

# Engadine West Public School

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## e-West Side Story



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### Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Carers

THANKYOU THANKYOU THANKYOU  
FOR YOUR SUPPORT. WHAT A GREAT FUN DAY!



### Professional Learning

Next Monday the whole staff will be participating in update training in allergy and anaphylaxis management and cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Training will take place at school until around 6.30pm.



### Remembrance Day

Last Friday saw the staff and students at our school commemorate Remembrance Day. K-2 students were at school and either observed the reverence and minute's silence either in their classrooms or by the flag pole. Years 3-6 students were involved in sport at the time, both at school and at local playing fields and where they could observed the minute's silence. One group of boys, the gold T-ball team was playing at Heathcote Oval. Without prompting from a teacher or parents, the boys checked their watches and at 11.00am gathered in a huddle and observed a minute's silence to mark the special occasion. Thankyou to the parent who captured the huddle and sent me the photo and information on the boy's actions. Along with the proud parent, I would like to publicly commend these boys for their actions in respect, friendship, responsibility and integrity. They are truly outstanding members of the Engadine West community.



## Principal's Report Continued

### End of the 2016 School Year

Student reports will be sent home on Friday 9 December (end of Week 9). Friday 16 December will be the final day of school for students and staff.



### Worm Farm Wow!



I was contacted by a member of the community regarding their visit to the Family Fun Day and in particular their tour of the worm farm. This gentleman and his wife were so impressed with the set-up and even more impressed by their tour guide, Oliver from 5HS. In the visitor's words Oliver was, *"well mannered, very informative, very impressive for his age in how he conducted himself in conversation with eye contact, use of language, maturity and a credit to the school"*. The community member bought a bottle of worm juice following the tour and yesterday, donated a whopping \$100 to be used in the worm farm. Well done to Oliver for his outstanding commitment to the worm farm and thankyou to Mrs Allatt for her support of the environment programs.

### School Uniform

A reminder that coloured hair bows are not part of the Engadine West PS uniform. I ask parents to please check that students wearing hair bows are in fact not wearing brightly coloured ties and bows, but are the correct school coloured accessory.

### Classes 2017

The Engadine West Public School teaching staff is a group of professional educators with many varying skills and abilities who work hard to offer the best curriculum options to your children. I am aware that this is the time of year where parent conversation turns to classes for the following school year. I also know that this conversation can turn into gossip about who has heard what about which teachers. My advice to parents is not to listen to 'school gate gossip'. I will not be accepting letters from parents about which teachers they want for their children for the following school year. Teachers spend a lot of time and effort in forming classes (which will not be done for quite a few weeks yet as we are still operating in Term 4 2016), trying to ensure learners and friends are grouped appropriately.

Sue Roach  
Principal



## Year 6 - Parliament & Civics Education Rebate

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. As this rebate will not be received by the school until very late in the term, we have already deducted the rebate from the cost of the end of year activities for Year 6 students, including the Year 6 Farewell, which means that there will be no cost for the farewell this year. We are looking forward to a fun educational experience at our national capital.

Hugh Hogan  
Assistant Principal

## K-2 Christmas Sing-a-long

### Carols under the COLA

As this year comes to a close, all K-2 classes are busy preparing for our annual Christmas performance. We will be having one sing-a-long at 12.00pm on Friday 2 December 2016 under the EWPS COLA.

Throughout this term the students will be learning Christmas carols and each class will have an opportunity to lead one of the carols on the day.

We hope you can come along and join in on the fun!



## You're Invited!



You are invited to the  
*Parent Helpers'  
Morning Tea*

Come and join us for a thankyou morning tea for all of the parent helpers

Wednesday 23 November

11:15—11:45

School Library

RSVP to your child's class teacher

## Medication at School

Students are not permitted to bring medication to school unless they are suffering from a chronic illness, eg asthma, diabetes. Only prescribed medication can be given at school.

It will be the responsibility of the child to come to the office at the correct time to receive their medication. If a student is required to take prescribed medication at school the following procedures must be adopted:

- ⇒ Parent/carer must complete a request form which can be obtained from the office or on the school website (*under Notes and Forms*). The medicine and administration procedures must be clearly identified.
- ⇒ Administration procedures will be recorded at the front office.
- ⇒ The medication will be kept secure in the office and administered under the supervision of the Administration Manager.
- ⇒ All medication needs to be brought to school in the original container labelled with the child's name and doctor's instructions about dosage, times and storage details.

Teachers and other staff are not permitted to administer medication.



## *Upcoming Events*

Day/Week	Date	Activity	Time
Week 6			
Friday	18 November	K-2 Assembly	12.00pm
		3-6 Assembly	2.30pm
		Please return library books for stocktake	
Week 7			
Wednesday	23 November	Uniform Shop Open	9.15am
		Parent Helpers' Morning Tea (in the Library)	11.15-11.45am
		K-2 Combined Scripture Assembly	11.45am
		3-6 Combined Scripture Assembly	12.30pm
		Band Concert in the hall	6.30pm
Friday	25 November	Canteen Red Light Day	
Week 8			
Monday	28 November	Year 6 Canberra Excursion	Depart 6.10am
Tuesday	29 November	Year 6 Canberra Excursion	
Wednesday	30 November	Year 6 Canberra Excursion	Return approx. 8.00pm
Friday	2 December	Years K-2 Carols under the COLA	12.00pm
		Last Day of Term 4 Swimming	
		3-6 Assembly	2.30pm
Week 9			
Monday	5 December	Kindergarten End of Year Presentation Assembly	10.00am
Tuesday	6 December	Year 1 End of Year Presentation Assembly	10.00am
		Junior Band Auditions	
Wednesday	7 December	Year 3 End of Year Presentation Assembly	10.00am
Thursday	8 December	Year 4 End of Year Presentation Assembly	10.00am
		Year 6 Farewell	6.00pm
Friday	9 December	Year 2 End of Year Presentation Assembly	10.00am
		Reports to be sent home	
Week 10			
Monday	12 December	Year 5 End of Year Presentation Assembly	10.00am
Tuesday	13 December	Year 6 End of Year Presentation Assembly	10.00am
Thursday	15 December	Kindergarten-Year 1 Christmas Incursion	12.30-1.15pm
Friday	16 December	Last Day of School for Students and Teachers	

## *2017 Dates For Your Diary*

### Term 1 – 2017

Friday	27 January	School Development Day (Staff Only)
Monday	30 January	First Day of Term 1 for Students Years 1 to Year 6
		Best Start Testing for Kindergarten Students
Tuesday	31 January	Best Start Testing for Kindergarten Students
Wednesday	1 February	Best Start Testing for Kindergarten Students Uniform Shop Open 9.15am
Thursday	2 February	Kindergarten Students' First Day of School

## *2017 School Term Dates*

<b>Term 1</b>			
Monday 30 January 2017	Friday 7 April 2017	<b>School Holidays</b>	Sat 8 April - Tues 25 April 2017
<b>Term 2</b>			
Wednesday 26 April	Friday 30 June 2017	<b>School Holidays</b>	Sat 1 July - Mon 17 July 2017
<b>Term 3</b>			
Tuesday 18 July 2017	Friday 22 September 2017	<b>School Holidays</b>	Sat 23 September - Sun 8 October 2017
<b>Term 4</b>			
Monday 9 October 2017	Friday 15 December 2017	<b>School Holidays</b>	Sat 16 December - Mon 29 January 2018

## *Excursions and Payments*

Year	Excursion or Payment	Please pay by	Amount
Years K-1	Christmas Incursion	Monday 5 December	\$6.00
Year 6	Canberra Excursion	Friday 4 November	\$340.00 Balance
Year 4	Year 5 2017 - Myuna Bay Camp	Monday 5 November	\$100 Deposit
Band Members	Term 4 Band Fees	As soon as possible	\$125.00 per term
Years K-6	Voluntary School Contribution	As soon as possible	\$50.00

## *PSSA Friday 18 November*

**EWPS Gold V EWPS Green at Anzac Oval (Bottom)**  
**EWPS Green V EWPS Gold at Anzac Oval (Bottom)**



## Uniform Shop News

The next Uniform Shop opening time will be:

*Week 7*

**Wednesday 23 November 2016 from 9.15-10.15am**

We need your help! The Uniform Shop is in need of volunteers for 2017. Please leave your details at the front office if you are able to assist us. Thankyou!

Students commencing Year 3 in 2017 will need to purchase a gold polo shirt with school logo for sport. They are available from the Uniform Shop at a cost of \$20.00.

**Tracy Farquhar & Kathy Cunynghame**  
**Uniform Shop Co-ordinators**



## Canteen News

- ★ Canteen is closed every **Tuesday**.
- ★ Lunch orders **must be placed by 9.30am**.
- ★ **Find us on Facebook - EWPS Canteen** for information on menu updates, specials, red light days etc.
- ★ **Email:** ewps.canteen1@gmail.com

### 2017 Roster - Your Canteen Needs You!

Please let me know if you are able to assist. Helpers are required to have a Working with Children Check (WWCC) completed before volunteering. Please contact me for further information.

Garlic bread roll	\$1.00
Large fruit salad	\$4.00
Medium fruit salad	\$3.00
Banana or chocolate smoothie	\$3.00



### Would you like to volunteer?

The canteen is in need of extra volunteers this term. Come along and meet some new parents and find out how the canteen runs. Training and lunch is provided. You will need to have your WWCC and our volunteers are to wear covered shoes and have their hair tied back. Can you help on any of the following dates:

- ★ Any Friday from 9.00am-12.00pm or 12.00-3.00pm
- ★ Monday 28 November (from 12.00-3.00pm)
- ★ 23 November, 30 November, 7 December (from 12.00-3.00pm) or 14 December

Call into the canteen to see me or contact me on 9520 8134 or 0408 697 660 if you are able to help!

**Red Light Day Friday 25 November** Lollies will be available from the canteen at recess and lunch!

### Gingerbread House Kits - Orders Close Friday 25 November



We have placed an order for 40 regular and five gluten free gingerbread house kits at a cost of \$32.00 per kit. Delivery will be this term. Please send correct money along with your contact details to the canteen.

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

**Leanne Best**  
**Canteen Supervisor**

Week 6	Roster
Friday	<b>18 November</b> K Hansen, R Hutchison
Week 7	Roster
Monday	<b>21 November</b> R Davoren, T Goard
Wednesday	<b>23 November HELP NEEDED</b> J Davidson
Thursday	<b>24 November</b> H Trenberth, N McNally
Friday	<b>25 November RED LIGHT DAY</b> A Pillington, D Osmand, K Holmes



## *Family Fun Day*

### **WOW, WHAT A DAY!**

Another Fun Day has been and gone. It was fabulous to see so many from our school community in attendance on the day. Our school stalls ran smoothly, the silent auction was absolutely amazing and our super sponsors for the day were fabulous.

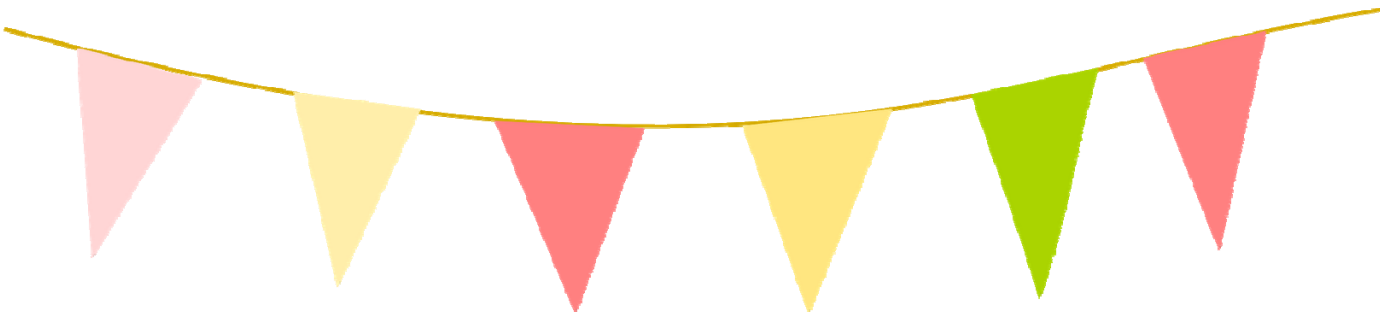
The weather was beautiful, the entertainment was fantastic and the kids all seemed to be having a fabulous time.

Once again this could not be possible without our team of coordinators:

- ★ Special mention must be made to Deb for the amazing haunted house that once again amazed everyone who entered.
- ★ To Toni, Meredith, Justine and Narelle who did many hours pounding the pavement in search of donations and sponsorship for the day as well as many hours of organising baskets, lolly bags, stalls, etc.
- ★ To the amazing Mrs Best and her team of volunteers in the canteen who were run off their feet all day.
- ★ To our wonderful Principal Mrs Roach, Mrs Weppler, Mrs Payne and Mr Briton for braving the dunking machine; Ms Barrow for being the voice of Fun Day and Mr Edwards and Mrs Field for coordinating the entertainment and making sure everything ran to program.
- ★ To the amazing office staff who were always there to help us out with everything we needed and the fantastic team in the counting room who were kept busy the entire day.
- ★ To the teachers who helped out on the day throughout different stalls.
- ★ To our students who helped out in the setting up of the event and the wonderful Year 5 and 6 students who took part in the haunted house.
- ★ To Mr Field who has put in endless hours over the last months and many, many phone calls to and fro trying to get things sorted. Thanks to our families who supported us along the way and put up with the many hours we had to dedicate to the event.
- ★ Lastly, thankyou for supporting Family Fun Day. With your generosity, donations and fantastic support, we raised in excess of \$40,000!

It was a massive effort to organise this day and lucky for us it went off without a hitch!

**Tracy Farquhar**  
**Family Fun Day Coordinator**





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vacancies for  
**2017**



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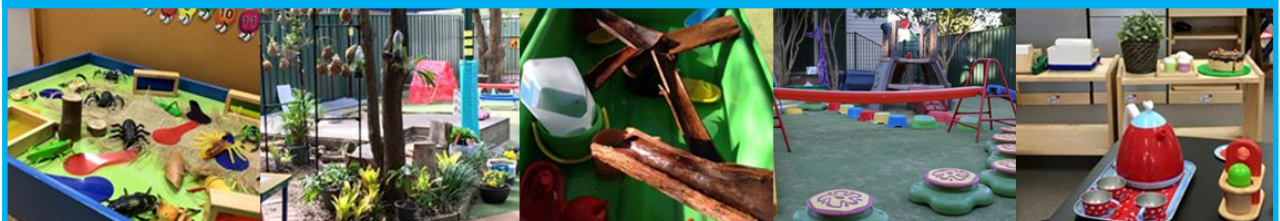
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## Community News

### Tharawal Twilight Markets

Tharawal Primary School  
Gerald Road, Illawong

Friday 25 November  
5pm to 9pm

BBQ  
Drinks  
Coffee &  
Cake

Gold coin  
donation  
on entry



Some of our  
fantastic stalls  
include candles,  
handmade cards,  
clothing,  
homewares, gifts,  
plus much more

Lots of fun for everyone!

## GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

### Mobile Blood Service visiting: **Engadine Tavern**

50 Station Street (enter via rear of hotel)

**Monday 28 November      1.30pm – 6.30pm**

**Drink up!** Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

**Eat!** Have a good sized breakfast or lunch

**Please bring photo I.D.** with you

To make an appointment call **13 14 95**  
or visit [donateblood.com.au](http://donateblood.com.au)

 **Australian Red Cross  
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# McAlister Fete

## 19th November 2016

Cooper St Reserve | 9am - 4pm  
Serving Engadine since 1988



[ Food | Toy Stalls | Rides | Mainstage | Clothing | Dancing | Music | Petting Zoo | Face Painting | Community ... ]

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## SUTHERLAND SHIRE COUNCIL VACATION CARE

### Enrolments are open for Council's school holiday Vacation Care.

Our centres at Miranda, Lucas Heights and  
Burraneer Bay offer plenty of fun including:

- Sports, cooking, science fun and a farm visit.
- A Cronulla Sharks football clinic - including meeting some of the Sharks players and seeing the NRL trophy!

<b>Burraneer Bay:</b>	Kindergarten-12 years
<b>Lucas Heights:</b>	Kindergarten-14 years
<b>Miranda:</b>	Kindergarten-14 years

Centres open 7am-6pm. Miranda also open  
during the Christmas/New Year period  
(Wednesday 28 - Friday 30 December).



#### Programs and enrolment:

Phone: 9710 0466

Email: [VacationCare@ssc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:VacationCare@ssc.nsw.gov.au)

Web: [www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/VacationCare](http://www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/VacationCare)





# Basketball Camp

## **SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMP**

**Monday 19 December - Wednesday 21 December, 2016**

**YOUTH CENTRE GYM - FORMERLY BOY'S TOWN GYM**

*All levels welcome (beginners, intermediate, advanced). Participants will be divided into classes (age and ability).*

**Ages: 7 – 14 years**

**Duration: 9.00am to 2.00pm Lunch break: 12-12.30 pm BYO lunch and drink bottle**

**Cost for each Camp: \$80 (discount for siblings)**

**Learn to Play Improve Your Game**

**Shooting Competitions**

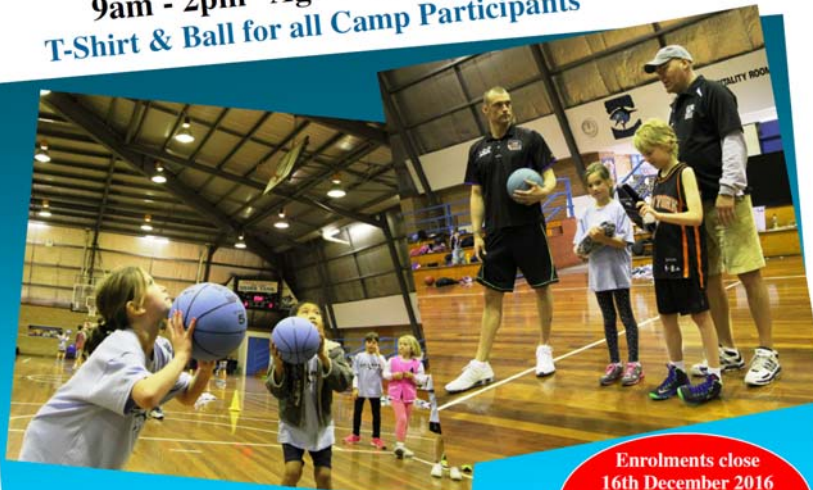
**ENQUIRIES: Trevor Kimber 0414 978 384 or [kimbies@ozemail.com.au](mailto:kimbies@ozemail.com.au)  
ENROLMENTS MUST BE CONFIRMED BY WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER 2016**



***Let us look after your children while you do your  
last minute Christmas Shopping !!!!!***

## **SHARKS BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CAMP**

**17th to 20th January 2017  
9am - 2pm Age 7 to 15 years  
T-Shirt & Ball for all Camp Participants**



**Download enrolment form from our website:  
[www.sutherland.basketball.net.au](http://www.sutherland.basketball.net.au)**

**Enrolments close  
16th December 2016  
(Unless maximum  
numbers are reached prior  
to closing date).**

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