



# H O M E N O T E

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**Term 2 Week 5**

**24 May 2022**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 16 - Fri 27 May	Swim school for participating students in our Support Unit
May 24 - June 24	Reroofing works – weather permitting
Thursday 26 May	Sydney Writers' Festival
May 27- June 3	National Reconciliation Week
June 6 & 7	S3 Rumbalara Excursion to Kincumba Mountain

Hello Parents/Carers

We are very excited to let you know, that three of our buildings are going to be re-roofed! The work is beginning **today** with plumbers installing drains to support new downpipes around our hall. The work is scheduled to begin from tomorrow with scaffolding being erected around our hall. The work will affect our main access gates on Uligandi and Karingi Street throughout the next month. We have an extra note accompanying our Homenote today which clearly outlines the interruption to access points. Please be assured that teaching and learning will continue for all classes throughout this time. Thank you in anticipation for your support and patience. We are sure that at the end of the works, we will all be pleased with the results!

Congratulations to our Zone Cross Country team who ran their hearts out last Friday at Roger's Park! Not only did they show their 3Rs throughout the day but they achieved some amazing results in the cold and rainy weather! Congratulations to Frankie G who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 8-9 Boys, Sophia A and Maya S who placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 10Yrs girls and to Matt J who came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 10Yrs boys!

Our S3 students have had a busy time of things! Last week our girls' softball team played Copacabana PS in their first game of softball and despite losing by only 1 run, the girls learnt a lot about the game and displayed amazing sportsmanship! Last Friday, I had the pleasure of supervising the Top Blokes session for our T2 Y6 group of participants. Dylan and Will, the leaders of the group, told the boys that the EPS group have been the most respectful and responsive group so far this term. Of course, both the students and I were thrilled. Keep up the great work boys. You are certainly Top Blokes in the making! Today, S3 have been participating in a Science incursion on microorganisms. The visiting staff from Rumbalara have been delighted with the high levels of interest and investigative skills our students have shown. Our students are eagerly awaiting the upcoming excursions to Kincumba Mountain, also with Rumbalara, which were postponed due to the weather. This Thursday, some S3 students will be attending the Sydney Writers' Festival at the Town Hall in Sydney. These days have been inspiring and engaging in the past. I am sure that this week's event will be the same.

Our safety focus is about parking again this week. Parents are kindly asked to observe parking/street signage around our school. Parents are reminded that it is illegal to park or stop in the bus zones on both Karingi and Uligandi Streets. Unfortunately, the bus company has reported parents are parking in the bus zones recently, preventing them from safely collecting our students. Council rangers regularly patrol the streets that surround our school and issue infringement notices. Thank you for parking in a safe and considerate manner.

We have had a terrific response from our families about the change in our notes coming home. Please remember that **YELLOW** notes indicate actions such as your permission or payment for an excursion/activity.

Thank you to our families who have contacted us if they or their children test positively to Covid 19. We are continuing to receive these notifications from across our school. Notification for these cases are sent to affected grades and as a message through our Sentral Portal.

**REPEAT:** Please don't forget that household contacts can still attend school with negative RAT results for 5 school days as per the information in last week's Homenote or available on the DoE's webpage; <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families> RATs are still available for collection from our school office.

Stay safe and have a terrific week! Jodie Campbell R/Principal

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who have been consistently demonstrating the 3Rs  
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Ella M	KH
Ruby W	KZ
Rylan C	KZ
Sunny V	KZ
George C	KL
Mia L	KL
Kit L	KL
Alice C	1H
Toby W	1T
Avelyne McB	K/6M

Eadie M	2L
Charlotte C	2H
Charlotte B	2H
Oscar R	2H
Adam D	4K
Lara B-M	3/4A
Max G	3/4B
Archie A	6H
Teana F	6M

## PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNERS

Will H	3F
Elina R	6R



## 3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KH	Jaxon S	KT	Spencer F
	Grace G		Milya B
1H	Clem K	KL	Ivy P
	Zeus S		Maxleigh T
1C	Frankie H-S	1T	Katana R-B
	Luna F		Henry L
2L	Evie W	1/2A	Koa H
	Chelsea R		
2H	Matteo M	2S	Ava G
	Matilda W		Brock c
3/4B	Phoenix T	3/4A	Lucas H
	Ben H		Marley Y
3P	Saleen F	3F	Chase H
	Calais C		Aaliyah M
5J	William H	4K	Amarni H
	Lara McC		Augie H
	Manaaki N	5B	Trinity C-S
	Bodhy J		Ruby M-B
5C	Ben H		Tyler P
	Haylee P		Charlie M
6H	Archie A	6M	Samantha H
	Tahlia M		Caiden D
	Olivia L-McG	6R	James W
	Ashley A		Keisha R-B
K/6JA	Casey C-P		Lu W
			Ellie M
K/6M	Emma H	K/6P	Jake G
		K/6R	Dylan I

## LIBRARY NEWS



What is Mrs Jones up to now? Why is she pulling books off the shelf and a couple of piles of books on the floor? Does this have something to do with some of the changes happening in the library? The next time you are in the library at lunch time or lesson, time check out what is different. More still to come! We are enjoying the students coming up to the library at lunch time, when the weather has been dry.

## SUPPORT NEWS

Students from our Support unit enjoyed a memorable day with Stage 1 students at the new Sydney Zoo. The students learnt the importance of ecosystems providing food, water and shelter for animals and plants. Students enjoyed looking at and learning about the large variety of animals from around the world.



## EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

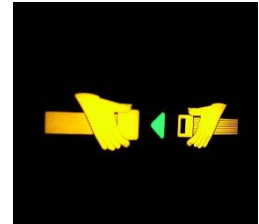


Last week students had a great time busily working on their sculptures for the upcoming art show. They are already looking great, and the students cannot wait to share them with their families! With the sun shining again for most of the week, students were able to get out and about and get moving in PE lessons. Last Friday it was 'Walk Safely to School Day'. Many of our students opted to exercise and walk instead of travelling by other means of transport! Many students looked fabulous wearing their tattoos on their hands and arms. Maths groups were again a lot of fun as students explored addition and subtraction number skills.

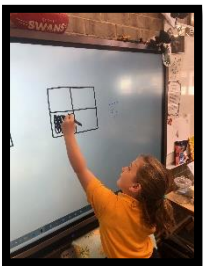


## STAGE ONE NEWS

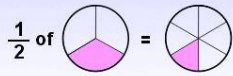
1C have been practising their road safety skills as both a passenger and a pedestrian. Here they are role playing how they put on their seatbelts and safety harnesses.



## STAGE TWO NEWS



3/4B has been working hard to gain a better understanding of fractions. In this lesson they were looking at equivalent fractions. They used a 'fraction wall' to help them work out the trickier ones. They all made great progress!

$$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 \times 1}{2 \times 3} = \frac{1}{6}$$


## QTSS NEWS

Many exciting things are happening in QTSS this term. Stage 3 and Stage 2 will be undertaking a unit in Dance. They will learn how to compose and develop a movement phrase using the elements of dance. Each lesson they will perform their short movement phrases to their classes, thereby improving their performance skills and learn how to be a considerate audience member. Stage 1 is learning how to identify and make safe choices. While Early Stage 1 and Support classes are undertaking a unit in STEM. The STEM lessons will be investigating the topics of living things, push and pull forces and digital technology.





## CANTEEN NEWS

### It's Celebrate Canteen Week!

Have you noticed any of the changes in the canteen this term? We've had a big old clean out and things are lighter and brighter and we have 3 new staff. So much more to come!



### Become a Canteen Volunteer

The canteen is run by the P&C and all profits go directly back to the school. Volunteering keeps running costs down and the canteen open. Jump in for the day (9am to 2pm) or for the lunch rush (12.15ish-1.30ish).

*Volunteer for 4hrs or more and you will be eligible for up to \$10 worth of canteen menu items - redeemable on the day only.*

What does volunteering in the canteen look like?

- Cutting up salad
- Making toasted sandwiches
  - Packing lunch bags
- Having a chat and a laugh

We're all busy, so lock in a day in advance by calling the school and asking to speak to the canteen or emailing us [epsandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsandc@gmail.com) Who can volunteer? Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Stepparents. *\*All school volunteers must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19*

## P&C NEWS

### Rebel Sport Credits

Did you know when you shop at Rebel Sport you can get credits for our school?

Become a Rebel member and ask them to assign Ettalong Public School to your account.

Everytime you shop, we'll get credits to spend for the school.

We recently cashed in \$1700 worth of Rebel Sport credits!



### Become a Member of the P&C

As a P&C member you are not obliged to volunteer, you don't even need to attend meetings but by becoming a member you will receive the meeting agenda and minutes which includes a report from the Principal and President. This is the best way to keep updated.

**Step 1.** Pay your membership fee (\$2) on My School Connect - Fundraiser or you can drop it into the School Office

**Step 2.** Fill in the membership form OR [this link](#)



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