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Term 4 Week 7

21 November 2023

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday November 22	Waste Free Wednesday
Wednesday November 22	Headstart Group 2 (please contact our office for further details)
Wednesday November 22	Koorana ACEG Deadly Awards at Woy Woy Campus BWSC
Thursday November 23	Young, Black and Ready for School at Woy Woy South PS for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ES1 2024
Thursday November 23	K-2 students are posting Santa letters at Ettalong Post Office
Friday November 24	Participating S3 students attending Surf Awareness Day at Umina Beach SLSC
Wednesday November 29	BOTH Headstart Groups are welcomed for an Orientation Morning

Hello parents and carers,

There were smiles galore on Friday as our students participated in the Rainbow Run! After a very early start and a few adjustments, the day went ahead with the sun eventually shining! A HUGE thank you must go to Kylie our P&C President, our



volunteers and in preparation for the day, our staff for their ongoing support and flexibility and to our students for their exceptional behaviour! What a great day!

Sincere, thanks to our sponsors and to our many families who supported the day. We look forward to sharing the final amount raised and who our class and individual winners are next week.



Also on Friday, our choir group went to Ettalong Diggers to sing to the Legacy Group. The audience were very impressed by their efforts. Miss Smith again reported that our choir displayed their 3Rs throughout their visit. Well done choir! They are already busily rehearsing for their upcoming concert at Erina Fair. More information about this opportunity will be available soon.

Last Wednesday we welcomed our Group 1 students back for their third session of Headstart. Tomorrow our Group 2 students and their families will be coming along. Next week, November 29, both groups will be attending an Orientation morning for a very special morning tea and a special presentation from our Headstart students. After dropping students to the classrooms, Parents of both groups are invited to our school hall.

Best wishes to Sienna W, Augie H, Amber S, Phoenix T, Matthew J, Nayana W, Lily T, Coby Q, Harry C, Jordan P and Tash M, the Y5 students who have nominated for leadership positions in 2024. Today these students will present a speech to Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 who will then vote for six leaders and 2 captains. I am in awe of the confidence they have shown during the rehearsals.

We look forward to hearing about the adventures our Kindergarten students have had today during their visit to the farm at the Umina Campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College. There were farmers everywhere this morning as they boarded to buses.

Our teaching staff are currently working hard to complete this semester's reports. Again, this term, reports will be sent out via the Sentral App. If you need assistance with access to the app, please contact our friendly office team. If you require a paper copy of the reports, please contact our office as soon as possible.

Have a great week! Jodie Campbell - Principal

3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KB	Lucas M	4S	Henry G
KZ	Leo K		Mia P
KW	Coen C		Vivian H
KL	Molly O		

POSITIVE WINNER

Aurora V 1KH	Playground Positive
James M 4R	Classroom Positive
Jaydan H K/6A	Attendance Hero

FROM THE DESK OF THE APC&Is

Community of Practice

This year our Assistant Principals, Curriculum & Instruction (APCI) Mrs Robertson & Mr Johnston have been part of a Community of Practice along with other APCI's from schools in the Brisbane Water network of schools.

The purpose of the Community of Practice is to provide targeted professional development & support to APCI's and enable networking across schools to build our collective capacity to lead school improvement and curriculum reform. We meet together for a day once every term at locals schools to collaborate, learn and share. These sessions are guided by a facilitation team, which Mr Johnston is part of and guided by our Director Educational Leadership, Joanne Wilcher.

This year, we have formed many strong connections across our local schools and embarked on a number of projects including shared curriculum planning & programming to build consistent, quality practices in literacy & numeracy across the schools in our network which has received great feedback from teachers at EPS and across the local area.

Last week, Mr Johnston had the opportunity to attend the Term 4 Brisbane Water Principals Meeting with a colleague from Terrigal PS to share about the impact of our Community of Practice and our plans for 2024 as we take part in a leadership development program run by the DoE Literacy & Numeracy Team, in partnership with University of Newcastle & University of Wollongong.

We look forward to seeing where this program takes us and the impact it will have on our staff, students & school in 2024.

SUPPORT NEWS

K6R's Term 4 highlights



EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Kindergarten have absolutely loved spending time with their year 5 buddies this year. We would like to thank the wonderful year 5 students for the kindness and care they have shown Kindergarten this year. The good news is – you will all be buddies again next year, as year 6 and year 1 students!



STAGE ONE NEWS

In Stage 1 this year we have been adopting the new maths curriculum. In 1H we love doing maths games and activities to help us reach our objectives.

Some ideas for you to do at home with your children are to:

#Recognise and know the value of different denominations of coins and notes.

#Use language to sequence event like before, after, next, first, today and tomorrow.

#Compare different heights, lengths and widths of household items.

#Read and write numbers to 20 in numerals and words.

#Count to 100, forwards, backwards and from any given number.

Little things that bring maths into our everyday world help us to learn so much.



STAGE TWO NEWS

Breaking news from the imaginative minds of 4S! While Miss Smith took a mysterious leave of absence on Monday, the students unleashed their creativity to speculate wildly on the whereabouts of their teacher. Unconfirmed reports suggest waterpark adventures, jewel thievery, an unruly goat inside her house and even sabotage of the year 6 tomato plants! But perhaps the tale that rings the most true, was that she was just off practising her choir songs? Stay tuned for more fantastical updates from the 4S Chronicles!



STAGE THREE NEWS

On Friday, 6K finished off a busy week of learning with a well-earned movie and some hot chocolate. They've been watching the original Storm Boy and comparing the book to the movie.



P&C NEWS

The P&C thanks everyone (sponsors, volunteers, kids, parents, teachers and staff) for a very successful and super fun Rainbow Run!!

Fundraising will remain open until Friday so please chase up your final donations.

Money raised will help us make our beautiful school even better.

We will be announcing the fundraising totals and prizes at the Week 8 assembly!



ACTIVITIES at PCYC

PCYC Membership: \$15

AGES: 3-12 years

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BOOK NOW



GYM STAR	3:15pm 3-5yrs Mon, Wed & Thurs 4pm 5-8yrs Mon-Thurs 5pm 9-12yrs Mon
TRAMPOLINE	5pm 5yrs+ Tues-Wed
TUMBLING	4pm 5-8yrs Thurs 6pm 9yrs+ Tues
FREE G	5pm 5yrs+ Thursday
JISHUKAN RYU	7pm 10yrs+ Mon
ARCHERY	3:45pm 8yrs+ Tues & Thurs 5pm 8yrs+ Tues & Thurs
BIRTHDAY PARTIES	Gymnastics Archery Laser Tag Free G Trampoline Messy Play

Summer School Holiday Activities

COST: \$32 Half Day | \$55 Full Day

AGES: 5-12 years

TIME: AM 8:30am-12:30pm | PM 12:30pm - 4:30pm

WHAT TO BRING: Water bottle, lunch, snacks and enclosed shoes.

BOOK NOW



Mon 18th Dec	AM: Laser Tag & Cookie Decorating PM: Free G & Trampoline	Sat 13th & Sun 14th Jan	CLUB CLOSED
Tues 19th Dec	AM: Acro & Board Games PM: Tumbling & Christmas Craft	Mon 15th Jan	AM: Fitness & Ball Games PM: Archery & Giant Battleship
Wed 20th Dec	AM: Rhythmic & Christmas Cards PM: Laser Tag & Archery	Tues 16th Jan	AM: Escape Room PM: Mini Golf, Hopscotch & Craft
Thur 21st Dec	AM: Christmas Bingo & Christmas Craft PM: Outdoor activities	Wed 17th Jan	AM: Scavenger Hunt PM: Science & Floor is Lava
Fri 22nd Dec	CLUB CLOSED	Thurs 18th Jan	AM: Minute To Win It & Dodgeball PM: Tug of War & Bingo
Mon 1st Jan	CLUB CLOSED	Fri 19th Jan	AM: Dance Party & Craft PM: Outdoor Activities & Water Games
Tues 2nd Jan	AM: Minute To Win It & Painting PM: Laser Tag & Craft	Sat 20th & Sun 21st Jan	CLUB CLOSED
Wed 3rd Jan	AM: Carnival Day PM: Hobby Horse Rodeo Day	Mon 22nd Jan	AM: Carnival Day PM: Hobby Horse Rodeo Day
Thur 4th Jan	AM: Laser Tag & Craft PM: Archery & Trampoline	Tues 23rd Jan	AM: Rhythmic & Acro PM: Archery & Outdoor Activities
Fri 5th Jan	AM: Tie Dye, Science & Slime PM: Paint Throwing & Water Games	Wed 24th Jan	AM: Obstacle Course & Free G PM: Cupcake Decorating & Ball Games
Sat 6th & Sun 7th Jan	CLUB CLOSED	Thurs 25th Jan	AM: AM - Giant Battleship & Collaborative Art PM: Floor is Lava, Charades & Pictionary
Mon 8th Jan	AM: Trampoline & Relay Races PM: Rhythmic & Balloon Volleyball	Fri 26th Jan	CLUB CLOSED
Tues 9th Jan	AM: Gymnastics & Relay Races PM: Balloon Tennis & Tennis skills	Sat 27th & Sun 28th Jan	CLUB CLOSED
Wed 10th Jan	AM: Trampoline & Board Games PM: Bingo & Free G	Mon 29th Jan	AM: Rhythmic & Ball Games PM: Craft & Group Games
Thur 11th Jan	AM: Rhythmic & Craft PM: Multi Sports	Tues 30th Jan	AM: Trampoline & Board Games PM: Archery & Paper Airplanes
Fri 12th Jan	AM: Acro & Trampoline PM: Archery & Board Games	Wed 31st Jan	AM: Acro & Balloon Tennis PM: Trampoline & Origami

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