



HOMENOTE

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Term 2 Week 3

9 May 2023

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday May 11	Mother's Day stall – gifts available for purchase for all students K-6
Friday May 12	Mother's Day Morning Tea
Monday May 15	Applications for Y4 families wishing to apply for Opportunity Classes for Y5 2024 close today
Friday May 19	Walk Safely to School Day
Tuesday May 23	Stage 3 soccer teams to Frost Reserve Kincumber
Wednesday May 24	Y4 Cultural Continuum for participating students T2 Yarn-Up at the Ettalong foreshore
Thursday May 25	S2 Dance Group – Rehearsal at Laycock St Theatre

Hello Parents and Carers

Last week must have been the week for singing and performing! On Wednesday, our Choral Festival group went to Avoca Beach PS to rehearse 6 of their 13 songs for this year's Choral Festival. Upon returning to school, Miss Smith and Mrs Shaw were elated with the efforts our students made across the day and were incredibly impressed with how wonderful the singing sounded. Congratulations to our participating students! On Friday morning, our choir performed for Legacy House at Ettalong Diggers. They wowed the audience and also sang an impromptu 'Happy Birthday' to one very special audience member who was turning 100! Thank you to Miss Hunting and Miss Smith for organising this terrific opportunity for our choir and thank you to our choir for demonstrating our 3Rs throughout the visit.



Friday was also a busy day for our Y6 students who busily made spider drinks to raise money for their Y6 Farewell. There were smiles all round! Thank you to the many Y6 families who contributed ice cream or soft drinks and thank you to our families who generously allowed their child to purchase a drink. It was a terrific day and Y6 raised an incredible \$653! Thank you to Ms Harrison who organised the activity and to our Y6 team for all their help in preparing for the day and on the day. Thank you to Y6, you did a terrific job!

Throughout last week we had a special visit from an ex-student Indi. Indi was working alongside Rheese our Aboriginal Education Officer and will be back to help when we celebrate NAIDOC Week in W1 next term. Indi generously gifted us an original painting which can be seen in the photo. In fact, the photo doesn't do this artwork justice. What an amazing talent she has, and we look forward to seeing you again soon Indi.



At our whole school assembly last Monday, Mr Johnston spoke about a design competition for a PBL mascot for our school. Our mascot is a whale and any interested students can submit a drawing of a whale or suggest a name for the whale. Entries close this Friday, May 12. After this time, our students will vote for the submitted artworks and it's name. PBL stands for Positive Behaviour for Learning which is an evidence-based framework that supports equity, consistency and improved social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children, through responsive systems, data and support practices such as lessons across our school. This week for example, each class across our school will be completing lessons around Eating Our 3Rs, Respect, Responsibly and Ready to Learn are our school wide expectations for our students, staff and school community.

We are looking forward to hosting our mums, mothers, grandmas, nannas, aunts and significant carers on Friday for the Mother's Day picnic and wish you all a very special day on Sunday. Thank you to our P&C for organising all the gifts for the Mother's Day stall on Thursday.

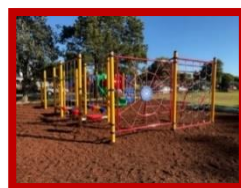
Have a great week! Stay warm! Jodie Campbell Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
1T	Maxleigh T	1H	Caiden A
1KH	Bella W	1/2A	Aztar L
2CH	Tye P	2S	Emilia S
2M	David I-O	K/6JG	Zanda H
3T	Trent B	30	Charlotte C
	Eadie M		Alivia L
3/4A	Olive A	3H	Dayna D
	Jax M	4S	Tyreek W
4R	Honey B		Bryah J
	Kai D	4B	Jasmin H
	Reuben L		Ivy L

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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



Patrick F	K/6A
Clementine K	2S

POSITIVE WINNER

Georgie F KW	Playground Positive
Mia P 4S	Classroom Positive
Harry A-S 6H	Attendance Hero

GENERAL INFORMATION

Stewart House Donation Drive Reminder

A Stewart House Donation Drive envelopes need to be returned to school before Thursday 18th May. **You can assist Stewart House to continue their work by placing \$2 in the envelope provided and then return it back to the office.** You could win a holiday of your choice up to the value of \$4000 by supporting this donation drive.

FROM THE DESKS OF OUR APC&Is

Assessment

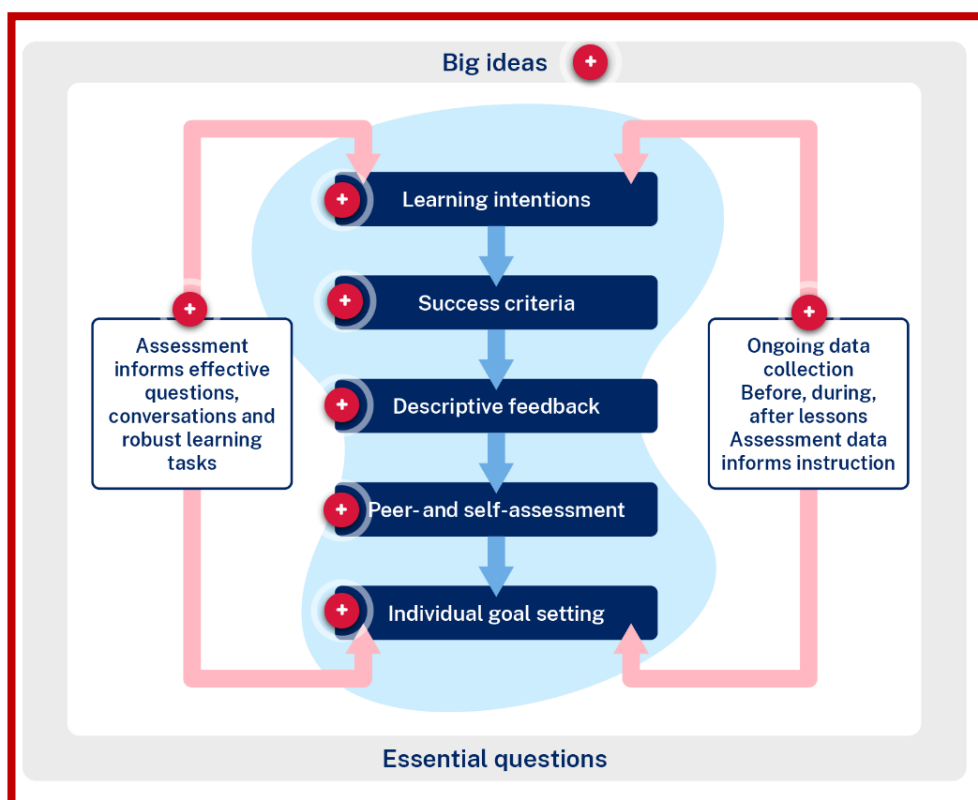
Assessment is an important part of school and teacher instruction and serves three primary purposes:


- (1) to tell us where a child is functioning within a particular developmental domain (e.g. social, academic, physical).
- (2) to help us plan instruction that will help the child progress; and
- (3) to help us evaluate the success of our instructional intervention.

The idea is, we should start from where our students are, not from where we'd like them to be. The real problem with starting from where the learners are is we won't know where they are unless we go to some trouble to find out because of the uncomfortable fact about the world – our students do not learn what we teach.

Teachers teach wonderful lessons, look at the student's work, wonder whether they were paying any attention or even if they were in the lesson. Put these things together and that's why formative assessment is at the heart of every teacher's practice. Assessment no longer always takes the form of a final assessment at the end of a unit and can be ongoing and observational.

Assessment is the bridge between teaching and learning. It is only by assessing that we can figure out whether what our students learned was what we wanted them to learn.






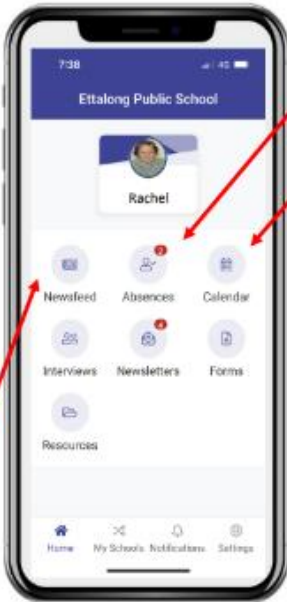
Sentral Parent Portal

Download the app and sign up today!


Once you have registered – Call the school to request an access key




Stay up to date with the newsfeed reminders and information.



Find out what's happening at school ahead of time with the portal calendar.



Easily respond to your child's absence notifications when they have been away from



Easily be organised and send an absence notification ahead of time, if your child is going to be away from school.

SUPPORT NEWS

This week, Restaurant Rosano's Pizza Bar has had on offer simple and authentic Italian pizza by the slice, without the fuss. We also offer our pizzas in the Romana style – large rectangular slices with a thick focaccia-style base. If the fluffy and soft dough of Pizza a la Napolitana is more your style, we also have you covered. Our pizza is quickly and perfectly cooked in our traditional woodfired oven – Bellissimo! With tasty pastas and salads also available, we have something for everyone!



EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

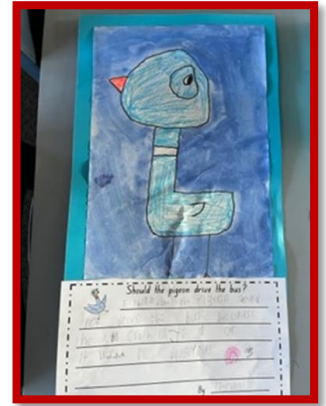
Kindergarten have been working very hard. This week in our literacy sessions we have started using our new decodable readers. The students are working hard to blend their sounds together and are very excited to start reading! They have also met their new year 5 buddies. Keep up the great work Kindy!



STAGE ONE NEWS



Stage 1 so far this term have been very busy learning about persuasive writing after reading 'Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus' and 'Do Not Open This Book'. Students in 1KH have enjoyed learning to create their own persuasive sentences after deciding that a pigeon should absolutely not drive a bus!



STAGE TWO NEWS

As part of PDHPE, Stage 2 have been learning the skills, techniques and requirements for the Athletics Carnival events. They have also been working hard on developing their persuasive writing by formulating a plan and an argument prior to writing.



STAGE THREE NEWS

On Friday Year 6 held our spider day fundraiser and made and sold lots of yummy ice cream treats around the school! Much fun was had and we are very appreciative of the support shown by our school community. Money raised goes towards all the amazing end of year activities to farewell our year 6 friends. We then burnt off some of the ice cream spider energy with stage sport. Overall a great day was had by all!



P & C NEWS

P&C ROLES AVAILABLE
Communications/social media

Are you a Canva King/Queen?

Happy to schedule posts on Facebook and Instagram behalf of the P&C?

Send a weekly email to the school with content for the Homenote?
epsandc@gmail.com

CANTEEN NEWS
New Menu Item - \$4

NOODLES

Two bags of Noodles are shown.

ET TALONG PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C
Mother's Day Stall
Items \$2 - \$12
THURSDAY 11 MAY
Volunteers needed 8.30-12.30
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