

Engadine West Public School

Quality Education in a Stimulating Environment

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents

Engadine West Public School is currently planning class structures and staffing for 2011. We are very close to forming an additional class for next year. As a result, the finalisation of student numbers is vital. If you have a child leaving our school (other than Year 6 students) at the end of the year, could you please inform the school in writing immediately as this could impact on the appointment of a new teacher for our school. Last week Mr Trevor Lambert from Nuwarra Public School was appointed to our school as a classroom teacher for 2011 replacing Mrs Mead. All the staff and I welcome Trevor to Engadine West.

Student Leaders

Congratulations to all the Year 5 students who were interviewed by their Year 5 class teachers and myself last week as part of the process for selecting our 2011 student leaders. A number of students interviewed will now be invited to be candidates for the election of our leadership team for the next year. Well done to all involved and it's great to see the leadership qualities in our students being promoted.

K-2 Christmas Concert

The K-2 staff are working very hard to prepare the students for what should be a very impressive K-2 Christmas Concert on Friday 3 December from 12.00 noon. Thank you also to the parents who have co-operated so well in organising or paying for costumes and other props for the concert. All students involved seem to be really enjoying their opportunity to perform on stage. We hope to see a large audience in attendance on the day.

Kindergarten Transition

Our Kindergarten Transition program was a great success. Thank you to Mrs Sams and Mrs Gilmore and all the staff involved in the organisation and running of the program. A special thank you to Mrs Cunynghame and all her parent helpers in the uniform shop for giving their time to organise uniforms for our excited 2011 Kinders. Well done everyone!

Parent Helpers

Engadine West Public School is very fortunate to have a large number of parent helpers who assist us in so many ways throughout the year. We will be holding a Parent Helpers' Morning Tea on Tuesday 7 December at 11.30am in the Hall. Parents and friends of the school who have assisted us over the year are cordially invited to attend as a thank you for all your efforts.

Have a great week!

Garry Royston
Principal



We are striving to be a nut free school - please ensure peanuts, nuts, peanut butter and Nutella as an ingredient are not brought into the school

Deputy Principal's Report

2012 Selective High School Applications

Today is the last day for parents to return the paper applications to school. Parents who are applying online do not need to lodge a paper application at school.

Super Students

A big thank you to Quinn in 1P for reading a wonderful story to me. Special mention to Shannan Wood and Emma Drayton who raised money for the Year 6 farewell by running a guessing competition.

Teacher Support

I would like to thank Ms Barrow for her dedicated support to new teachers gaining their accreditation with the Institute of Teachers. Ms Barrow gives up a great deal of her own time for these teachers to ensure all documentation is correct and in order. Your support for these teachers is greatly appreciated.

Computer Club

Mr Edwards and his team of Year 6 students from the computer club, had an article written on their innovative use of the connected classroom in the DET's Connected Classroom Bulletin. The article outlined how Engadine West is leading the way in student video conferencing. Congratulations to Mr Edwards and his team.

Useful Websites

For parents with children about to start school : <http://www.starfall.com/>

Stage 3 fractions: <http://pbskids.org/cyberchase/games/percent/percent.html>

Free ebooks to read <http://www.meegenius.com/>

Craig Snudden
Deputy Principal

3RD Octopoesms

A panda is black
It is the Spring time
In ancient China
It is misty
A panda is a zebra costume
A computer
It is an animal rescue show
A liquorice allsort

By Megan Cox

A lemur is black or brown
It is the Winter time
In a rainforest at night
It is a freezing place
A lemur is a little white coat
A little lemur statue
An endangered species show
A liquorice stick

By Annabella Riley

A snake is green
It is the Spring
In a forest
It is sunny
A snake is a scaly boot
A wooden table
It is like Man vs. Wild
A green jelly

Cameron Ross

Year 6 Disco Fundraiser

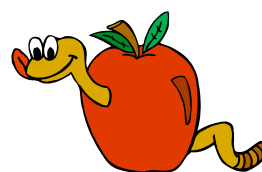
Year 6 are holding a lunchtime disco tomorrow Tuesday 23 November to raise funds for the Year 6 Farewell. Students are required to bring a cold coin donation to attend. Slushies will be available for \$1.30.

Ross Edwards
Relieving Deputy Principal

Worms of the West

Thank you for your donations of plastic bottles. We still need more so please keep them coming in! We now have worm juice available for you to purchase from 6E classroom. See price list below:

1 litre	\$1.00
1.25 litres	\$1.25
2 litre	\$2.00
3 litre	\$3.00



Bright Green Sparks

Book Club News

Orders from our final catalogues for the year, Issue 8, are due this Thursday 25 November. This is your last opportunity to purchase some great bargains for Christmas and support the school at the same time.

If you are paying with cash, particularly coins, could you please tape unsealed parts of envelope to ensure coins do not fall out.

Orders can be held at the office for collection. **Please ensure this is clearly marked on all the order forms and envelope with a contact phone number.** We will ring you when the books are ready for collection from the front office.

To ensure your order can be placed on time, please check the following:

- ♦ Student's name and class on all forms and envelope.
- ♦ For **cash** payments please check the amount if your child is paying and please ensure the envelope is well sealed.
- ♦ For **cheque** payments the cheque must be made out to *Scholastic Australia*.
- ♦ For **credit card** payments use the website to pay and get a receipt number or call the phone number on the form. **Only one receipt for the total amount is necessary and you only need to write the receipt details on one order form.**

Thank you for your support.

Mandy Goodman
Book Club Coordinator



Australian Government Assistance For National Capital Excursion

Students from our school in Year 6 have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital. While on this tour they participated in a variety of educational programs focused on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist you in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per eligible student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programs toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

Activities undertaken as part of the educational tour are outlined below:

- ♦ Parliament House
- ♦ Australian War Memorial
- ♦ Old Parliament House
- ♦ Museum of Australian Democracy
- ♦ National Electoral Education Centre
- ♦ Questacon
- ♦ National Library of Australia
- ♦ Australian Institute of Sport
- ♦ National Museum of Australia
- ♦ Royal Australian Mint
- ♦ National Film and Sound Archive

We hope the excursion was a rewarding experience for all students.

Please note: The \$20 reimbursement per child we are receiving from the Australian Government was taken off the total cost of the excursion already paid.

No Eftpos (Mon 22 Nov - Fri 3 Dec)


Due to the school's End of Financial Year, there will be **no** Eftpos payments taken between **22 November and 3 December**. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Shining Star

Good luck to Abbey Godwin (3P) who will be competing at the State Athletics Carnival to be held at Homebush this Saturday. Abbey is running in the U/9's Mixed Relay Team for Helensburgh Little Athletics Club.


Live Life Well

Quick ideas for lunchboxes – try to include everyday:

- ♦ Some breads or cereals – sandwiches, wraps, bread rolls, rice cakes, corn cakes or wholegrain crackers. 
- ♦ At least one fruit and one vegetable.
- ♦ Protein rich foods – boiled eggs, lean meats or chicken, baked beans, chickpeas or legume salads or dairy foods.
- ♦ Pack foods with an iced water or ice brick to keep food fresh.
- ♦ Plenty of tap water to drink – a better choice than cordials, soft drinks, fruit juice drinks or fruit juice.

Add some vegetables

It's important that children eat 3 - 5 serves of vegetables a day or at least 1½ cups. Ideas to add vegetables include:


- ♦ Baked beans on toast for breakfast or baked beans on toasted sandwiches.
- ♦ Grate vegetables into stews, casseroles and mince e.g. carrot and zucchini.
- ♦ Include salad in sandwiches or a small salad to go with a sandwich.
- ♦ When having cut up fruit for a snack, add some cut up vegetables as well such as grape tomatoes, snow peas, cucumber slices or carrot sticks. 

Afternoon Munchies

Children often come home hungry after school. Have some healthy snacks ready. Some ideas include:

- ♦ Baked beans and reduced-fat cheese toasted sandwich.
- ♦ Corn on the cob.
- ♦ Low fat instant noodles with grated zucchini and reduced-fat cheese.
- ♦ ½ toasted English muffin with tomato and reduced-fat cheese.
- ♦ Fruit and vegetable snack plate – cut up pieces of fresh fruit and vegetables.

A way to have active children is to be an active family. Some ideas to consider include:

- ♦ Play hide and seek with your children indoors and outdoors.
- ♦ Make obstacle courses in the house or garden.
- ♦ Plant a vegetable garden and flowers in planter boxes.
- ♦ Put on some music and have your own dance party.
- ♦ Throw stuffed toys into the laundry basket.
- ♦ Play jump rope or hopscotch.
- ♦ Go for walks, bike rides or a swim together as a family. 

South Eastern Sydney & Illawarra Area
Health Service

PSSA

SPORTS TEAM	OPPONENT	SCORE	FRIDAY'S GAME - Semi Finals Played at Heathcote Oval - TBA
Cricket - Gold	No PSSA due to		
Cricket - Green	wet weather		
Boys Softball - Gold			
Boys Softball - Green			
T-Ball - Gold			
T-Ball - Green			
Girls Softball - Gold			
Girls Softball - Green			

For Your Diary

Monday 22 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ NO EFTPOS payments until 3 December 	Monday 29 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Uniform Shop Open ♦ NO EFTPOS payments until 3 December ♦ 2D & 2M to Jibbon
Tuesday 23 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Uniform Shop Open ♦ Canteen Closed ♦ Student Banking ♦ Lunchtime Disco - Yr 6 Farewell Fundraiser Gold Coin Donation ♦ Milo Cup Regional Finals - Rockdale ♦ Regional Public Speaking Finals - Chifley PS 	Tuesday 30 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Canteen Closed ♦ Student Banking
Wednesday 24 November	♦	Wednesday 1 December	♦ Band Christmas Concert 6.30pm in Hall
Thursday 25 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Mufti - Red Light Day ♦ Gold Coin Donation ♦ Book Club Order Due 	Thursday 2 December	♦
Friday 26 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Term 4 Swimming ♦ PSSA Semi Finals ♦ No K-2 Assembly 	Friday 3 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Term 4 Swimming ♦ PSSA Finals
		Monday 6 December	♦ P & C Meeting 6.30pm at Engadine Hotel
		Wednesday 8 December	♦ Stewart House Bazaar

December Dates to Remember

Wed 1 December	Band Christmas Concert 6.30pm in Hall	Monday 13 December	Presentation Day Assembly Years 5 & 6 - 10.00am
Friday 3 December	K-2 Christmas Performance 12.00-1.15pm in Hall	Monday 13 December	Presentation Day Assembly Year 3 - 2.00pm
Tuesday 7 December	Parent Helpers' Morning Tea 11.30am in Hall	Tuesday 14 December	Presentation Day Assembly Year 4 - 10.00am
Friday 10 December	Presentation Day Assembly Kindergarten - 10.00am Year 1 - 2.00pm		Year 2 - 2.00pm Year 6 Farewell 6.00-9.30pm Engadine Hotel

School Excursions & Payments

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	Outstanding Voluntary Contributions		\$50
2D & 2M	Re-scheduled - Jibbon Excursion	29 November	\$20

Uniform Shop

Please note students going into **Year 3 in 2011** will require a gold polo shirt for sports day (\$20).

The next Uniform Shop opening times will be on:

Tuesday 23 November from **9.00-10.00am**
Persons rostered on: H Tonna, M Goodman & L Bassett

Monday 29 November from **9.00-10.00am**
Persons rostered on: J Catt, T Clark & J Critchley

Our very last Uniform Shop opening time for this year will be on **Monday 29 November**. The Uniform Shop will be closed after this date until 2011. Please note our school caps (\$9) and sport socks (\$8) are also available from the school canteen.



Kathy Cunynghame
Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

Canteen News

Please note that lunch orders must be placed by 9.30am. Thank you for your co-operation.

Lunch Special

Large Fruit Salad	\$4.00
Small Fruit Salad	\$2.50
Yoghurt extra	.50c
Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$3.50
Rice paper rolls (gluten free)	\$3.00
Vegetable/ chicken & vege/ tuna & vege	
Hoisin or sweet chilli sauce	



Red Light Day - Mufti - Gold Coin Donation

Our last Red Light Day will be a mufti day on Thursday 25 November 2010. Please bring a gold coin to wear mufti! Volunteers are needed for this day to help serve at recess and lunch. Please contact me on 0408 697 660 or call into the Canteen if you are available to help. Donations of cakes, toffees etc. would be greatly appreciated.

2011 Roster - URGENT Volunteers Needed

I will be starting to organise next year's canteen roster in the next few weeks. Please let me know if you are interested in helping in the Canteen. Volunteers are normally rostered on once a month, but I am happy to accommodate all requests e.g. once a term, morning only, afternoons only etc. Come and see me and we can discuss options. We will need volunteers on all days.

Stewart House Bazaar

The Canteen will be closed on Wednesday 8 December due to the Stewart House Bazaar being held.

Last day for lunch orders will be Friday 10 December and the last canteen day will be Monday 13 December. Ice blocks, chips etc. only will be available on this day.

If anyone has any questions regarding the Canteen, please come in and see me.

Leanne Best
Canteen Supervisor

This Week's Roster

Tuesday - CLOSED

Wednesday - 24 November
S Brotherton, A Hill, J James

Thursday - 25 November
T Clark, G Clark, K Allbon,
L Blaikie

Friday - 26 November
L Pimm, K Harvey, L Frew,
K Zaknich, J Lee, N Stone

Monday - 29 November
S McFarlane, V Olguin

Band Christmas Concert

EWPS

**COMBINED
BAND CONCERT**

Wednesday December 1st

6:30pm in school hall

**FEATURING OUR
JUNIOR AND SENIOR BANDS**

Join us
for a wonderful night
of music!

Fundraiser sausage sizzle from 5:45pm

Programs \$2

Community News



THERE IS NO COMPARISON

The NIKE FOOT LOCKER Basketball Camp will provide focused skill development for serious club and representative players aged 9 to 18.

Both All Australian Camp and Invitational Camp being held at
Menai Indoor Sports Stadium, Menai:
January 19th to 21st

Coaches Include: Ex NBA Los Angeles Lakers Star Sedale Threatt

More information or register online at
www.allausbasketballcamp.com

Or call **03 9348 1364** for more info.

What they are saying...

"...Best basketball camp ever attended..."



FIREWORKS

(presented by Digerati Let's make a website)

Colin Buchanan

Children's Craft Activities (from 6.30pm)
Sausage Sizzle (gold coin donation)

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

December 19
8pm

Kareela Oval, Kirrawee
(Plenty of Parking off Bates Drive)

GYMEA BAPTIST CHURCH

Sponsored by:

Trivies
Kestpec Cartridge
Digerati Let's make a website
Gym Leader Printing
Sutherland Shire Council
Helen's Catering
Graphic Works
Cyrilla Road Kindergarten
Beth Marine

Gingerbread Houses

Saturday 4th December

TIME 2.00pm

WHERE Engadine Church of Christ

COST \$30 for the kit Kit includes:

- decoration lollies
- laughter
- a Christmas talk
- afternoon tea

RSVP Wednesday 17 November

Vanessa Stokes 0405 323 806

*Bring extra gifts, lollies/toys to put inside.

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