Dear Parents

This week is a very busy one with our long awaited K-2 Christmas Concerts being performed on Tuesday 2 December and Thursday 4 December. Due to popular demand the concert will be performed a number of times to accommodate the large audiences anticipated. Below is the official timetable:

- **Tuesday 2 December** 12.00pm for Year 2 Parents
- **Thursday 4 December** 10.00am for Kindergarten Parents
- **Thursday 4 December** 12.00pm for Year 1 Parents

We understand that some families have children in more than one grade. If this is the case, please attend the performance that is most suitable. All performances will be the same with the exception of the final song.

Well done to all the students involved, Mrs Sterling for writing the script and all the staff involved in the production of this entertaining event.

School Facebook Page

The official Engadine West Public School Facebook page was launched last week. This initiative seems to be a great success with well over 300 ‘likes’ in the first week. Please check our Facebook page and website for accurate information regarding what’s happening in the school.

New Deputy Principal

Last week Mr Jason Wilkins was appointed, through transfer, as our new Deputy Principal commencing in 2015. Mr Wilkins replaces Mr Fuller and comes with a wealth of experience. I’m sure everyone at Engadine West will make him feel welcome. As Principal I would like to publicly thank Mrs Gilmore and Mr Hogan who shared the relieving Deputy Principal’s role this year and did an outstanding job in supporting myself and the students, staff and parents of the school.

P & C Meeting

The final P & C Meeting for 2014 will be held tonight at a special starting time of 7.00pm at Engadine Tavern. The event was originally advertised to be held at the Engadine Bowling Club, but the club is not open to the public tonight. Parents are most welcome to attend. Thank you to the P & C for their strong support of the school in 2014.


**Principal’s Report Cont’d**

### Presentation Day Ceremonies

Next week sees the commencement of our Presentation Day Ceremonies which will all be held at 10.00am in the school hall. The schedule is:

- **Kindergarten**  Monday 8 December
- **Year 1**  Tuesday 9 December
- **Year 2**  Friday 12 December
- **Year 3**  Wednesday 10 December
- **Year 4**  Thursday 11 December
- **Year 5**  Monday 15 December
- **Year 6**  Tuesday 16 December

### Dates to Remember

The last day of the 2014 school year for students is Wednesday 17 December. Staff will remain at school on Thursday 18 and Friday 19 December for Professional Learning activities as part of the scheduled School Development Days.

### Special Mention

Congratulations to Jessica H (4WP) who received a highly commended award for her entry in the ‘Short Story Competition’. Her story was published in the book titled ‘Drop Wind Keep’. Well done Jessica!

### PSSA Finals

This Friday Senior Boys Cricket (Green), Junior Boys T-Ball (Green), Junior Girls T-Ball (Green) and Senior Girls Softball (Green) will compete in the PSSA Finals. Congratulations to all players on their efforts this year and good luck in your matches.

Have a great week!

**Garry Royston**
Principal

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**Deputy Principals’ Report**

### Summer Holiday Fun

Book your children into one of the fun-filled camps next school holidays. Your children will be kept busy and active while learning new skills and making new friends. You'll have peace of mind knowing your children are safe and well looked after.


### For the Love of Science

Science is a method of engaging with, and trying to understand, the world. Professor Tim Flannery says if a child is interested in pursuing science, encourage them to develop persistence and humility – the idea that they won't always be right.


### Pleasures of Free Play

Allowing free time for children to play on their own, making up games and activities, can help kids to be comfortable in their own company, teach them how to cope with boredom and, importantly, foster their imagination.


**Ross Edwards & Nicole Gilmore**
Deputy Principal & Relieving Deputy Principal
### Parent Digital Citizenship Expectations Matrix

**Be Safe**

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<td>• Respect the privacy concerns of other parents - think about the photos you post publicly.</td>
<td>• Lead by example for length of computer/screen time.</td>
<td>• Be part of your child’s online life i.e. be online friends.</td>
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<td>• Maintain awareness of your environment when using devices on school grounds.</td>
<td>• Allow time to familiarise yourself with what your kids are into.</td>
<td>• Talk to your child about cyber safety</td>
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<td>• Take opportunities to learn by being involved in classroom ICT lessons.</td>
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### Shining Stars

Congratulations to Rome L-S, Ava L-S and Liam C who competed at the Ishinryu Karate Tournament on Saturday. Rome won gold in Gladiator and Kumite, Liam won bronze in Kata and Ava received a participation award for her division. Well done!

Congratulations to Jonothon W and Jayden G who played at The Warriors Shield Baseball Classic, a 2-day competition at Penrith over the weekend. Their Cronulla South Team finished the competition as Tournament Champions for the Little League Minors (Zooka) Category. Well done!

### Dates for Your Diary

- **Monday 1 December**  P & C Meeting 7.00pm at Engadine Tavern
- **Tuesday 2 December**  K-2 Christmas Concert in Hall at 12.00pm for Year 2 Parents
- **Thursday 4 December**  K-2 Christmas Concert in Hall at 10.00am for Kindergarten Parents
- **Monday 8 December**  Kindergarten Presentation Assembly at 10.00am
- **Tuesday 9 December**  Year 1 Presentation Assembly at 10.00am
- **Wednesday 10 December**  Year 3 Presentation Assembly at 10.00am
- **Thursday 11 December**  Year 4 Presentation Assembly at 10.00am
- **Friday 12 December**  Year 2 Presentation Assembly at 10.00am
- **Monday 15 December**  Year 5 Presentation Assembly at 10.00am
- **Tuesday 16 December**  Year 6 Farewell at the St Moritz Room, Engadine Hotel at 6.30pm
- **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)

**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

### Early Bird Reading

The last day for Early Bird Reading is Tuesday 2 December. Many thanks to all the children in Years 4, 5 and 6 who have given up their time to act as tutors throughout the year.

*Jenny Scott*

*Learning and Support Teacher*
What's Happening at EWPS?

**Week 9**

| Monday 1 December | • Band Auditions  
|                  | • P & C Meeting at Engadine Tavern - 7.00pm |
| Tuesday 2 December | • Canteen Closed  
|                  | • Student Banking (LAST DAY)  
|                  | • Last Day for Early Bird Reading  
|                  | • K-2 Christmas Concert 10.00am and 12.00pm in Hall |
| Wednesday 3 December | • Uniform Shop Open 9.15am (LAST DAY)  
|                  | • Yr 6 High School Orientation Day |
| Thursday 4 December | • K-2 Christmas Concert 10.00am and 12.00pm in Hall |
| Friday 5 December | • PSSA Finals (LAST DAY)  
|                  | • Friday Swimming (LAST DAY) |

**Week 10**

| Monday 8 December | • Kindergarten Presentation Assembly 10.00am |
| Tuesday 9 December | • Canteen Closed  
|                  | • Year 1 Presentation Assembly 10.00am |
| Wednesday 10 December | • Year 3 Presentation Assembly 10.00am |
| Thursday 11 December | • Year 4 Presentation Assembly 10.00am |
| Friday 12 December | • Year 2 Presentation Assembly 10.00am  
|                  | • Last Day for Canteen Lunch Orders |

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

**Excursions and Payments**

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| Band Members | Term 4 Band Fees                                |                              | $105.00 per term  
|            |                                                    |                              | $420.00 per year       |

Please finalise all payments for 2014 as soon as possible

**PSSA Finals - Friday 5 December**

Good luck to our teams competing in the Finals! All finals will be played at The Ridge

Buses depart EWPS at 9.00am

Go to engadine.sessazones.com/ to view draws
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 times will be:

**Last opening for 2014:**  Wednesday 3 December

Please note the last day the Uniform Shop will be open this year will be this **Wednesday 3 December.** Uniform orders will not be accepted after this date.

Please be reminded that Year 2 students going into Year 3 next year require a gold polo shirt for Friday sport ($20).

*Tracy Farquhar & Kathy Cunynghame*
*Uniform Shop Co-ordinators*

Canteen News

LAST DAY FOR LUNCH ORDERS - FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER
The canteen will be open on Monday 15 and Wednesday 17 December for recess and lunch break only, no lunch orders thank you.

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

Lunch Order Specials
- Banana Smoothie $3.00
- Chicken Ceasar Wrap $4.50
- Large Fruit Salad $4.00
- Medium Fruit Salad $3.00
  (Yoghurt Extra 50c)

Special
- Mini Mate Ice Creams $4.00 ea

**PLEASE NOTE:** Banana milk has been discontinued.

Volunteers for 2015

We are in urgent need of volunteers for next year to enable the canteen to operate four days a week. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me on 0408 697 660 for more information.

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

*Leanne Best*
*Canteen Supervisor*

This Week’s Roster

**Tuesday - 2 December**
CANTEEN CLOSED

**Wednesday - 3 December**

**Thursday - 4 December**
N Leishman, T Huntly

**Friday - 5 December**
N Brydon, B Keegan, K Smith

**Monday - 8 December**
J Morando, K Bacot

Student Banking News

Please note the last day for student banking will be this **Tuesday 2 December.** Thank you for supporting student banking during 2014 and we look forward to your continued support in 2015!
2014 Family Fun Day Sponsors

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SENSORY MOVIE DAY - Maya the Bee

Sensory Movie Day is an inclusive, monthly event for families with special needs or sensory processing disorders. Children are free to roam around the cinema, flap or stim, talk and generally be themselves. This is a non-judgmental session and there is no need for families to feel uncomfortable.

Lighting stays on dim (not dark) and sound is lowered. Fire exit doors are monitored by volunteers for those escape artists.

This month, there will also be free balloon sculpting and temporary tattoos on offer in the foyer from 12:30pm.

For more details visit https://www.facebook.com/SensoryMovieDayCronulla

Next screening:

Maya the Bee (the movie)
1pm Sunday 7th December
Entertainment from 12:30pm
Cronulla Cinemas
All Tickets: $8 each

(You will need a membership card to purchase tickets at the cinema, but these are available in the foyer on the day)
Children 2 years and under are free
Companion ID cards accepted
Any questions contact Jo at sensorymovieday.cronulla@hotmail.com
Community News

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For More Information Contact
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UNDER 13 PREMIERS 2014

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ENGADINE CHRISTMAS FUN DAY
Saturday 6 December
from 9am to 3pm
Engadine Town Square

FREE ENTRY

Shop Local & Enjoy
• Santa’s arrival with gifts for kids at 9.30am
• Activities for kids
• Mini Train Rides
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Engadine Shire Council
Community News

Fun in the Sun

Saturday 13 December 2014

Westpac is proudly sponsoring a fundraising day to support people with a disability to improve mobility, strength and wellbeing.

Come join us for a fun day in the sun starting at Wanda Surf Club at 9am for a sponsored walk to Dunningham Park, followed by a carnival with loads of great activities.

- Reptile zoo
- Jumping castle
- Face painting
- Roving performers
- Sausage sizzle
- Coffee & food stalls
- Music
- Much more

Sponsored Walk (9am)
Wanda Surf Club, 2 Marine Esplanade, Cronulla

Carnival (9.30am-4pm)
Dunningham Park, Cnr Elouera Rd and The Kingsway, Cronulla

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