

Engadine West Public School

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Principal: Mrs Sue Roach

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Principal's Message



Dear parents/carers

Step Up

Last year we introduced a program for all students to *step up* into their next year's grade. The idea is for all students to experience the classrooms and a couple of activities with different teachers from the current year to help with any worries/fears/anxieties about moving into a new grade. The Step Up program was a great success last year with teachers and students reporting how much they enjoyed the experience and how much it helped students feel more comfortable and less concerned about their 'next year'. This year *step up* will occur next Tuesday 4 December 2018.

Staffing

It is with mixed emotions that I announce Mrs Sarah Doncovski has secured a permanent teaching position at Caringbah Public School to begin in 2019. Mrs Doncovski has been an important part of the teaching team here at Engadine West PS, teaching and caring for students in her care since 2014. She has extended this care to families and colleagues and will be sorely missed in our community. Mrs Doncovski won the position at Caringbah PS following a rigorous application and interview process. HUGE congratulations to her.

Mr Martin Field has won the position of relieving Assistant Principal at Beverly Hills Public School for 2019. Mr Field has shown his excellent leadership, interpersonal and teaching skills at Engadine West PS and these will be missed greatly in our community. This is a wonderful opportunity for Mr Field to extend his leadership skills and we look forward to his return in 2020.

Parking Around Our School

A concerned neighbour has contacted the school regarding crossing Woronora Road during the busy afternoon pick up time. Cars parked on and around the corner from Woronora Road into Buckle Avenue should not queue as this is against the road rules. Council rangers are constantly inspecting parking around schools and fines are issued to drivers not abiding by the road rules. Please also respect our neighbours by parking safely, not parking across driveways and not queuing where it is unsafe to do so.

Kindergarten 2019

Do you have a child in preschool or day care that is ready to start school next year and you have not enrolled them at school yet? Well, now is the time. Please contact the school office for the appropriate information for the enrolment process.

Are You Leaving Us?

During this term if you know that your family is moving and your child will not be attending Engadine West PS in 2019 it would be extremely helpful to let the office know so that we can work on formulating class numbers in preparedness for 2019.

If you are intending on going on leave at the end of this term, please ensure you send a note to your child's teacher advising of this. For absences five consecutive school days and over, complete an application for extended leave form which can be found on the school website under 'Notes and Forms'.

Sue Roach
Principal



Deputy Principal's Report

Thankyou Morning Tea

The school hosted a thankyou morning tea yesterday for our volunteers. This was the teachers' opportunity to show their gratitude and to say a warm thankyou. We have many volunteers at Engadine West PS who give up their time to help out with the many volunteer and support programs within the school. It takes a village to raise a child and we have appreciated each and every volunteer this year. On behalf of the school, I thankyou all.

Professional Learning

Our teachers have been very busy with assessments and evaluations most of this term. This coming Monday evening we have some variation to this. Teachers and SASS staff will be doing their annual certified training in CPR and Anaphylaxis. We will also be hosting staff from other schools.

Bullfrogs Pre-School

It has been my absolute pleasure to provide tours to the wonderful pre-schoolers from Bullfrogs. They have been learning about "big school" as part of their transition into Kindergarten 2019. They are a beautiful group of children and I wish them much happiness for their upcoming first day of school.

Jason Wilkins
Deputy Principal

Year 6 Student Opal Cards



Year 6 students who have an Opal card and are moving into Year 7 in 2019 are required to update their new high school information via:

<http://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

prior to 31 December 2018. If this information is not updated, Transport NSW will cancel the Opal card and a new one will need to be issued.

For further information, please visit <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

Lost Property

There are lost property items being held at the school office including jewellery, watches, wallets and reading glasses. If your child has misplaced any of the above items, please call into the office to claim their property.

Please ensure that all items of removable clothing are clearly marked with your child's name. This makes identification and return of lost property to students much easier. Any clothing or items found in the playground will be placed in lost property boxes in the basement where parents and students can check for their items. After a reasonable time, unnamed and unclaimed articles will be sent to a local charity.



Parents Visiting Classrooms

If you are coming to collect your child early from school for a particular reason, parents are to make the request at the school office, the office staff will call the classroom and your child will be sent to the office for collection. The purpose behind this procedure is to reduce interruptions to classroom learning time and unintentional distractions from parents whilst waiting at the classroom door. Be mindful to allow extra time when collecting students early as they may not be in their classroom therefore taking longer to locate.

If someone other than a parent/carer is collecting a child early, a permission note should be sent to school with the child.

Thankyou for your understanding, patience and cooperation in these matters.

White Ribbon at Engadine West PS

We are standing up, speaking out and acting to end men's abuse against women in Australia. We stand for tolerance and respect. We are promoting respect for self and respect for others. Together, we can make a difference. Change does not come without educating, learning and positive role modelling.

Tomorrow is in our hands. At Engadine West PS, we are making a difference today. We are proud to be working alongside the White Ribbon Foundation and call ourselves a White Ribbon School.

Thankyou for your support.

Jeremy Metliss
Coordinator



Support a Great Cause This Christmas

Did you know that an Engadine West PS family is raising money for Westmead Children's Hospital by lighting up their house for Christmas?

131 Ridge Road is where you can view the display from 1 December until 31 December 2018 between the hours of 7.45pm and 10pm Sunday to Thursday and 7.45pm and 10.30pm Fridays and Saturdays.



End of Year Presentation Assemblies

A reminder to parents and carers that the last K-2 and Years 3-6 Friday assemblies for the year will be held on 7 December 2018.

End of Year Presentation Assemblies

Thursday 13 December 2018	Year 2	10.00am
	Year 4	12.00pm
	Kindergarten	2.20pm
Monday 17 December 2018	Year 5	10.00am
	Year 3	12.00pm
	Year 1	2.20pm
Tuesday 18 December 2018	Year 6	9.25am



2019 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are accepting Kindergarten enrolments for 2019. Enrolment forms are available on the school's website <https://engadinew-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doe/sws/schools/e/engadinew-p/localcontent/Enrolment%20Form%202018.pdf> or from the school office.

If your child is starting Kindergarten in 2019, please submit an enrolment form as soon as possible.

- All children must be in compulsory schooling by their 6th birthday.
- Children can start kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn five on or before 31 July that year.
- Students should start school at the beginning of the school year.



Sport and Special Group Photographs

The sport and special group photographs taken on 8 November 2018 are now available to view and order. If you wish to order, please either:

- ♦ Visit The School Photographer website www.theschoolphotographer.com.au and order/pay online. The online order code is: **18S300PSB38EW**
- ♦ View the photos displayed at school in the library windows or at the school office and collect an order form.

Photo prices are:

\$16 each, 2 for \$30, 3 for \$42, 4 for \$52 or 5 for \$60. Additional photos are \$10 each. This discount is only available per family order.

Payment options are:

Cash or money order payments enclosed in the order envelope.
Online payment by credit card - order envelope NOT required.

All orders to be made by **Wednesday 5 December 2018**.

Please note, if payments are not received before photos are sent to school, a late fee of \$5 will be incurred.

Library News

The library is now closed for borrowing. If you still have library books to return, please do this by tomorrow as stocktake has already commenced.

Margaret Evans and Janet Evans
Teacher Librarians

Upcoming Events

Day/Week	Date	Activity	Time
TERM 4			
Week 7			
Friday	30 November	P&C gingerbread house making evening in the hall	7.00pm
		NO PSSA due to the weather and council field conditions	
Week 8			
Tuesday	4 December	Engadine High School orientation day (Year 6 students attending EHS)	
Wednesday	5 December	Last day for sport and special group photograph orders	
Thursday	6 December	Year 6 farewell at Engadine Bowling Club	6.00-9.00pm
		Junior band auditions	
Friday	7 December	Final round of summer PSSA	
		Final K-2 assembly for the year	11.45am
		Final Skyzone visit	
		Final Years 3-6 assembly for the year	2.15pm
Week 9			
Monday	10 December	P&C meeting	7.30pm
Tuesday	11 December	K-2 Carols under the COLA	tba
		Last school banking day for the year	
Wednesday	12 December	Last uniform shop opening for 2018	9.15am
		One Mob cultural activities day at 5 Sports, Caringbah	11.00am
Thursday	13 December	Year 2 Presentation Day assembly	10.00am
		Year 4 Presentation Day assembly	12.00pm
		Kindergarten Presentation Day assembly	2.20pm
Friday	14 December	Canteen - last day for lunch orders	
Week 10			
Monday	17 December	Year 5 Presentation Day assembly	10.00am
		Year 3 Presentation Day assembly	12.00pm
		Year 1 Presentation Day assembly	2.20pm
Tuesday	18 December	Year 6 Presentation Day assembly	9.25am
		K-6 talent quest in hall (students only)	
Wednesday	19 December	Last day of Term 4	

Know Your Parking Signs

SIGNS YOU WILL SEE AROUND SCHOOL



NO PARKING

What does it mean?
You CAN stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle at all times.

Why is it there?

To provide a safe place for older children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children.

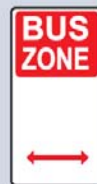


NO STOPPING SIGNS & CONTINUOUS YELLOW EDGE LINES

What do they mean?
You CANNOT stop in these areas FOR ANY REASON.

Why are they there?

To keep sight lines clear for drivers AND children so both have more time to avoid crashes.



BUS ZONE

What does it mean?

You must NOT stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.

Why is it there?

To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up. Cars parking in bus zones put lives at risk by forcing buses out of 'their' safety zone.

2019 - Dates for Your Diary

TERM 1		
Week 1		
Tuesday	29 January	School development day (no students, staff only)
Wednesday	30 January	First day of school for students Years 1-6
		Kindergarten Best Start testing
		Uniform shop open 9.15am
Thursday	31 January	Kindergarten Best Start testing
Friday	1 February	Kindergarten Best Start testing
Week 2		
Monday	4 February	Kindergarten students first day of school
Thursday	7 February	LJ Harper book sale day
Week 3		
Monday	11 February	School swimming carnival at Engadine Leisure Centre
Week 4		
Thursday	21 February	School photo day
Week 10		
Monday	1 April	Year 5 Myuna Bay Sport and Recreation excursion (depart)
Thursday	4 April	Year 5 Myuna Bay Sport and Recreation excursion (return)
TERM 2		
Week 2		
Tuesday	30 July	School athletics carnival at Sylvania Waters Athletics Track
Week 5		
Wednesday	21 August	Zone athletics carnival at Sylvania Waters Athletics Track
Week 8		
Monday	9 September	Year 6 Canberra excursion (depart)
Wednesday	11 September	Year 6 Canberra excursion (return)
TERM 4		
Week 4		
Thursday	7 November	Sport and special group photo day (including Year 6 photo)

Student Absences

If your child is absent from school, please send a note to their teacher the day they return explaining their absence. Please only ring the school if your child will be absent for more than three consecutive days.

You may download student absence forms from the school website under the 'Notes & Forms' tab.

Approval for absences of periods in excess of five days, such as an extended family holiday or representation at elite sporting competitions, needs to be applied for **prior** to leave being granted. Application for extended leave forms are available on the school website under the 'Notes & Forms' tab or can be obtained from the school office.

Thankyou for your assistance in this matter.

Payments

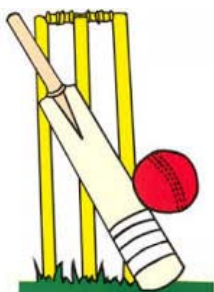
Year	Payment	Please pay by	Amount
Year 4 (2018)	Year 5 2019 Myuna Bay Excursion (1-4 April 2019)	Friday 8 February 2019	\$100 deposit
Years K-6	Student curriculum programs (<i>including Reading Eggs/Reading Eggspress, Groove Nation, technology levy, Mathseeds (K-2) and Literacy Pro (Years 3-6)</i>)	overdue	\$55
Years K-6	Voluntary school contribution		\$50
Band fees	Term 4 band fees	as soon as possible	\$125



**2018 Statement of Accounts
have been emailed and mailed parents**

As the year is drawing to a close, Statement of Accounts were again emailed and mailed to parents last week. To make a payment, click on the payment link on the Statement of Account **OR** visit the school website and click on the 'Make a Payment' tab. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you would like to discuss your account or require assistance.

PSSA - Round 8 CANCELLED



Summer PSSA Friday 30 November 2018

Engadine West Gold v Alfords Point at The Ridge (bottom 1 & 2)

Engadine West Green v Yarrawarra at Anzac Oval (bottom)

Games start at 9.30am and are completed by 11.00am

Buses depart Engadine West PS at 9.00am

Bus cost for away games: \$7.00 per week

CANCELLED TOMORROW DUE TO THE WEATHER

Book Club News

Catalogue 8 orders close tomorrow. Visit <http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP/> to order and pay. This will be the final Book Club order for the year. Every order earns free books and learning resources for Engadine West PS.

Thankyou kindly for supporting Book Club throughout 2018!

**Final Book Club for the year closes
tomorrow, Friday 30 November 2018**

Book Club



Uniform Shop News



Place orders through **Flexischools** before 5.00pm Tuesdays for delivery to classrooms on Wednesdays.



Leave orders at the school office or call into the uniform shop on open days.



Find order forms on the school website under the 'Notes and Forms' tab or at the school office.

Our next opening times will be:

Week 9

Wednesday 12 December from 9.15am
Last opening time for 2018



Clare Ritchie
Uniform Shop Coordinator

Canteen News



EWPS Canteen



The canteen is closed every **Tuesday**.



Lunch orders **must be placed by 9.00am on Flexischools or 9.30am at the canteen.**



Email: ewps.canteen1@gmail.com

Can you help in the canteen?

HELP.....the canteen is in need of volunteers! Can you help once a term, two-to-three hours a morning (help preparing our fresh fruit and vegie items) or one-to-two hours of an afternoon (help with pack up and cleaning)?

Please drop in and see Leanne to discuss options. As always, any offer of help is greatly appreciated and don't forget, lunch and coffee are provided.



Last Day for Lunch Orders - Friday 14 December 2018

The canteen will be open on Monday 17 December and Wednesday 19 December (last day of term) for recess and lunch.

Sushi Roll Wednesdays - \$4.50 per roll

Every Wednesday until the end of term (no other lunch orders available):

- ♦ chicken teriyaki, chicken schnitzel or cooked tuna
all with either avocado or cucumber
- ♦ vegetarian (cucumber, carrot, avocado)

Orders must be placed by 9.20am (sorry late orders will not be accepted). Fresh sandwiches, salads or hot food WILL NOT be available on Wednesdays. ONLY sushi rolls.

Leanne Best
Canteen Supervisor

Week 7	Roster
Friday	30 November C Vitelli, S Mann, T Dohmen HELP NEEDED
Week 8	Roster
Monday	3 December N Bownas
Wednesday	5 December K Sinclair, K Dickenson
Thursday	6 December N McNally HELP NEEDED
Friday	7 December K Spicer, H Chappell HELP NEEDED



Sushi Roll Wednesdays
\$4.50 per roll

P&C Fundraising News

GINGERBREAD HOUSE NIGHT

We can't wait to share
our first gingerbread
house night with you on
Friday 30 Nov from 7pm



WHAT TO BRING?

- Nibbles/snacks
 - Drinks (alcohol allowed)
 - Scissors to snip the piping bag & a paring knife to trim/cut lollies
 - Raffle ticket money (\$2 each or 3 for \$5)
- Extra lollies if you prefer a theme or have dietary requirements (pic on left shows selection included with your house kit)

& your CREATIVITY!

TAKE-AWAY
ORDERS

AVAILABLE FOR
COLLECTION
FRIDAY, 30 NOVEMBER

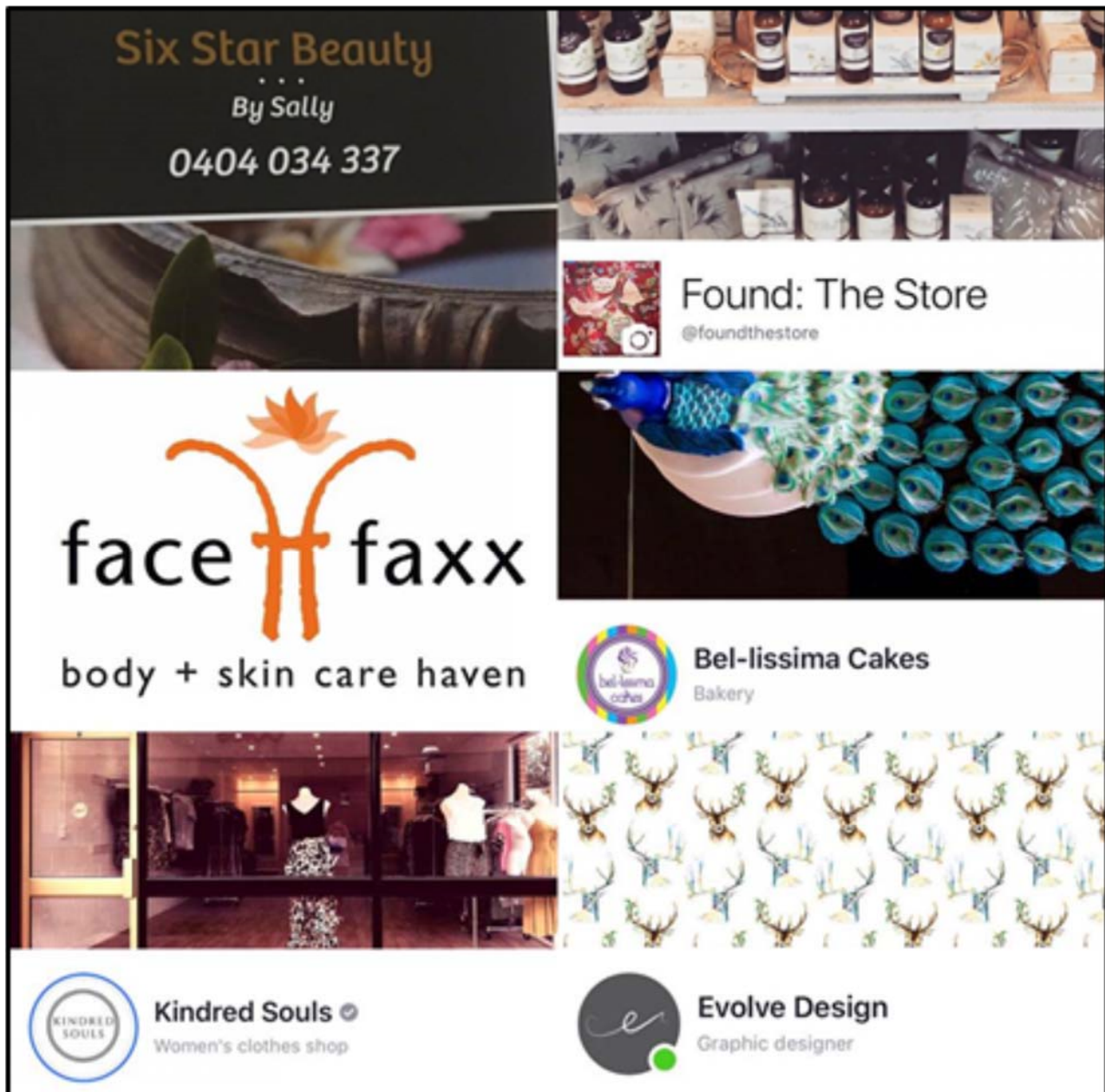
HALL
CANTEN BETWEEN
3:00PM-4:00PM

**RAFFLE
TICKETS FOR
SALE ON THE
NIGHT**

\$2 each or
3 for \$5

P&C Fundraising News

Thankyou to the local businesses who have donated raffle prizes for the gingerbread house night, please support them!



School Banking News

Thankyou for supporting school banking. Don't forget banking day is Tuesday.

- ★ Final rewards must be in by 4 December 2018.
- ★ Last banking day for the year 11 December 2018.
- ★ Apologies from CBA, there is a slight delay with reward prizes at the moment and they would appreciate your patience.

To check your account balance and rewards points please download the app CommBank Youth by Commonwealth Bank of Australia <https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/commbank-youth/id1143978387?mt=8>



Last school banking day - Tuesday 11 December 2018

Community News

SHARKS BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CAMP

21st to 24th January 2019
9am - 2pm Age 6 to 15 years
T-Shirt & Ball for all Camp Participants



Download enrolment form from our website
www.sutherlandbasketball.net.au

Waratah Park Rawson Ave Sutherland
Phone: (02) 9542-1999
Email: admin@sutherlandbasketball.net.au
Website: www.sutherlandbasketball.net.au

Enrolments close
17th December 2018
unless maximum
numbers are reached
prior to closing date

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!!!



CHRISTMAS RIVERVIEW

MARKET

Merry Christmas

December 9, 2018 • 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Como Public School, Genoa St, Como NSW 2226

Shop local this Christmas & support the fund raising
initiative for Como Public School

89 Stalls with Quality Merchandise
Performance by 'The Shire Concert Band' • 9-11 am

Live Music by "Timeless" • 11-1 pm

Wollong Rural Fire Brigade

Characters from the 'Engadine Fabulous Beasts'

Learn to make a 'Boomerang Cloth Shopping Bag'

Raffle & Sausage Sizzle

For more details or stall bookings see our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/riverviewmarketatcomo/

Riverview Market at Como during 2019 will be on the 2nd Sunday of the month except January and May

WE WOULD APPRECIATE *Your Help!*

Volunteers are needed to assist us on Christmas Eve to help prepare the venue for our guests on Christmas Day.

On Christmas eve

24TH DECEMBER FROM 9AM
AT SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
ETON STREET, SUTHERLAND

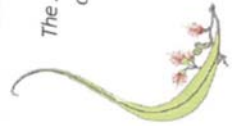
Donations are always welcome

Donations of the following items are always appreciated and needed:

- NEW GIFTS FOR MALE AND FEMALE OF ALL AGES
- TINNED FOODS SUCH AS ASPARAGUS, PINEAPPLE, BEETROOT, BISCUITS, CAKES AND OTHER CHRISTMAS FARE
- CASH DONATIONS

(100% TAX DEDUCTIBLE OVER \$2)

Contact us on **04 4453 2981** or go to www.johnfranklinchristmaslunch.com.au for more information, to find out how you can volunteer your time on Christmas day or Christmas eve, or where you can donate items.



The John Franklin Christmas Lunch is generously funded by financial and product donations from individuals, schools, churches and commercial enterprises throughout the Sutherland Shire and neighbouring areas.



AN ACTIVITY OF JAFACAL

ABN 70 714 112 610

THE JOHN FRANKLIN *Christmas Lunch*

We would like you to join us for traditional Christmas fare and great company at the John Franklin Christmas Lunch

On Christmas Day

25TH DECEMBER – 11:30AM - 2:30PM
AT SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
ETON STREET, SUTHERLAND

COST: FREE!

The venue is located a short, easy flat walk from Sutherland Railway Station and has Wheelchair access.

John Franklin lived on the streets of Sutherland. He spoke of the loneliness on Christmas Day for people such as himself before his tragic death in 2000. The John Franklin Christmas Day lunch, held in the memory of John's life for all persons wanting company on Christmas Day, is a joint initiative of the St. Patrick's and St. John's Churches at Sutherland with help from the surrounding community.

Do you know someone who would appreciate hearing about this day? Tell them about it, or tell us and we will extend a personal invitation to them.



For more information contact: **04 4453 2981**
Email: jfcd2512@gmail.com
www.johnfranklinchristmaslunch.com.au





Seasons for Growth

This is an eight-week program for children aged 6 to 12 years that have experienced grief and loss in their lives due to a significant change such as death, separation of parents or a natural disaster.

Children will learn:

- to understand and talk about the normal range of emotions experienced during major change, grief and loss
- how to build positive relationships with family and friends
- how they can participate in a caring and confidential network of peers and adults
- about resiliency
- how to plan for a realistic and hope-filled future

Mondays, 4:00pm – 5:00pm

18 February | 25 February | 4 March | 11 March
18 March | 25 March | 1 April | 8 April 2019

Cost: \$50 per child

Venue: Caringbah Interrelate

Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd., Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408

Note: This program is developed by Good Grief and facilitated by Interrelate

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