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Term 3 Week 5	10 August 2021
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Available daily	Learning from Home packs available for collection – includes work until 13/8/21 the end of this week - Week 5
Friday 13 August	Learning from Home packs available for Weeks 6 and 7 – Karingi St ONLY

Dear Parents and Carers

This year sees the 10th Anniversary of Dymocks Children's Charities Book Bank. And yes, 10 years in our school! 10 years of amazing books for our learners! I think if I have calculated correctly, and please check my maths.... on average, we have 250 students in Yrs 3 -6 each receiving 4 per year for 10 years, that means approximately 10 000 books have been distributed to our learners! We certainly are highly fortunate in receiving this amazing opportunity. Mrs Hull (our invaluable school coordinator) asked our students to send the organisers of the Dymocks Children's Charities Book Bank some thank you bookmarks. A selection of these bookmarks were distributed to the financial supporters of this charity. I have included a picture of some of these below. Thank you to Dymocks Children's Charities! We are very, very grateful for their generosity!



Please note: this Friday, August 13, our packs for Weeks 6 and 7 will be available for pick up from Karingi St between 10am and 2pm. They will be available on the website from this Friday too. These packs will take us to the end of Week 7, Friday August 27.

If your child is in Y6, they will have received a High School Enrolment form, please return these as soon as possible or on Friday when you collect your Learning from Home packs.

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2022! Please drop enrolment forms into school or apply online. We can't wait to welcome your child into our school!

Watch this space.... Our staff have been working hard behind the scenes to facilitate 'Catch-up' sessions for our students in line with the Department of Education Guidelines and we hope to be able to communicate these arrangements with you later this week.

Please stay safe and well!

Jodie Campbell Relieving Principal REPEAT: On Sunday July 18, 2021, all NSW Schools received stronger advice from the Department of Education. The advice now states; "Parents must keep children - of all ages, across primary and secondary schooling and early childcare - home if they can. Students will be supported to learn from home. Schools and early childhood education and care services, including Out of School Hours Care services are open for any child that needs it. Thank you for your support"

Learning from Home packs continue to be available from our office throughout the day. The work packs are also made available via our school's website *ettalong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au*, click on Learning at our School, then click Learning from Home. All students, whether attending school or not, will complete the same schoolwork.

There is a lot of information available to families on the NSW Department of Education's website. https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families On this website you will see that schools in the Central Coast area continue to be in Level 4 and will remain on this level until **August 28, 2021**. Which means the following restrictions apply for us; *Schools activate plans to support continuity for students learning from home. No student is turned away *Reduce mingling of student cohorts wherever possible *No non-essential visitors *QR codes in place *Mandatory masks indoors for all staff and secondary students.

Please be reminded when dropping off your child or children that staff will be on gate duty to support their entry. The following gates will be open in the morning and afternoons until further notice; the main gate on Karingi Street and the main gate adjacent to the Kiss and Drop on Uligandi Street. The gate adjacent to the Disabled Parking Bay in Karingi Street with use for students from our Support Unit only please and the gate off the basketball court will only be available in the afternoons.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Central Coast Choral Festival 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We hope everyone is staying safe and well during this trying time.

It is with great regret and sadness we announce that, due to COVID and NSW Public Health orders, the Central Coast Choral Festival 2021 will not go ahead as planned. We are all extremely disappointed.





Our number one priority is your child's health and safety and we are following government health and safety orders by social distancing.

We appreciate and value your ongoing support in everything you do to support your child's interest in music and the performing arts.

We are fortunate to have a dedicated team of teachers and support people who are committed to presenting the Central Coast Choral Festival next year. We look forward to singing with you soon. Keep singing in the shower!

The Central Coast Choral Festival Team