



HOMENOTE

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Term 4 Week 8

29 November 2022

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday December 2	Y6 Mini Fete (student only event)
Wed Dec 7 & Thur Dec 8	Presentation Day Kindy Wed Dec 7 & Presentation Day Years 1-6 Thur Dec 8
Thursday December 15	Y6 Farewell evening – information has been sent home to Y6 students
Friday December 16	Reward Day for students in K-5 Last day of school for 2022 for all students
Mon & Tues Dec 19 and 20, 2022	SDDs – School Development Days – for staff
Fri 27 & Mon 30 Jan 2023	SDDs – School Development Days – for staff
Tues Jan 31 2023	First day of the school year for students in Y1-6
Wed 1 Feb 2023	Swimming carnival for students 8 years and above
Thurs 2 Feb 2023	First day of school for students in Kindergarten 2023 (finishing at 2.30pm)

Hello Parents/Carers,

Last Thursday we welcomed both our Headstart groups for their final orientation session. We held a special assembly for our families and our amazing P&C supplied a delicious morning tea. Our 2023 Kindergarten students bravely and confidently sat on stage and sang some songs. It was great to see so many families. We look forward to a wonderful partnership throughout your child's attendance at EPS!

Calling all Ettalong Attendance HEROs! Attendance matters! This week our class teachers are going to choose a day to award those students in attendance, with a Positive Classroom ticket. The ticket will then go into a drawer to win a free lunch valued up to \$5 from our canteen! We are sure that we can fill our box with the names of our attendees!

Please encourage your child to be an Ettalong Attendance Super HERO. Help us reach our attendance goal of 90%. Together, we can do it by sending your child to school EVERYDAY unless they are;

- sick or have an infectious disease
- have an unavoidable medical appointment that can't be made outside of school hours
- need to attend an urgent family occasion, such as a funeral.

If you require any support with your child's attendance, please contact our office. We are here to help.

Last Wednesday, we hosted the Big Science Show. There were some very excited squeals, "Ohhhs" and "Aarrs", throughout each session as our students were wowed with a very fast-paced show and lots of amazing experiments!

Last week our Koorana AECG held the annual Deadly Awards at the Woy Woy Campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College. It was a fantastic afternoon with many of our Aboriginal students and families in attendance. Huge thanks must go to our MCs, Tili and Bodhy for their amazing efforts throughout the day and to Rheese and Mrs Brown for their support. Congratulations to our students and to Rheese, our AEO on his recognition. Rheese was nominated for the overall 'Staff Award'. He is very deserving of this award. Thanks also to the hospitality of BWSC – Woy Woy Campus. What a great venue and afternoon!

Our safety focus this week is around arriving and departing school. Please ensure that if you are going to be late to collect your children, that you contact our office. Our staff will be reminding our students to go directly to the office if the nominated person is late to collect them.

We will be holding our Presentation Days back in the hall this year. Kindergarten will be on Wednesday December 7 at 1.35pm where all Kindergarten students receive a graduation certificate. On Thursday December 8, Years 3-6 is at 9.15am and Years 1-2 assembly is at 11.30am. Invites are going home this week. Families are welcome to attend.

REPEAT: We are also beginning preparations for our classes for next year. If your child is not returning to our school in 2023, please advise our school office as soon as possible.

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

Charlie M	1T	Asher T	5J
Ellie Mc	1/2A	MJ L	5C
Taylee W	2L	Haylee P	5C
Billy Mc	2S	Isaac J	5B
Lily-Mae P	2S	Linkin D	6M
Edie L	3/4B	Quinn M	6M
Landan H	3P	Teana F	6M
Jackson P	3P	Caden K	6M
Nayana W	4K	Tamiia P	6R

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KH	Hudson A-S	KL	Maisie T
KT	Talulah D	1H	Evelyn R
1T	Annabelle S		Jessie H
	Emilia s	1C	Maddie K
2H	Emile H		Evie R-W
	Oscar R	1/2A	Alira A
2S	Billy M	2L	Henry K
	Amaya H-R		Skyler W

PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNERS

Sam S	2L
Coby Q	4K

GENERAL INFORMATION



Head lice

Head lice have found their way into little heads again now that the weather has warmed up. Please check and treat your child's hair as required. Thank you for your assistance with this frustrating and persistent pest. If we all do our part, we can reduce the spread.

ABORIGINAL NEWS

Interested Aboriginal parents and community members are invited to attend our Aboriginal Education 2023 planning meeting. This is an opportunity for you to share what you would like our students to learn about our First Nation peoples' culture and histories as well as guide us in planning for NAIDOC, Reconciliation Week and other cultural activities in the year ahead. This meeting will take place on **Thursday, 1 December at 3.30pm** in the library. All welcome.

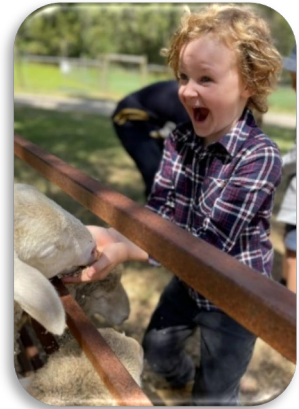
SUPPORT NEWS

Kindergarten Support students enjoyed the excursion to the Farm last Friday. They were given an opportunity to learn about farm animals, collect eggs from the chickens and see the sheep, cows and pigs. We enjoyed fresh oranges for morning tea grown on the farm.



EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Kindergarten had a wonderful time at BWSC farm last Friday. We collected eggs, patted many different animals, ate oranges from the orchard and guessed how heavy huge bulls were. We saw some piglets who weren't all that small anymore and they were black – that surprised us!



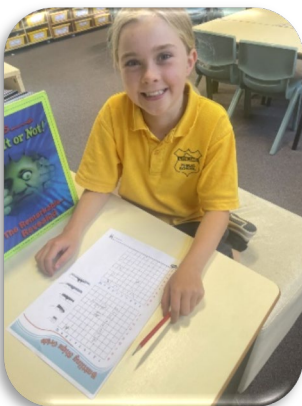
STAGE ONE NEWS

Stage 1 have had a very busy and fun week. We have enjoyed the Sticks and Stones presentation and learnt about how to stay in a positive mindset and manage bullying and the pressures of advertising. We were also amazed by experiments and learnt a lot about chemical reactions and safety at our Big Science Show. We have a lot more fun activities coming up as we approach the end of the year.



STAGE TWO NEWS

3P have been working hard exploring position this week. We have been learning about how to describe the position of different objects around the classroom using correct vocabulary and even played a game of Battleship to help us understand grid references.



P & C NEWS

We're on Instagram! Look for - eps_parents

Not just for the P&C but all parents to keep up to date with canteen and uniform shop news as well as all the other fun things we have going on.



2023 Membership Form

Are you interested in helping out with some of the events the P&C run in 2023? Mother's and Father's Day stalls, Athletics Carnival BBQ, canteen duty, democracy sausages....or even a FUN RUN!!

Fill in our 2023 P&C membership form now and then pay your \$2 annual fee through My School Connect (fundraiser) or drop it into the school office.

<https://forms.gle/mJtgpjvCnTcBFg659>

Our membership year runs from March-March. If you're interested in becoming a member from now to March 2023 fill in this form <https://forms.gle/dSMkMRFo72KKuDm36> and pay the membership fee using the details above.

Next P&C Meeting - 14 December

The final P&C meeting of 2022 will be held on Wednesday, 14th December @ 7:15pm venue Ettalong Diggers. There will be no online option to attend this meeting. Hope to see a few faces there.

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



UMINA MULTI SPORTS CAMP NOTICE

Where: UMINA TENNIS, Umina
When: Tuesday 3rd Jan - Friday 6th Jan
and

Monday 16th Jan – Fri 20th Jan

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.

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

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2023 SEASON REGISTER FROM 1ST DECEMBER



2023 Season registrations open 1st December

Register for ages U6 (born in 2017 & 2018) - through to U17
Mixed Tackle U6 - U11, Boys Tackle - U12 - U17
Girls League Tag U14 & U16 or Girls Tackle - age U13, U15 & U17
Register online via www.playrugbyleague.com

For more information
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