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Term 4 Week 8

23 November 2021

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 24 Nov	P&C Meeting 7pm in EPS staffroom (all attending must show proof of double vaccination upon arrival)
Thurs 25 Nov and Thurs 2 Dec	Headstart sessions for Kindergarten 2022
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

This past week has again been a busy one with lots of exciting things happening around the school. Last Thursday was a particularly busy day. Throughout the day we welcomed some of our new Kindergarten students. It was so lovely to see their excitement at coming to big school. We too are excited to start the schooling journey with both these children and their families. We look forward to meeting the remainder of our Kinders this Thursday. We also hosted our first Zoom session for our families to assist with the transition to school. The videos shown during this time are available on our website for those families that may not have been able to access the session. The clips will be great to share with our 2022 Kinders throughout the holidays so that they can become even more familiar with school. 'A Day in the life of Kindergarten' is a very special one to view!

Also on Thursday, 15 of our current Y5 students, who are aspiring to be our school Captains and Prefects in 2022, presented speeches via Zoom to Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. We modified the way in which the speeches were presented so as to align with the current Covid guidelines and were thrilled to live-stream to our classrooms. The prospective leaders could hear the clapping and cheering from the tech lab. It certainly was a great atmosphere in what has been a very challenging year. I sincerely thank our staff for all of their efforts to ensure that the speeches could in fact proceed, the support they constantly offer our students and the technology that ran seamlessly. The speeches were excellent and all the students who nominated and spoke, would make terrific leaders in our school. We are very proud of their efforts. For the first time, this year, our students voted for 2 candidates and not one boy and one girl. The results of these elections will be announced at our Presentation Day. The students who weren't successful during this process will be able to apply for House Captains or Vice-House Captains roles and then also SRC in 2022. Best wished to all applicants!

We have seen and read some awesome work from classrooms across the school. 5H have impressed us this week with some information posters about the current issues shown in BTN. Did you know that astronauts grow 3% taller when they are in space? We love when our students show us their passion to learn. Some other great work that we have seen this week is in students' writing. On the following pages, we are featuring part of a story from Sam, a 4K student. I am sure that you will enjoy reading his work too.

Don't forget to pack a gold coin next Tuesday for the Books4Kids fundraiser. This is a really special fundraising initiative allowing 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!

Last Wednesday, 7 of our current Y4 students sat for the Opportunity Class placement in 2022. This was the first time that this assessment was online and once again, our technology and the process supported our students. Good luck to all candidates!

Please stay safe and well! And thank you for your ongoing support.

Jodie Campbell - Relieving Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Jessie H	KT	Zeus S
	Billie St J		Jase M
KZ	Byndi M	KL	Alice C
	Austin S		Toby W
1H	Edith T	1F	Koa H
	Jai S		Cooper G
1P	Ziadan H	1/2A	Bryah J
	Bentley B		Kory W
2L	Ben H	2S	Tariq W
	Edie L		Sawyer S
2C	Azaria R-B	3R	Amber S
	Dakota T		Henry C
3S	Christian R	4S	Phoebe O
	Kirra C		Indi M
4B	Oakes F	4K	Bodhy J
	Addison E		Max McP
5H	Jack M	5J	Rory M
	Nate W		Linkin D
6D	Mina T	5T	Chanel N
	Bryon H-R		Caden K
6R	Sunny D	6H	Liam H
	Harlan M		Rubal K
K/6JL	Jayden H	K/6M	Charles B
	Leo S		Decklan L
K/6R	Dylan I	K/6P	Emma H
			Imaad M

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

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Jake G	K/6P
Huey D-C	1F
Max G	1/2A
Eliot C	3S
Phoenix T	3S

Jai M	K/6M
William H	4B
Summer B	5H
Tam J	6H

PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Haylee P	4B
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CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNER

Jai S	1H
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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, as 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 epsandc@gmail.com if you have any questions or need help with anything.

Sam's Story

Exert from '**Doggo**'

As the ash and rubble fell from the exploding bombs up high, the little boy huddled in a corner and began to cry. While the clanking tanks and cars flattened the houses left standing, a brave mongrel dog went to find the boy.

Then as the sun arose on the horror-stricken city, people woke to find their homes and surrounding building flattened. The soldiers marched on and on.

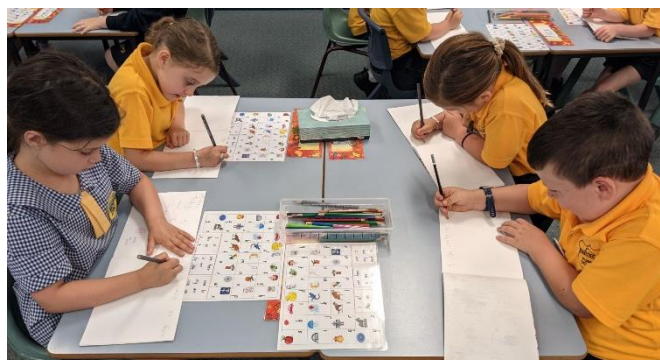
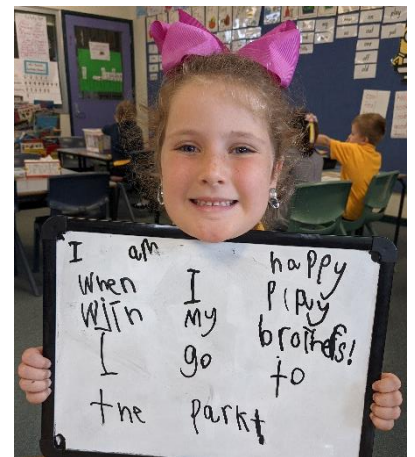
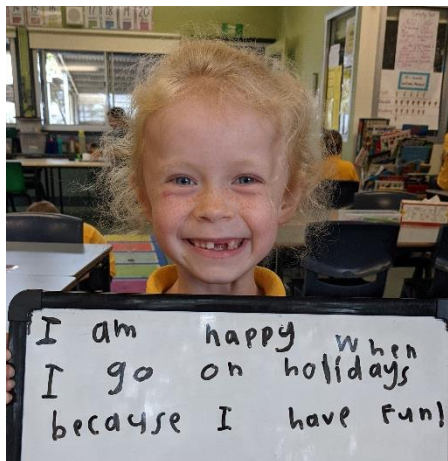
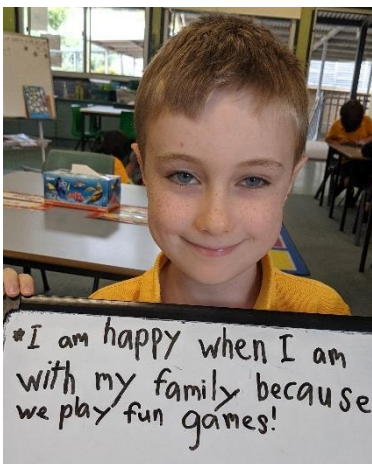
SUPPORT NEWS

K6R have enjoyed cooking to promote the lifetime skill of healthy eating. Each week they have happily engaged in tactile experiences, such as handling foods, and are developing a greater acceptance of eating a variety of foods.



EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Kindergarten have been very busy working on their writing. They are certainly ready for Year 1! They are also learning to tell the time and have had a great time reconnecting with friends.



Current Parent Contact Information

16 November 2022

Dear Parent / Caregivers,

In 2022, Ettalong Public School will be trialling a new administration management system. Sentral provides families with access to a parent portal where you can quickly and easily see your child's attendance, book parent-teacher interviews, access school reports, update your contact information and quickly and easily explain absences. Sentral will allow parents to be notified of absences and explain these via text message. To ensure we are ready to move to Sentral in 2022, we need to ensure your contact information is current.

Please complete the below section and return it to the office ASAP. Please clearly write your children's names, current address, mobile phone numbers and email address so that we can update our records.

Sincerely,

Adam Penberthy
Relieving Deputy Principal

Jodie Campbell
Relieving Principal

Up to date Contact Information

Child/ren's names: _____

Parent 1 mobile phone: _____

Parent 2 mobile phone: _____

Parent 1 email address: _____

Parent 2 email address: _____

Home address: _____

Emergency contacts:

Emergency contact 1 (name and mobile number): _____

Emergency contact 2 (name and mobile number): _____

Emergency contact 3 (name and mobile number): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Guardian)

