

# The Engadine Public School

# WARATAH WHISPERS



## OUR SCHOOL VISION

Engadine Public School promotes an inclusive environment that fosters confident, innovative, successful learners with high moral values. Excellent academic, creative physical and social programs empower each student to become an active, resilient and informed citizen in our rapidly changing world."



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Market is held first Sunday of the Month

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 unless maximum  
 numbers are reached  
 prior to closing date

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**BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!!!**

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



### SUTHERLAND SHIRE LEISURE CENTRES

There is plenty to do at the Leisure Centres these school holidays including: Learn to Swim Intensives, Carnival Preparation classes, Fun and Fitness day camps and our Giant Water Inflatable!

### MENAI INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE

Have fun and learn a new skill at MenaI Indoor Sports Centre. Programs include Bubble Soccer, Roller Skating, Acrogyrn and Junior Basketball Academy to name a few.

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### ACROGYM

**Gym Fun 4-7 years**  
 Come and try a great mixture of gymnastics and acrobatics. You will get to learn new skills and try out different equipment. Trampolines - rings - bars - cartwheels - flips and more! No experience necessary!

**Acrobatics - Tricks & Skills 8 years & above**  
 This workshop is for the more advanced and will focus on walkovers, back flips, somersaults & baranis. Perfect for dancers, gymnasts, acrobats and anyone wanting to progress their skills these holidays!

**Ages:** 4 years & above  
**Cost:** \$20.00  
**When:** Wednesday 10 January  
 10 - 11.30am Gym Fun  
 11.30am - 1.30pm Acrobatics Tricks & Skills  
**To Enrol:** Bookings are essential;  
 Contact Shayley 0404 333 123 or  
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### KARATE

Learn the skills and disciplines of an ancient martial art from one of the best. Under the direction of Tony Halls (7<sup>th</sup> Dan, Fijian National Coach and former Australian National Coach). Participants who sign up with Ishinyu for a term receive \$30 off their joining package!

**Ages:** 5 and above  
**Cost:** \$15 per session, \$25 for two siblings  
**To Enrol:** Contact Ishinyu Karate on 9527 6915

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## LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LEISURE CENTRES

### FUN AND FITNESS

Our Fun and Fitness program covers a range of activities to keep kids active and entertained. Kids can get a group of friends together and participate in day long activities, or simply participate in 2hr sessions.

### INTENSIVE LEARN TO SWIM

Learn-to-swim programs are conducted by highly qualified instructors for all levels of swimming. Ideal for fast tracking confidence and skills. Sessions run for 30min each day across the week.

### RACE AND PACE

Competitive swimming techniques and stroke development. Program covers all four strokes and is great preparation for school swimming carnivals.

### CARNIVAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Race classes including dive starts and technique coaching for 50m swimmers. These 1hr sessions are suitable for Crayfish, Bluebottle and Angletfish level swimmers.

### GIANT WATER INFLATABLE

The best fun kids will have in the water is on the giant water inflatable. Dash and splash across the giant inflatable obstacle course!

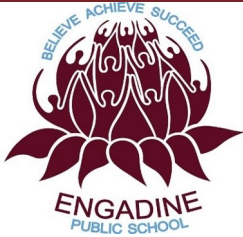
Please check our website for all program details, including days and times of activities.

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## MENAI INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE

## SUMMER 2018 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM





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# WARATAH WHISPERS



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Term 4 Week 8: 27th November—1st December

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## SCHOOL DIARY

SCHOOL DIARY	
Dec	
4	Yr 6 Musical matinee
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	
29	Uniform Shop Open 9.00am—10.00am
30	First day back for students Year 1-6
Feb	
15	Welcome BBQ & Disco

## Karen Simula—Principal (Relieving)

### End of Year Activities

The end of the school year is always a busy time for students and staff at school. A number of fun events have been planned in the last few weeks of school. Please read the calendar dates to the left for reminders. Also check your child's bag each day for notes and information.

### Yr 6 Transition

All Year 6 students are visiting their high schools next Tuesday as part of the transition process. Students will be engaged in learning activities and learning how to navigate around the school grounds and reading timetables.

### Engadine Community Markets

We are in urgent need of volunteers to man the bbq at the Community Markets on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Please go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and enter the code **vpfbg** to book a timeslot.

### Choir Performance

The choir will be performing at Engadine Woolworths next Thursday from 10am. Students will be entertaining shoppers with Christmas carols.

### Morning Tea

Woolworths is kindly donating fruit to all students on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December for morning tea.

### Helpers Morning Tea

It was wonderful to see so many parents, scripture teachers and other school volunteers at the morning tea on Tuesday. The students and staff cannot thank you enough for the many hours you have given to our school. Every minute that you are able to help, contributes to the learning of our young people – we are truly grateful. Thank you.

### Year 6 Musical

Tickets are selling fast for the highly anticipated *Wonder in Aliceland*. Students and staff have been rehearsing for weeks to ensure everyone is entertained on the evening. Tickets are available from Mrs Dyszel before school each morning. The evening performance commences at 7pm. See you there.

### Our kids matter.

KidsMatter helps our school nurture happy, balanced kids.



[kidsmatterprimary.edu.au](http://kidsmatterprimary.edu.au)

### 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 1st : Whole school

Friday 8th: Presentation Day

### **Big Day In**

Please ensure permission and payment have been returned to school for this amazing experience. On Tuesday 12th December, students will be dancing to a silent disco, relaxing watching a movie and having fun with sports. What a fun way to end our school year.

### **Sports Presentation Day**

Our sports Presentation Day will be held in the school hall next Wednesday from 12 noon. This is a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge the sporting achievements of our students. We are looking forward to seeing you at this wonderful celebration of sport at Engadine Public School

### **Presentation Day**

Next Friday we will be holding our end of year Presentation Day Assembly in the school hall. The assembly will start promptly at 12 o'clock. This is a very important event on the school calendar and we are very much looking forward to celebrating the achievements of our students. Students have been reminded of the importance of this event and the expected behaviour during the assembly. We hope to see you at this celebration.

### **White Ribbon**

The students looked fantastic in their white clothing on Monday in support of White Ribbon. The message of speaking out against violence against women is an important message to continue to keep at the fore of our minds. Please if you know someone who may need support, reach out, check in with them and offer your support.

### **School Survey**

Please find attached a parent survey for school planning. It would be greatly appreciated if you could spend a few minutes responding to the questions and returning your survey by the end of next week. Alternatively you can complete the survey when you drop off or pick up your child. Our school leaders will have copies on clipboards in the playground each day next week. The information collected will assist with the development of the School Plan 2018 – 2020.

### **Care for Kids Donations**

Thank you to the wonderful families who have been able to support the Care 4 Kids care packages. A number of packages were able to be collected from the school today. Each of these packages will brighten the day of child – thank you.

### **Library Books**

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

### **P & C Save the Date**

Our Engadine Public School P & C are already busy planning fundraising activities for our school next year. Please take note of the dates listed for Term 1 2018 in the P & C news section of this newsletter. A big thank you to our wonderful P & C members for all their hard work. It looks like 2018 is going to be another busy year at Engadine Public.



### **Uniform Shop Update**

Effective 2018, the school uniform shop is open THURSDAY Weeks 1 and 5 of each term from 8.30am—9.15am. The uniform shop will be open during the holidays on Monday 29th January 9.00am—10.00am for last minute purchases.

### **Environment Club News**

Next week is the last chance to bring in your old toothbrushes and toothpaste tubes and packaging for recycling. Thank you to everyone who has helped participate with this initiative. The recycling box is located in the front office.

### **2018 Dance Ensemble**

If your child would like to be a part of the Engadine Public School Junior or Senior Dance group in 2018, please ensure you have returned your completed expression of interest form to Mrs Lancaster by 6th December. Spare copies of this note are available on our school website and in the note stand at the front office.

### **Supporting our Armed Forces At Christmas**

A note went home earlier this week asking families to help support our Armed Forces at Christmas time. The Engadine Public School SRC would like to recognise their efforts and create some packages to send to our soldiers for Christmas.

Below is a list of suggested items we would like each grade to donate. Any donations will be much appreciated. If you could follow the guide it will make package creation more efficient.

- Kindergarten:** Bags of lollies (strictly no chocolate please)
- Year One:** Peanut butter, Nutella, jam, Vegemite ( no glass jars please)
- Year Two:** Roll on deodorant or shaving cream (male or female)
- Year Three:** Chips, in particular Twisties
- Year Four:** Biscuits, in particular Iced Vovos (no chocolate please)
- Year Five:** Shower gel
- Year Six:** Toothpaste and dental floss

Students can also write letters to male or female soldiers to express their gratitude for the outstanding job that the armed forces do for our country. Please include a stamped self-addressed envelope if you include a letter.

All donations will be collected from your classroom every morning starting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December and ending Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Following the four days of collection, the parcels will be packaged and sent on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December (the final day for posting to the armed forces before Christmas).

Thank you in advance to all of our families at Engadine Public School for supporting such a worthwhile cause at Christmas time.

**Payments Now Due**

Band Term 4	\$125	OVERDUE
Year 6 Big Day Out	\$20	Due by 4th December 2017
Big Day In	\$5	Due by 7th 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.

**Having one of those**

**TRIPLE P SEMINAR SERIES**

Triple P is an approach to parenting that emphasises the positive.

We can help you:

- Deal consistently and decisively with problem behaviour
- Encourage behaviour you like from your child
- Take the stress out of parenting

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Every child is different, but sometimes small changes and new ways of doing things can make a big difference to the everyday routine. If you have children between the ages of 2-12 years we have a range of Triple P positive parenting programs to suit your family.

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

#### **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 CANTEEN 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.



### SCHOOL BANKING



Banking (through the Commonwealth Bank) finishes on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. However, the last date for claiming rewards is Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Any unused tokens can be kept and claimed next year.

Thank you to all those students who have participated with banking this year.

## 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').

## Respect (Social Key of Success)

Respect is not only an important value, but a source of real joy for children. Respect implies a certain appreciation and awe which makes children more aware of the needs and feelings of others. Respect comes in many forms: respect for life, for property, for parents, for elders, for nature, and for the beliefs and rights of others; courtesy, politeness, and manners; self-respect and the avoidance of self-criticism.

The importance of and basic necessity for respect are self-evident. Respect is the basis and foundation (and often the motivation) for several of the other basic values of life. Children who learn both to implement and to understand the principle of respect will be better members of society, better friends, and better leaders.

The teaching of respect is a challenge. The main thing to remember is that respect isn't given consistently unless it is received. We need first to respect our children (in terms of how we speak to them and how we treat them) and then to absolutely demand that they show respect for us in return. The respect they receive in the home and at school will be the basis for their own self-respect; and the respect they learn to show in the home (to family members) and at school to fellow students and their teachers and staff, will be the foundation on which they build respect for others outside of these environments.

Some of the ways we manage this at school is to

- Give plenty of praise and recognition. Reinforce respectful behaviour and encourage its repetition. We watch for opportunities to praise courtesy and politeness. Catch them doing something right and make a big deal of it. Praise them in front of others - and praise them privately, one on one, later the same day.
- Give them a chance to correct themselves by saying, "Let's start over." This is a good method to correct disrespectful behaviour in a positive way. Having established the pattern (and the habit, in connection with consistently not allowing disrespect) of saying, "Let's start over." When a disrespectful answer is given, when someone fails to say "please" or "thank you," say "Let's start over." Then repeat the situation, letting the child do it right. Of course when necessary, we also may need to say, "Let's start over" for our self and then repeat our own statement or behaviour in a more respectful way.
- Teach by our example. Show respectful behaviour. As always, example is the best teacher. When children see and hear you being concerned for the property and rights of others, assisting the elderly, caring for nature, being polite in all situations and showing self-respect in terms of how you look and how you speak of yourself, they follow from the model of that behaviour.

We want our students to show respect, and feel they have it shown towards them. Our students deserve the right to be respected, and also have a responsibility to be respectful to others.



## 2018-2020 School Planning Parent Survey



- What do you value about your child's education?

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- What personal values would you like to see your child develop?

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- On which areas should the school focus to improve student learning outcomes?

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- What are the best things about Engadine Public School?

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- How could we make our school even better?

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- What three words describe Engadine Public School?

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*Thank you for your time in completing this survey.*

Karen Simula  
Principal (Relieving)