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Term 2 Week 8

13 June 2023

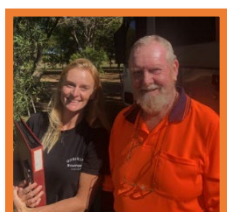
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday June 13	Recorder Concert Group performance at the Sydney Opera House
Wednesday June 14	3.30pm AECG at Mingaletta P&C Meeting
Thursday June 15	Sydney North Cross Country
Friday June 16	Multi Sport Day for Support Unit
Tuesday June 20	S1 Zoo Excursion
Wednesday June 21 and 28	Kindergarten Art Gallery Excursion
Thursday June 22	Spelling Bee final for Years 2-6
Friday June 23	Athletics Carnival for all students

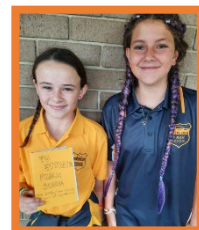
Hello Parents and Carers

Last week we opened our school to our 2024 Kindergarten families and students. It was a lovely morning with our S2 dance group, our choir and our drummers all performing to showcase our school. Lou Zammit and Liz Phelps organised the day with the assistance of Mrs Lechowski, Mrs Withford and Miss Barnes. After the presentations in the hall, our families were given a tour of the school to the 2023 Kindergarten rooms, to see literacy, tech and numeracy rotations and then also into our library, OOSH building, through our playgrounds and into the STEM Lab. Thank you to our P&C and canteen staff and volunteers for their delicious morning tea. Our leadership team did an amazing job greeting families, leading tours and hosting the performances.

Ettalong PS celebrated turning 95 last week! Throughout the week, our Facebook page collated photos and stories from ex-students and our students made cards and posters!



Our world is a small one, with Mrs Brown, who is travelling with her family, catching up with Bob who was a student at EPS in 1951. They were the only people in a caravan park in Winton, QLD last week. Winton is approximately 20 hours from Ettalong by road.



Friday's Mufti Day was organised by our SRC and was an amazing success. Our students (and staff) loved dancing throughout the school. \$500 was raised, with all proceeds going towards Ronald McDonald House Charities – Dance for Sick Kids.

The Primary School Mobile Dental Program is visiting our school from day one of next term. The van will be with us from Tuesday July 18 until Friday August 18, 2023. Permission notes and information packages are being sent home today. Please return these as soon as you can. They will be collected on Tuesday June 27.

With the increased orders in our canteen, please be reminded that our canteen cannot offer over the phone orders for students. Orders can be made with cash on the day or via MySchoolConnects.

REPEAT: Across our school, we have had a significant rise in the number of Covid cases. Thank you to our families who have contacted us if they or their children test positively to Covid. Notification for these cases are sent to affected grades as a message through our Sentral Portal. There are updates available on the DoE's webpage; <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families> RATs are available for collection from our school office.

REPEAT: Our staff are busily completing this semester's reports and as reports are now available through Sentral, if you require a printed copy, please complete the Goggle Form on this link <https://forms.gle/xwceAorp1omThX318>

Have a great week! Jodie Campbell Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KB	Lulu B	KW	Liam L
KZ	Ruby-Lee S	KL	Patrick W
1KH	Maisie T	1H	Memphis J
	Hunter M		Kyah Y
1T	Ruby W	1/2A	Fletcher J
2M	Annabelle S	2CH	Audrey C
2S	Jack H		Evelyn R
	Toby W	5W	Eden M
	Isaac T		Eliot C
5L	Clayton G	6H	Charlie M
	Matthew J		Harry A-S
6K	Manaaki N	6J	Harper M
	Jet F		Braxton L
	MJ L	K/6R	Jai M
K/6P	Lincoln M		Dylan I
	Jake G	K/6JG	Charlotte M
	Zanda H		

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who have been consistently demonstrating the 3Rs

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Max T	KW	William H	4B
Connor Mc	2M	Mila B	4B
Charli T	2CH	Matilda W	3T
Matilda P	3O	Violet W	3T



GENERAL INFORMATION

NSW Health Primary School Dental Program

NSW Health is working with the Department of Education and public primary schools to offer free dental check-ups and preventive care, to all students as part of a school-based mobile dental program. Our school has been selected to participate in the program.

Many parents may not realise two important things about their children's teeth:

1. Good oral health is essential for children to successfully learn and participate at school, and
2. NSW Health offers free public dental health services to all children under 18 years of age.

Learning and behaviour difficulties at school can start with tooth and gum problems. That's because decay and gum disease can cause pain and difficulties in eating, sleeping, talking, concentrating, and learning, which can in turn affect a child's behaviour in class. A child with tooth decay may feel self-conscious about the way their teeth look and feel, making it harder for them to join in class and social activities.

Our school is participating in the program and offering students the opportunity to have free dental check-ups in a comfortable and familiar environment at school. With a parent/carers consent, students are able to have a free dental check-up and free preventive care.

The program is scheduled to visit our school from 18/07/2023 to 18/08/2023.

A Parent Information and Consent Pack will be sent home with each student, and includes information sheets, consent forms and the program privacy statement. Parents/carers who want their child to receive care are advised to:

1. Read all the information provided in the pack.
2. Carefully complete all the fields of the consent forms.
3. Return the consent forms to the school as soon as possible.

More information about the program or how to access public dental clinics is available on the NSW Health website at:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/primaryschool dental> or
<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/Pages/default.aspx>

If you have any questions, please contact CCLHD Primary School Mobile Dental Program – Wyong Hospital on 4394 4842 or email CCLHD-MDC@health.nsw.gov.au

FROM THE DESKS OF OUR APC & Is

Book Covering Volunteers needed!

We are looking for volunteers to help cover our new K-2 home readers. If you can spare some time, we would greatly appreciate your help! Book covering sessions will take place in the school hall from 9:00am every Wednesday-Friday for the remainder of the term. Tea and coffee will be provided for our volunteers. If you are unable to make it for these sessions but would like to take a small bundle of books home to cover, please contact Mr Johnston via the school office.

Number & Place Value

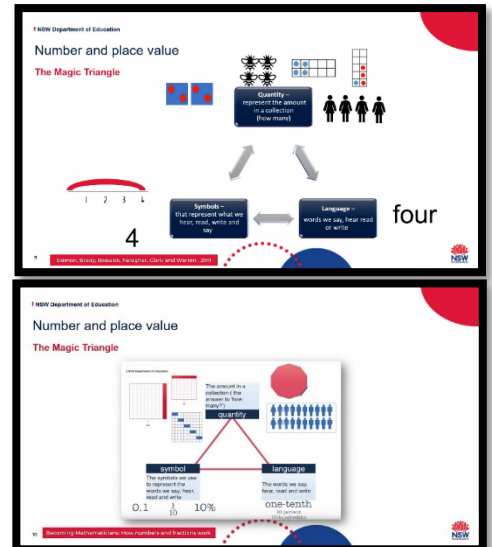
One of the key mathematical concepts we have been focusing on this term across our school is 'Number & Place Value.' This is the ability to read and write numbers with an understanding that the words and symbols we use represent different quantities or amounts.

One of the key strategies that our teachers use in their classrooms is 'The Magic Triangle' which draws clear links between the quantity or amount represented, the mathematical words and language we use to describe it and how this is represented using symbols. Teachers explicitly teach, model and reinforce these important connections across all years as students' number knowledge develops to allow them to effectively and correctly make, name and record numbers including whole numbers of any size, decimals, percentages and fractions.

Research shows that number sense continues to develop well into the high school years and it underpins the development of all other number knowledge & skills. This strategy is an important component of our learning and this is why we have a strong focus on developing these skills across all grades at EPS. Throughout Term 2, staff have been reflecting on student data to implement explicit teaching and learning sequences to cater for the needs of individual students in the areas of number & place value.

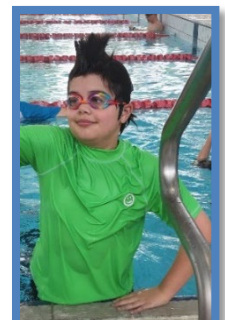
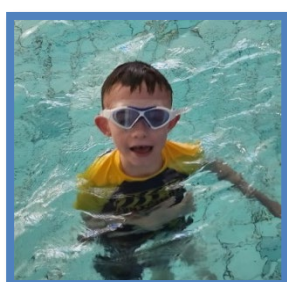
Over the coming weeks we will be reflecting on our teaching of these concepts this term and the understanding of our students to help inform our teaching as we move into Term 3.

Aaron Johnston Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction



SUPPORT NEWS

K6R are having a blast in the Intensive Learn to Swim program at the Peninsula Leisure Centre.



EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Kindergarten had lots of fun this week showing the 2024 Kindergarten parents all the things we have been learning. In KB we were using technology, we loved the iPads and Bee bots too!



STAGE ONE NEWS

The last few weeks 2S have been very busy participating in mathematical activities learning how to use balance scales in mass. Rheese had a yarn with us in the Yarning circle and we have written hybrid stories about seals after reading our class book Great White Sharks by Claire Saxby. We have also been practicing our publishing skills using Microsoft Word on the laptops.



STAGE TWO NEWS

4R had a great time at the Cleanaway incursion last week. We were taught how to sort our rubbish correctly, repurposing items and what happens to our rubbish once it is taken away.



STAGE THREE NEWS

Years 5 and 6 have been walking down to the netball courts each week this term for sport. The students have been honing their throwing and catching skills through netball games. The games and friendly competition have been enjoyed by all. Great work stage 3!



YMCA VACATION CARE BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

Exciting news! YMCA will start VC for the July school holidays. Please go to <https://www.ymcansw.org.au/centres/ymca-ettalong-oshc/vacation-care/> to enrol, once enrolled please use the MY FAMILY LOUNGE APP to book in.

DO NOT PUT IN A REQUEST online this will **NOT** be a booking. We have a fun filled holiday program planned with excursions including Walkabout Wildlife Park, and Taronga Zoo. And some fun in house days including a science workshop and a silent disco. Please go to the above link to see the full program.

Hope to see you there!!

YMCA ETTALONG

Central Coast Winter Holiday Junior Chess Tournament (ages 6 to 17)

Rated by NSWJCL For NSW country players. Limited to 140. Sorry, not Sydney (County of Cumberland). Entry fee \$10 For full entry details please email, not text: Gary Losh glosh6090@gmail.com 0432 453 726 Monday 10 July **Must pre-enter by Saturday 8 July** Central Coast Grammar School 9.30am – 4.00pm
Minimum ability: Must know how to move the pieces and complete games independently.

