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WARATAH WHISPERS



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Term 4 Week 7: 20th—24th November Email: engadine-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

SCHOOL DIARY

Nov	
27	White Ribbon Day
Dec	
6	Sport Presentation Day
6	Year 6 Musical 7pm
7	Baker's Delight Day
8	Presentation Day
11	Yr 6 Big Day Out
12	Big Day In
14	Kindy 2017 Graduation
14	Yr 6 Farewell Dinner
15	Last day for students
Jan	
30	First day back for students Year 1-6
Feb	
15	Welcome BBQ & Disco

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Assemblies

Held **FORTNIGHTLY** On Even Weeks, Yr 3-6

Odd Weeks, K—2

Friday at 2:30pm

Two whole school assemblies per term.

Next Assemblies:

Friday 24 Nov: Kindy –Yr 2

Friday 30th Nov: Yr 3—6

Karen Simula—Principal (Relieving)

2017 Showcase

What a fabulous evening of dance, student movies and public speaking on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many family members attend the Showcase and enjoy the students' efforts in these areas. Thank you to Mrs Danne, Mrs Dyszel and Mrs



Lancaster for working with the students throughout the year and organising the event.



Thank You Morning Tea

We are looking forward to catching up with all the amazing parents, carers and community friends that have been able to help out at school this year at the Thank You Morning Tea on Tuesday. Morning tea will be served from 11.00am in the Library.

White Ribbon Day

Students are reminded to wear something white next Monday to support our White Ribbon Day. We are also accepting donations for Care 4 Kids care packs for children at police stations, court, etc. due to domestic violence situations.

White Ribbon Day is also a timely reminder for parents and families to reinforce that physical and verbal aggression is not an acceptable way to deal with conflict at school. It would be most appreciated if parents could discuss more acceptable ways of dealing with frustration and conflict with their children and where to seek help. Reporting conflict to teachers and asking for their assistance to resolve issues before situations escalate allows children to learn conflict resolution skills.

Variety Club Xmas Party

There were many tired students (and staff members!) arriving back at school on Tuesday afternoon after a jam-packed day at the Variety Club Xmas Party for special needs children. They fed animals, rode on carnival rides, played drums and had their faces painted. Superhero friends dropped by to say hello and some students saw Jimmy Barnes perform! Thank you to those parents and carers who were able to assist with supervision on the day – I'm sure you enjoyed your day out as well.



ATTENTION ALL BUSINESS HOUSES—Here is your chance to support your local school!

Engadine Public School welcomes the support of its local community and asks if any business houses are interested in providing support, monetary or otherwise, please submit a proposal for consideration by close of business on Friday 1st December 2017.

All proposals will be considered, and advice of the success or otherwise of the proposal will be advised prior to the end of the school year 2017.

School Planning

The School Executive continued planning for The School Plan 2018-2020 this week with the assistance of Mrs Green. This planning will continue over the last few weeks of this term allowing the plan to be finalised in Term 1 2018. The School Plan outlines the strategic directions of the school, and the projects that will support the school in achieving these, over the next three years.



Environmental Club News

Last week students from the Environmental Team planted rosemary in our vegetable garden. We hope next year there will be plenty of rosemary to share for Remembrance Day. Congratulations to K-2 for your efforts in composting.

All infants classes are regularly collecting compost during crunch n sip on Mondays and Fridays.

A special mention to 2/3R and 3-6CK for your consistent contributions as well. Keep up the good work!

Film By The Sea—Canon Masterclass

Last week Lara D and Ben G from Year 6 joined 32 students from 17 local schools in a photography masterclass. They had the opportunity to learn about shutter speeds and how to capture amazing moments in time through photos. Every student took away an SD memory card full of images and memories from a wonderful day.



Library Books

Please return library books to the library as soon as possible as stocktake has commenced.

Dance 2018 Expression of Interest

A reminder that all students who are interested in joining our senior or junior dance groups in 2018 should return their expression of interest forms to Mrs Lancaster by 6th December.

Big Day In 2017

A note will be coming home early next week with details of the annual Engadine Public School Big Day In to be held on Tuesday 12th December. It is going to be a fantastic day for all students and a fun way to wrap up the year.

Year 6 Cupcake Day

A big thank you to all the students who purchased cupcakes from our Year 6 students on Tuesday. All money raised will go towards end of year celebrations. There were some amazing cupcake designs to choose from—well done to our Year 6 families you are all master chefs!

2018 Leadership Speeches

Congratulations to the 24 Year 5 students who presented their speeches to the school on Wednesday. All the candidates are to be commended on the excellent quality of their presentations. All students from years 3 to 5 had the opportunity to vote and it was definitely a difficult decision. Our 2018 Leadership team will be announced at the school Presentation Day assembly on Friday 8th December.

Payments Now Due

Band Term 4	\$125	OVERDUE
Year 6 Big Day Out	\$20	Due by 4th December 2017

For security and convenience, it is recommended you use our online payment facility to make these payments. This is so you can easily keep track of payments, as you can print or save a receipt immediately to your device. Statements of Accounts have been sent home to families with outstanding fees. Please note that THERE IS NO BAND INSTRUMENT HIRE FEE FOR TERM 4. If you have paid , these funds will be credited to your account.

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Would you be interested in attending the Triple P Seminars at Engadine Public School, after school hours next year? Please register your interest on the sign-up sheet at the school office.

SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS

Chess lessons will be on Wednesday mornings in the library from 8:25- 9:10 a.m. Lessons will begin Term 1, 14th February 2018. Children can be collected from OOSH if needed, please advise Mrs Franke. Enrol and pay online at <https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au> ph: 9745-1170

P & C News

Gingerbread House Kits

The P & C are selling Gingerbread House Kits as our Christmas Fundraiser. These kits are selling for \$35.00 and can be purchased via the order form that was sent home this term. All Gingerbread Folk products are nut, dairy, and egg free—there are also a limited number of gluten free kits available.

Bad Moms 2 Movie Fundraiser—THIS SATURDAY NIGHT!!

Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets for our special movie screening of Bad Moms 2 this coming Saturday. It will be a great afternoon with lots of laughs.

Save the Dates—P&C Calendar 2018

Below are a list of dates for upcoming P & C events in 2018—please mark your calendar!

Sunday 4th January— Engadine Markets (Volunteers needed)

Tuesday 13th February—Pancake Day (cooking and volunteers needed)

Thursday 15th February – Welcome BBQ & disco (all welcome & volunteers needed)

Monday 19th February—P & C AGM (all committee positions will be open)

Saturday 24th February—Working Bee 8.00am—4.00pm (all welcome)

Sunday 4th March—Engadine Markets (volunteers needed)

Tuesday 6th March—Hot Cross Buns orders out to students

Thursday 15th March—Hot Cross Buns orders and money due back to school

Monday 19th March—P & C meeting

Thursday 22nd March—Easter egg donations and mufti day

Monday 26th March—Easter egg wrapping night (all welcome)

Thursday 29th March—Easter raffle, Easter parade, and Hot Cross bun pick ups

On approach to these dates, notes will be sent home with all the relevant information and also may ask for donations and volunteers. Any time given is always appreciated.

SCHOOL CANTEN INFORMATION

The Canteen is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday every week. If any parents or grandparents can spare some time to help out in the canteen please let the staff at the office know and they will pass the message on—we are always happy to welcome any help! Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers!

In conjunction with Kanawaka Japanese Restaurant, sushi is now available to order from the school canteen on Wednesdays. Our school canteen menu is available on the Engadine Public School website and at the front office.

We are holding a Baker's Delight Day on Thursday 7th December. On this day students can pre-order a cheese roll, cheese and bacon roll, or a cheesymite scroll for \$5.50 which also includes a drink. You can order additional rolls for \$3.50 each. A note went home to all students last week with the order form. Please return the order form to school by Friday 1st December so we can preorder with Baker's Delight.



Social Skills

Parents, we ask that you go through these skills with your children, and discuss the dos and don'ts. Children learn best when they are supported from both school and home with a consistent message. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Giving and Receiving Compliments—Good Mates Look for the Good Things About Others

Giving Compliments

Do's

- Look for anything about another person that you genuinely like or appreciate.
- Look in their eyes and smile.
- Tell them what you like about them.

Don'ts

- Don't give a compliment that isn't true.
- Don't give too many compliments.

Receiving Compliments

Do's

- Wait till the person finishes giving you the compliment.
- Look in their eyes and smile.
- Say "thank you" and perhaps add an interesting positive comment (e.g. Thank you— I've worked hard on it).

Don'ts

- Don't laugh or say something silly.
- Don't look away.
- Don't say something which suggests they're wrong. (Don't say "No it's not one of my best efforts').

Application (Social Key of Success)

Application is defined as putting things into action.

In the school environment, we ask that students apply themselves to the tasks that are assigned to them, whether in the classroom environment, on the playground, or in friendship groups. It means that we have an expectation that each student applies themselves to the best of their ability, with an aim to achieve their own personal best—at whatever level that may be. We aim to respect their effort. Some people try very little and achieve great results, but others may try with mammoth effort to achieve a lesser result—it is the effort we are aiming to acknowledge—and when each one is pushing themselves to their own limits, all will have a greater opportunity to improve their personal levels of success.

Applying yourself so that you always put forward your best effort, means you show yourself in the best light at all times. It ensures that you are being valued for what you are able to do.

Applying yourself to building relationships and friendships, means that you try to support others, and that you too seek support when you need it—not shutting others out of your world. These skills are important life skills for mental and social well-being. They also help to build personal self esteem. When applying yourself to a group task, others in your group understand that they can rely on you—it builds a sense of trustworthiness, and a knowledge that you will contribute a fair share to the entire group task. In turn it builds a sense of value in you as a valuable person to select in group tasks.

As students consistently aim for their personal best, their opportunity to succeed increases and their sense of achievement in attaining improvement becomes an ongoing motivator. Students who have a high level of personal motivation to succeed tend to apply themselves better to tasks and so the cycle becomes self perpetuating.