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Term 4 Week 6	9 November 2021		
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY			
Wed 10 November	Book Swap		
Thurs 11 November	Remembrance Day		
Now until 17 Nov	Selective High School Applications are available online. Please see the link		
	below.		
Wed 24 Nov	P&C Meeting 7pm in EPS staffroom (all attending must show proof of double		
	vaccination upon arrival)		
Wed 1 Dec	School Photos – envelopes are being sent home today		

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another fantastic week in our great school! Our staff have been trying hard to continue routines and learning opportunities and our students have been working hard to follow our 3Rs. Teaching, learning and wellbeing remain our focus. There have been lots of students sharing some great work with us, including beautiful handwriting, some more amazing reading results, projects completed during learning from home and speeches about women in sport. We also welcomed applications from our current Y5 for leadership roles such as prefects and captains. Wow! The efforts of our students are commendable!

Yesterday, all schools in NSW moved to Level 3 guidelines. No doubt you have seen some of the changes mentioned in the news. Opportunities for outdoor assemblies and sport have fallen in line with community guidelines. As always, the safety of our students, staff and community remains our priority. There is a lot of updated information for families and this continues to be available at https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families and the Department of Education (DoE), in consultation with NSW Health have also released information for families in the unfortunate event of a positive Covid case in a school. This information can be found in full at the following address; https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/response-protocol. There have been a small number of schools on the Central Coast closed throughout this past week for a deep clean, as a result of a community Covid case. Today, your child will receive a "Precautionary Learning from Home Pack" in the event of this happening in our school. We continue to request that if your child is unwell, that you keep them at home. If your child, or anyone in your home, requires a Covid test, please let our office know and then email the test result through before your child resumes school. As mentioned above, our email address is <a href="https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families and the continue to request that if your child is unwell, that you keep them at home. If your child, or anyone in your home, requires a Covid test, please let our office know and then email the test result through before your child resumes school. As mentioned above, our email address is https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families and the Department of Education (Doc again, we thank you for your ongoing support in

Throughout the past few weeks, some students from years 3 to 6 have completed their ICAS assessments online. Thank you to those students involved for showing resilience and flexibility. Thanks also to Mrs Ryan and Miss Crowther for all their organisation and flexibility.

Students who are registered applicants for Opportunity Class Y5 placement in 2022 will be completing their assessments online here at school next Wednesday. Mrs Brown, our test administrator, will be hosting a practise session with students who have already applied. This is aimed to assist with familiarisation of the type of assessment, the venue in our school and the technology. Further information will go home with those registered students today.

Just a reminder that Selective High School applications for 2023 are open until November 17. All applications must be made online at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7

Please stay safe and well! And thank you for your ongoing support. Jodie Campbell - Relieving Principal

3R's AWARDS

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Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Harley A	KT	Evelyn R
	Preston W		Liam C
KZ	Austin S	KL	Dean L
	Molly B		Emilia S
1P	Indi M	1F	Alana E
	Layne H		Charlotte B
	Macy-Anne C-M		Connor McKevett
1H	Jax M	1/2A	Kayla P
	Eddie M		Skyler W
2L	Joel S	2\$	Landan H
	Bowie M		Brooklyn M
	Vivian H		Ailiyah M
2C	Courtney G	3R	Kaleb K
	Heather McM		Jacob B
	Blake S	4B	Azealia K
3S	Dylan L	4S	Ava R
	Amarni H		Millie M
5H	Harper C	4K	Annabelle C-A
	Noah A		Macklyn R
6D	Leila T	5J	Lucas G
	Scarlett A-S		Jamie W
6R	Addison F	5T	Ashley A
	Nicholas H		Brandy C
K/6JL	Jaxon N	6H	Tam J
	Patrick F		Hannah S
K/6P	Taylor R		
	Jake G		

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

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Isaiah G	KZ
Marnie McM	KS
Ryan S	1H
Henry G	2L
Ben H	2L
Kai D	1/2A

San F	3R
Nahlia K	3S
Avelyne McB	K/6M
Amelia-Rose I	M 4S
Dylan I	K/6R
Talieya McM	5J
Lilly T	5T
Charlie C	5T
Sophie W	6D

PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Charlotte 1P



CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNER

Caden 5T

P & C NEWS

Just a reminder that it is still a restricted menu with online ordering only at the canteen at the moment as well as online ordering for any uniform shop orders.

When ordering hotdogs, they automatically come with tomato sauce so please specify "no sauce" or BBQ sauce.

Currently we can't get gluten free pies from our suppliers, so they are out of stock.

We will be holding a P & C meeting next Wednesday 24 November at 7pm at school.

Please remember that we are available at epspandc@gmail.com if you have any questions or need help with anything.

SUPPORT NEWS

It's been a very busy week in K6JL's classroom. We had fun making monkeys following our Jungle unit theme. Making words with our new bean bags letters was loads of fun. Being active with our balance beam and stomping like a dinosaur with our giant dinosaur feet, making a **ROARING** sound. Could you hear us stomp?





EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

It has been another enjoyable week in Kindergarten with their days full of activities. We have been learning the sound 'oo' which can be a bit tricky, and our sight words. During Mathematics, the children are investigating, modelling and sharing equal groups. The playground has a variety of play equipment for our children to use during recess and lunch. Please don't forget to label their hats and drink bottles so they don't miss out on the fun.







STAGE ONE NEWS

1H have had a fabulous start to Term 4. We have been reading about Fairy Tales and writing our own. This week was very exciting when we started the "Mascot Challenge". We are looking forward to improving our skills in bouncing, catching and throwing. Mrs Hull is very impressed with how we have grown and matured since coming back to school. We really are ready for Year 2.

(Mrs Hull is a bit sad about this though!)



Tennis Lessons- Have fun and learn to play Tennis!

- Monday 4.30- 5.30pm or Saturday 9-10am.
- \$15 per class. \$100 Active Kids Vouchers.
- Empire Bay Tennis Club, Shelly Bch Rd.
- Ph: Mark Rawlingson 0412 834 336
- Tennis Australia Qualified.

Headlice checks

There are two treatment options for head lice

Mechanical removal

Mechanical removal involves applying normal hair conditioner to dry hair. After covering all of the hair with the conditioner untangle it using a normal comb and separate the hair into sections. Then use a fine long toothed metal lice comb to comb through the hair in sections. The conditioner doesn't kill the lice but it stuns them for about 20 minutes making it easier to remove them. The lice comb will remove nits (eggs) and the stunned lice. Wipe the comb on a white tissue and check for any lice or nits. Keep combing until no more appear on the tissue. This method should be used every second day until none remain (usually about 7 to 10 days).

This method is the preferred way to treat head lice because it is effective, does not contribute to insecticide resistance in head lice and also has a low risk of skin irritation.

The mechanical removal method also helps manage head lice before they become established on the head. Keep a good head lice comb in the shower and every time your family washes their hair comb through with the lice comb. This makes sure the lice are caught before they lay too many eggs.

If your children are old enough to wash their own hair encourage them to use the comb themselves. Or keep the comb handy to where you wash your children's hair and use it every time you wash their hair.

Chemical removal

If you choose to use a chemical treatment, remember to follow the instructions carefully. Don't be tempted to re-apply the same chemical treatment if it doesn't appear to be working. Instead change to another treatment that uses a different chemical compound or use the comb and conditioner method. You must repeat the treatment in 7 days to kill any newly hatched eggs. You will also need to use a lice comb to make sure the treatment is working.

If you find dead lice the product has worked. If you find live lice, the treatment has not worked.

When your child is free of lice and nits, remember to check regularly with a fine toothed lice comb and conditioner. Early detection and treatment will prevent re-infestation of family members and classmates.

Research suggests that bed linen, hats, clothing and furniture do not harbour or transmit lice or nits and that there is no benefit in washing them as a treatment option. Nits and lice only live on the human head. They quickly dehydrate and die if removed from the head.

*This information is based on information provided on the NSW Health Nitbusters website.