Dear Parents

Welcome back everyone to what will be a very busy Term 4. I hope that all the families from Engadine West had a safe and enjoyable holiday. The last term of the year is always one of the most hectic times so keep checking the school newsletter and website for upcoming events and initiatives.

The school is currently finalising student enrolments for 2015 which greatly impacts on staffing. If you have a child starting Kindergarten next year and you haven’t yet enrolled them, please do so immediately. If you have a child already enrolled but will not be returning next year (excluding Year 6 students) please notify the school now. Thank you for your co-operation.

School Canteen

Our Canteen Supervisor, Leanne Best, has requested that due to the canteen volunteers being heavily committed to Family Fun Day preparation, there will be no canteen lunch orders this Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9 October. However, the canteen will still be open for students to purchase drinks etc. at recess and lunch on these days. Normal canteen operation will resume on Friday 10 October. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Family Fun Day - This Sunday 12 October

Our long awaited Family Fun Day will be held this Sunday 12 October commencing at 9.00am. Thank you Tracy Farquhar and Martin Field for co-ordinating the event and all the parents and families will be working hard and supporting the day. All money raised by the Family Fun Day will be used to deliver better educational opportunities for our students. Please come along on Sunday and make the day a great success.

Lend Lease

As Principal of Engadine West Public School, I would like to publicly thank Lend Lease and Dulux for their support of our school. In the last week of Term 3, over 30 volunteers lead by one of our parents, Stephen Robinson, painted four of our Stage 3 classrooms. This was an outstanding effort and thanks to the many parents and company personnel, we now have four excellent learning environments for our students and teachers. Thank you all very much!

P & C Meeting

The next P & C Meeting will be held in Week 3 of this term (Monday 20 October). The meeting will commence at 7.30pm in the staffroom. All parents are welcome to attend.
Wakakirri

On Thursday 18 September our talented students competed in the Wakakirri Grand Finals at Homebush. Engadine West were given the following awards:

1. Best Dramatic Performance
2. Highly Commended Award (Third Place)
3. Best Public Speaking Award

Two Private Schools were awarded equal First Place. This means we were not only the best placed school in the Shire, but also the best Public School in the competition in the State. This is an amazing result and reflects the hard work by our talented students, teaching staff and parents who all worked together to produce such an impressive performance. Thanks also to Amy from Groove Nation who assisted the teachers to choreograph the dancing. Well done!

Have a great week!

Garry Royston
Principal

Deputy Principals’ Report

We are currently finalising enrolments for 2015 Kindergarten students. Please visit the school office as soon as possible for an enrolment form if you have a child starting school next year. Below are some important dates for prospective Kindergarten students and parents:

Parent only Orientation Morning 10.00am Tuesday 21 October
Student Transition Days 10.00am–11.00am Tuesday 28 October
10.00am–11.00am Thursday 30 October
2.15pm–3.15pm Monday 3 November
2.15pm–3.15pm Wednesday 5 November

Acceptance letters and information for 2015 Kindergarten students was sent to families prior to the school holidays.

How much water does your child really need?

Staying hydrated is even more important during the warmer months. Every part of your body needs water to work properly and dehydration can lead to painful kidney stones. Many people don't feel thirsty until they are already dehydrated, so packing a drink bottle with your child's school lunch is a good reminder for them to drink during the day. Sports drinks and juices are popular with kids, but they often contain a lot of sugar. To find out the recommended daily intake of water for your child's age at http://bit.ly/ZjwUjo

Ross Edwards & Nicole Gilmore
Deputy Principal & Relieving Deputy Principal

1 week to go!

2233 Realty Family Fun Day
This Sunday 12 October 2014
Book Fair 2014 - Week 2 Term 4 (14-16 October)

Once again we will be hosting a fabulous Scholastic Book Fair in the library. The book fair is a very popular and well supported event which raises money for the purchase of reading materials for the library. The fair will be previewed by the children in the library during Week 2 of Term 4. Parents and visitors are welcome to come along and purchase books at the times listed below:

- Tuesday 14 October 8.30-9.25am
- Wednesday 15 October 8.30-9.25am
- Thursday 16 October 8.30-9.25am

Thursday 16 October Book Character Dress Up Day

We hope to see you at our fair!

Book Covering

We are in need of parent volunteers to cover new books. If you are able to help, please call into the Library.

Margaret Evans & Janet Evans
Teacher Librarians

SRC Crash Night Fundraiser

There are a couple of spots still available for Crash Night, the big sleepover in the school hall on Friday 24 October. Students are dropped back at school at 6:30pm in their pyjamas, they are given dinner, entertainment, breakfast, 13.5 hours babysitting and a fun night with their friends all for $30!

Please click on the link below to print off your Expression of Interest note and return to Mrs Weppler this week.

Permission notes for eligible students will be handed out by the end of this week.

Karen Weppler
Crash Night Organiser

Shining Star

Congratulations to Jessica H in 4WP for making the finalist list in the Sydney Youth Writing Competition. There were thousands of entries and Jess was in the top 30 students for her category. Well done Jess!

Library News

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Summer School Uniform

As the warm weather is now upon us, it is time to send your child/children to school in their full summer uniform. Please see summer uniform requirements listed below. The Uniform Shop will be open next Wednesday 15 October.

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The green school hat plays an important part in providing sun protection when the children go outside to play and do sport. All children are expected to wear their school hat everyday throughout the year. The school has a no hat-no play policy.
PSSA - Friday 10 October

Engadine West Green V Tharawal at Anzac Oval
Engadine West Gold V Heathcote East at Heathcote Oval

Buses depart EWPS at 9.00am

Go to engadine.sessazones.com/ to view draws
Cost: $6.00 per week

NRMA Science & Road Safety Day - Tuesday 14 October

Our school will be hosting an NRMA Science & Road Safety Day, a new road safety program that will be delivered free of charge to our school by the National Roads and Motorists’ Association with the aim of helping our students stay safe on the road.

This program involves students participating in road safety shows in the hall and completing road safety workshops in the classroom to help make the road safety messages stick.

The show combines important road safety messages with science. Messages such as “wear their seatbelt” have a greater impact when children have a stronger understanding of the forces they experience when travelling in a car and what could happen to them should the car stop suddenly in a crash.

Parents play a vital role in keeping their children safe, and so we would like to invite you to come and watch the first show of the day to see what your children are learning and how you can reinforce these road safety messages at home.

After the day, your child will be bringing home the NRMA road safety workbook they have completed in class so take the opportunity to speak to them about what they have learned and what they can do to help keep their friends and family safe. Within each workbook is a 4-page parent insert on child road and bike safety for you as a handy reference guide at home.

The program is now in its second season and 40,000 students have already enjoyed the program while learning more about road safety. We are one of 100 schools across NSW and ACT to be chosen to host a day in season two and with your help we aim to make it a great success.

Vince Murphy
Assistant Principal

MAKE SURE ALL SEATBELTS ARE ON BEFORE MOVING.
**What's Happening at EWPS?**

### Week 1

| Monday 6 October | • Public Holiday |
| Tuesday 7 October | • First Day of Term 4 for Students and Staff  
                   • Canteen Closed  
                   • Student Banking |
| Wednesday 8 October | • No Lunch Orders - CANTEEN |
| Thursday 9 October | • No Lunch Orders - CANTEEN |
| Friday 10 October | • PSSA  
                   • Friday Swimming Commences |
| Sunday 12 October | • Family Fun Day from 9.00am |

**Don't forget to check the school's website calendar for upcoming events!**

### Week 2

| Monday 13 October | • Public Speaking District Final |
| Tuesday 14 October | • Canteen Closed  
                   • Student Banking  
                   • Book Fair in Library  
                   • NRMA Science & Road Safety Day |
| Wednesday 15 October | • Book Fair in Library  
                      • Uniform Shop Open  
                      • Interrelate |
| Thursday 16 October | • Book Fair in Library  
                      • Book Character Dress Up Day  
                      • Play Day Performances in Hall 11.45am and 2.15pm |
| Friday 17 October | • PSSA  
                   • Friday Swimming Program  
                   • K-2 Assembly 12.00pm  
                   • 3-6 Assembly 2.30pm |

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**Term 4 2014**

- Monday 6 October  
  Public Holiday
- Tuesday 7 October  
  First Day of Term 4 for Students and Staff
- Sunday 12 October  
  Family Fun Day
- 14-16 October  
  Book Fair in Library 8.30-9.25am
- Wednesday 15 October  
  Interrelate 6.00pm and 7.15pm
- Thursday 16 October  
  Book Character Dress Up Day  
  Play Day Performances in the Hall - 11.45am and 2.15pm
- Monday 20 October  
  Play Day Performance Day at Hurstville Entertainment Centre (3E, 3S and 4WP)  
  P & C Meeting 7.30pm in the Staffroom
- Tuesday 21 October  
  Play Day Performance Day at Hurstville Entertainment Centre (3/4D, 4C and 4G)  
  Parent only Orientation Morning (Kindergarten 2015) 10.00am in the Hall
- Friday 24 October  
  3-6 Crash Night in the Hall
- Tuesday 28 October  
  Student Transition Day (Kindergarten 2015) 10.00-11.00am Meet in the Hall
- Thursday 30 October  
  Student Transition Day (Kindergarten 2015) 10.00-11.00am Meet in the Hall
- Monday 3 November  
  Student Transition Day (Kindergarten 2015) 2.15-3.15pm Meet in the Hall
- Wednesday 5 November  
  Student Transition Day (Kindergarten 2015) 2.15-3.15pm Meet in the Hall
- Monday 1 December  
  P & C Meeting 7.30pm in the Staffroom
- 2 and 4 December  
  K-2 Christmas Concert in the Hall (same concert - times TBA)
- Monday 8 December  
  Kindergarten Presentation Assembly (time TBA)
- Tuesday 9 December  
  Year 1 Presentation Assembly (time TBA)
- Wednesday 10 December  
  Year 3 Presentation Assembly (time TBA)
- Thursday 11 December  
  Year 4 Presentation Assembly (time TBA)
- Friday 12 December  
  Year 2 Presentation Assembly (time TBA)
- Monday 15 December  
  Year 5 Presentation Assembly (time TBA)
- Tuesday 16 December  
  Year 6 Presentation Assembly (time TBA)
- Wednesday 17 December  
  Last Day of Term 4 for Students
- Thursday 18 December  
  School Development Day (no students)
- Friday 19 December  
  School Development Day (no students)

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**Term 1 2015**

- Tuesday 27 January  
  School Development Day (no students)
- Wednesday 28 January  
  First Day of School for Students Years 1-6
- Monday 2 February  
  First Day of School for Kindergarten Students
Family Fun Day
This Sunday 12 October 2014

The raffle will be drawn at the Family Fun Day this Sunday so please return raffle ticket books (sold/unsold) and money to school urgently. Thank you to our wonderful families who have already done so!

Ride Wristbands
Notes will be sent home today to pre-order ride wristbands. Order forms need to be returned to your child’s classroom teacher by this Thursday 9 October and wristbands to be collected on the day.

White Elephant Store Donations
The Before & After School Care Centre is accepting donations from 7.00-9.00am and 3.30-6.30pm until Wednesday 8 October.

Please donate good quality junk
Clean, intact, working, complete sets, etc. Please donate DVD's, kitchen wear, jewellery, hand bags, bric-a-brac, toys and games, small appliances, good quality pre-loved children’s clothing, candles, new stationery, collectibles. Clean, intact reusable fabric/canvas shopping bags (from Aldi, Woollies, etc.)

Please DO NOT donate dirty or broken items as this will cost money to dispose of.
Please DO NOT donate VHS/video tapes, old televisions or adult clothing.

Pool Noodle Donations
Do you have any old foam pool noodles lying around that you no longer use or maybe you’re willing to donate a new one? We are in need of these for one of our stalls, If you would like to donate, please take to either the Care Centre, at the above donation times or to Mr Field’s (5F) classroom.

Year 2 - Time to Get Baking
It’s time to get baking for our cake stall. Donations can be dropped off to school on Saturday morning between 10.00am-12.00 midday or on Sunday morning.

Year 5 - Plant Stall
Plant donations can be dropped off on Friday afternoon after school or on Saturday between 2.00-4.00pm. The Plant Stall is also in need of volunteers, please contact the Year 5 Co-ordinator to advise of availability.

Year Co-ordinators
The Year Co-ordinators for the Family Fun Day are listed below:

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<td>Year 8</td>
<td>Nicole Stephen</td>
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Contact your Year Co-ordinator to advise them of your availability leading up to and on the day, many hands make light work!

See you at the Family Fun Day!
Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop is operated by the P & C and is open every second Wednesday from 9.15am to 10.15am. The next opening time will be:

**Wednesday 15 October 2014**

As the warm weather is now upon us, please send your child/children in their full summer uniform.

Tracy Farquhar & Kathy Cunynghame
Uniform Shop Co-ordinators

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Canteen News

Please note that lunch orders **must be placed by 9.30am**.

**Find us on Facebook - EWPS Canteen**
For information on menu updates, specials, red light days etc.

**Please Note**

No Lunch Orders on Wednesday or Thursday This Week Only
The canteen will be open for recess and lunch break on Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9 October (this week) but lunch orders **WILL NOT** be available on these days. Canteen will be back to normal on Friday. Thank you for your understanding.

Family Fun Day - Sunday 12 October
The canteen is in need of volunteers to help serve during the Family Fun Day. If you are able to spare 1/2-1 hour during the day, I will place your name on the roster. Thanking you in advance for your help.

**Roster**
We are in need of volunteers on the following days:

**Wednesday 29 October and Wednesday 26 November**

If you have any questions regarding the canteen, please come in and see me, you’re always welcome!

Leanne Best
Canteen Supervisor

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This Week’s Roster

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P & C Meetings

Don’t forget our P & C Meetings are held on Monday evenings (commencing 7.30pm) in the staffroom during Weeks 3 and 9 of each term. The meeting dates for **Term 4** are **Monday 20 October** and **Monday 1 December**.

We hope to see you there!
When kids ask “the” questions...
Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 85 years’ experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

Session 1: Where did I come from?
1-hour session: years 3-6

Session 2: Preparing for puberty
1-hour session: years 5-6
Years 3-4 can attend at parent’s discretion

Date: Wednesday, 15 October 2014

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night. Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.
Kid’s Movie Night at Engadine Church of Christ
Saturday 25th October 6:30pm – 8:15pm

Bring your friends and watch a recent release DVD on a MASSIVE screen.

Ages: Kids from Kindergarten to Year 6

Cost: No entry fee but a $3 charge for a bag with snacks and drink

Place: Engadine Church of Christ, 131 Woronora Rd, Engadine

More Information: Church office 9520 0990.

Parents more than welcome to stay (no charge) or enjoy the time to yourselves.

Please note that due to licensing agreements we are not allowed to advertise the name of the movie in writing but will be more than happy to give this information over the phone or in person. Thank you for your understanding.