

Waratah Whispers

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Friday 7th December 2018

Issue 39 Term 4 – Week 8

Important Dates

Week 8	
Friday 7 th December:	Choir – Rotary Carols Year 3-6 Assembly
Week 9	
Monday 10 th December: Tuesday 11 th December: Wednesday 12 th December: Thursday 13 th December:	Sports Assembly 12.00pm SRC Christmas Mufti Day Presentation Day 12.15pm Engadine High Kindy Graduation 9.30am
Week 10	
Monday 17 th December: Tuesday 18 th December: Wednesday 19 th December:	Year 6 Bowling Day Big Day In Year 6 Farewell Last Day for students Year 6 Graduation 2.30pm
Week 1 Term 1 2019	
Tuesday 29 th January:	Staff return to school

First day for students

Tuesday 29th January: Wednesday 30th January:

Dear parents/carers,

On Wednesday evening I attended my first Engadine Public School Yr. 6 Play and I was blown away! For months I had been watching with interest as students attended rehearsals, staff re-arranged timetables to accommodate, creative directors worried about costumes, props and technology and I thought to myself - Wow! I hope it's all worth it! Well it was certainly worth all the lead-up, preparation, organisation and hard work. The Yr. 6 students excelled in a performance that was polished, engaging, funny and had a wonderful message about the power of perseverance and positivity. What a great, celebratory way for our Yr. 6 students to finish their time at Primary school. The performers and the back of house assistants all worked together as a team and supported each other throughout the whole process. The play is a very special part of the Yr.

6 experience here at Engadine Public School and I could see this year's Yr. 5 students watching on with excitement and anticipation for next year. Many thanks go to all our Stage 3 staff who have been flexible, accommodating and encouraging and who also put their dignity to one side and took on some fairly unflattering parts in the play! Thank you to Mrs Gizas for her artistic input and work on the backdrop - stunning work as always. My most heartfelt and special thanks to Mrs McAlpine and Mrs Mitchell who take it upon themselves each year to source a suitable script and work with our diverse group of Yr. 6 students to produce an unforgettable experience for the students, their families and our community. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and I'm looking forward to next year's already. 🙂

Our Performing Arts Showcase was on Thursday morning and it was lovely to celebrate the hard work and successes of our choir, band and dance groups. The morning was well attended and enabled performers and families to appreciate the growth and development of our students throughout the course of the year. Thank you to Mrs Scarra, Mrs Ryan and Mrs Lancaster for coordinating and organising these performance groups throughout the year - often this role involves weekends, evenings and before and after school voluntary time and commitment. I know our students and families appreciate your generosity, support and encouragement of our students. Next week we are looking forward to further opportunities to celebrate and acknowledge success and hard work, as we plan for Monday's Sports awards assembly and Wednesday's Presentation Day. I look forward to seeing many of our parents and families at these special occasions.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone and keep smiling $\textcircled{\sc op}$

Sara Swift, Principal





Office Payment Cut Off

To assist us with our end of year procedures, we are asking all student accounts be settled by Friday 14th December. If you have any queries about balances owing on your child's account please see the office and we will assist you.

Presentation Day & Sport Award Assemblies

Our final assemblies for the year will be held next week. Everyone is welcome to attend as we celebrate another year of learning and celebrating achievements at Engadine Public School.

Sport Award Assembly - Monday 10th December from 12.00pm in the school hall.

End of Year Presentation Day – Wednesday 12th December from 12.00pm at Engadine High School Auditorium.

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRESENTATION DAY – 12TH DECEMBER

- We will be having an early lunch before we walk to Engadine High School at 11.00am
- If you do NOT want your child to walk to the high school please return the slip at the bottom of the presentation day note that was sent home last week
- Students are asked to bring their lunch to school in a disposable bag if you want to take them straight home from the high school
- If your child is returning to school after Presentation Day they can bring a bag with afternoon tea that will be left at school
- Canteen is closed on this day
- Students MUST BRING their hat and a water bottle
- Parents must sign students out with their teacher if they are taking them after Presentation Day

SRC Christmas Mufti Day

On Tuesday 11th December the SRC will be holding their last fundraiser for the year. All students are welcome to come to school in their favourite Christmas clothes and donate a gold coin donation. The SRC and



teachers would like to thank the EPS families for their continued support this year. We have raised a generous amount of money that has been used to make purchases for our school.

Safety Reminder

A reminder to our school community to please be

aware of the high traffic in our area. Also if you are dropping off or picking up a student please be aware of the pedestrian crossings and take caution – arriving safely always takes priority.



Also a reminder to our students to always use the pedestrian crossings that are around our school entries. There have been several reports to us of students running across the road to get to and from school. Please be cautious at all times.

School Banking News

Our final School Banking day for 2018 is 13th December. Any Dollarmites tokens that are not redeemed this year can be used in 2019. If you are interested in participating in school banking next year just visit the Commonwealth Bank and open a Dollarmites account!

School Canteen News

A reminder that the canteen will be closed on Wednesday 12th December due to Presentation Day. **The last day to have a lunch order for 2019 is FRIDAY** 14TH **DECEMBER.** The canteen will be closed for cleaning after this time. We are trying to empty the freezers before the end of the year! Students can take advantage of this by ordering our Christmas Special*Choice of beef burger, pizza, sausage roll, chicken sub, 4 nuggets or cheese and bacon roll with your choice of juice or water for only \$4.00.* Add 30cents for sauce and 50 cents for a hash brown. Please include a second choice in case the first is sold out.

Thank you to Mrs Cody and all the wonderful volunteers for running our school canteen – it wouldn't happen without your hard work.

Performing Arts Showcase

Thank you to all those parents, grandparents and friends who came along to watch our Performing Arts Showcase. What a wonderful celebration of all the hard work the students and teachers have put in throughout the year.

The final choir performance will be tonight at the Rotary Christmas Carols at Cooper Street Park. A reminder that if you would like your child to join the dance group in 2019 please complete the expression of interest note and return it to Mrs Lancaster by Monday 10th December.



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Year 6 Musical

Congratulations to all our year 6 students and EPS staff on their outstanding performance in Rock Bottom. What a great show!

There were many comments and praise from the audience about the professionalism and enthusiasm of everyone involved.

Big congratulations to Mrs McAlpine and Mrs Mitchell on another quality production – the hard work really paid off. Also to Mrs Gizas and everyone who worked on the backdrop and costumes, it looked amazing!



















Police Liason Visit EPS

Senior Constable Dodd, the Sutherland LAC Police Youth Liason visited our Stage 3 students on Wednesday as part of our S.T.A.R.T (school transition & resilience training) program. Our students had lots of great questions ready for her.



UNIFORM SHOP LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE!

The uniform shop will be open from 8.30am on Monday 17th December. This is your last chance to buy uniforms before school resumes in 2019.

If you cannot visit the uniform shop on this day please hand your completed order form in to the front office.



Engadine Crusaders FC is a family friendly football club catering from Under 6 years through to Senior adults. Come and join us for a fun season! You can use your \$100



2019 Active Kids voucher towards your football registration

For more information please check our website, Facebook page or email club Secretary Amanda on secretary@engadinecrusadersfc.com engadinecrusadersfc.com or find us @ Facebook.com/engadinecrusadersfc Registrations open 3 January 2019.

Engadine Public School students proudly wear jerseys donated by Engadine Crusaders for their PSSA sport – please support this community friendly club.







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This three-session program assists couples to manage the demands of life as a stepfamily.

It will assist parents to:

- examine the challenges and positives of stepfamilies
- examine personal beliefs and the effects of holding onto these
- highlight the losses stepfamilies have suffered
- recognise the importance of developing stepfamily rituals
- compare different communication styles

Tuesdays, 6:30pm – 9:30pm 19 March | 26 March | 2 April Cost: \$75 per couple Venue: Interrelate Caringbah Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd South, Caringbah

Bookings Essential - Phone 8522 4408



Seasons for Growth

This is an eight-week program for children aged 6 to12 years that have experienced grief and loss in their lives due to a significant change such as death, separation of parents or a natural disaster.

Children will learn:

- to understand and talk about the normal range of emotions experienced during major change, grief and loss
- how to build positive relationships with family and friends
- · how they can participate in a caring and confidential network of peers and adults
- about resiliency
- how to plan for a realistic and hope-filled future



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Note: This program is developed by Good Grief and facilitated by Interrelate







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- Achieve coals
- Achieve goals

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