

The Engadine Public School

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CALENDAR

2011

Term 4

November

- 2 Transition to School
- 9 Transition to School
- 11 Remembrance Service at Engadine Town Square
- 16 Grandparents Day & Book Fair
- 19 Lions Club McCalister Fete Band/Dance Performance
- 21 Dance Performance
- 22 Cake Day
- 25 Gingerbread House Night
- 29 Combined Scripture
- 30 Yr 6 Dress Rehearsal 10am

December

- 1 Carols evening & Thank You Morning Tea
- 5 Yr 6 to Yr 7 Orientation
- 6 Variety Club Concert
- 7 Presentation Day
- 8 Yr 6 Musical
- 14 Yr 6 Farewell & Engadine Idol
- 15 Fun Day
- 16 Student's last day

Dear Parents

Art Show

What an absolutely fantastic evening that was! As I mentioned in the last newsletter, I was blown away by the students' work I had seen – but when you see the hall full to overflowing with work prepared by our children, it was just out of this world.

I can say that Miss Gizas is an absolute power house. Her dedication to the students and her enthusiasm provided our students with the confidence and skills to prepare such outstanding work.

The transformation of the hall into the “White Ribbon Gallery” was undertaken by a wonderful team of workers. Miss Gizas was cracking the whip with Mrs Bourke, Mrs Mitchell, Mrs MacAlpine, Mrs Green and Mr Dryburgh, her willing slaves. Congratulations on an outstanding effort.

Naturally, it would be a nigh on miracle to have each student prepare an individual framed work for the art show – what has been achieved in a 60 minute art lesson once a week through group works and collaboration with all students contributing is outstanding.

Congratulations

Mrs Toni Ellis has been successful in the merit selection process for the position of Assistant Principal Support. Mrs Ellis replaces Miss Calderwood. Well done Toni!

Interactive Whiteboards (IWB)

Under the Federal Government's Building the Education Revolution (BER), our school had 4 additional white boards installed last week. As the P&C had already equipped 4 of our 8 BER classrooms with IWBs, the Federal Government will refund the P&C for those installs. With this additional funding, we will be able to finish the IWB install program with IWB's being installed in 3 remaining classrooms.

Kindergarten 2012 Transition to School

My goodness, it was great to see our 2012 Kinders at school last week. Whilst the students were off listening to stories and having a treasure hunt with ice blocks as prizes, the parents were engaged in an information session preparing them for life with a kindergarten child. The transition sessions will continue for a further 2 weeks.

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Engadine Public School supports
the Sydney Region White Ribbon Project.

NOT VIOLENT,
NOT SILENT



FROM THE FRONT CONT'D

Talented Writers Workshop

14 students from Year 3-6 will be participating in a Talented Writers workshop at Grays Point PS on 14 November. The students will join like-minded pupils from other schools within the Shire. They will participate in a number of workshops during the day mentored by noted children's writers. It promises to be a fantastic day for all concerned.

Welcome!

We are currently playing host to Prac Teachers who are undergoing teacher training. The students will be with us for 4 weeks.

Stop Work

School will operate normally on Wednesday, 2 November. There will be minor changes to class structures and supervision for some classes between 9.30am and 11am.

High School for the Day

Heathcote High School has invited all our Year 4 students to spend the day at Heathcote High to get a taste of life in High School.

The excursion is scheduled for Tuesday, 17 November. A detailed note will be sent home shortly and there will be no charge for this excursion.

Band 2012

See the information about our band program and its continuation in 2012. We are continuing with the program, with some changes. Over the coming weeks Mr Petsche will be visiting classes demonstrating instruments as part of a recruitment program for 2012.

Ron Pallas
Principal

JOIN THE BAND IN 2012



EPS has a proud tradition of offering its students the opportunity to learn a band instrument and to perform in a school band. The experience of learning to play a musical instrument is highly valued by the finest schools in Australia and around the world.

It promotes self-discipline, group responsibility and music appreciation, and enhances the acquisition of knowledge in all areas.

We have been fortunate to have had a full-day Band Teacher for the last two years. Our Teacher is paid from fees collected from Band members.

Unfortunately, some families who would like their children to participate in Band are discouraged by the fees. Without a sufficient number of children in the program, we will not be able to continue to employ our full-day Teacher next year.

After much consideration, we have decided to lower Band fees starting next year. Mr Petsche, our Band Teacher, has agreed to cut his hours down to a half day. He assures us that although tuition groups will be slightly larger, with continued cooperation from parents and teachers, the program will succeed.

Band fees will be reduced to \$100 per term. For those who do not own their own instrument, there will be a \$20 per term instrument hire fee. These are lower fees than those charged by most other schools and we hope most families will find it affordable.

We are offering children currently in Years 3, 4 and 5 the opportunity to try an instrument in the next few weeks. Students starting Year 3 next year can try out in the new year. Please consider the opportunity for your child to join the Band.



CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4

Week Starting	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
31-Oct	Helen Ledlin	Tracey Rea	Natalie Pritchard	Renee van Gemert
7-Nov		Mel Shepherd	Birgit Hardman	Kylie Morrell
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

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!

AWARDS



Merit	Christopher	KD
	Zoe	KD
	Isabelle	KR
	Braden	KR
	Jack	K-2D
	Anna	K-2D
	Mack	K-6C
	Nour	1M
	Lavinia	1M
	Connor	1-2S
	Alan	1-2S
	Lucy	2-3D
	Bradley	2-3D
	Michael	2-6E
	Tyler	3-4C
	Ayda	3-4C
	Tyler	3-4B
	Danielle	3-4B
	Bradley	3-6M
	Justin	3-6M
	Jessica	4-5-6W
	Lauren	4-5-6W
	Tim	4-5-6W
	Hannah	4-5-6W
	Rhys	5-6D
	Tiana	5-6D



Silver	Charlie	KD
	Rachel	KR
	Logan	1M
	Dylan	3-4B
	Dylan	3-4B
	Dylan	3-4B
	Brianna	5-6D



Gold	Emily	K-6C
	Brianna	5-6D



White Ribbon	Bailey	2-3D
	Allirah	1M
	Lara	1-2S

REMINDER

We are a
Nut Free
school.



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ENGADINE NSW 2233

Phone: 9548 2314.
Fax: 9548 2314.
E-Mail Address: engadineoosh@uccs.org.au
Mobile Number: 0425 418 747

HOURS OF OPERATION:

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE: 7.00 am - 9.00 am
AFTER SCHOOL CARE: 3.00 pm - 6.00 pm
VACATION CARE: 7.00 am - 6.00 pm

STUDENT CORNER



From the desk of DM.

Name: **Alex** Year: **K**

Q: What do you like about school?

A: **Playing hopscotch with my friends.**

Q: What is your favourite sport?

A: **Skippping with Jake.**

Q: What is your favourite food?

A: **McDonalds' happymeal.**



Announcing the new Scholastic Book Club Manager

As of 2012 this position will be held
by Helen Ledlin. Congratulations Helen!

LOST PROPERTY

Ring Found
at Walk-A-thon
Come to the Office
to claim it.



Hats

Please check your
child's hat. As there
seems to be a lot of hats going
missing.



Gingerbread House Making Friday, 25 November 7pm in the Hall

\$30

- **Orders MUST BE PAID by 11 November at Office.**
- **No orders taken after this date.**
- **BYO drinks and nibbles.**
- **Adults only.**
- **Bring a friend or make a table of 6.**
- **Can get a take-away kit also to complete at home.**



REMINDER

Hats are available
at the office for \$5.



FROM THE OFFICE

Sick Students

If your child is feeling unwell in the morning, please keep them at home as children often become anxious if we are unable to contact you. We appreciate it is inconvenient to have to take time off work, however, it is appreciated on a class level if illnesses can be contained.

Money for Walk-A-Thon

Thank you for your support of our "Laps for Literacy" Walk-A-Thon. Please send in your sponsorship money asap so all banking can be finalised.

Paying-Off Option

Please note that if using the paying off option no receipts can be processed until the commencement of our new school financial year in December 2011..

Mark Children's Clothing

Please make sure you label ALL of your childrens' belongings.

Check lost property box

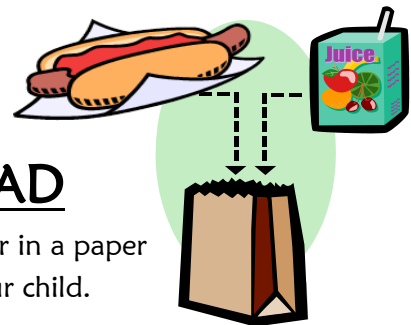
With the warmer weather we find we get a lot of jackets accumulating in the lost property box. Please check the box in case something of your child's has found it's way in there.



HOT DOG DAY

2 November 2011 STILL GOING AHEAD

Please put make your selection and put your money and order in a paper bag. The food will then be placed in the bag and given to your child.



Name: _____ Class: _____

Paid: \$ _____

Hot Dog Qty: _____ ☐ with sauce
(\$4.50 for first item, \$2.50 for additional Hot Dog without drink)

☐ without sauce

½ Hot Dog Qty: _____ ☐ with sauce
(\$3.50 for first item, \$1.25 for additional ½ Hot Dog without drink)

☐ without sauce

Drink choice (please tick)

☐ Choc Milk

☐ Straw Milk

☐ Banana Milk

☐ Water

☐ Orange Juice

☐ Apple Juice

☐ Passio Juice

Application for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2013

(Year 5 in 2011, Year 6 in 2012)

Application is required in November 2011 for parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2013.

Principals are requested to publicise the opportunity to apply for selective high school placement through their school newsletter or other forms of communication used by the school. The Selective High School and Opportunity Class Placement Unit places newspaper advertising to advise the wider community.

There are 17 fully selective and 23 partially selective high schools, a virtual selective class provision (Western NSW Region) and 4 selective agricultural high schools in NSW offering places in Year 7.

Three of the agricultural high schools offer boarder places.

Parents with internet access are requested to apply online. Online application will be available from **24 October to 21 November 2011.**

Application information is available on the internet at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

For parents without internet access, application forms will be available in schools, school education group offices and some state office locations from 25 October 2011. Schools receive sufficient copies of the application information to distribute to parents applying online or on paper, to ensure that they are aware of application requirements.

PITTER PATTER

A big thank you to the parents that helped with the walkathon; Jenny H, Mandy, Anita, Cassie and Greg. Also a quick reminder to bring your pledges in as soon as possible.

Chris Connor
President

REMINDER

Next P&C Meeting
is 21 November 2011
All welcome!

MAIANBAR ART & CRAFT FESTIVAL

Come join the fun at *Wind, Sea and Sand*, the annual Maianbar Art and Craft Fair and Street Market, on Sunday, November 13, from 10am to 4pm in the Maianbar Fire Station and in the park below the village shop at 50 Pacific Crescent.

There will be original paintings, ceramics, pottery, sculpture and glassworks, all for sale, and raffle of well-known Maianbar artists' works. The street fair features locally made art and craft, kids' beach challenge, delicious food and refreshments, live music with Bundeena-Maianbar musos, and photos with Santa.

There is also the hilarious dog show, from 11am, featuring dogs and their owners in fancy dress, dogs' Terrific Tricks, and the Sausage Race – known to reduce grown men to tears of laughter.

The stalls feature all locally produced and hand-made items, including jewellery, fashion, kiddies' clothing, paper works, candles, skin-care products, lotions and potions, body art, and more. Entry is free, and gives visitors a chance to find some early and exclusive Christmas gifts.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Up and coming events include:



Band Performances

24 October &
19 November



Hot Dog Day

2 November



Remembrance Day Service

11 November



Grandparents Day & Book Fair

16 November



Dance Performance

19 November



Cake Day

22 November



Gingerbread House Making

25 November



Yr 6 Play Dress Rehearsal

29 November

Your support for these events is appreciated.

Uniform Shop

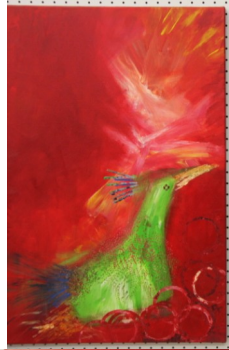
Term 4 Hours

Open Friday, 18/11 2/12 from
9 -10am. Also for each Wednesday of
Kinder Orientation on 2 and 9/11/2011.

Orders filled weekly and can be left at
the Office anytime.



“A Mixed Palette” Art Show held 27/11/2011.



South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Oral Health Service

FREE Dental Care for Children

Dental care is available at NSW Public Dental Clinics for all children under 18 years of age (0-5 years old and all children in full-time education)

- Eastern suburbs
- St George
- Sutherland
- Illawarra
- Shoalhaven



For an appointment contact our Call Centre:
South Eastern Sydney 1300 134 226
Illawarra /Shoalhaven 1300 369 651
All patients are required to have a Medicare card

Stanwell Park

Festival of Flight

Sun 13th Nov
9am – 5pm

For information visit:
www.lawrencehargravecentre.com

Aircraft Display
Vintage & new Hanggliders, Radial Rotary Plane, ultra light + HARS
Lawrence Hargrave – Eric Waite

HISTORIC AIRCRAFT FLYOVER +
KIDS Flighty Professor games & experiments tent

plus...
Markets
Great rides
Animal farm
Fab food
Live music

wollongong city of innovation
Lawrence Hargrave Centre




***Bring in
your old car
batteries.***



Join the challenge...
National Recycling Week
7-13 Nov. 2011

From 7 to 13 November,
please leave in Engadine Public School CARPARK (see sign) any old car/boat/bike batteries for recycling. We will arrange for them to be collected and recycled. Or you can take them to Battery World Caringbah, 168 Taren Point Rd, and help us support National Recycling Week.

For this week only, they will also **recycle domestic batteries**, eg **AA, AAA**, etc. So bring those into the Office and do your bit for the environment!

happy
grand-
parents day

Program

GRANDPARENTS' DAY and BOOK FAIR

You are welcome to come along and join in all,
or just some of our day.

- 8.30 - 9.30am **Book Fair** (Children must be accompanied by a parent or grandparent)
- 9.30 - 9.50am **Morning Tea** for grandparents in Cola (provided by school)
- 10.00 - 11.00am **Book Fair Parade and Concert** in top playground(bring a hat)
- 11.00 - 11.30am **Classroom Visits / Book Fair**
- 11.30 - 12.30pm **Bring a picnic lunch to share with your grandchild**

The Spirit of Christmas is alive and well at EPS

Every now and then you get the chance to make a difference in the world and get that feel-good-all-over tingle. Our EPS community have been given this opportunity.



Michele Everingham, (M 0400 026 201) a local parent, is going to an Ethiopian orphanage in February 2012 with an organisation called "Projects Abroad" (www.projects-abroad.org). She will be there for 4 weeks trying to make a difference to these children who have so little. Michele hopes to provide some necessities of life to as many of these orphans as possible. If you would like to help and donate, your assistance would be priceless.

She needs clean blankets and sheets you no longer use - you know the ones that have been lurking at the back of the cupboard for quite some time. Footware and clothing you would be happy for your own child to wear, in any size. Please donate to this wonderful cause and get the tingle! All items can be left at the Office.

One person really can make a difference. Are you one of those people?

Trading Tables Craft Market Night

7pm Friday, 4 November 2011 at Engadine Uniting Church
Cnr Cambrai & Chipilly Sts, Engadine

Christmas craft & knitware, jewellery, handbags
& scarves, glassware, cakes & biscuits, floral art,
lavender goods, overseas gifts. **ALL WELCOME!**

\$5 entry - Coffee & dessert & entertainment!

Start your Christmas shopping early!



**This newsletter is
available on-line.**

**Register your email
address
at the Office.**