

The Engadine Public School WARATAH

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Dear Parents

Advanced Notice

This is advanced warning that the NSW Teachers' Federation has proposed a 1 day stoppage on 29 November. More detailed information, which will clarify the effect of such a stoppage on our school, will be sent home at a later date.

Swimming Carnival

Our school swimming carnival will be held on Tuesday, 31 January 2012.

Kinder Orientation

What a delight it was to see 34 smiling Kinders participating in our 3-week transition program. Each week whilst the kids were busy, the parents were involved in a number of informative talks. The group of children with the biggest smiles were our Year 5 & 6 (2012) buddies. They really stepped up and showed great leadership skills when working with their buddies.

Kinders in 2012 will start school on Wednesday, 1 February, however, each Kinder is scheduled for a 1 hour visit on the Monday or Tuesday prior to commencing for the Best Start Screening.

Class Structures 2012

As the year winds down we are busily planning for classes for next year. The structure that we use in 2012 will be dependent totally on the number of students that we have.

To work out our staffing allocation, the total numbers in each grade are multiplied by a set factor. The tally of these amounts then gives the teacher allocation and from that, we start constructing classes. As a Kindergarten class should not exceed 20, Year 1 - 22 and Year 2 - 24, they are "worth" more than Years 3-6 where the class ceiling is 30.

Grade	к	1	2	3-6
Factor	0.0513	0.0435	0.04	0.0333

Currently we have 9 mainstream classes and 4 Support Classes. Throughout this year, we have been gradually growing and we appear to be edging ever so closer to 10 classes.

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Engadine Public School supports the Sydney Region White Ribbon Project.



CALENDAR

2011

Term 4

- November
- 16 Grandparents Day & Book Fair
- 19 Lions Club McCalister Fete Band/Dance Performance
- 21 Dance Performance &
- P&C Meeting
- 22 Cake Day 25 Gingerbre
- 25 Gingerbread House Night29 Proposed Industrial Action
- 30 Yr 6 Dress Rehearsal 10am

December

- 1 Carols evening &
- Thank You Morning Tea
- 5 Yr 6 to Yr 7 Orientation
- 6 Combined Scripture & Variety Club Concert
- 7 Presentation Day 12pm
- 8 Yr 6 Musical
- 13 Yr 3-6 Fun Day
- 14 Yr 6 Farewell & Engadine Idol
- 15 K-2 Fun Dav
- 15 K-2 Full Day 16 Student's last day & Y6 Farewell Assembly
 - 2012

Term 1 January

27 Staff Return

- 30 1-6 Students return
- Best Start
- 31 Swimming carnival Best Start

February

1 Kinders commence

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At the beginning of 2012 students will be held in their 2011 classes for a period of time as there are always changes at the start of the year in enrolments.

To assist us in gaining a clear picture of our 2012 numbers, if your child will not be returning to Engadine in 2012 can you please let the Office know asap.

<u>Surveys</u>

I would like to invite all families to complete two online surveys. The first survey is about technology use by students. The second survey is slightly longer and covers Leadership, Student Welfare and School Satisfaction. Simply click on the link in the newsletter if you are reading it online or type in the url if reading a hard copy.

Technology - http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/web22DQVFebu8w;

and Student Welfare and School Satisfaction - <u>http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/</u> WEB22DPTBEXZHB

These surveys are totally anonymous and should not take long to complete. The surveys will remain open until 3.30pm on 28 November.

Late Arrival

Please note - all children arriving after the bell and their classes have gone into the classroom <u>must be signed in</u>. The reason behind this is simple. Teachers mark the roll as soon as they enter class. Your child, if late, is marked absent. If they are signed in through the Office you are given a note and the rolls are amended. If they go straight to class, then they will remain marked absent and in time, you will receive a "please explain" for that absence. The moral of the story is - **if late, enter via the Office and be signed in.**

<u>Thank You</u>

Miss Crutcher would like to pass on her community. With displays, Book Fair and sc appreciation for the many messages that she has received from students and parents.

Congratulations

Once again, our students came to the fore in our community. Last week at the Remembrance Service held in the Town Centre, our school was represented by 25 fantastic students. The combined choir had been booked to sing the National Anthem but alas there was a "technical problem" and the students were left to sing without any backing music. And sing they truly did! During the service, Theresa and Tiana laid a Wreath of Remembrance on behalf of our school. It was rather sad that Engadine was the only school at the service.

Mouth Watering

I am just about ready to ban K/6C and 2/6E from going on their weekly shopping trips which are part of their life skills program. It is not the shopping that causes the problem but rather the mouth-watering, stomach rumbling smells which escape the kitchen the following day. Talk about Engadine Chefs - yum!

Presentation Assembly

The Presentation Assembly will be held on Wednesday, 7 December commencing at 12 noon. All students will be present at the Assembly and it is anticipated that it should take approx. 90 minutes.

Year 6 will receive their Graduation Certificates at the final assembly for the year on Friday, 16 December at 2.45pm. As part of this assembly, Kindergarten will also receive their graduation certificates. More information about both assemblies will be communicated in the coming weeks.

Grandparents' Day

I am looking forward to this immensely as our school is invaded by our grandparents and friends. My first visit to Engadine was on Grandparents Day 2010 and it was here I saw the marvellous spirit that existed in the community. With displays, Book Fair and some entertainment tossed in, it promises to be a fantastic day.

> Ron Pallas Principal

Please return any Walk-A-Thon money you still have at home so we can finalise our accounts.



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	Brandon 1-2S Bailey 2-3D Madison 2-3D Michael 2-6E Anthony 2-6E Lauren 3-4B Dylan 3-4B	GRANDPARENTS' DAY & BOOK FAIR PROGRAM <u>Wednesday, 16 November</u> 8.30 - 9.30am Book Fair (Children must be accompanied			
	Akash3-4BTiarn3-4BBen3-4CRayden3-4CAndrew3-4C	by a parent or grandparent) 9.30 - 9.50am Morning Tea for grandparents in Cola (provided by school)			
	Jennifer 3-4C Jarrod 4-5-6W	10.00 - 11.00am Book Fair Parade and Concert in top playground(bring a hat)			
	Andrew 4-5-6W Rithik 4-5-6W Joel 4-5-6W Melissa 5-6D Ryan 5-6D	11.00 - 11.30amClassroom Visits / Book Fair11.30 - 12.30pmBring a picnic lunch to share with your grandchild			
	Alice 5-6D Alyse 5-6D Ellie 2-3D	REMINDER Dress-up as a book character or from a culture from around the world (if you can't think of anything, in mufti) for Book Fair on Wednesday.			
	Drew 2-3D Zac-Lee 3-6M Alex 3-6M Shaun 3-6M Liam 3-6M				

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4						
Week Starting	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
14-Nov	Lyndall Carter	Robyn Janbroers, Jody Mielke	Margaret Chapman	Shelley Williams		
21-Nov		Di Sullivan	Birgit Hardman	Janice Suters, Joanne Bryant		
28-Nov	Helen Ledlin	Tracey Rea	Aleta Schutt	Anita Hoad		
5- Dec		Mel Shepherd	Birgit Hardman	Kylie Morrell		
12- Dec	Lyndall Carter	Robyn Janbroers, Jody Mielke	Margaret Chapman	Shelley Williams		
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If you cannot make it on your day, please organise to swap with somebody else. The contact details are on the list provided to you previously or if this is not possible, please call Deidre on 0412 212 750. Thanks for your continuing support of the canteen - the children love to see you there!



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