

HOMENOTE

Respect. Responsibility. Ready To Learn.

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Term 4 Week 10	7 December 2021			
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY				
Wed 8 Dec	Kindergarten 2021 Presentation Day – school only event			
	EPS Deadly Awards – school only event			
Thurs 9 Dec	Presentation Day – in cohorts – school only events			
Tues 14 Dec	Reports sent home			
Wed 15 Dec	Year 6 Farewell			
Thurs 16 Dec	Last day for students			

Dear Parents and Carers

Friday was a terrific day in our amazing school! Congratulations to our Y6 students and staff for the great success of their sausage sizzle fundraiser. With over 400 sausages pre-ordered we thank you, our families, for the tremendous support. Despite the disappointment of restrictions limiting our cohort mixing and therefore not allowing a mini-fete this year, our students, families and staff have rallied to support this, our only fundraiser for the Y6 Farewell, which will go ahead in Covid-restricted way.

Last Thursday, we held our final week of our face-to-face Headstart session for our 2022 Kindergarten students. Next year's class teachers for Kindergarten ran these sessions and are very excited about the readiness our new comers showed. During these sessions, we held Zoom and Loom sessions for families which were hosted by Mr P and are available to watch on our website.

Throughout last week, in cohorts, our students in years 2-6 voted on the pre-recorded speeches. Students applying for House Captain and Vice-Captain roles in 2022. Like previously mentioned, this year we won't necessarily have a boy and girl sports captain or a girl or boy vice-captain. Our students have done their best and delivered speeches that they had prepared at home. Once again, we thank our families for supporting their children. Many of the applicants told me that they had been rehearsing during dinner, in the bathroom mirror and one student said that they had even read their speech to their dog! I hope that the dog listened as respectfully as the students in our school did!

School is a busy place with students and staff continuing to work hard. Having read some student reports in the last week, I am encouraged by the efforts that our students are making. Returning to school has been very, very challenging for some of our students, while others have taken it in their stride. We take this opportunity to remind all students that our 3Rs (Respect, Responsibility and Ready to Learn) still apply.

As well as writing reports, our staff are also working on evaluating our school's SIP (Strategic Improvement Plan) and planning for 2022. In week 2, last term, you might remember that our school underwent external validation. Due to the completing of this validation, we will now be working to continue our school plan until 2025, and we will then complete validation again in 2026. Our school's strategic directions are 'Student Growth and Attainment'; 'Explicit Quality Teaching' and 'Wellbeing and Strengthening Relationships'. The SIP is available on our school's website – About Our School - School planning and reporting.

The last two weeks of a school year are generally filled with our families attending various activities such as the Deadly Awards, our schools' Presentation Days, our Y6 Farewell and also our Y6 Graduation Ceremony. All of these special events will be again affected by the current Covid restrictions. REPEAT: I don't need to remind you that this year has been like no other, not just in NSW but across our world. Despite the Covid restrictions and guidelines, we are doing our very best to modify our regular end of year activities so that our students can still participate in such as things as the Y6 Farewell, party days, elections for student leaders and so on. As you know, our staff are very creative and highly committed to helping our students in the best possible way in an ever-changing world. This year we will again be holding our Presentation Days in a Covid safe manner. These will be in the format of outside assemblies in cohorts and unfortunately, like in 2020, these will be student only events. Please stay safe and well! And thank you for your ongoing support. Jodie Campbell - Relieving Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Mateo R	KT	Tye P
	Rosie O		Alira A
KZ	Connor McI	KL	Henry I
	Clementine K		Sahara W
1H	Lilja P	1F	Grace McB
	Maddie B		Taylee W
1P	Lacie C	1/2A	Eleanor H
	Trent B		Violet R
2L	Joel S	2\$	lvy L
	Lara B-M		Jackson P
2C	Jasmin H	5J	Trinity T
	James M		Jamie W
5H	Keisha R-B	5T	Jaxon H-M
	Jay S		Cruz R
6D	Ivy L	6H	Liam H
	Holly F		Riley H
6R	Nicholas S	K/6M	Samuel O
	Finn M	K/6R	Jaxx O'B
K/6JL	Jaxon N	K/6P	Layten D

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

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Kalani M	KL
Luna F	KL
Evelyn R	ΚZ
Cedar G	KS
Zanda H	K/6P
Savannah J	KT
Sasha B-M	1F
Koa H	1F
Matilda P	1H
Roisin O'R	1/2A
Joel S	2L
William H	2L

Reuben L	2C	
Tanisha A	2S	
Flynn M	3S	
Maeve O'R	3/4A	
Mia B	4B	
Bianca M	5T	
Samuel O	K/6M	
Rei D	6D	
Chelsea C	6D	
Phoebe J	6H	
Romeo R	6R	
Chloe S	6R	

PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Indigo L 5H

CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNER

Harley B K-6R

GENERAL NEWS

Please be reminded when you are driving around our school to be mindful of our neighbours, pedestrians, cyclists and other road users. PLEASE drive safely! Our children are valuable!

If your child will not be returning to EPS in 2022 (year 6 going to high school excluded) please advise us as soon as possible. Thank you.

SUPPORT NEWS

Students in K6M have been having fun while learning how to play a range of lawn bowl games. Students continue to develop

their technique, learning how to roll their bowl correctly and with the right amount of force to get as close to the target as possible.







EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

The time has flown since we have returned to school and Kindergarten have been working so hard with their reading and their writing and their Mathematics. All of the teachers are very proud of their students' efforts. We are approaching the end of the year and we would like to acknowledge your children's efforts and resilience and thank you as our supportive families. Kindergarten have been working hard revising the sounds q (kw) and x (cks) and the associated letters Q and X. They have also (when it has not been raining) enjoyed P.E. and being outside.







Come along and check out **Floorball**, a fun and fast-growing sport for all skill levels! Our local club, Peninsula Floorball, plays every **Tuesday afternoon/evening** in the Peninsula Leisure Centre, Woy Woy. We are a fun and inclusive team and welcome new and experienced players at any time. What are you waiting for? For more information, please contact us on peninsulafloorball@hotmail.com , www.peninsulafloorball.org

COME AND TRY SESSIONS 11 JANUARY 2022 and 18 JANUARY 2022, 11AM-12PM, \$5 PER PLAYER. SEASON STARTS 8 FEBRUARY 2022





Looking for boys and girls turning 5 to 17yo in 2022

Minis + Mods – Boys & Girls U5s to U12s International - Boys 13-17yo, Girls League Tag 14 & 16yo, Girls Tackle 13, 15 & 17yo



To register go to playrugbyleague.com and register for Umina. We will also have face to face registrations in February.

For all enquiries please contact Cae Burgess 0410 433 112 or by email uminabunnies@outlook.com



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)		