

# HOMENOTE

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Term 1 Week 4		15 February 2022		
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY				
Wed 16 Feb	P&C Meeting 7.15pm The Diggers - Ettalong			

#### Hello Parents and Carers

We have had another great week here at EPS! Last week we saw some awesome writing from Y1 and Kindergarten have drawn some amazing illustrations from the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. In our library, Mrs Cross and Mrs Jones have been getting excited about the commencement of borrowing for grades 1-6 this week. Our Kindergarten classes will commence borrowing in a couple of weeks time.

Speaking of books, Mrs Hull has again organised the arrival and selection of the books, for students in years 3-6, generously donated by Dymocks Children's Charities. We are so very fortunate to be supported by this incredible charity and are very grateful for Mrs Hull's organisation. As you will see in the photo below, our children are delighted too!





We have exciting news and as you can see above, in the holidays, we had the fans installed in our hall! These were installed thanks to the fundraising efforts of our hard-working P&C, a grant available for P&Cs through the office of Liesl Tesch and of course, you, our community who contributed through fundraising towards this project. Our hall will be a MUCH cooler space! Thank you! If you are interested in helping out with great ideas about the next project across our school, please come along to our first P&C meeting tomorrow night (Wednesday February 16) at 7.15pm at the Ettalong Diggers Club. The P&C are a welcoming group and a great way to meet new friends in our school community.

Thank you for your support in the gate arrival and departures which support the current Covid guidelines. See the back page of the Homenote. This fortnight's supply of RATs are still available for collection. If you would like to collect your child's allocation, and haven't been able to access them, please contact us. Please be reminded that staff will not be testing students at school.

Stay safe and have a great week!

Jodie Campbell R/Principal

## 3R's AWARDS

3/4B	Connor M	3/4A	Sophia A
	Beau H		Brandon B
3P	Mia P	3F	Dakota T
	Sawyer S		William H
5J	Riley W	4K	Coby Q
	Leilani B		Jaxon G
5C	Olivia G	5B	Max McP
	Isla M		Phoebe O
6R	Jackson G	6M	Chanel N
	Harper C		Rory M
K/6M	Jayden H	6H	Laylah B
K/6R	Charles B		Caden K

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Elizabeth P	1T
Billie St J	1T
Alivia L	2S
Wilaaran L	3P

## **PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER**

Beau H 3/4B Phoebe M 1/2A



### **SCIENCE NEWS**

It has been a busy week in science. Kindergarten started learning all about the weather. They began recording what the weather looked like each day. Stage One are learning about chemical sciences and saw what happened when we mix milk with dishwashing liquid! They made some very creative patterns! Stage Two are learning all about living things and did their own research on a chosen living thing. Stage 3 have started a unit on microorganisms and some were horrified to see what microscopic creatures are living in their world!!





### **SUPPORT NEWS**

K/6M and K/6R began their eight-week program of Rookie Rollers on Monday. During the eight-week program, students will learn how to use and control the rubber lawn bowl through engaging and fun activities with a qualified instructor. Students have already demonstrated their persistence, resilience, and their have-a-go attitude during the first session. We look forward to seeing the progress of our skilled bowlers!



#### **EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS**

Kindergarten have had a very busy, happy and productive week! This week our focus was 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The students had lots of fun engaging in various art, maths, literacy and sports activities. Kindergarten also had their very first library lesson and Kindergarten assembly this week. All the Kindergarten teachers are so impressed with how hard the students are working and how well they have settled into their new school.





## **STAGE ONE NEWS**

This week 2S have been very busy learning about Chinese New Year and their different Zodiac symbols. 2022 is the year of the Tiger. We have also been drawing self-portraits and learning lots about other students in our wonderful class.









### **STAGE TWO NEWS**

What a brilliant start to the year we've had on Stage Two! The children have been 4K have been practising the mantra 'kindness is our superpower!' To celebrate our kindness and have some time to hangout with and get to know our new classmates, we have been colouring in the letters to spell out our new favourite saying! Stay tuned for some Facebook pictures of our class sign!







#### **STAGE THREE NEWS**

This term Stage 3 are participating in a Sporting Schools AFL program. Once a week for 5 weeks each class has a session with two specially trained AFL coaches. The program introduces children to the game of AFL through fun, engaging and challenging games and activities that are suited for a range of skill levels. Below are some students practising a punt kick a hand pass.









