



# HOMENOTE

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**Term 1 Week 8**

**15 March 2022**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Monday 14 March                     | Bookings available for Parent/Teacher interviews open   |
| Wed 16 March                        | P&C Meeting AGM - 7pm here at EPS   |
| Friday 18 March                     | National Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence and Harmony Day. Wear something orange.  |
| Friday 18 March                     | S3 EOI and deposit for camp due   |
| Monday 21 March<br>– Friday 1 April | Parent/Teacher interviews to be conducted via phone   |
| Monday 21 March<br>– Friday 8 April | NAPLAN Readiness Assessment window – participating students in Ys 3 and 5 complete practice papers. Tech check for all participating students on March 24 |
| Friday 25 March                     | K-6M and K-6R to Mingara for 'Come and Try Athletics Day'   |
| Thurs 31 March                      | Rescheduled Selective HS Test for those who registered in October 2021 – here at EPS  |

Hello Parents and Carers

Our Y6 students have had a busy week! Gettalong activities have recommenced and our playground has been buzzing with students mixing and playing together. Gettalong is a program run by our Y6 students and offers activities during lunchtime. Activities include gross motor relays, a disco, Newcombe ball, chalkboards, soccer games and dodgeball, just to name a few. Thank you to our Y6 students and our Y6 staff for organising these fun activities.

Last week we also opened our hall and canteen doors to our students for Breakfast Club! Our Y6 student volunteers, Mrs Lynch, canteen volunteers, Mr Wagg and our staff set up the tables, dusted off the toaster and their washing up skills to provide breakfast for students from 8.20am. This program is generously supported by the Ettalong Branch of the Bendigo Bank and the Woy Woy Baker's Delight located opposite Woolworths.

This week our students will continue to participate in anti-bullying lessons and will each be completing a pledge that is their personal commitment to being an up-stander and someone who will not engage in bullying behaviour. The pledges will be displayed on our hall windows. On Friday, we will be marking the National Day of Action Against Bullying and celebrating Harmony Day by participating in activities about the significance of these days. We ask that our students wear something orange. Our canteen will have some special 'orange' foods on sale. Please see this information on the following pages.

Last Tuesday, our Zone Swimming team showed exceptional behaviour and swam their 'hearts out' according to Mrs Jager and Mrs Cox. We now wish Matthew J and Lilly T the very best of luck as they will be representing us at Homebush in the Sydney North Carnival. What a wonderful achievement to make it to this level! Speaking of representation, Matthew J and Jay S will be trialling for the Zone Soccer Team and Ethan T, Jackson G and Tyler P are trialling for the Zone Rugby League Team. Best wishes to all students.

Yesterday the bookings for our Parent/teacher interviews were opened. This year we are using Sentral to make these bookings, notes went home on Friday with explicit instructions included. Those parents/carers who are unable to use Sentral will still have an opportunity to make a booking via the notes sent home on Friday. We encourage you to speak with your child's teacher to talk about this year, to set some learning goals and to hear about how your child is adapting to their new year of learning. Kindergarten families will have an opportunity to speak about the Best Start assessments if they have been completed for your child. These interviews will continue to be held via phones as previously arranged.

On Wednesday night, we will be holding our P&C meeting here at school. This meeting is the AGM where all positions will become vacant. There is more information about joining the P&C inside this Homenote.

Stay safe and have a fantastic week!

Jodie Campbell

R/Principal

### **PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS**

Congratulations to these students who have been consistently demonstrating the 3Rs  
**Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn**

|           |      |
|-----------|------|
| Patrick N | 1C   |
| Audrey C  | 1C   |
| Hayley P  | 1/2A |
| Noah C    | 1/2A |
| Charlie G | 1/2A |
| Chilli R  | 2L   |

|             |      |
|-------------|------|
| Charlotte L | 2L   |
| Billy McM   | 2S   |
| Connor M    | 3/4B |
| Bentley E   | 5J   |
| Haedyn E    | 5C   |
| Dylan I     | K/6R |

### **PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNERS**

|           |    |
|-----------|----|
| Hendrix W | 1C |
| Elle M    | 2S |

### **The Top Blokes group with Y6 discussed Masculinities!**

We talked about what does it mean to be a man. Healthy and unhealthy stereotypes of being male and the different influences that make up those stereotypes.

Masculinity is a social construct; it exists because as a society we agree that it does.

History and different cultures allows us to see that the definition of what being a man is, is a changing concept and can look different to everyone.

We at Top Blokes believe that being a man is about being a good person, honest, respectful, loyal and trustworthy.

Have a conversation with your young man about positive male traits they possess or think that they should. Let us know below.

For more information and a handy ebook on engaging boys and other great free resources visit us

at <https://www.topblokes.org.au/resources> or

E: [info@topblokes.org.au](mailto:info@topblokes.org.au) P: 1300 450 850

### **3R's AWARDS**

| Class        | Name         | Class       | Name        |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>KH</b>    | Zion H       | <b>KT</b>   | Manase N    |
|              | Kyah Y       |             | Katie McP   |
|              | Jaxon S      |             | Talulah D   |
|              | Grace G      |             | Kylah L     |
| <b>KZ</b>    | Kai E        | <b>KL</b>   | Ayla E      |
|              | Ruby W       |             | Kypton B    |
|              | Kiesha-May G |             | Mia L       |
|              | Munindra H   |             | Maxleigh T  |
| <b>1H</b>    | Ivy H        | <b>1T</b>   | Billie St J |
|              | Dave I-O     |             | Mateo R     |
|              | Tye P        |             | Dakota V R  |
|              | Evelyn R     |             | Adam H      |
| <b>1C</b>    | Audrey C     | <b>1/2A</b> | Kalani M    |
|              | Patrick N    |             | Noah C      |
|              | Hendrix W    |             | Zidan H     |
|              | Preston W    |             | Haley P     |
| <b>2L</b>    | Charlotte L  | <b>2S</b>   | Billy McM   |
|              | Skyler W     |             | Daisy H     |
|              | Aston F      |             | Bradley G   |
| <b>2H</b>    | Edith T      |             | Alana E     |
|              | Trent B      | <b>3/4A</b> | Lucas H     |
|              | Charlotte B  |             | Tyreek W    |
|              | Olive A      | <b>3F</b>   | Tariq W     |
| <b>3/4B</b>  | Indigo Y     |             | Matteo B    |
|              | Emily W      |             | Mila B      |
|              | Maya S       |             | Cailin P    |
|              | Lucas W      | <b>4K</b>   | Hunter G    |
| <b>3P</b>    | Jackson P    |             | Clayton G   |
|              | Azaria R-B   |             | Sienna W    |
|              | Brooklyn M   |             | Dylan L     |
|              | Jasmin H     | <b>5B</b>   | Josh B      |
| <b>5J</b>    | Charles H    |             | Nikita V R  |
|              | Addison E    | <b>6M</b>   | Rory M      |
| <b>5C</b>    | Ava R        |             | Indiana E   |
|              | Harry A-S    | <b>6H</b>   | Talieya McM |
| <b>K/6R</b>  | Sam O        |             | Jay S       |
|              | Jai M        | <b>K/6P</b> | Imaad M     |
| <b>K/6JA</b> | Eamon N      |             |             |

## SCIENCE NEWS



The students have been working hard in their science and STEM classes this week! Kindergarten learnt about the water cycle and used various materials to make their own water cycles. The support classes were given the challenge of creating a boat that could float and hold the weight of a 'The Gingerbread Man'. Stage 1 explored how mixtures could be separated using the chromatography process. Stage 2 learnt how to categorize living things using a dichotomous key and invented their own living creatures. Stage 3 have completed experiments to investigate the best conditions for growing mould.



## SUPPORT NEWS



Students of K/6M have been learning about measurement during their numeracy lessons. Using formal and informal units, students enjoyed measuring, comparing, and recording different lengths of objects that are found within the room.



## EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS



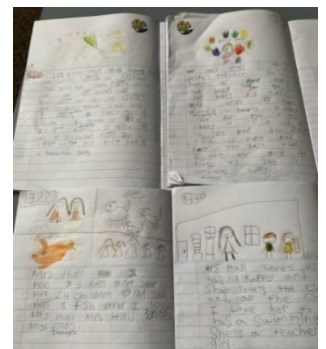
Kindergarten children have enjoyed learning all about addition and subtraction in maths this week. We are learning to read and write numbers 0-10, addition and subtraction to 10 and counting on. It is so much fun learning using games and hands-on activities!



## STAGE ONE NEWS



IH have been showing what an extraordinary class they are. They had to write everything they knew about Mrs Hull. It was so much. Obviously Mrs Hull talks alot about her puppy and her girls. Overwhelmingly though, all the children were able to get over their "fear of the blank page" and try to have a go. Mrs Hull is the proudest teacher of her 24 little pupils.



## STAGE TWO NEWS



Stage 2 have been busy using a range of colours and patterns to design some amazing artworks during Creative Arts. 3P created an Autumn look using watercolours and oil pastels that are fantastic!





## STAGE THREE NEWS

Last Tuesday, 11 Ettalong students from years 3-6 attended the Zone Swimming Carnival. All students represented our school with pride and sportsmanship by cheering on and congratulating each student after their race. Everyone tried their best and had fun while doing it. Thank you to all the wonderful students that attended Zone and made Ettalong proud. A big congratulations goes to Matthew and Lilly for being successful in reaching the next level. We wish them all the best at Sydney North!



## CANTEEN NEWS

Recess and lunch must be ordered on MSC or put in before school, eg Garlic bread, ham and cheese rolls.

Helpers are still needed Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Frid please from 9am till 1.30pm.

Children ordering ice cream or frozen treats must bring their brown bag back to canteen after eating their lunch.

This Friday the canteen will be celebrating Harmony Day by offering a meal deal of Butter chicken with rice and a drink (Pre order required on MSC)

There will also be Orange themed Cup Cakes and Jelly available at recess and lunch for the children to come and buy. See the school Fb page for more details.

Our canteen is also excited to announce we are now looking to employ Casual Canteen Assistants to work for the P&C in helping to run our canteen from term 2! It's the perfect job working School hours!

If you are interested, please email us at [epsbandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsbandc@gmail.com) Attention. Canteen, applications will close midnight 16/03/22.

## P&C NEWS

Our AGM is being held this Wednesday 16/03/22 at 7pm @ on school grounds. ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME! All positions on the Executive Committee are declared vacant.

To become a member and join the P&C or find out more about these positions please email us [epsbandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsbandc@gmail.com) or to join <http://bit.ly/EPS-joinPandC> and your membership can now be paid via MSC at [myschoolconnect.com.au](https://myschoolconnect.com.au).

Do you shop at REBEL SPORTS? Let them know that you are with Ettalong Public School and help us earn points for the purchase of items the P&C use for raffle prizes and donating sporting equipment to our school!

**Gosford Regional Gallery  
School Holiday Workshops**  
11th April - 22nd April



Drawing Pokémon with Monika

**Book now**

<https://www.trybooking.com/BXRYV>

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## **EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

**APRIL  
2022**



|                   |  |               |
|-------------------|--|---------------|
| <b>MON 11 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Gymnastics & Tie Dye   12.30-4.30pm Multi Sports & Craft          | <b>WEEK 1</b> |
| <b>TUE 12 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Free G & Craft   12.30-4.30pm Archery & Games                     |               |
| <b>WED 13 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Gymnastics & Craft   12.30-4.30pm Easter Egg Hunt & Free G        |               |
| <b>THU 14 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Trampoline & Games   12.30-4.30pm Cupcake Decorating              |               |
| <b>TUE 19 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Free G & Games   12.30-4.30pm Archery & Craft                     | <b>WEEK 2</b> |
| <b>WED 20 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Trampoline & Craft   12.30-4.30pm Ninja Wars & Boxing             |               |
| <b>THU 21 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Gymnastics & Scavenger Hunt   12.30-4.30pm Archery & Multi sports |               |
| <b>FRI 22 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Free G & Games   12.30-4.30pm Craft & Multi sports                |               |
| <b>TUE 26 APR</b> | 8:30am-12:30pm Free G & Games   12.30-4.30pm Craft & Multi sports                | <b>WEEK 3</b> |



**LIFE CHANGING**



HALF DAY \$30, FULL DAY \$50. AGES 5-12YRS.  
PLEASE BRING LUNCH, WATER BOTTLE & ENCLOSED SHOES  
PLEASE NOTE WE ARE CLOSED ON ALL PUBLIC HOLIDAYS  
[PCYCNSW.ORG.AU/UMINA-BEACH/SCHOOL-HOLIDAYS](https://pcycnsw.org.au/umina-beach/school-holidays)

**BOOKINGS  
ESSENTIAL,  
SPOTS LIMITED**