ENGADINE WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Semester 2 in Stage 3

Dear parents and carers

We welcome everyone back to Term 3. With a very busy semester ahead we hope the information below helps families in their planning and support of students.

Curriculum in Term 3:

English - we focus on reading and writing informative texts, including research techniques, blogs, infographics, ebooks, procedures, mind maps and informative multimedia video production. Key comprehension skills include summarising main ideas and monitoring reading for understanding.

Mathematics - in number, we continue to learn how to solve problems involving multiplication and division, fractions and decimals, length, mass, 2D and 3D space, angles and position. We explore patterns and algebra and learn about volume and capacity.

Science - our topic is Material World - how does matter change, and what are the properties and applications of different materials? Lots of experiments and hands-on experiences.

Geography - we learn about world geography and go in depth with our understanding of diversity across Asia and the world's cultural diversity.

Creative and practical arts (CAPA) - we learn about the elements of drama and will create fractured fairy tales to perform for our peers. Students also learn about photography and apply this to art and multi-modal text creation.

Personal Development, Health and PE (PDHPE) - in personal development and health, we learn to build upon our networks of support, and explore zones of regulation, emotions and actions, and taking care of our mental health. We also learn about online safety, the effects of bullying and how to have a 'digital heart'. We continue to learn new physical skills and apply them to different games and sports.

Upcoming events (not all information notes have been distributed yet)

<u>Term 3 2022</u>

Healthy Harold - visits in Weeks 2 and 3, Term 3. Please complete the previously emailed form. **Athletics carnival** - Tuesday 26 July.

Education Week Open Day - Friday 5 August from 12.30pm.

Year 6 linkages to Engadine High School - Wednesday 10 August. Note to come home soon (\$7).

Year 6 fete - Tuesday 16 August. Note to come home next week.

School photos - Thursday 18 August.

Public speaking final - Thursday 25 August at 4pm in the library.

Last day for winter PSSA - Friday 26 August.

Interrelate night - Wednesday 31 August from 6pm (approx \$35 per family).

Transition testing day for Engadine High School 2023 students - Wednesday 31 August.

Financial Literacy incursion Year 6 - Thursday 15 September (approx \$8 per student).

Last Day of Term 4 - Friday 23 September.

<u>Term 4 2022</u>

Students return - Monday 10 October.
Hyde Park Barracks excursion 6A, 5/6H, 5F - Monday 24 October (approx \$30 per student).
Hyde Park Barracks excursion 6D, 6T, 5R - Wednesday 26 October (approx \$30 per student).
Year 6 graduation photos - Monday 31 October.
Year 6 linkages day at Engadine High School- Wednesday 2 November.
Sports photography day - Thursday 3 November.
High school student for a week (Year 6) - Week 7 21-25 November.
Year 6 high school orientation day public schools - Tuesday 29 November.
Year 5 presentation assembly - Monday 5 December.
Year 6 presentation assembly - Monday 12 December.
Year 6 farewell - Monday 12 December.
Year 6 reward excursion to sport and recreation camp in the Royal National Park - 15 and 16 December.
Last Day for all students, Year 6 archway - Monday 19 December.

Linkages experiences with Heathcote High school are being organised and dates for visits to Heathcote High School will be communicated later in the term.

The location of the Year 6 farewell is yet to be determined. We have distributed a survey to Year 6 students to allow them to vote between on-site in the school hall and off-site at Club Engadine. Students may only vote once. The link to the survey can be found in each class' Google Classroom. Please encourage your child to vote as soon as possible. Final costs for the farewell will depend on location and fundraising results.

The Year 6 reward excursion involves two days (not overnight stay) at Youthworks Conference Centre, Rathane in the Royal National Park. Students will travel by bus each day (no overnight stay) to participate in a range of fun outdoor activities, including waterslides, pool rafting, canoeing, sailing, archery, low ropes and catapult. This event was a huge success with last year's Year 6 cohort. To be able to attend, students must meet and maintain expectations for behaviour throughout the year. Detailed information will be sent home later in the term, with a non-refundable deposit required before the end of Term 3. The anticipated cost for both days combined is \$190 per student.

We are very happy that we are able to offer a range of fun, engaging and social activities for our Stage 3 students. We thank you again for your support.

Yours sincerely

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Sue Roach Principal

Stage 3 Teachers