



ETTALONG  
PUBLIC SCHOOL

HOMENOTE

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Term 1 Week 7

9 March 2021

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Wed 10 March	P&C AGM 7pm in staffroom; Discos for EPS students only
Fri 19 March	Harmony and Anti-Bullying Day P & C mufti day - gold coin donation please

Hello Parents and Carers

With changes to the Covid-safe guidelines, as advised by the NSW Health and the Department of Education, we applied these changes in our school yesterday. We have included them below for your reference. Please read the information below in the interest of safety, for everyone.

- Social distancing is still required (1.5sq m)
- Scan QR code on entry
- Remain in 'centre pebbles' area only please. Entry to classrooms is not permitted. Please minimise your time on school grounds by leaving as soon as the bell rings, in the mornings.
- Bell times are 8.55am – 2.55pm. Gates open at 8.30am. Uligandi St and rear lane gates locked at 9.00am, as usual. Children arriving late continue to enter via the office in Karingi St, for a late slip. Punctuality is very much appreciated.
- Afternoon gate times remain unchanged. Uligandi Street and rear lane gates are unlocked at 2.45pm. Karingi Street pedestrian gate remains unlocked all day for access to our office. Office hours are 8.30am to 3.15pm.
- Kindergarten students will continue to be released in class groups at 2.55pm at their usual gates.

Thank you for your ongoing support at our wonderful school.

Congratulations to our Zone Swimming Carnival participants who are swimming as I type this Homenote! We know they will represent our school in true spirit and show our 3Rs in the pool! Thanks to Mrs Robertson and Mrs Jager for helping to organise our competitors and for being time-keepers today.

Last Friday, children and families from Years 2, 3 and 4 had a playdate and this, like the previous playdates, was again a huge success. Many thanks to our P&C for organising these activities. They have been very much appreciated.

The P&C AGM will be held tomorrow, 10 March in the admin block staffroom at 7pm. This is the same date as the discos for the students. I have confirmed with DoE and NSW Health that we can hold outdoor discos so they will be held tomorrow, under the K-2 COLA. K-2 students from 3.30 – 4.30pm; Years 3 & 4 from 4.45pm – 5.45pm and Years 5 & 6 from 6pm – 7.15pm. The cost is \$3 per child or \$10 per family. Our P&C has also organised some meal deals which are available to purchase through My School Connect. Orders need to be placed before 9.15am tomorrow morning. We ask that all students **are dropped off at the Karingi Street** entrance only please. Students are then to be **collected from the Uligandi Street** gate. Staff will dismiss students from that entrance, directly into the supervision of an adult. Prior arrangements of no parents on school grounds will remain in effect for the duration of the discos on this occasion. Thank you for your assistance as we still have to follow COVID-safe protocols. .

Thank you for supporting the Year Six annual 'spider day' fundraiser and our School's Clean Up efforts last Friday. Year Six and our staff did a fantastic job at making 'spiders' and then throughout the day our students were amazing when cleaning up our school. Even our cleaners were impressed with their efforts! Well done!

Lynn Balfour - Principal

### 3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KS	Rosie O	KT	Myla M
KZ	Evelyn R	KL	Luna F
1H	Joel M	1F	Daisy H
1P	Jasper J	1/2A	Sam S
2L	Louis P	2S	Harrison C
2C	Dakota T	3/4A	Arabella D
3S	Flynn M	3R	Blake M
4B	Madison C	4K	Leilani B
4S	Ethan L-D	5J	Indigo L
5H	Laylah B	5T	Marcus A
6R	Malachi F	6H	Joshua W
6D	Chloe C	K/6JL	Harry F
K/6M	Sam O		

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

**Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn**

Billy McM	1H
Cruz T-K	5L

### PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Maya B 4B



### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Parent Teacher interviews.

Online bookings for parent-teacher interviews are available from 6pm tonight (Tuesday 9/3/21). Interviews will operate between **Monday, 15 March and Wednesday, 31 March 2021** and all interviews will be **by phone**. Please ensure to answer 'private numbers' on the day of the interview.

To book online:

\*Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)

\*Enter the code: **rg6k4** and press GO

\*Enter an active email address, your name, select the number of children you have at Ettalong PS and enter their name/s

\*Select your children's classes / teachers

\*Select your preferred interview day and time from the available options

\*Finalise your selection

Interviews can also be made by returning the slip to your child's teacher ASAP. Please leave a message for your child's teacher if the available days and times are not suitable. Thank you.

### P & C NEWS

The AGM is being held this coming Wed 10th at 7pm (meet in the office) all positions are declared vacant, if you would like more information regarding these roles please contact us at [epsandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsandc@gmail.com).

The P&C will be opening the canteen again for this week's disco. We will be selling the snack packs as our first fundraiser for the year so please support us by pre ordering a snack pack for your child and send them with a few \$ for a drink and iceblock! Orders can be made through MSC up until 9.15 Wed, see images for menus and how to order.

If your child requires a modified menu option eg. Gluten free; please email us and we will do our best to accommodate those needs.

If you would like to volunteer in preparing /serving in the canteen for this event we would love to have your help, send us email at [epsandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsandc@gmail.com)



# LUNCHBOX DISCO

**\$6** MY SCHOOL CONNECT  
PRE-ORDER THROUGH MY SCHOOL CONNECT.  
CUT-OFF 9:15AM WED 10TH MARCH

**BOX 1**


- HOTDOG
- FRUIT KEBAB
- FAIRY BREAD

**BOX 2**

- GARLIC BREAD
- FRUIT KEBAB
- FAIRY BREAD

THE LUNCHBOX WILL BE OPEN TO PURCHASE DRINKS AND ICE BLOCKS  
PARENTS NOT PERMITTED ON SCHOOL GROUNDS. DROP OFF AT FRONT GATE ONLY.

## THE P&C NOW HAS A FUNDRAISING SHOP IN MY SCHOOL CONNECT



### HOW DO I FIND IT?

- GO TO YOUR DASHBOARD ON THE MY SCHOOL CONNECT APP OR DESKTOP.
- SCROLL TO THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE AND YOU WILL SEE THE FUNDRAISER HEADING.
- CLICK SHOP NOW FROM ETTALONG P & C FUNDRAISER.
- IF YOU HAVE MULTIPLE CHILDREN AT SCHOOL JUST CLICK BUY NOW UNDER YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND CLICK ON ETTALONG P&C FUNDRAISER.

**Use it for:**

- P&C Events
- Paying P&C membership fee
- Birthday Buckets and more

## SUPPORT NEWS

"Last Friday, students in Year 6 set up a Spiders stall for their peers. They had a fantastic time designing posters to advertise the drinks, as well as selling and creating the spiders on the day. We thought the Year 6 students did a fantastic job and their friends thought the drinks were delicious!"



## EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Kindergarten students were very excited to meet their Year 5 buddies on Wednesday. They were able to meet and play with their buddy using the wonderful PE equipment in the primary area. For Clean-Up Australia Day, Kindergarten had fun keeping our school clean and beautiful by picking up the rubbish in the pebbles area. They also had an opportunity to have their first taste of 'spider' drinks. Yum! What a wonderful and very busy week!





## STAGE ONE NEWS

Stage 1 have had a busy week investigating mini beasts. The students have had fun creating painted butterflies and writing about the lifecycle of a snail. In mathematics lessons we have been ordering numbers and learning to add numbers by counting on. We also investigated 3D objects and have made our own 3D objects using magnetic tiles. On Friday we helped clean up the school for Clean-Up Australia Day and enjoyed a spider drink treat.



## STAGE TWO NEWS

Our class 3/4 A have been looking at some artists. Here is our impression of Kadinsky "Trees" and the famous Van Gogh "Sunflowers"

We loved receiving our Book Bank books, thanks so much for your generosity.



## STAGE THREE NEWS

Year 6 would like to thank everyone for their support of Spider Day last Friday. We have kicked off our fundraising for the year in fine fashion.

We have a number of upcoming dates to remember. **Year 6 EOI for High School** are due this **Friday 12 March**. If you are having trouble filling this in please do not hesitate to contact the office and a Year 6 teacher will get back to you as soon as possible.



There is a **Year 7 2022 meeting at BWSC on Thursday 18 March at 5pm** in the campus gym. Please call the High School to book your place on 43419066. Only one parent per student is permitted to attend.

Finally, EOIs and the deposit for the **Stage 3 Canberra excursion** are due on **Friday 26 March**.