



HOMENOTE

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Term 4 Week 3

1 November 2022

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs Nov 3	Headstart Group 2 – session two
Fri Nov 4	Ball games for S2 and S3 / Leadership 2023 apps close
Tues Nov 8	Y3 Excursion
Thurs Nov 10	Headstart Group 1 – session three
Mon Nov 7	Grandfriends Day; S1 students donate morning tea
Wednesday Nov 16	Selective High School Applications close for interested Y5 students (Y7 2024)

Hello Parents/Carers

Last week our Y4 students travelled to the Blue Mountains for their overnight excursion. Students and staff had a wonderful time. We have had terrific feedback from the venues visited about the group and our attending staff, Mrs Sayer, Mrs Kennedy, Mr Boutland and Rheese were very impressed. Congratulations Y4!



Last Thursday we welcomed our Group 1 Headstart students and their families for the second time. While our 2023 students made puppets, sang some songs and played together, our families were treated to an information session from Rheese our Aboriginal Education Officer, Beck an Occupational Therapist and a visit from our uniform shop volunteers. This week, Group 2 will have their second session. We look forward to welcoming our students and families again.

Next Monday we are looking forward to welcoming our Grandfriends! Our grandfriends are invited to come along to share morning tea and to purchase a treat from our cake stall. Our Stage One students and families have been asked to provide cupcakes or suitable treats for purchase at the cake stall. The proceeds of this stall will go towards Stewart House. Stewart House is a safe haven next to Curl Curl Beach where children in need can attend for 12 days and is designed to improve a child's overall wellbeing. Throughout their stay, children attend the specific purpose school for 10 days. The NSW Department of Education provide staffing to support the school but all other costs are met from charitable donations.

Our safety focus this week is bicycle safety. Students who ride their bikes or scooters to school are reminded of the following rules; -Only students in Years 3-6 are permitted to ride to a school.

-K-2 students must be accompanied by an adult if riding to school.

-All students MUST correctly wear a legally approved helmet (it is the law in NSW that all bike/scooter riders wear a helmet).

-Anyone riding a bike or scooter to school must bring along a bike chain and secure their bike/scooter to the racks provided.

-Students bring and store their bike or scooter to school at their own risk. NSW Department of Education and Ettalong Public School accepts no responsibility for loss or damage when on school grounds.

-At no time are students to ride or sit on their bike or anyone else's while inside the school's boundaries. Students must walk their bike into and out of our school grounds.

-The bike rack and scooter racks are out of bounds at all times except when arriving and departing school.

Please join us in reminding your children about being safe on and around their bikes.

REPEAT: Don't forget, if your child is in Y5 and they are hoping to apply for Selective High School 2024, applications for this process are currently open and close on Wednesday November 16. Applications must be completed by families and online. If you are interested in applying for your child, and need assistance, please contact the school.

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

Laythin W	KZ	Max Mc	5B
Amaya H-R	2S	Archie A	6H
Brooklyn M	3P	Charlie C	6H

PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNERS

Preston W	1C
Mila J	2S



3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KH	Regan B-J	KT	Talulah D
KZ	Lucus P	KL	Maxleigh T
1H	Olivia P	1C	Frankie H-S
	Alfons w		Brianna L
1T	Addison B	1/2A	Hayley P
	Charlie M		
2L	Sam S	2S	Ava K
	Brax H-J		Lily-Mae P
2H	Zoe W	3/4A	Jacob P
	Jai S		Brandon B
3/4B	James M	3F	Louis P
	Summer H		Annalise C
3P	Georgia H	4K	Dylan L
	Wilaaram L		Augie H
5J	Mapa V	5B	Tahlia S
	Manaaki N		Tyler A
	Arabella D	6M	Audrey V
6H	Jenn G		Linkin D
	Cruz R	K/6M	Layten D
K/6P	Taylor R		Jayden H
K/6R	Dylan I	K/6JA	Eamon N

EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!



SUPPORT NEWS



A recap of some of Restaurant Rosano's epic cooking adventures.



EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

This week in sport, Kindergarten enjoyed many different activities, including romper stompers, skipping, climbing and throwing. These activities help them coordinate their bodies, practise balance and learn to be fit and healthy. If the children didn't succeed at first, they learnt to keep trying and saw that their effort would be rewarded with lots of fun.



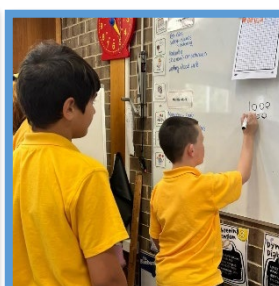
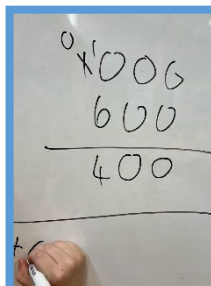
STAGE ONE NEWS

2L are having fun exploring the Robots and Machines unit of work. They have been creating their own robots and machines using the school's STEM resources.



STAGE TWO NEWS

This week in 4K we took a well-deserved mindful moment to rest after a busy few days in the mountains. We were also treated to a Maths lesson from some of our classmates. Well done Koa, Josh and Jaxon!



STAGE THREE NEWS

Year 5 have been working alongside their Kindergarten buddies each fortnight during social play, technology time, reading and P.E lessons. Through this experience, our year 5 students have been acknowledging their leadership, responsibility and developing pride in their helpfulness. It is also a wonderful opportunity to develop relationships between the younger and older children, creating a friendly and supportive school community.



SRC NEWS



Blue and Yellow Hearts is a charity essential items drive organised to help Ukrainian displaced people arriving in Sydney, Australia. It is coordinated by the **Association of Ukrainian Communities of New South Wales**.

Ettalong PS are collecting items mentioned below. Please deliver items to 5B. On Fridays, SRC reps will collect items from Kinder and year 1. We will start collecting now, until at least week 7.

Items needed:

TOILETRIES

Women's sanitary items, sunscreen, liquid soap, shower gel, dental floss, hair spray, deodorant, moisturisers, hand creams, manicure sets, makeup, cleansing wipes (no more toothbrushes needed).

TREATS FOR CHILDREN

Skipping ropes, balls, beach toys, frisbees, barbies, small dolls, small cars, small Lego boxes, decks of cards, new toys, games (no books needed right now).

P & C NEWS

P&C raising funds (for Decodeable Readers)

Online orders extended!

<https://www.expressions.com.au/fundraising-schools>



We get it – life happens! If you hadn't gotten around to ordering one (or a few) of the inaugural limited edition EPS public school tea towels we've managed to keep online orders open for another week!

There are 2 tea-towels designs made up of self-portraits drawn by all our children & staff, arranged all together:

TT 1 is K-2, K-6P & K-6JA

TT 2 is 3-6, K-6M & K-6R

Order a few extras for family members and your keepsake box.

Cost: \$15 each or \$13 each when you order 3 or more

Get in quick - orders will close this week!

**NEW
POLOS**



Same great price (\$18)
But now with less stains!
New stock will be phased in
once old stock has sold out

New Polo

Last term the P&C trialled a new polo shirt fabric blend.

2 very positive things came back. They felt better on the skin and 2. **LESS STAINS.**

If you have any questions about these items please email the P&C on epsbandc@gmail.com