



Waratah Whispers

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Issue 31 Term 3 – Week 10

Friday 28th September 2018

Important Dates

Week 10

Friday 28th September: Swim Scheme finishes
Whole School Assembly (2.10pm)
Last Day of term 3

Term 4 - Week 1

Monday 15th October: Back to school for students and staff
Wednesday 17th October: School House Museum
Kindy 2019 Transition 1
Friday 19th October: K-2 Assembly (2.10pm)
Saturday 20th October: Working Bee

Term 4 - Week 2

Monday 22nd October: Multi Sports Day – Support Unit
Wednesday 24th October: School House Museum
Thursday 25th October: Grandparents Day & Book Parade
Friday 26th October: 3-6 Assembly (2.10pm)

Term 4 - Week 3

Wednesday 31st October: Kindy 2019 Transition 2
Thursday 1st November: Art Show
Friday 2nd November: K-2 Assembly (2.10pm)

Term 4 - Week 4

Wednesday 7th November: Stage 3 Camp - Mogo
Friday 9th November: Stage 3 return

Term 4 - Week 5

Wednesday 14th November: Kindy 2019 Transition 3
Friday 16th November: Whole School Assembly

Term 4 - Week 6

Thursday 22nd November: Stage 2 – The Tops Camp
Friday 23rd November: Stage 2 return

Dear parents/carers,

Just a quick note from me to thank everyone for all their hard work throughout this term.

Our students have experienced some remarkable successes this term – chess, public speaking, spelling bee, dance groups, Deadly Kids awards, choir and band performances, as well as in their classroom studies. Congratulations to every student who worked hard and did his or her best! I think you all deserve a holiday. 😊

To my wonderful staff, I can't thank you enough for your commitment, professionalism and passion – every day you provide outstanding opportunities for our students. I know that you have all earned these holidays, so enjoy!

Of course, I would also like to extend my thanks and appreciation to our fabulous families and community. To all of you who help out on the P&C, or at school, or on excursions or who support our fundraisers – we couldn't do it without you. I am so grateful for your support and your sense of pride in our school. It really is a strong and purposeful partnership when school and community work together with a shared vision.

I hope everyone enjoys this Spring break and is able to spend some quality time with the people you love. I look forward to seeing you back bright-eyed and bushy-tailed to finish off the year with a bang in Term 4.

Sara Swift, Principal

Share Our Space

During the school holidays Engadine Public School grounds will be open to the public as part of the NSW Department of Education's Share Our Space initiative. Gates will be open every day from 8.00am-5.00pm. A security guard will be in place to monitor safety and security, and gates will be locked at closing time each evening. If you need to report a security issue at the school, you can call 1300 880 021 anytime.

Payments to the office

The following payments are currently being taken at the office – please contact us as soon as possible if you are unable to make payments by the due date.

Schoolhouse Museum	\$32.00	OVERDUE
Support Unit Sports Day	\$22.00	17/10/2018
Stage 3 Mogo Excursion	\$235.00	due 31/10/18
Stage 2 The Tops	\$135.00	due 7/11/18

Mobile Phones At School

There has been an increasing number of students bringing mobile phones to school. Parents please be advised that if your child does bring a mobile phone to school they are to drop it to the front office upon arriving and can pick it up at the end of the day. Please discuss this with your child and reinforce the importance of not having their phone in the playground or the classroom.

Presentation Day 2018

FOR YOUR DIARY!!

Parents and families please be advised that our end of year Presentation Day Assembly will be held on **Wednesday 12th December at Engadine High School**. Due to the increasing number of students and families at EPS we have decided to hold our end of year award ceremony in the school hall at Engadine High School. More details to come next term.

Year 6 Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who came and bought a sausage or helped cook and serve at Bunnings Caringbah last Saturday. We raised over \$1000 which will go towards our Year 6 end of year celebrations.

SCHOLASTIC ORDERS HAVE BEEN DELIVERED!

Your faithful Scholastic Book Elves delivered orders this past Thursday. If you did not receive something you were expecting, or have another problem, please contact

epsbookelves@gmail.com

Our community owes a debt of gratitude to the following Book Elves for their time and effort this term: Kelly C., Jess E., Regina G., Lee J., Karen M., Nicole M., Merran M. and Lisa T.



Thank you to all families who placed their orders via www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP – it makes a great difference in ensuring every order is accurate, payment is secure and deliveries are timely.

Dance News

Please note that dance lessons return in WEEK 3, Tuesday 30 October (Senior Dance Ensemble) and Wednesday 31 October (all other Dance Ensembles).

Term 4 Dance Performances:

Saturday 10 November ~

Engadine Spring Fair formerly McAlister Fete (Cooper Street Reserve)

Wednesday 14 November ~

Kindergarten Orientation

Please note that dancers will perform for the 2019 Kindergarten students. Parents do not need to attend this performance.

Thursday 6 December ~

Engadine PS Performing Arts Showcase (time tbc)
Dance Ensembles, band and choir performances

Please check the lost property bin. There are a lot of winter clothing items.
Lunchboxes and drink bottles have been photographed and can be seen on P&C Facebook page.
Any unlabelled items still there by next Friday, 28 September will be donated to the uniform shop and food containers will be disposed

Chess Team

The EPS Chess team competed in the finals at Burwood RSL last Friday. It was a highly competitive final and Engadine Public School finished 16th (4th before the count back). Congratulations to Adam, Zwi, Ben, Finn and Dale for an amazing effort, and to their parents for transporting them to the event.

Update of Emergency Information

All students should have bought home a copy of the personal details we have on our school files. We are asking all parents to please take the time to read through this information and make any adjustments necessary. This is the information we use in case of an emergency or if we need to contact families so it is important that it is accurate and up to date. Thank you to those families who have already returned their forms.

Restorative Practice

ASKING QUESTIONS THAT WORK

Restorative Questions 1

- What happened?
- What were you thinking at the time?
- What have you thought about since?
- Who has been affected by what you have done? In what way?
- What do you think you need to do to make things right?
- What will you do differently next time?

These questions are about story, challenge, reflection and reparation of harm. They have been designed to build a strong relational basis with which to work in any relationship. The structure of the questions focus on the past (what happened?) present (reflection on who has been affected and in what way) and future (what needs to be done to make things right?) the questions therefore focus on harm and relationship. They are also:

- Devoid of blame
- Respectful and not value laden
- Thinking questions rather than feeling ones which ironically tend to evoke better feeling responses
- Have the potential to stimulate empathy and growth.

REMEMBER – Avoid asking the WHY question (why did you do that?) Have you ever had a child give you a satisfactory answer when you have asked them why they did something wrong?

Restorative Questions 2

What did you think when you realised what had happened?

What impact has this incident had on you and others?

What has been the hardest thing for you?

What do you think needs to happen to make things right?

These questions offer a voice for people who have been harmed by the actions of another. The questions ask for a factual and non-judgemental response. With a focus on the impact of an action or incident, the person who has been harmed speaks to his/her most authentic audience i.e. the person who has caused the harm. The outcome is that responsibility for reparation is laid appropriately upon the shoulders of the person who has caused the harm.

P & C News & Updates

Working Bee

With Grandparents Day in our second week back to school next term, it is time for our school to get a good clean up so we will be holding a working bee. Here is what you need to know:

When: Saturday 20th October, 12noon-4pm

Come for as little or as much time as you are able, every little bit counts!

Work to be done: Clean up of Louise Crutcher's memorial garden

Clean up of Highland Haven

General weeding of school gardens

And some other projects yet to be decided!

What to bring: Gardening gloves and general gardening tools

Water bottle

A 'Community Key' is awarded to any student that comes to help out. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the P&C on epsandc@yahoo.com

New Healthy Schools Canteen Menu

The NSW Department of Education and NSW Health are introducing a new Healthy School Canteen Strategy which will promote healthy food and drink choices for all students in NSW. To adhere to this new strategy, we will need to make a few changes to our current menu.

To ensure the success of this new Healthy School Canteen menu, we would like to get parents on board and involved in the planning. A note was sent home to all students this week inviting any parent or carer who would like to be involved to complete the slip on the bottom of the note and return it to the school office by 31st October.

Once you have returned the slip, we will make contact with you to organise a meeting with everyone involved.

If you don't want to be involved in the meetings but have a comment or suggestion to make, please either write it on the slip and return it to the school office or email the P&C on epsandc@yahoo.com

Meteorologist Mr Taggart visits EPS

Stage one students were very lucky to have a visit from Mr Taggart who is a meteorologist. Thank you for coming to our school Mr Taggart and sharing many fascinating facts with our students.

On Wednesday morning Mr Taggart visited our school. Mr Taggart is a meteorologist. He taught us about the weather and storms. He visited grade 1 then grade 2. We learned about how thunderstorms are made the biggest hailstone in the world was as big as a volleyball. By Ronia & Noah 2LT



Dear Grandparents and Special Friends,

You are invited to

Engadine PS Grandparents' Day.

Date: Thursday 25th October, 2018

Time: 9:15am - 11:45am

There will be lots of fun at our book parade and concert in the lower playground and exciting books on sale at our annual Book Fair in the library.

Morning tea will be available.

We hope to see you on this special day!



From the staff and students at Engadine PS



Share Our Space

Your school is a vital part of our community, and we want you to use it. During these upcoming holidays participating schools across NSW will be opening up their play areas for your enjoyment.

For more details visit schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au

Tell us what you think about the Share Our Space program by visiting: goo.gl/iBv3x2

This pilot is an initiative of the NSW Government.



ARE YOU Scared OF Speaking IN Public?



Develop better speaking and presentation skills.

Learn to think quickly and clearly on your feet.

Build your leadership style
Visit Engadine District Toastmasters Club

Free Demonstration Meetings

**Monday 15th October, and
Monday 5th November
at Engadine Bowling Club
7.30pm.**

Contact Club President Greg Tall if you would like to attend either meeting.
0417 247 671
or email gregorytall@gmail.com



Engadine - Heathcote



Get tagged - you'll love it!

SPECIAL OFFER

We are after "Girls"

7-10 yrs teams to join in the fun & play OZTAG this summer season!

Free Introductory Oztag clinic (in school holidays - valued at \$15 per player) for all new players joining through this offer

Pls contact 9501 1989 or

0412 336 791

SHARKS BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CAMP



9th to 12th October 2018

9am - 2pm Age 6 to 15 years

T-Shirt & Ball for all Camp Participants



Download enrolment form from our website www.sutherland.basketball.net.au

Enrolments close 28th September 2018 unless maximum numbers are reached prior to closing date

Waratah Park Rawson Ave Sutherland

Phone: (02) 9542-1999

Email: admin@sutherlandbasketball.net.au

Website: www.sutherland.basketball.net.au

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!!!



Tuning in to Teens

Tuning in to Teens is a six-session parenting program for parents of adolescents aged 11 years and over.

Would you like to learn how to:

- Be better at talking with your teen?
- Be better at understanding your teen?
- Help your teen learn to manage their emotions?
- Help to prevent behaviour problems in your teen?
- Teach your teen to deal with conflict?



Adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:

- Are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- Have greater success with making friends and are more able to manage conflict with peers
- Are more able to cope when upset or angry
- Have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- Have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults
- Have greater career success
- Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Thursdays, 6:00 - 8:30pm: 18 Oct | 25 Oct | 1 Nov
8 Nov | 15 Nov | 22 Nov 2018

Cost: \$150 per person

Venue: Interrelate, 383 Port Hacking Rd, Caringbah

Bookings essential — phone 8522 4408 (registration and payment required to secure place in group)



Relating as Stepfamilies

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

16 October | 23 October | 30 October

Cost: \$75 per couple

Venue: Interrelate Caringbah

Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd South, Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408



Improving their school performance could be as simple as **A, B, SEE**

Impaired vision can affect your child's success at school – but they may not even realise there's a problem. That's why regular eye examinations are important for kids.



Doug Grimson
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 101 Caldarra Ave, Engadine
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Cambrai Early Learning Centre

We are taking enrolments!



Cambrai Early Learning Centre is now taking enrolments for 2019! We also have limited spaces for 2018. We have an open door policy and invite you in to see our service, learn more about our philosophy and curriculum and meet our Educators at any time! Please drop in or contact us to have a tour of the service and join our waiting list.

We are a new purpose built long daycare located across from the back gates of Engadine Public School and cater for children aged 6 weeks to 6 years.

We are dedicated to providing high quality care in collaboration with families and the community. We view each child as an individual and value, respect and recognise their uniqueness. We aim to cater to each child based on their individual needs and interests.

We implement an emergent play-based curriculum to support children's learning and development and offer a transition to school program in consultation with local schools.

We believe it is important to support a child's sense of agency by providing open-ended experiences, encouraging children to extend on their own ideas and views and to be involved in decisions which affect them.

We view children as competent and capable learners and therefore aim to provide children with opportunities to be independent and make their own choices.

Email: Cambraielc@gmail.com

Website: cambraielc.com

Phone: 8521 6819

Enrol Now
 Long Day Care and Kindergarten for children aged 6 weeks - 6 years old



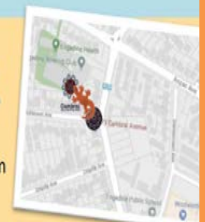
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Monday - Friday 7:00am - 6:00pm
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Present this flyer and RECEIVE \$200 OFF your child's enrolment*



Opening Soon

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 73 Cambrai Avenue, Engadine
 Phone: (02) 8521 6819
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*Conditions apply



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