



Waratah Whispers

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Issue 54 Term 2 – Week 3

Friday 17th May 2019

Important Dates

Week 3

Friday 17th May: Walk Safely to School Day
Assembly K-2

Week 4

Wednesday 22nd May: Kindy 2020 Morning Tea
and Tour 10-11.00am
Thursday 23rd May: Dress As A Pirate Day
Hot Dog Day
Friday 24th May: Zone Cross Country
Assembly 3-6

Week 5

Monday 27th May: Musica Viva Performance
Wednesday 29th May: Athletics Carnival
Friday 31st May: Whole School Assembly

Week 6

Friday 7th June: Assembly 3-6

Week 7

Monday 10th June: Public Holiday
Tuesday 11th June: Whole School Photo
Friday 14th June: Assembly K-2

Week 8

Friday 21st June: Assembly 3-6

Dear parents/carers,

Some very quick reminders and acknowledgements from me this week.

Thank you to our families and students who supported Walk Safely To School Day today, and also to Woolworths Engadine for donating fruit for all of our students.



Thank you to our amazing P & C who have been busy organising the BBQ and Cake Stall for Election Day tomorrow. We are expecting a large number of voters to our school, any donations or time you can spare would be appreciated.

A reminder that Highland Haven is open for parents and families to wait and meet their children each afternoon. Our school gates are locked until 3.10pm but Highland Haven is open with plenty of space and seats for parents to meet and chat while waiting for the school bell. I encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful space.

We are having our Morning Tea and Tour for Kindergarten 2020 next Wednesday morning. Please spread the word about our wonderful school to any families in the area who have children ready for big school.

Thank you to all of our students and families who have been bringing in their Earn and Learn stickers. We are well on the way to getting some wonderful resources for our school.

Have a wonderful weekend.
Keep smiling! ☺
Sara Swift, Principal

Statements of Account

Some families would have received a Statement Of Account today. Please note some fees that are listed on your account are not due at this time. Stage 3 Camp and the second instalment of dance fees are not due to be paid until Term 3. If you have made a payment online or to the office in the last 24 hours, these fees may still be showing on your account as it takes time for it to be processed through our system.

Pirate Dress-Up Day – Thursday 23rd May

“Ahoy there me hearties!”

On Thursday 23rd May the SRC will be holding a 'Dress up like a pirate day'. Students from Kindy to Year 6 are encouraged to dress (and talk) like a pirate for the day for a gold coin donation. The funds raised from this event will go towards research and a cure for Childhood Cancer. “Argh!”



Year 6 Fundraising

2nd-Hand Uniform Sale

Year 6 will be holding their 2nd-Hand uniform sale in Week 4. Items will be \$5 each and on sale in 5-6D classroom on the following dates:

Monday 20th May: 3.15pm-3.45pm
 Tuesday 21st May: 8.45am-9.15am
 Wednesday 22nd May: 8.45am-9.15am
 Thursday 23rd May: 3.15pm-3.45pm

If you would like to donate uniforms towards the sale, please send them in to the Year 6 classrooms.

School Photos

Photos have been distributed to all students. If you are missing any photos or haven't received your order please call Don Wood Photography on 9542 5370. The school leaders, house captains, and SRC group photos are on display in the front office. You can order these along with additional copies of class or individual photos by following the steps below:

1. Go to www.donwoodphotography.com.au
2. Click on ORDER SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS AND PORTRAIT DOWNLOADS
3. At the bottom right of your screen enter our school code 184517 the select SUBMIT
4. ENGADINE PUBLIC SCHOOL home page is displayed
5. Scroll along the top headings
6. Click on Group Photos
7. On the left hand side, the headings of each photograph are there to click on, view, and purchase

Free postage will apply for 4 weeks from 10th May, however extra group photos will be delivered directly to school. After 4 weeks parents can still order photographs but a postage fee of \$8 will be charged and photographs sent directly to the home address. We will be having our whole school group photograph taken by Don Wood Photography on 11th June. This

photo will be framed and on display in our school office.

Zone Athletics Carnival

All students who will represent our school at the Zone Cross Country carnival on Friday 24th May MUST return their permission note and money to school by Monday 20th May. If your child has qualified for zone but is not able to participate for any reason, please let Mrs Danne know so a reserve runner can take their place. This year there will be Engadine Zone PSSA jumpers on sale at the carnival to purchase. More details are below.

Engadine PSSA Zone Cross Country Hoodies.

Cost: \$50.00

Sizes: 8-large

ON SALE AT THE ZONE CARNIVAL ON FRIDAY 24TH MAY

A great embroidered memento of your child's achievement!



Public Speaking

We will be holding our Public Speaking Competition on Tuesday 30th July and Thursday 1st August (week 2 Term 3). Public Speaking is part of the English curriculum and compulsory for all students. To assist students and families with preparing an appropriate speech, please refer to the 2019 Public Speaking Guidelines that were sent home and emailed to families. These guidelines will also be available on our school website.



Woolworths Earn & Learn 2019

This year Engadine Public School is once again participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.



Thank you to all families who have been collecting their stickers and returning them to school. Additional sticker sheets are available from the front office.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn or speak to Mrs Lancaster or Mr Kirkwood. Happy shopping!

Athletics Carnival

Notes have been sent home about our upcoming Athletics Carnival. Please return you're the permission slip with payment to school as soon as possible. Please indicate on this note if you will be able to assist on the day and if your child will be returning to school after the carnival, so we can organise the number of buses required. All students from Kindergarten to year 6 will be expected to attend the carnival.

Kindergarten 2020

We are holding are morning tea and tour for Kindergarten 2020 next Wednesday 22nd May. Please spread the word to anyone you know who has a child starting school next year. Details of all transition dates can be found on the flyer printed in the newsletter.

Engadine Zone Touch Team



Congratulations to Chelsea F from year 6 who has made it into the Engadine Zone Girls Touch Football side. This team will be playing in the upcoming Sydney East Regional competition. Well done Chelsea!

ENGADINE PUBLIC SCHOOL



Kindergarten Transition 2020

Morning Tea and Tour

Wednesday 22 May 2019

10.00am—11.00am in the Library

Parent and Carer Information Session

Wednesday 26 June 2019

5.00pm—6.00pm in the Library

Kindergarten Transition Sessions

10.00am-11.00am—Wednesday 16 October 2019

10.00am-11.00am—Wednesday 30 October 2019

10.00am-11.00am—Wednesday 13 November 2019



During the Kindergarten Transition sessions, parents and carers are invited to our information presentations on a variety of topics. The information sessions are designed to assist parents with transition to Kindergarten



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CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Engadine Public School is held on Wednesdays from 8:25am to 9:10am, starting on 1 May 2019.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

Therapists At School

There are four key steps for parents who seek to have services delivered in school:


1. Ask the principal in writing
2. Discuss the details with the principal or class teacher.
3. Principal considers your request.
4. If agreed, the service provider needs to enter into an agreement with the school and meet important legal requirements.

The principal has discretion to decide whether or not an external service provider can enter the school and how arrangements will be managed. Decisions are made on a case-by-case basis considering the individual circumstances of the student. Any decision takes into account the educational needs and priorities of the student including access to the curriculum, the impact of the student’s learning programs, the school’s operational context and duty of care obligations towards all staff and students. NDIS guidelines state that: “NDIS-funded therapy services should generally not be delivered at school... Nor should children or young people be taken out of school to receive these supports.” However, there may be occasions where the delivery of an NDIS-funded service at the school may be appropriate. If you are unsure, please contact the principal to discuss the nature of the therapy or service you are considering.

Seven Steps to Writing Success

Mrs R has been busy working with our students in the Seven Steps to Writing Success program. The focus this week has been on ‘Tightening Tension’. Some examples of this technique by our students will be in our next newsletter.





Step 3:
Tightening Tension

Seven Steps Writing Tips


The tension scene comes just before the big climax at the end. In movies this is the scene of the soccer final, the exciting car chase or the heroine fighting for her life in a raging river. Great tension scenes should be strong and long.

We all know the tension scene in *Little Red Riding Hood*. Little Red Riding Hood arrives at the cottage and the wolf is in bed in Granny’s clothes. Little Red Riding Hood (who obviously needs glasses!) says:

‘Oh, Grandmother, what big ears you have!’
‘All the better to hear you with.’
‘Oh, Grandmother, what big eyes you have!’
‘All the better to see you with.’
‘Oh, Grandmother, what big hands you have!’
‘All the better to hold you with.’
‘Oh, Grandmother, what big teeth you have!’
‘All the better to eat you with!’

See how the scene slowly builds up to be more and more dangerous – and thus frightening? We don’t start with the teeth, we start with the ears and the wolf trying to coax Little Red Riding Hood to come nearer and nearer.

TOP TIP:
Emotion always takes time to build up, so in tension scenes remember to start small and ‘escalate’ to a powerful climax.



ACTION ACTIVITY:
Read picture books with your children and look for tension scenes. Picture books are short, so it’s easy to find where the all-important tension builds before the ending. Here are some suggestions to get you started: *The Gruffalo*, *Wombat Stew*, *The Three Little Pigs*, *Hansel and Gretel*.

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Fit Futures

Our students have been enjoying their Fit Future sessions at school every Wednesday. This program will continue for the rest of term 2.



P & C News**Family Fete Fun Day 2019 24th August - Save the Date!**

Our Family Fete Fun Day is not far away and we need your help. This year, each year group has been given 2 stalls to organise for the day.

Kindy are to organise the Book Stall and Gate Duty

Year 1 are to organise the BBQ and Cake Stall

Year 2 are to organise the Devonshire Tea, Coffee and Ice cream stall

Year 3 are to organise the Trash & Treasure Stall and Face Painting

Year 4 are to organise the Mystery Flag stall and Pick a Cup stall

Year 5 are to organise Parasole Painting and Bottle Toss game

Year 6 will be running their own stall

The Fete committee suggest that each year group form a small committee to coordinate the above stalls. Please organise and talk about this among yourselves.

The Fete committee will assist those year committees in their planning and give any guidance necessary.

Once you have formed your committee, please contact Amanda Yock (amandayock@gmail.com) to advise her of who the contact person is and she will give you further information regarding the stalls allocated. We are also looking for people to work together on PR and Marketing for the fete as well as someone to coordinate the entertainment for the day and for someone to book the rides. This is our major fundraiser for the year and we need everyone to come together to help make this a success.

Federal Election BBQ & Cake Stall

It's Election time again and we are organising a BBQ and Cake Stall on Saturday 18th May for the Federal Election to further raise funds for the school.

Any help on the day to cook and serve on the BBQ and serve at the Cake Stall would be greatly appreciated. Additionally, we are asking for donations of cakes, cupcakes, slices, cookies and muffins to sell on the day. **Also, any child that comes to help out with their parents will be awarded a Community Key.**

All food coming to the cake stall must have all ingredients listed and can we ask that cakes and slices be wrapped as a whole and cookies packed in small snap lock bags with 3 or 4 cookies in each bag. Cupcakes and muffins will be sold individually. The food can be left at the school in the office on Friday 17th May or delivered directly to the stall on Saturday morning.

Any assistance will be greatly appreciated. Please see the office or email any questions to Amanda on amandayock@gmail.com

**Uniform Shop**

The uniform shop will be open on Monday 27th May from 8.30am. Please mark this date in your diary if you would like your child to come in and try anything on. Uniforms are also available by completing an order form and handing it in to the front office.



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Bexley Public School	Monday	4.00 - 6.00pm	starts April 29, 2019
Kensington Park Community Centre	Wednesday	4.30 - 6.30pm	starts May 1, 2019
Anzac Oval Youth and Recreation Centre	Thursday	4.00 - 6.00pm	starts May 2, 2019
Brighton-Le-Sands Public School	Saturday	10.00 - 12.00pm	starts May 4, 2019

Understanding Change, Loss and Grief Seminar



Seasons for Growth is an innovative education program which explore the effects of change, loss and grief. Grief is the human response to change and loss in our lives. It is not only just related to death but also parental separation and other major change. It is a natural and normal response, which has a physical impact on our bodies, emotions and thinking.

In this session a trained 'Companion' facilitates the seminar so participants can explore feelings, memories, loss and grief in safe and creative ways.

Date: **30th May 2019** Time: **6:30pm – 9:30pm**

Location: **Engadine Uniting Church,**
 **Cnr Chipilly Avenue & Cambrai Avenue,**
(entry via Chipilly Ave)

Presented by: **Louise Hall**

This is an education session for adults Bookings are essential.

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Sometimes our past can impact on our present, which will prevent change for future and I hope to provide both practical and emotional tools in supporting adults and children to grow in the change they are looking for.

If nothing ever changed, there would be no butterflies.



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