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# WARATAH WHISPERS



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Term 4 Week 9: 4th - 8th December

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## SCHOOL DIARY

Dec	
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	
13	Pancake Day
15	Welcome BBQ & Disco
19	P & C Annual General Meeting
24	Working Bee

## Karen Simula—Principal (Relieving)

### Baby News

John Douglas Gatward came a few weeks earlier than planned. Mrs Gatward gave birth on Sunday. She and John are doing well and should be home in the next couple of weeks.

### Presentation Day

Thank you to all the parents, family and friends that came to our Presentation Day. It was a wonderful opportunity to recognise the achievements of our students and look back on a very busy 2017. A big thank you to our special guests that joined us.

Congratulations to our Leadership team for 2018

School Captains:	Parker R	Annabelle L
Vice Captains:	Ben G	Mirren S
Prefects:	Liam S	Sophie G
	Fletcher T	Nell P

### Sports Presentation

Congratulations to our sports award recipients for 2017. EPS continues to provide a myriad of opportunities for students in the sporting arena.

It was during this presentation that our House Captains for 2018 were announced.

#### Kangaroo

Captains:	Lara D and Hayden M
Vice Captains:	Nicole B and Samuel G

#### Koala

Captains:	Alissa P and Luka H
Vice Captains:	Audrey L and Owen L

#### Possum

Captains:	Chloe S and Noah S
Vice Captains:	Erin W and Lachlan O

## Our kids matter.

KidsMatter helps our school nurture happy, balanced kids.



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

### **Year 6 Musical**

Congratulations to all our year 6 students for their wonderful performance of Wonder In Aliceland. A big thank you to our Year 6 teachers Mrs Dyszel, Mrs Wirth and Mrs Rosamond–Davis, and to our wonderful Directors Mrs McAlpine and Mrs Mitchell for bringing this magnificent story to life. Also to the wonderful people who helped with behind the scenes with props, costumes, and make up—the show could not have gone on without you.

### **Staffing News**

I am pleased to announce that I am returning to EPS for Term 1 of 2018. I have been asked by Mr Garrie Russell (Director Public Schools NSW) as a result of Mrs Green being successful in gaining the principalship of Gymea Bay Public School. This is subject to the ten day appeal period. A letter from Mrs Green has gone home with students this afternoon and is attached to this newsletter.

### **Well Done Keira**

Year 5 student Keira S has been selected to represent NSW in the FFA National Futsal Championships in Canberra next year. Keira will be part of the Under 13 Girls Storm team. This tournament allows her to play at the national level against the best players across the country. This is a wonderful opportunity and great achievement, congratulations Keira.

### **Band**

Congratulations to our school band. Your performance on Thursday was terrific and thoroughly enjoyed by parents, staff, and students. Thankyou to our band tutors, Emily and Lizzie and Mrs Scarra for coordinating band in 2017.

### **Choir**

Woolworths shoppers enjoyed the carols performed by our school on Thursday. Students sang a number of carols to help shoppers get into the Christmas spirit. Thank you to Mrs Ryan for coordinating choir this year.

### **Morning Tea**

Thank you to Woolworths Engadine which supplied a variety of fruit and bottled water for students on Wednesday. Staff from the store served students during recess and spread the Christmas cheer.

### **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.



**Payments Now Due**

Band Term 4	\$125	OVERDUE
Year 6 Big Day Out	\$20	OVERDUE
Big Day In	\$5	OVERDUE

Please ensure all outstanding payments are made no later than Monday 11th December—this will help office administration staff with their end of year procedures.

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.



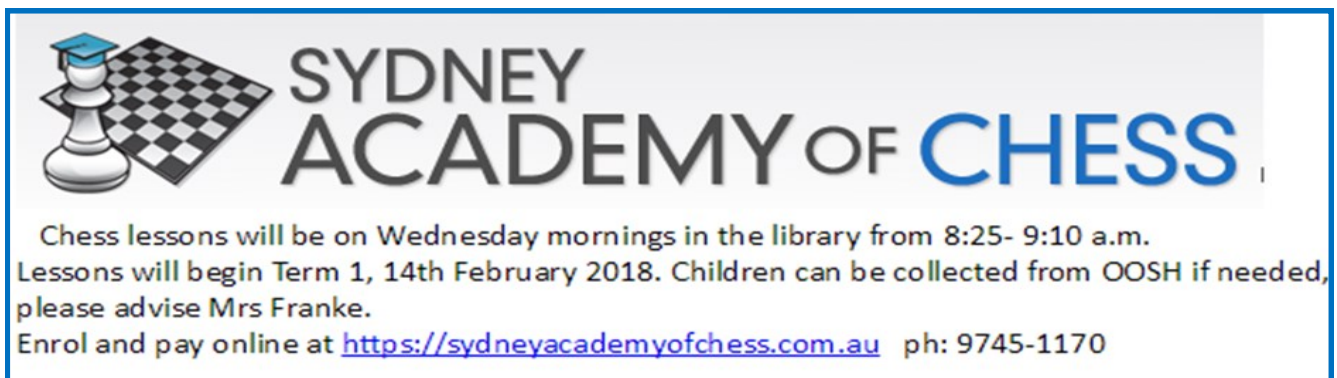
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Would you be interested in attending the Triple P Seminars at Engadine Public School, after school hours next year? Please register your interest on the sign-up sheet at the school office.



**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

## SCHOOL NEWS

### 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 school canteen will be closed on Friday 15th December. The last day for lunch orders will be Thursday 14th December. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who have helped out in the canteen this year. The students of Engadine Public School appreciate your hard work!

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!

### UNIFORM SHOP IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The uniform shop is closed for all orders for 2017.

If you have an urgent request please email on [epsuniformshop@hotmail.com](mailto:epsuniformshop@hotmail.com)

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.



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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with mixed emotions that I write this letter.

I am very sad to inform you that I will be moving on from the Engadine School community in 2018. Engadine Public School has been very much a part of my life for the past five years and I know it will be a place that I will deeply miss.

From the students, many of whom I have watched grow and change as they have matured; to the wonderfully supportive parents and community, all are very much valued. Together, we have provided so many improvements to the school that have benefited our students. Of course, the school would not be the school it is today without the amazing staff with whom I have had the pleasure to work. I thank them for their continued dedication and care and for being the people who they are – going above and beyond for our school. As a community, we have grown together, and have ensured that Engadine Public is a school of which we can all be very proud.

I am also excited to announce I have accepted the position of Principal, Gymea Bay Public School (pending the normal 10 day appeal period). That school will offer me new challenges and a chance to work in a different environment to further my leadership experiences.

It has been wonderful for me to know that our school has been in the care and capable hands of a dedicated leader, Mrs Karen Simula in Term Four. As many of you are aware, Mrs Simula is principal of Woronora River Public School and comes with many years of experience in leadership.

Mrs Simula will continue in the relieving principal role in Term One, 2018. During Term One, Mr Garrie Russell, Director Public Schools will lead a recruitment process to appoint a new substantive principal to Engadine Public School.

It is now time for a new set of eyes to lead the collaborative construction of a school vision and a new three-year plan that will guide the future of the school.

Kind regards

Hendrika Green





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

*Christmas is a time of joy, but not for everyone.  
Don't be alone or hungry this Christmas.*

## Community Christmas Day Lunch

12pm till 2pm 25<sup>th</sup> December

Engadine Anglican Church

Waratah Rd Engadine (Opposite Primary School)

For more details visit

[eacchristmas.com](http://eacchristmas.com)

or contact the office on

**9548 2296**

There will be a jumping castle and craft for kids, yummy Christmas food, transport if needed and a chance to make new friends

**Free!**

### 1st Engadine Scout Group

## NEW Cub Scout Pack starting February 2018

Cub Scouts - 8 to 10 years old



We are looking for young enthusiastic boys and girls to start up a New Cub Scout Pack.

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First meeting: Wednesday 7th February 2018

7.00pm

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Enrolment: Tue 30 Jan & Wed 31 Jan 2018 between 4 - 5pm

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