is an Australian Government initiative run by the Department of Education, Skills and Employment and includes all children in their first year of full-time school.

The AEDC provides vital information to communities about how children are developing in the crucial early years. AEDC data is relied upon by schools, early childhood organisations, researchers and government to inform planning and improve services and supports for children and families.

To find out more about the AEDC, please read the frequently asked questions section on the AEDC website at https://www.aedc.gov.au/parents/faqs or phone 1800 092 548.

P & C NEWS

WOW!!! What can we possibly say but THANK YOU!!! Thank you all for your amazing support of our event on Friday! Thank you to all who attended, donated their time and baked goods. We are so lucky to have an incredible community at our school!

Thank you to McGrath Estate Agency for their sponsorship and to everyone else that made it such an outstanding success (and we will remember to have 2 face painters' next time! (3)

We managed to raise over \$2000 and couldn't be happier!

As always, we are available at epspandc@gmail.com should you have any questions or if we can help with anything.

CANTEEN NEWS

This Friday the canteen will be selling hot chocolates at recess and lunch for \$1 for PJ day.

SUPPORT NEWS

The Multi-Sport Day at Niagara Park was a success- smiles, great sportsmanship and a positive can do attitude was displayed by all students who attended.











EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Last week in Kindergarten, students completed literacy activities that investigated the Soundwaves sounds 'e' and 'h'. Students are beginning to enjoy using our brand new laptop computers during literacy rotations! In Mathematics, we had lots of fun building 3D objects using pipe cleaners and matchsticks. We were also trying to match 3D objects to their corresponding 2D shapes. In Science, students completed a Venn diagram that compared toys that can be pushed or pulled.







STAGE ONE NEWS

Stage One have been busy during their STEM lessons this term. They have been learning to use the STEM problem solving and design process to create new space exploration vehicles. Students firstly researched what current space exploration vehicles have and need before drawing their own designs. They then have used Lego, recycled materials and craft supplies to build their vehicles. Here are just a few...







STAGE TWO NEWS

Stage Two learnt how to measure objects in the classroom using centimetres on the ruler. We then followed a procedure on the IWB on how to make a paper plane, which gave us an opportunity to measure how far we could throw the paper plane, measuring our skills in metres. Loads of fun all round.









STAGE THREE NEWS

Year 6 enjoy some time outside reading their novel Wonder, learning about kindness, acceptance and bravery.





Where: UMINA TENNIS, Umina When: Monday 5th - Friday 9th July Time: 9am-3pm

Cost: Wk \$90, Day \$25

BEFORE & AFTER CAMP CARE AVAILABLE 7AM-6PM \$150P/WK BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Included:All equipment, , Prizes & Presentation Friday

The camps are held

wet or fine with indoor activities provided. Lunch orders available.

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