

HOMENOTE

Respect. Responsibility. Ready To Learn.

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Term 3 Week 2	26 July 2022			
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY				
Tuesday July 26	EPS Spelling Bee finals			
Wednesday July 27	Kindergarten 2023 tour 3.30pm			
Thursday July 28	OC test at EPS for students who applied in T2 2022			
	Recorder rehearsal at the Salvation Army's Congress Hall, Sydney			
Friday July 29	SRC PJ day - gold coin donation			
Mon Aug 1 – Friday Aug 5	Education Week – 'creating futures – education changes lives'			
Tuesday Aug 2	Open Day and Sculptures Opening –please see times inside our Homenote			
Thurs Aug 4 and Fri Aug 5	Y4 Overnight Excursion			
Wednesday Aug 10	Athletics Carnival for all students at McEvoy Oval (Back-up Friday Aug 12)			

Hello Parents/Carers

Last week's rain has meant that we have arranged a back-up, back-up day for our Athletics Carnival. Our new date is now Wednesday August 10. We will continue to cross our fingers that the sun shines at McEvoy Oval until then. Families are welcome to cheer on our students and we thank those parents/carers who have volunteered their time to help. Our P&C will be holding a sausage sizzle (if your child made an order for last week, these orders will remain in place for August 10). A limited canteen will operate on the day at McEvoy. If you can help with cakes on the day, the P&C will be holding a cake stall too. Don't forget, our students are encouraged to wear their house colours on the day. This is a K-6 event. We will all be at McEvoy Oval on the day!

This Friday, students and staff will be able to roll-out of bed and head straight to school! Thanks to our AMAZING SRC and Mrs Brown for organising 'PJ Day'. I know that it is one of our favourite days of the year! Participating students and staff are asked to contribute a gold coin donation with all proceeds going towards Coast Shelter. Hot chocolate will be available from the canteen at recess.

Last Wednesday our debaters faced Pretty Beach PS. Bianca M, Quinn M, Harper C and Sarah B argued their opinions on the topic of 'Primary school students should set aside 30 minutes a day, every day for sport and exercise and were again successful! Four wins from four debates! Mr Boutland and the girls were elated by their success. Last minute ill health of the adjudicator, meant that they were again adjudicated by Zoom.

Best wishes to our Spelling Bee finalists (who are spelling as I type), to our Recorder Group who will be participating in rehearsals for their upcoming Opera House performances and to our Rugby League and Cricket teams who are hopefully playing this week, weather permitting. Once again, we are grateful for the continued efforts of our students, families and staff in preparation for any activities of representation. It takes a village!

Last week we included the updated advice and guidance from the Department of Education around Covid. The DoE have suggested that for the first 4 weeks of this term, precautionary measures are put into place to support schools through the flu and cold season. We will still be holding our Education Week Open Day on Tuesday August 2. As all the planned activities are outside, we are really hoping that everything can go ahead. Don't forget, that our Y6 students will be holding a sausage sizzle fundraiser. Parents are also invited to order a sausage sizzle on the day too. All orders must be paid in cash before Friday July 29. The picnic lunch will be the start of our Open Day followed by outside activities, the opening of our sculpture show and performances from our Creative Arts groups.

Our safety focus this week, is walking on the pebbles. With all the rain about, our pebbles can be slippery.

REPEAT: With the drastic change in our weather and the increase in flu and colds, should you require more COVID RATs, please let us know. Please also remember to label your child's belongings, especially jumpers, lunchboxes and hats.

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 Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn

Bodhi G	KT
Alira A	1/2A
Kymani T	1C
David I-O'K	1H
Rosie O	1T

Emile H	2H
Olive A	2H
Ava R	5C
Amelia-Rose M	5B
Sophia V M	6R



PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM POSITIVE

WINNERS

Annabelle S	1T
Sophia VM	6R

Education Week Sculpture Exhibition

Picnic lunch 12:50 – 1:35pm

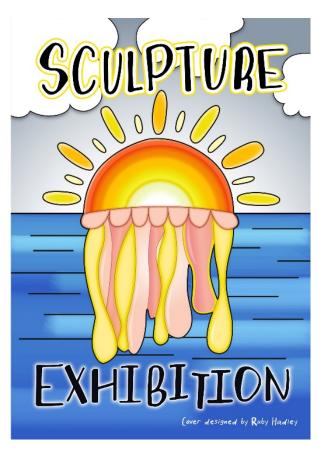
Games with 3-6/support 1:35-2:15pm

Games with K/2/Support 2:15-2:55pm

Grand Opening Sculpture exhibition 3pm-4pm

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KH	Hudson A-S	KT	Bodhi G
	Jaxon S		Declan P
KZ	Sofia B	KL	Kit L
	Conner G		Archer B
1H	Jovie D	1C	Zoe W
	Kharter M		Jesse S
1T	Jack H	1/2A	Kalani M
	Phoenix D		
2L	Beau W	2\$	Sasha B-M
	Huey DC		Beau M
2H	Violet W	3/4A	Maeve O
	Ryan S		Harrison C
3/4B	Kirra C	3F	Colby M
	Blake M		Emma M
3P	Saleen F	4K	Dylan L
	Vivian H		Archie W
5J	Kobe A	5B	Nikita V R
	Bastian C		Macklyn R
5C	Olivia G	6M	Brandyn C
	Torben C		Lilly T
6H	Jake D	6R	James W
	Mahlia S		Connor P
K/6R	Jett D	K/6M	Jaxon N
	Charles B		
	Mason McD	K/6P	Ruby D



SUPPORT NEWS

Students from the Support Unit commenced their RDA lessons last week. Jaxon, Harry, Stephanie and Patrick enjoyed meeting the horses and volunteers.













Welcome back to term 3 everyone! We trust you had a safe and happy holiday. Kindergarten would like to share with you some of their Rewards Day fun. We enjoyed a disco with bubbles, face painting, followed by an ice cream and playtime on the equipment.



STAGE ONE NEWS

Year 2S have been very busy completing various STEM challenge activities using Lego, 3D Paint software, Super Building Cog blocks and Beebots. Students used their understanding of position concepts learnt in Mathematics to solve challenges.











STAGE TWO NEWS

With the holidays a distant memory, Stage 2 students have enjoyed catching up with friends and working on their class sculpture for the upcoming Education Week exhibition.







STAGE THREE NEWS

YEAR SEVEN 2023:

Parents and carers of students who have progressed to Targeted Program Examinations/Interviews/Auditions have now received information regarding individual times and requirements via their nominated email.

Please don't hesitate to contact Jessie Heighington from BWSC with any questions you may have, via phone or email.

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YEAR SEVEN 2023

TARGETED PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

- AVID Program Interviews // August 16th-18th
- CAPA Program Auditions // August 16th-18th
- Enrichment Program Examinations // 10th & 11th August
- Targeted Sport Program Interviews // August 16th-18th

P & C NEWS

P & C newsletter

Did you see the P&C newsletter at the end of term 2? Meant to but didn't get around to it?. See what the P&C have been up to and some of the things that will be happening this term. Not sold yet, how about Meet the men of the P&C - featuring Mr P, Kerry-Anne Kennerley and eye masks.

Thank you Bunnings Umina!

A huge Thank You to Bunnings Umina for donating \$400 worth of vouchers so the P&C can continue the Araluen updates. Also a huge Thank You to Dave who took the lead on this project and approached Bunnings. Dave features in the "Meet the men of the P&C" in the Term 2 P&C newsletter. If you haven't already make sure you take a look!

Canteen news

Friday 29th July - we will be supporting the SRCs pyjama day fundraising efforts with 2 special treats.

- \$2 Hot Chocolate Spoons chocolate dipped spoons with marshmallows with warm milk.
- 50c Sort of S'mores Arrowroot Bickies

Tuesday 2 August - Sculptures Open Afternoon We will open the canteen for light snacks 3-4.30pm

Volunteer in the Canteen







Jump on MSC and book in your term 3 day or simply email epspandc@gmail.com and we can book you in.

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

Become a Member of the P&C

We've said it before and we will say it again, 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

Play Tennis Term 3

Great fun learning tennis, developing skills.

After school or Saturday morning.

\$100 Active Kids Provider.

Private Lessons and Adult Groups available.

Empire Bay Tennis Club, Shelley Bch Rd.

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