

HOMENOTE

Respect. Responsibility. Ready To Learn.

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Term 3 Week 8	6 September 2022				
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY					
Tuesday Sept 6	Stage 2 dance group perform at the Central Coast Dance Festival – Laycock St Theatre				
Friday Sept 9	Last day of Swimming School				
Monday Sept 12	Sticks and Stones performance				
Tuesday Sept 13	Stage 3 dance group perform at the Central Coast Dance Festival – Laycock St Theatre				
Monday Sept 19	Sydney North Athletics Carnival				
Mon Sept 19 – Fri Sept 24	S3 camp				
Friday Sept 23	Last day of Term 3				

Hello Parents/Carers

This week we celebrate and acknowledge the MANY, MANY, MANY contributions that our support staff such; as our amazing office team, our terrific SLSOs (School Learning Support Officers), fantastic AEO (Aboriginal Education Officer) and our awesome GA, make across our school. Our team are "Essential to Schools, Essential to the Community". We appreciate all that they do to support our students and staff.

Last week, we had another busy week in our fantastic school! Thank you for your amazing support of our Father's Day and Significant Males' breakfast on Friday morning. As you can see on the faces above, there was an abundance of smiles on the day!













Congratulations to our boy's touch football team who competed at Roger's Park last week. Mrs Ryan and Rheese reported that despite their loss, the boys tried their best throughout the game. Last Wednesday afternoon, our school was buzzing about our discos. Thank you to our organising staff, volunteers, and P&C. Our students were so excited to be dancing the afternoon away and their behaviour across all sessions was terrific! Our recorder group performed at the Sydney Opera House on Thursday and although being very tired on Friday, all reported that they had a wonderful experience.

Last week, we had a visit from Mr Tim McCallum, Executive Director, School Performance who met with Mrs Anne Smith to congratulate and acknowledge her on her recent decision to retire and her commitment to public education. We are very thankful that Mrs Smith has continued to work casually across our school. We also welcomed Melissa Tildesley who is our recently appointed WHIN, In short, a WHIN is a well-being nurse who liaises with staff and families to look at available services to assist them in supporting their children. There is more information included in today's Homenote about Melissa.

Yesterday our debaters competed against Biddarah PS. The adjudicator mentioned that the debate was at a Y9/Y10 level! EPS missed out by just one point. Congratulations to our debaters! We also hosted the NRMA Road Safety Show for all students K-6. Our students were highly engaged in the presentation. Reminders about safety are certainly welcome for all students.

Best wishes to our S2 Dance group who are participating at the Central Coast Dance Festival tonight. Mrs Shuemack and our dancers are very excited about their performances tonight!

Our safety focus this week, is road safety, consolidating the NRMA talks. Road safety includes crossing the road, riding bikes and skateboards with important safety equipment including helmets.

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

Conner G	KZ	Bentley B	2S
Ruby D	K/6P	Kai D	3/4B
Charlie G	1/2A	Nahlia K	3/4B
Charlie M	1T	Maya S	3/4B
Billie S	1T	William H	5J
Charli T	1H	Kaleb K	4K

PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNERS

Layten D	K-6M
Matteo R	1T

3R's AWARDS

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Class	Name	Class	Name	
KL	Archer B	KH	Taj W	
KT	Indi C-B	KZ	Audreana P	
3/4B	Summer H	3/4A	Scarlet I	
	Jax I		Navita H	
3P	Kyden C-S	3F	Mila B	
	Hawk M		Louis P	
4K	Jennifer T	5B	Riley D	
	Jaxon G		Sam H	
5C	Ava R	5J	Jet F	
	Haylee P		Manaaki N	
6H	Olivia L-M	6M	Nash F	
	Tili Mc		Teana F	
6R	Trinity T	K/6R	Mason Mc	
	Taylor O'N		Jaxx O'B	

GENERAL INFORMATION

Dear Ettalong Public School Students and families,

I would like to introduce myself and explain my new role working in the school. My name is Melissa & I work for NSW Health as a Registered Nurse in the Division of Women, Children & Families. You may sometimes hear me called the 'WHIN' which stands for Well-being and Health In-reach Nurse or just the Wellbeing Nurse!

What is a wellbeing nurse?

Wellbeing nurses are - nurses employed by NSW Health with additional qualifications and extensive experience who work in schools to help support the health and wellbeing of students and their families. Wellbeing nurses work closely with:

school wellbeing and learning and support teams, local health and community services,

including mental health, social and behavioural support, physical health, and peer or family relationship support services.



How does the wellbeing nurse help students and their families? Wellbeing nurses help students, and their families, to: identify their health and wellbeing issues, connect to appropriate health services, understand information about their health care and how they can use the information to make decisions and act on it.

How to get help from a wellbeing nurses? The school's learning and support team and school staff can refer students and their family to the wellbeing nurse to help support and to connect them to health and community services. **Note**: The wellbeing nurse does not administer medications, provide first aid or help students who require healthcare support that a child may need at school.

SUPPORT NEWS

Support students enjoyed having breakfast with their fathers last Friday. We hope all fathers, grandfathers and families had a great time on Sunday.









EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS



Week 7 was filled with exciting activities and events for Kindergarten! We made our wonderful Father's Day gifts in class and our significant male role models joined us on Friday for a great breakfast and activities.





STAGE ONE NEWS



This week, Stage 1 have been very busy with Swim School and the NRMA Road Safety talks. The importance of Swim School cannot be undervalued as we are so close to our beautiful waterways. Learning to swim is not only healthy but can save lives. Well done to all the children who have participated in these lessons. Road Safety knowledge, understanding and awareness are also so important for our children. Ask your child what they learnt from the talks.



STAGE TWO NEWS

3P have been working hard and having fun using hands-on activities and games in Mathematics to learn more about length and chance. Students were also lucky enough to participate in the WBBL Cricket Clinic where they learnt more about cricket and the fundamental movement skills required.









STAGE THREE NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended our disco last week! Not only was it a great opportunity for students to dance the night away with their friends, but it also helped our Year 6 children raise funds for their end of year activities, including their Big Day Out and Farewell night.

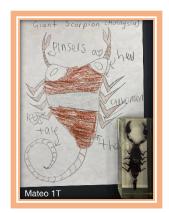








SCIENCE NEWS



Decodable Readers

\$10000

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This term during Science, Stage 1 have been learning about living things. Year One looked at a range of amazing arthropods, preserved in resin and learnt about classifying these creepy crawlies. They then completed detailed scientific drawings using the specimens.





P&C NEWS

Raising funds for Decodeable Readers

We are raising funds to help the school purchase a suite of new readers. Keep an eye out on the parents' Facebook page and in the newsletter for updates.

Thank you, volunteers

A big, HUGE, thank you to everyone who helped with the canteen duties in for the disco and those who jumped behind the table for the Father's Day stall. The kids loved both and we loved seeing their smiling faces.

Shout out to **Smoke on the Water Coffeeshop** for donating 170 ice-creams for the school disco. They went down a treat! Another shout out to Lisa Williams and her business **Blue Fox Designs** for the donation to the Father's Day stall. We are so thankful to have support like yours!

Have you joined the P&C yet?

As a P&C member your level of engagement is totally up to you!

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 by scanning the QR Code or use this link https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSdMaF_pNG1b-4hL8wmNVDVtlVB9OILbHca9DVzVEDnX2or0WQ/viewform









UMINA MULTI SPORTS CAMP NOTICE

Where: UMINA TENNIS, Umina When: Monday 26th Sept - Friday 30th

Sept

Time: 9am-3pm Cost: Week \$100, Day \$30

BEFORE & AFTER CAMP CARE AVAILABLE 7AM-6PM

Included: All equipment, Prizes & Presentation Friday TENNIS, SOCCER, ATHLETICS, TOUCH, DODGE BALL ETC.

The camps are held wet or fine with indoor activities provided. Accept Active kids vouchers.

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