

Engadine West Public School

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents

We have now reached the last two weeks of the 2012 school year and as usual we are very busy with many functions including Presentation Assemblies, Year 6 Farewell and class picnic days still all to happen. Last Friday was the first of a number of Presentation Assemblies. The schedule for the remaining ceremonies is listed below:

Presentation Assemblies

Year 5 Presentation Day	Monday 10 December 2012	10.00am
Year 1 Presentation Day	Tuesday 11 December 2012	10.00am
Year 2 Presentation Day	Wednesday 12 December 2012	10.00am
Year 4 Presentation Day	Thursday 13 December 2012	10.00am
Year 3 Presentation Day	Friday 14 December 2012	10.00am
Year 6 Presentation Day	Monday 17 December 2012	10.00am

Please note that all of the above ceremonies will be held in the school hall commencing at 10.00am. This year also sees a slight change to the certificates being presented to the students in Years 3-6. Each class teacher will still give their major class awards, however, in 2012 every child will receive a Graduation Certificate for completing the year's work. We hope to see as many parents in attendance as possible.

New Classroom

As you would be aware, our 30th classroom was delivered and installed last week. This will now mean that in 2013, we will not have a class in our band room. A new pathway was laid on the weekend at the front of the de-mountable room. The Ridge Road entrance/exit will now be fully operational.

Staff Changes

In 2013 there will be some staff changes. Sadly for Engadine West Public School, our current SAM (School Administration Manager) Mrs Karen Mazzei will be retiring at the end of this year. I would like to personally thank Karen for her dedication and hard work during her time at the school. Her expertise, knowledge and friendship will be greatly missed. The DEC have appointed a new SAM for 2013. Mrs Tracey Stephenson will commence at Engadine West on the first day of Term 1 next year. I'm sure the whole school community wish Mrs Mazzei a happy and long retirement and will also make our new SAM welcome in 2013.



Engadine West Public School would like to acknowledge the ongoing support provided to the *Community of Schools on the Park (COSOtP)* by the *Rotary Club of Engadine*



Principal's Report cont'd

Congratulations also to Miss Natalie Pepperell who recently gained a promotion to Assistant Principal at Bangor Public School. Miss Pepperell will take up her new position at the beginning of the 2013 school year. A replacement teacher will be appointed shortly. Well done Miss Pepperell and good luck at your new school!

Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to all the students who represented our school this year during the summer PSSA sport competitions. Last Friday we had three teams complete in the Grand Finals (Cricket Green, T-Ball Green and Softball Green). Well done to all the teams, particularly Cricket Green and T-Ball Green who won their respective competitions.

Have a great week!

Garry Royston
Principal



Deputy Principals' Report

Band Xmas Concert

The Band team would like to acknowledge all the parents who gave up their time to assist with performances this year. Without your support, the students would not have these opportunities to perform for our local community. The Band Concert last week was the final performance for 2012 and once again the parental support was excellent. We look forward to working with students, parents and tutors next year in our Band program.

Buckle Ave

A concerned parent has noticed that many students are exiting cars and walking unsupervised onto the road to remove bags from car boots. We ask that all students are supervised carefully until they enter our school grounds. Our supervision begins at 9.00am.

Super Students

From 3S Josie, Jayde, Paige, Ella, Amy and Ray created some very interesting Christmas decorations. In 2J Emma had some beautiful Christmas art and Hayley told us about her State Athletics Carnival. Bree from 2M had a very impressive powerpoint presentation that she made with Mr Murphy.

Stephen Fuller and Craig Snudden
Deputy Principals

Year 6 News

Thank you to the initiative shown by a dedicated group of Year 6 parents, we are now able to provide graduation gowns for all children in Year 6. We have accepted delivery of graduation caps which will go home with most students today. Could parents please ensure that the caps are constructed and returned to school by Wednesday 12 December. Photos and instructions for creating the caps have been placed on the school website. Thank you for your support.

Hugh Hogan
Year 6 Co-ordinator

Shining Star

Congratulations to Rebekah L (6L) who has been selected in the Sutherland Shire Netball Association's 12yrs Representative Squad. Rebekah will participate in netball carnivals early next year and may be selected for the team to play in the State Age Championships in June 2013. Good luck Rebekah!

School Security - A Community Responsibility

During the school holidays please keep your eye out for any sign of vandalism or inappropriate behaviour in the school grounds. If you notice anything suspicious please ring the security hotline on **1300 880 021** or Engadine police on **9548 4999**. Your support continues to protect our valuable assets.

2013 Homework Planner

Children and families run more smoothly when there's a plan - so print out School A to Z's 2013 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays.

Find out more <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner>

Hundreds of Holiday Activities

There's no time to be bored these school holidays when you have Go Play's list of family and budget-friendly activities at your fingertips. Take a look at the calendar of events, or download the free Go Play app for ideas in an instant.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/school-holidays-5-things-to-do>

Helping Your Child Choose Right From Wrong

In a fascinating podcast broadcaster James O'Loughlin talks to Dr Simon Longstaff from the St James Ethics Centre about how to raise ethically aware children. Ideas discussed include getting involved with your child's school, providing some well-defined boundaries, knowing how to talk to your child and being a role model at home.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/helping-your-child-choose-right-from-wrong>.

Live Life Well

Encourage Fair Play

Sport and games are a great way for children to learn about teamwork, rules, winning, losing as well as providing invaluable physical activity. Parents can encourage fair play by:-

- ★ Emphasising trying hard and having fun, not just winning.
- ★ Cheer and acknowledge good play by both teams.
- ★ Talk about the game not the result.
- ★ Don't add pressure to children's sport – it's their game not yours.

For more information about encouraging fair play go to the NSW Sport and Recreation website www.dsr.nsw.gov.au or phone 13 13 02.

For Your Diary

Monday 10 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 5 Presentation Assembly 10.00am 	Monday 17 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen Open (no lunch orders) Yr 6 Presentation Assembly 10.00am
Tuesday 11 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen Closed Student Banking (Last for 2012) Yr 6 Student Leaders Excursion Yr 1 Presentation Assembly 10.00am 	Tuesday 18 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen Closed NO STUDENT BANKING K-2 Picnic Day and Incursion Yr 6 Farewell
Wednesday 12 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 2 Presentation Assembly 10.00am 	Wednesday 19 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Term for Students Canteen Open (no lunch orders)
Thursday 13 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 4 Presentation Assembly 10.00am 	Thursday 20 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff Development Day
Friday 14 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 3 Presentation Assembly 10.00am Canteen - Last Day for Lunch Orders 	Friday 21 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff Development Day

2013 Dates to Remember

Australia Day Public Holiday Monday 28 January 2013
Staff Development Day Tuesday 29 January 2013
Students return Wednesday 30 January 2013



Excursions and Payments

Year	Excursion or Payment	Please pay by	Amount
K-2 Students	K-2 Christmas Picnic Day and Incursion	Friday 14 December 2012	\$4.00
Year 6 Students	Year 6 Farewell	Friday 7 December 2012	\$10.00
Year 6 Student Leaders	Zone 3 Laser Tag Caringbah	Friday 7 December 2012	\$30.00
Year 4 2012	Myuna Bay Camp Deposit		\$50.00

PSSA Sport - Grand Finals Results

SPORTS TEAM	OPPONENT	FRIDAY'S GAME
Cricket Green	Bangor	Won
T-Ball Green	Bangor	Won
Softball Boys Green	Marton	Lost

Congratulations!

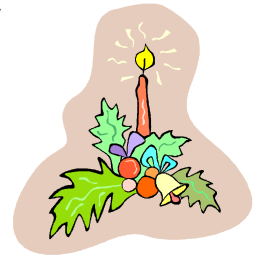
Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop has now closed for 2012. Orders may be left at the Front Office and will be filled early next year.

REMINDER: Year 2 students going into Year 3 next year require a gold polo shirt for Friday sport (\$20).

We would like to thank you for supporting the Uniform Shop during 2012 and wish you a very Merry Christmas!

Tracy Farquhar & Kathy Cunynghame
Uniform Shop Co-ordinators



Canteen News

Please note that lunch orders **must be placed by 9.30am**. Don't forget to put your child's name and class on lunch order bags. Composite classes need to place full class name on orders e.g. 1/2B etc. Thank you for your co-operation.

Find us on Facebook - EWPS Canteen

For information on menu updates, specials, red light days etc. The canteen price list can be found on the school website or spare copies are available in the canteen.

Last Day for Lunch Orders - Friday 14 December

The last day for lunch orders will be **Friday 14 December**. The Canteen will be open on Monday 17 December and Wednesday 19 December for ice blocks etc. only at recess and lunch.

2013 Roster

I am starting to organise next year's volunteer roster. If you are interested in joining the canteen volunteers or you would like more information, please drop in and see me.

Lunch Specials

Fruit Salad - Large	\$4.00
- Medium	\$3.00
- Yoghurt (extra)	.50c
Rice Paper Rolls	\$4.00
Vege or chicken & vege (hoisin or sweet chilli sauce)	

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 - 12 December
F Reuche, L Adams

Thursday - 13 December
G Padgett, R Bromwich, N Grove

Friday - 14 December
D Goodyer, J Catt, N Ross,
K Hansen, B Cook

Monday - 17 December
L Alford, L Fordyce, R Davoren



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ENGADINE EAGLES FOOTBALL CLUB

2013 Registration Days

Player Registrations will be held at the Engadine Eagles Club Room,
Anzac Oval on the following Days:

Sun 27th January	4.00pm to 6.00pm
Thurs 31st January	6.00pm to 8.00pm
Sun 3rd February	2.00pm to 6.00pm

All players who wish to play with EEFC in 2013 must register online. All Registration Fees must be paid when registering. Payments will be able to be made online.

New Registrations

New players who have never registered with SSFA previously are to supply an original birth certificate or passport. Proof of residency in the Sutherland Shire is also required for all new players this season onward. **COPIES ARE NOT ACCEPTED.** New players **MUST** attend one of the registration days so the documentation can be sighted by an appropriate club official.