Dear Parents

Staff are currently finalising the students Semester One Reports. They will be sent home in an envelope with the children on Thursday 19 June. Parents who would like an interview with the classroom teacher will be able to book one on-line or by contacting the school.

Thanks to the strong support of our P & C, the school has been able to install Wireless Internet across the site. This has allowed all students and staff to have greater access to the internet. This fantastic improvement will also greatly support our future initiative of BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). To ensure the school makes an informed decision, it would be greatly appreciated if all families completed the BYOD survey on the school website.

Music Festival

This week will see a number of schools visiting Grays Point Public School for a major rehearsal of the combined Junior Choir at this year’s Sutherland Shire Music Festival. The tickets for both Junior and Senior Concerts went on sale recently and were quickly sold out. The two nights should be very enjoyable.

School Disco

The next P & C school disco will be held on Wednesday 25 June. Details regarding the night will be published shortly. What a great way to finish a very busy and hectic term. Thank you P & C for your support and fundraising efforts.

Staff Carpark

Parents are continuing to walk through and drive into the staff car park. Our car park is crowded and trucks are regularly marking deliveries. For the safety of the children, parents and staff please do not use this area as a thoroughfare. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Sporting Success

Congratulations to Eden P (5B) who recently competed in the Australian National Championship in Rhythmic Gymnastics. Eden achieved Gold in Hoop, Silver in Ball, Bronze in Clubs and was placed 1st individually and 1st in teams. This makes Eden the Level 7 Junior Australian Champion! Hopefully in a few years Eden will be representing Australia at the Olympics. Well done Eden!

Special mention to Harry G (6L) who was recently selected in the Sydney East Open Touch Football team. Harry has been successful in gaining selections in both Regional Rugby League and Rugby Union teams this year and is certainly a talented footballer with a great future. Well done Harry!

Have a great week!

Garry Royston
Principal
Band Fees Due
A reminder that $105 Term 2 band fees are due before Thursday 26 June. We rely on the band fees to operate the program, without their prompt payment we can't operate this quality, award winning school program.

Professional Learning
Teachers will be participating in professional learning after school next Monday on quality teaching strategies and continuing their work on student performance data collection and analysis.

Wakakirri and Band Rehearsals
Members of our school and and Wakakirri team will not be disadvantaged by participation in both programs. Band members will leave Wakakirri rehearsals to attend their band tutorials and then return to Wakakirri rehearsals. Both the band and Wakakirri programs are highly valued and the teachers and key community members work very hard to ensure their success. This relies on a commitment by students to fulfil their roles and attend all rehearsals and practice hard for their performances. If there are any variations to rehearsals, all participants will be informed by the teachers leading Wakakirri and band.

Financial Considerations - Year 6 Parents
A note requesting full payment for the Year 6 Canberra excursion will be coming home soon. The balance of payment for this excursion will be $315 for those who have already paid the $50 deposit.

In addition, we would like to make parents aware that the cost of the Band Camp will be approximately $275.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Canberra and Band Camp excursions occur on consecutive weeks (Canberra 1-3 September; Band Camp 8-10 September). We understand that for parents who have children in Year 6 and in Band this is a significant cost. It is important for Year 6 students who are in the Band to attend both events and special payment arrangements may be negotiated if required. The school encourages parents to pay off these events in instalments to reduce the burden. If there are any concerns/queries please contact Ross Edwards.

BYOD Survey
Many thanks to the parents who have already completed our online survey on Bring Your Own Device. The school is looking into the viability of BYOD in Year 5 and 6 in 2015 and we would like to have as many responses as possible so as to best gauge parent opinion. We have had 71 families respond so far, representing only 15% of our students. Please have your say by filling in the survey at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KRZKQK9

Young Leaders
Last year Eleanor in 6A won the Parliamentary Award for excellence in leadership. A part of her prize was an invitation to attend a dinner in the Speaker's Garden at Parliament House. Eleanor attended the event on Wednesday 28 May, along with other students from local schools. We are all extremely proud of Eleanor and congratulate her on her achievements.
Indigenous Art education at the Art Gallery of New South Wales

This program, run by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Department of the Art Gallery of NSW, will provide opportunities for students to learn about the art collections of the Art Gallery as well as employment opportunities available in the arts. The program has been specifically designed to integrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander concepts, perspectives and cultural practices.

Students will:
- meet artists, curators and educators at the Art Gallery
- join in guided discussion tours of the collections
- develop their skills and talents as an artist in artist led art making workshops.

Artists who the students will work with may include Lucy Simpson, Tony Albert, Reko Rennie and Roy Kennedy.

Indigenous museum educators based at the Art Gallery and members of the Aboriginal Education and Engagement team will accompany students at all times.

The program is free of charge to participating students. Schools and parents/guardians are responsible for organising the travel between school and the Art Gallery.

For more information please contact Mr Murphy at your child’s school or Sharon Simms, Aboriginal Education and Engagement Advisor, sharon.simms@det.nsw.edu.au, 9582 2811 or 0409 846 630.

Dates of the program are:
- Friday 13 June  10.00am - 12.00pm
- Monday 16 June  10.00am - 12.00pm
- Thursday 26 June  10.00am - 12.00pm
- Friday 13 June  10.00am - 12.00pm
- Monday 16 June  10.00am - 12.00pm
- Thursday 26 June  10.00am - 12.00pm

Vincent Murphy
Assistant Principal
Thanks to the tireless efforts of many teachers and parent helpers, the pre-loved home
readers that were culled recently from the K-2 home reading boxes have been sent to a
school in Uganda. Many thanks to Mrs. Beech for organising this act of kindness for the
children of Uganda.
**For Your Diary**

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No PSSA on Friday 6 June due to wet weather.

Go to engadine.sessazones.com/ to view draws
Cost: $6.00 per week
Buses depart EWPS at 9.00am
Oz Tag at Heathcote Oval
Netball and Soccer at The Ridge
Winter uniforms are now available and can be purchased from the Uniform Shop (located off the Basement area near the computer lab). 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 11 June from 9.15-10.15am

Tracy Farquhar & Kathy Cunynghame
Uniform Shop Co-ordinators

Canteen News

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

Find us on Facebook - EWPS Canteen

We Urgently Need Volunteers for Thursdays!

We are in urgent need of more volunteers for this year. Volunteers are rostered on once every 4 weeks from school drop off until approximately 3.00pm, however, we are very flexible. Whatever time you can spare is greatly appreciated.

Options to consider:

★ Once a term.
★ A few hours of a morning to prepare fresh food.
★ Serving at recess and/or lunch breaks.
★ A few hours in the afternoon.

All training is provided and we endeavour to provide a fun work place. You are welcome to drop in and have a look around and meet some of our wonderful volunteers.

**Lunch Orders Specials**

- Banana Smoothie (Fresh) $3.00
- Fruit Salad Med $3.00
- Large $4.00
- Yoghurt + .50c
- Potato $3.00
- Sour cream and sweet chilli
- Bolognaise and cheese
- Baked beans or spaghetti and cheese
- Tuna and corn

**Loftus Pie Fundraiser**

Please return order forms to the canteen by tomorrow, Wednesday 11 June and delivery will be on Thursday 19 June. If paying by cheque, please make it payable to Engadine West P & C Canteen. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

If anyone has any questions regarding the canteen, please come in and see me.

Leanne Best
Canteen Supervisor

This Week’s Roster

**Tuesday - 10 June**
CANTEEN CLOSED

**Wednesday - 11 June**
R Hutchison, K Smith, J Toohey

**Thursday - 12 June**
K Zaknich, M Tilbrook, J Davidson

**Friday - 13 June**
D Goodyer, N Ross, K Hansen, J Catt

**Monday - 16 June**
L Alford, L Fordyce
Community News

Outreach Work Opportunities for Women (WOW)

FREE WOMEN’S COURSES

Returning to work? Looking for a new career? Need new skills and confidence?

Sutherland College is offering FREE courses for women in Semester 2 2014.

Choose from:

Emerging Technology for Employment Computing & Bookkeeping using MYOB

Information & Application Session Gymea Campus Building E 1100am - 24 June 2014

Ring for information sheet 9710 5004
Enquiries: Outreach Office Tel: 9710 5004

FREE COURSE FOR WOMEN!

The Career Education & Employment for Women course at Gymea Tafe is a course for women who wish to refresh their skills to re-enter the workforce or do further study.

Classes run three days per week in school hours beginning 14th July for 18 weeks. Subjects include: Computing, Workplace Writing, Resumes, Interview Skills and more. There is no administration fee.

Information session:

Gymea College Building E, The Kingsway, Gymea 11.00 am Tuesday 24th June 2014

Enquiries: Phone 9710 5136

Sportit’s special offer for the July 2014 SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES @ Indoor Sportsworld Miranda!

Keep your children healthy, happy & active in July 2014 with the Sutherland Shire’s leading school holiday program for children aged 5 to 12 years!

And if you go to Facebook & Like ‘Sportit Kids’ you get to ‘Bring a Friend for Free’ in July plus receive ongoing offers & discounts for future school holiday camps at Indoor Sportsworld!

Activities run from 8.45am to 3pm each Tuesday to Thursday & cost only $45 per day! To make a booking and/or for further information go to www.sportit.com.au

Bookings are essential!