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Term 3 Week 6

22 August 2023

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 23 Aug	School Disco - K-2 3.30-4.30pm; S2 4.45-5.45pm; S3 6 – 7.15pm
Thursday 24 Aug	Central Coast Showcase – Laycock Street Theatre – Drummers, Choir and Recorder
Mon 28, Tues 29 & Wed Aug 30	Kindergarten 2024 Meetings – please phone the office if you require a time
Tuesday Aug 29	Father's Day Stall
Wednesday Aug 30	Father's Day Breakfast from 8am
Friday September 1	PSSA Zone Athletics Carnival – Mingara
Wednesday Sept 6	AECG Meeting at Mingaletta 3.30pm
Friday Sept 8	CC Choral Festival Rehearsal at Point Clare PS

Hello Parents and Carers

Our students and staff have had another busy week of learning. The quality of work we are seeing from our students is constantly improving and developing. This week I have seen some amazing writing from our Kindergarten students, some maths from Y2 and heard some reading from Y3, just to mention a few! Last Tuesday, we were delighted to share classrooms from across our school with our Executive Director, Mr Tim McCallum and our Director of Educational Leadership, Ms Jo Wilcher. Tim and Jo engaged with students and staff as they took a walk through our amazing school. They were impressed with our students from K-6R who were participating in iPlay activities and 2M who were completing maths and literacy rotations, as well as those students that they encountered throughout the afternoon. They also met with our S2 teaching staff and saw their planning for writing and analysis of student work.

Last Tuesday, our Spelling Bee finalists participated in the Central Coast Finals via Zoom. Congratulations to our participants. Charlotte C finished in the top 10 and Asher T finished 17th! These are outstanding results. The competition was fierce. Can you believe, Charlotte's final word was dishevelled? This is a tricky word to spell for someone in Y3!



We send a huge thank you to our P&C for the donated sports equipment, you can see pictured. The Rebel credits were collated and as you can imagine, our students are very excited to put these to use. Also, we would like to thank our P&C for the recent grant acquired through Clubs NSW. A shout out to Graeme for coordinating the application which saw \$2000 donated. These funds will go towards the Home Readers that we recently purchased. Every bit helps and we are very grateful.

I take this opportunity to remind all families and visitors to our school that under the Companion Animals Act 1998 (NSW), Section 14, **dogs are prohibited on school grounds** unless the Principal grants permission. Reasons why the Principal may grant permission for a dog to be in a school include: Assistance or Service dogs Farm working dogs, visits by organised groups or programs for school incursions or school support dogs. Unfortunately, we have students who have experienced very severe and traumatic dog encounters. Please continue to supervise your dog and please do not bring dogs onto school premises.

We have again had a recent increase in Covid cases across the school. If you require more RATS, please see our office. With the upcoming S3 Excursion to Canberra we ask that our families and staff assist us in doing their best to ensure that all participants are well. Staff are required to test and complete a declaration for the ACT Government on the morning of travel.

Take care and stay safe!

Jodie Campbell Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KB	Jasmyn G	KW	Liam L
KZ	Kayden F	KL	Ella V



Author/Illustrator Visit - Dub Leffler

As part of our Book Week celebrations we are excited to have local author and illustrator, Dub Leffler joining us on Monday 28 August to run workshops for our students from K-6. Dub's most recent book, "Our Dreaming" is nominated for this year's CBCA Picture Book of the Year. This incursion is free for students and the permission note to attend has been published online via the Sentral Parent Portal. If you need assistance setting up your account to provide online permission, please contact our friendly office staff.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

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

Ella V	KL	James G	2M
Jasmyn G	KB	Ryan S	3T
Ivy P	1H	Aaliyah M	3/4A
Bodhi G	1KH	William H	4S

POSITIVE WINNER

Playground Positive
Classroom Positive
Attendance Hero



FROM THE DESKS OF OUR APC & Is

Parent Information Session - Supporting Reading at Home

Last week, Mr Johnston ran a parent information session which focused on practical ideas and strategies families can use at home to support home reading with their child. Thank you to those who came along to attend the session, it was great to work with you support the reading success of our children together.

For those who missed the session, but wanted to catch up you can view a recorded version of the session via the web address below;

<https://tinyurl.com/mr2awp3f>

This session was aimed at our K-2 families who have children reading our decodable home readers, but others may find some of the practical games and activities suitable for their child also.

We are always looking for ways to support learning at home, so if you have a topic, idea or suggestion for future parent information sessions we would love to hear from you. Please take the time to complete our online suggestion form and we will take these into consideration when planning future sessions for our community

Parent Information Session Suggestion Form - <https://forms.gle/XE3pHag7HTmwtVYH9>

SUPPORT NEWS



Six of our support students have been enjoying Riding for the Disabled lessons this term. They have learnt about correct mounting and dismounting practices and are developing skills and confidence during the lessons at Somersby.

EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS



Kindergarten have been working so hard with reading their decodables at school. In KB we have been using whisper phones to hear ourselves read, we have also started doing “fluency friends” where we read out loud to a partner, we are all feeling so proud of each other. In creative arts we have been creating some fun art works using primary colours.



STAGE ONE NEWS

IKH have been busy so far this term learning about all directions and describing position during Maths. Students have been enjoying playing maths games using their positional language. A highlight was taking their skills outside to create their own grid maps using chalk. IKH enjoyed using what they have learnt about maps to create their own maps during Creative Arts.



STAGE TWO NEWS



3/4A are learning about decimal notation using concrete materials. Lots of fun and starting to grasp the connection between decimals, fractions and percentages.



STAGE THREE NEWS

Stage 3 have been so lucky to be part of many sporting opportunities this term. The NSW Netball Cup and the NRL Touch Football Gala Day were both held at Adcock Park during Week 4 and 5. Students of all abilities were invited to play various school teams in a non-competitive day of fun. All of the players improved their skills and had a great time learning along the way.



P & C NEWS

DISCO - WED 23 AUG
Canteen Open from 3pm to 7:15pm

PIZZA SLICE - \$1.50
(GF & VEGAN OPTIONS AVAILABLE)
MINI HOTDOG - \$2.50
GARLIC BREAD - \$2
POPCORN CUP - \$1
ZOOPER DOOPER - \$1
TNT SOUR ICE BLOCK - \$2
CHOCK MOOSIES - \$1.50
GLEE - \$2.50
JUICE - \$2.50
GLOW STICKS - \$1-\$5.50
LED FOAM LIGHTS - \$3

Fathers Day
STALL
TUE 29TH AUGUST

Gifts \$2-\$12

Volunteers Needed 8:30 - 1pm

COME FOR AN HR OR STAY LONGER

Fathers Day
ONLINE RAFFLE

Drawn Friday
1 September
11am

1 Ticket = \$2
3 Tickets = \$5
7 Tickets = \$10
15 Tickets = \$20

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1st Prize value \$1250

Germin Tennis SS Smartwatch (valued \$599)
Cinema Paradise Family Pass
The Boat House Group \$100 Voucher
Mighty Helpful Mitre 10 \$300 Voucher
La Flamma Pizzeria \$50 Voucher
Sid's Barber Shop Voucher

2nd Prize

\$50 Ozmosis Voucher
Ettalong SUP Voucher
Bombora Ettalong Beach SUP
Gosford City 10pin Bowl Family Pass
Ten Pin Bowl

TERM 3 YARN UP

Join us for an afternoon of Culture & conversation

LEARN

Rheese, our Aboriginal Education Officer will be running a cultural activity for children and families to take part in together

CHAT

Catch up with our staff to hear how your child is progressing with their PLP goals & connect with other families.

The team from Yerin Health will also be attending to talk about their local programs and initiatives.

EAT

Join us for a **FREE** afternoon BBQ together with our community

When:
Thursday 14 September 3pm

Location:
Ettalong Foreshore BBQ area

RSVP: Monday 11 September via School Office
In the event of wet weather, the Term 3 Yarn Up will be held under the K-2 COLA at Ettalong Public School

Run, Jump, Throw, Walk or Roll
TO BE YOUR BEST

FRIDAY NIGHTS - MCEVOY OVAL
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Way Way Panthers