



# H O M E N O T E

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## Term 4 Week 7

16 November 2021

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Until tomorrow 17 Nov	Selective High School Applications are available online. Please see the link below.
Continuing this week	In our library, Book Swap (GOLD COIN) and Book Fair (50c - \$10)
Wed 24 Nov	P&C Meeting 7pm in EPS staffroom (all attending must show proof of double vaccination upon arrival)
Tues 30 Nov	Books4Kids - gold coin donation (please see below)
Wed 1 Dec	School Photos – please pay online or place payment in the envelopes sent home last Tuesday. Sibling envelopes are available from the front office.

### Dear Parents and Carers

It certainly has been another busy week in our awesome school! Our students continue to try their best and we have seen some terrific progress from students since returning to face-to-face learning. Last week we started to return to our 'Pizza Lunches' for those students in Years 3-6. These were done in a Covid safe manner with social distancing and individual portions served. We have moved these lunches to the hall and students are in their cohorts. It will take a few weeks to get through these lunches but once again, we are hosting these within the guidelines of NSW Health.

We would like to thank Lucy Wicks, the Member for Robertson, and her office for gifting us a new set of flags. We were given Australian, the Aboriginal and the Torres Strait Islander flag. We proudly flew these during our Remembrance Service last Thursday and as you will see in the photos over the page, they look amazing. Thank you, Lucy!

Last week, our librarians, Mrs Cross and Mrs Brown, hosted a book swap with all funds raised going towards the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. We are proud to say that so far we have raised a mighty \$386.20. The Book Swap (gold coin donation) and Book Fair (ranging from \$10-50c) WILL CONTINUE FOR ANOTHER WEEK during library sessions.

We have another exciting initiative involving books! Our school is going to be a part of the very first, Books4Kids. This is a really special fundraising initiative that allows schools across Australia to raise money for new books for their own school library and for another school library! It's a great opportunity for our school to take part in and it allows the children the opportunity to get involved in a wonderful philanthropic campaign that will be engaging, fun and extremely rewarding! It's very easy to get involved. All you need to do is bring in a gold coin donation on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Once we have completed our fundraising, the school will select brand new books from the extensive book list offered by Dymocks Children's Charity up to the total amount raised by our fundraising event! In addition, DCC will then match the total amount raised and will provide brand new books of the same value to another school in need!

Our staff are always working hard and are currently working on assessments for the Semester 2 reports. These reports will be a simplified version of the report you received at the end of Semester 1. At this time, they are two pages and do not contain the previous A-E information. They are of course, in line with the Department of Education's guidelines.

Students who are registered applicants for Opportunity Class Y5 placement in 2022 will be completing their assessments online here at school tomorrow, Wednesday 17 November.

Just a reminder that Selective High School applications for 2023 are open until tomorrow, 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

Class	Name	Class	Name
3S	Eliot C	3R	Maya S
	Mia H		Kaleb K
4B	Ben H	3/4A	Bastian C
	Kobe A		Kynan S
4K	Tahlia S	4S	Brax L
	Ethan T		Ruby H
5H	Summer B	5T	Bianca M
	Connor P		Jaxon H-M
6D	Astin W	5J	Cooper W
	Kiara P		Quinn L
6R	Chloe S	6H	Josh W
	Romeo R		George C
K/6R	Makayla F	K/6M	Jai M
	Samuel O		Paige N
			Harley B

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

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Preston W	KS
Dave I-O'K	KL
Aurora E	1H
Emile H	1F
Emily W	2S

Macklyn R	4K
Braxton L	4S
Kobe A	4B
Katarina C	6R
Addison F	6R

### PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Faith H	1H
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### CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNER

Hunter G	3S
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### 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, 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 [epsbandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsbandc@gmail.com) if you have any questions or need help with anything.

### NEW FLAGS

Thank you to Lucy Wicks – Member for Robertson for our new flags. They are already flying high!



## STAGE ONE NEWS

Stage 1 have been working hard this week in all areas. 1P have put their artist hats on and created some craft pumpkins while investigating Cinderella. They have also been practicing their throwing and catching skills and testing out the new Stage 1 Laptops. Well done!



### Peninsula Art School

My art classes are run through my art business Peninsula Art School, <https://www.facebook.com/PeninsulaArtSchool> it aims to encourage children to enjoy and have fun with art. I have experience in running children art classes for many years and taught lots of children. My art is nature inspired and teaches children a variety of techniques and use of materials and equipment in safe way. I have business public liability insurance and WWCC. The aim is for them to have fun, whilst learning art techniques and build confidence with materials.

After school Face to face and zoom art classes run by the term for eight weeks, I also do holiday and special events and occasions workshops and classes.

Please find attached a few photos of my artworks and the children with some of their artworks too.

I would enjoy talking to you further to discuss potential opportunities either in your school or to promote through your networks. My Zoom classes are currently running and able to enrol in till end of school term. Then we will begin again in Term 1 2022.

I have a science qualification as well so can mix science and art with any opportunities there may be to teach at school at an event etc that may be suited to you such as under eight days, science days, National Reading days that combine art, RU Ok day and lots of others.

My teenage daughter usually helps outside school hours.

Keryn

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## EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

*Give your child every chance to succeed...*

**Every day counts!**



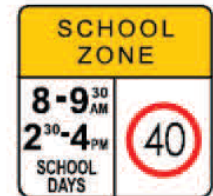




## Traffic and Parking around your School

Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others. Please consider the residents when parking in streets surrounding your school.

- ✓ A **School Zone** is the area around a school with a speed limit of 40 km/h. Between the School Zone and End School Zone signs you must obey the school zone speed limit. The school zone speed limit only applies on gazetted school days and during the times shown on the sign.



- ✓ **School Bus lights** – buses use signs and orange flashing ‘wigwag’ lights to warn motorists and pedestrians that they are picking up or setting down school children. The lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors are opened. They keep flashing for about 30 seconds after the doors close and continue even after the bus moves off. You must not drive past the bus in the same direction at more than 40 km/h while the ‘wigwag’ lights are flashing as there may be children crossing or about to cross the road.



- ✓ A **No Parking Zone** means that you must not stop for more than two minutes. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle. No Parking Zones are suitable for dropping off and picking up.



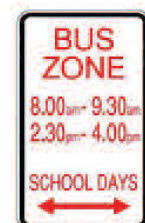
**THESE SIGNS MEAN YOU MAY STOP HERE TO DROP OFF / PICK UP**

**BUT YOU MUST**

- stop for up to 2 minutes only
- stay within 3 metres of vehicle

**Kids look to you to keep them safe - please park legally in school zones  
HEAVY FINES and DEMERIT POINTS APPLY**

- ✓ A **Bus Zone** means that the area is restricted for bus use only. If hours of operation are shown, the restriction only applies to this time. You may use this area outside of these times.



- ✓ A **No Stopping Zone** means no stopping at any time.

