



Waratah Whispers

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Issue 56 Term 2 – Week 5

Friday 31st May 2019

Important Dates

Week 5

Friday 31st May: Whole School Assembly

Week 6

Monday 3rd June: P & C Fete Meeting 7pm
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

Monday 17th June: Winter School uniform
Thursday 20th June: Choir rehearsal
Friday 21st June: Assembly 3-6

Week 9

Wednesday 26th June: Parent Information Session
Friday 28th June: Assembly K-2

Week 10

Friday 5th July: Last Day of term
Whole School Assembly

Week 1 Term 3

Monday 22nd July: Staff Return to school
Tuesday 23rd July: Students Return to school
Friday 26th July: Assembly K-2

Dear parents/carers,
I am pleased to announce some staffing changes at EPS effective Term 3. Due to a recent recruitment to fill a vacant teacher position, we welcome Mrs Goulder who will be joining us from Otford Public School. Mrs Goulder will be taking over 3-4W for the remainder of the year. Next term Mr Wooley will move across to lead 3-6C, unfortunately this means we will be saying farewell to Mrs Barrett who has filled in since the departure of Mrs Chandler last term. I have made these changes considering the best

interests of our students. Mr Wooley has a great capacity to cater for the individual needs of students and he works collaboratively with parents to develop meaningful and relevant learning goals. His experience in special education makes him the perfect choice to add stability and consistency to 3-6C.

It was a very chilly day for our Athletics Carnival on Wednesday but students kept warm with the many sporting events organised throughout the day. A big thank you to Mrs Danne, Mrs Corben, and Miss Millar for taking on the task of co-ordinating and organising the carnival for our students. Also thank you to the students from Endeavour Sports High School who helped out with the field events. Many thanks to our wonderful P & C and parent volunteers who assisted on the field, cooking the barbeque, and in the canteen. All of your efforts helped make the carnival a great success.

Students were entertained on Monday with a visit from Timmy and the Breakfast Band. The Musica Viva live performance was enjoyed by our students as part of their music curriculum. Thank you Mr Crawford for organising this wonderful show to visit us at EPS.

A reminder to all of our families that the school playground is not supervised until 8.45am. No students should be on the school grounds, unless they are attending OOSH, before this time. We would appreciate your assistance in this matter.

As we welcome winter this weekend, please remember that all students are to wear full winter uniform to school from Monday 17th June. Please remember to label all jumpers and jackets.

Until next week, have a great weekend and keep smiling. ☺

Sara Swift, Principal

School Photos

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.

This is also an opportunity for students who were absent on our school photo day to have their photo taken. Please remember this date – this will be the last opportunity for Don Wood Photography to visit our school.

Kindergarten 2020

If you know of any families in the area who have a child ready for big school, please encourage them to contact us. We will be holding a Parent Information afternoon on Wednesday 26th June. Transition dates can be found on the advertisement below.

Scholastic Book Club

LAST DAY TO ORDER!

THANK YOU to all of the students and families who have placed orders online (www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) over the past year. This is the preferred way to order as it ensures payments are secure, orders are accurate and deliveries are timely. It also makes you eligible for a variety of Scholastic-sponsored bonus gifts along the way. Reminder that all purchases earn our school a 20% credit toward the purchase of literacy resources. This is a great opportunity to buy birthday party gifts, holiday gifts and ‘just because’ gifts, while supporting your classroom at the same time.



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 office.



PSSA NEWS JUST IN!!!

Our Senior B girls netball side came from behind and had their first win this morning. Our girls were very excited when the final whistle blew and they heard they had beaten Engadine West by 1 goal!!!



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

Sydney East Touch Team

Congratulations Chelsea F who has made it to the Senior Girls Regional Touch Football team. The Sydney East team will compete at the State Championships in Mudgee in August.



Environmental Team News

Onions, cabbages, herbs, marigolds and edible pansies. These were some of the things that the Environmental Team planted during Tuesday lunchtime. Thank you to Mark from Bunnings for his assistance and donations. Thank you also to our wonderful parent helpers Jacqueline, Penny and Chrystal. Please check out our gardens and listen for our next pop-up vegetable stall coming soon.



Stage 3 Canberra Camp

A medication information and permission note will be coming home with all stage 3 students who are attending the Canberra trip later in the year. Parents are asked to complete and sign this form and return it to their class teacher. Final payment is due by 31st October, this can be paid in a lump sum or through instalments. Please contact the office if you have any queries.

Winter School Uniform

Families please note that winter uniform is compulsory for all students from **Monday 17th June (week 8)**. Please see the office or website if you require an order form. A reminder to always label your child's clothing – we have a lot of unlabelled items in lost property at the moment.

Athletics Carnival

Well done to all participants at the Athletics carnival held at Sutherland on Wednesday. Despite it being chilly, the sun was shining and all students participated with gusto and great sportsmanship. Thanks to the many, many parents who attended and the hard working teachers who made the day run to absolute precision. We would also like to thank the Year 11 Endeavour High School Students who assisted on the day. Finally, a huge thankyou to the P & C for a fantastic canteen. Many parents worked tirelessly on the barbeque and in the canteen raising money for our school. The zone carnival will be held Wednesday 21st August at Sylvania Athletics Track.



Seven Steps to Writing Success




This week, the students across the school looked at 'Planning for Success' as part of the Seven Steps to Writing program.

K-2 helped Paddington Bear to plan a trip to the deepest, darkest jungle in Peru to find Aunt Lucy who had gone missing from the home for old bears. Children enjoyed meeting Paddington's pet crickets - he wrote students a note asking them to look after his pets while he is away. Students came up with some very imaginative problems that Paddington encountered on his journey. These included being chased by a leopard, attacked by an eel when he fell in the river, capsizing his boat and running out of marmalade sandwiches!



Crossing Supervisor Change

Our Pedestrian Crossing Supervisor Noel will be taking leave from Tuesday for 4 weeks. We will be having Evelyn from Helensburgh to cover his leave however she is not available on Tuesdays – this means the crossing will be unattended on these days. Please keep this in mind if your child uses this crossing.



Step 1:
Plan for Success

Seven Steps Writing Tips

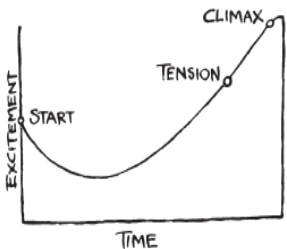
Planning is a crucial first step when writing. The difficult part is getting children to do it!

It's hard to show people how to plan, so here's a quick method. Good stories (like movies, books, poems and even jokes) are all planned and they all have a similar structure. This is what it looks like:


1. **Start with a bang** – start with an action scene or at a moment of change.
2. **Backfill** – the Who, What, Why is filled in while the story unfolds.
3. **Complication set-up** – the main problem or premise is introduced.
4. **Pebble** – the tension starts to build.
5. **Brick** – the tension increases.
6. **Boulder** – the final tension scene has the reader on the edge of their seat; the stakes are very high.
7. **Climax** – the character triumphs against all odds.
8. **Character resolution** – the character's inner story is wrapped up.

Once writers master this basic structure, they can plan more effectively and this will really improve their writing.

TOP TIP:
Think first, write second.
Draw a graph like this one and plot your stories out before you start writing.



ACTION ACTIVITY:
Watch TV advertisements, the ones that 'tell a story'. In 30 seconds, some advertisements include a sizzling start, a tension scene and an exciting ending, exactly like the Story Graph.



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P & C News

Family Fete Fun Day 24th August 2019

OUR NEXT FETE MEETING IS ON MONDAY 3RD JUNE AT 7.00pm ALL ARE WELCOME!

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 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.

Athletics Carnival Thank You

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who assisted at the barbeque, canteen and coffee stall on Wednesday.

Without the support of our wonderful parents and school community we would not be able to run these services – all your help is appreciated.

Uniform Shop

Winter school uniform is compulsory for all students from Week 8 – Monday 17th June.

Order forms are available on the school website or from the front office.



Engadine Public School Biennial Family Fete Fun Day

24th August 2019

With only 3 months to our fete, I'm please to announce we now have 2 gold sponsors!

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