Principal’s Message

*Dear Parents*

This week is a busy one with the school performing at the Sutherland Shire Schools Music Festival on Monday and Friday evenings. The Junior Concert is tonight commencing at 7.00pm with our Junior Choir and Junior Dance Group performing. On Friday the Senior Concert will hit the stage with our Senior Choir, Senior Dance Group and Senior Band performing. Good luck to all the students on stage. Thank you to both the students and staff for working so hard to prepare for what should be very entertaining performances. Many parents will be in attendance to support our talented students.

*Relieving Principal*

I will be taking Long Service Leave from Monday 24 August until the end of Term 3. In my absence, Ross Edwards will be the Relieving Principal. Mr Edwards has many years of experience and will do a highly professional job and I’m sure has the full support of the staff and the community.

*Dancing Talent*

Congratulations to Molly F and Caitlin S who were selected earlier this year in the State Dance Ensemble. The girls travel to Kensington each week for rehearsals. They have already performed at the Seymour Centre as part of the Sydney Dance Festival. Their next performance will be at the Seymour Centre in the State Dance Festival. In November they will perform in the School Spectacular. Well done to our two highly talented dancers.

*Sporting Success*

Congratulations to our three OzTag teams and three Netball teams who competed in last week’s PSSA Grand Finals. All the children played well displaying outstanding attitudes and sportsmanship. Well done to the Senior Boys Blue OzTag team, Senior Girls Green and Junior Girls Green Netball teams on winning their respective competitions. Thank you to the coaches and parents who supported the teams each week.

Congratulations to Zane K and Luke W on being selected to represent Sydney East in the State Rugby Union Carnival in two weeks.

Good luck to all our students who will be representing Engadine West Public School at the Zone Athletics Carnival this Wednesday 12 August at Sylvania Waters Athletics Track. We have many talented athletes competing and we wish them well. The school Athletics Carnival ribbons will be presented at a special assembly this Friday 14 August at 2.30pm in the hall.

*Engadine West Public School would like to acknowledge the ongoing support provided to the Community of Schools on the Park (COSOtP) by the Rotary Club of Engadine*
**Deputy Principal’s Report**

In the next few weeks, several teachers will begin trialling our new teacher Observational model. Some classrooms will therefore have extra teachers present during their lessons. Your child’s class may be one of these classes with an extra teacher.

**ICAS Maths Test**
ICAS Maths test is tomorrow at 10.00am in the Library. There are at least 66 students attempting this test tomorrow so please be on time. Students can leave class at 9.55am and make their way to the Library.

**School Crossing**
We mostly hear about positive behaviour of students leaving school at the end of the day and making their way home. However, a few students have been observed running across the school crossing and others bouncing balls as they cross. This should not happen. Everyone needs to steadily walk across the crossing at a consistent pace and manner.

**Mr Edwards on Leave**
Mr Edwards is on sick leave all of this week. We wish him well and look forward to his return next week.

Jason Wilkins  
**Deputy Principal**

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**Father’s Day Stall**
This year’s Father’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 27 August. Thank you to Mrs Isemonger and Mrs Vitelli and their team of helpers for organising the event. Wrapping day will be on Tuesday 25 August in the Basement. All help received will be greatly appreciated.

**2016 Enrolments**
The school is commencing its planning for 2016. If you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2016, an official enrolment form is required to be submitted to the school as soon as possible. Enrolment forms are on the school’s website or may be collected from the Front Office.

Have a great week!

Saray Royston  
**Principal**

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**What’s the Buzz - Playground Report from our Beediators**

Last week was the second week of the Beediator playground program, so far it has been very successful. We have seen lots of kids playing happily together, students following school expectations and playing with each other nicely. The best thing about being a Beediator is seeing every student walking away with a big smile on their face and helping to solve student’s playground problems. So far we’ve had lots fun being Beediators.

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**Shining Star**

Congratulations to Tamara B (6B) who was selected in the 12yr Girls Metro Far South Soccer team and will compete at the State Titles in Mudgee during the September school holidays. Well done Tamara!
Woolworths Earn & Learn

Start collecting for EWPS now!

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program gives schools and early learning centres around Australia the chance to earn new educational resources.

Make a difference for your local school:

★ Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent.
★ Stick the Woolworths stickers onto the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet.
★ Once it’s complete, pop it into a Collection Box at your school or local store. You can download more Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets from the Woolworths website woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Last year more than 14,500 schools and early learning centres benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries, music rooms, gymnasiums and science labs.

It’s easy to earn valuable resources to help your local school, so start collecting your Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers today.

Go to woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn for more information, terms and conditions and answers to frequently asked questions.

Stewart House Clothing Appeal

It is now 84 years since Stewart House opened its doors to provide public school children with a break from their current circumstance. The reasons individual children are chosen to attend the program are many and varied and the demand for services provided by Stewart House still remain strong.

Engadine West Public School will be collecting clothing for the Stewart House Clothing Appeal 2015 conducted by the Smith Family. Stewart House clothing collections are a major part of their annual income and we are very pleased to be able to support this worthwhile charity once again. Stewart House Clothing bags will be sent home with your child this week (additional bags available from the Front Office). Please donate good quality, wearable clothing and return bags to the Basement for collection by Friday 21 August 2015. Thank you for supporting Stewart House.

Description - Maddie (sister)

Her blonde, shoulder length hair droops messily across her tanned face. Her bun is slowly letting go of strains of hair as she bobs her head back and forth to the archaic music that is her life. Her phone makes her incommunicado and when it’s on she blocks out the world. Her eyes are oceans floating in her head and they shimmer with joy and happiness. Looking into them lights up your face and you feel all bubbly inside. They are mesmerising. She stands tall and strong like a tree and most people have to look up to talk to her. She speaks with expression and takes interest in conversation. Her voice is kind and most times invisible. She does not like attention but her voice is rather loud at times. She spends most of her time reading and has a wild imagination that runs free. She speaks her mind and shares her kindness like trees share their leaves, “slowly, then all at once”.

By Tomeka W (5/6D)
Grow Up with Dairy Foods

Childhood is the biggest opportunity to build strong bones for life. That's why it's so important for growing kids to get enough calcium, exercise and vitamin D. Dairy foods such as milk, cheese and yoghurt are good sources of calcium.

School aged children need 2-3½ serves of dairy per day. One serve of dairy is equivalent to:

- **milk**
  - 1 cup (250 ml)
- **cheese**
  - 2 slices (40 g)
- **yogurt**
  - 3/4 cup (200 g)
- **ricotta**
  - 1/2 cup (120 g)


Ticket Sales

Our school will be participating in the following concerts

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This year, tickets for this event will only be available online. All tickets went on sale on **Wednesday 27 May**. On this day, tickets will be available to anyone wishing to purchase on a first-in, first served basis. As tickets traditionally sell out for some of the concerts, we recommend you order as early as possible. In the unlikely event that there are unsold tickets for a particular concert, these will be available at the box office on the afternoon/night of the concert.

Tickets this year are $17.50. Due to health and safety regulations, the Entertainment Centre will not allow children to sit on parents’ laps. Each person attending the concert will require a ticket.

To order and purchase tickets, go to [www.trybooking.com/GYMD](http://www.trybooking.com/GYMD)

For further information, please see the ticket sales note given to all participating students or the school’s website.
For Your Diary

| Monday 10 August |  • SSSMF Junior Evening Concert |
| Tuesday 11 August |  • Canteen Closed  
  • Student Banking  
  • ICAS Maths Test |
| Wednesday 12 August |  • Uniform Shop Open 9.15am  
  • Zone Athletics Carnival at Sylvania Waters Athletics Track |
| Thursday 13 August |  • SSSMF Senior Concert Rehearsal |
| Friday 14 August  |  • SSSMF Senior Evening Concert  
  • Athletics Carnival Presentation Assembly 2.30pm in the Hall  
  • Bear Reading Training 3.00pm in Library |

| Monday 17 August |  • |
| Tuesday 18 August |  • Canteen Closed  
  • Student Banking |
| Wednesday 19 August |  • Girls’ Football Knockout at Woronora Heights Oval |
| Thursday 20 August |  • Stewart House Clothing Bag Collection  
  • K-2 Assembly at 12.00pm  
  • 3-6 Assembly at 2.30pm |
| Friday 21 August |  • Stewart House Clothing Bag Collection  
  • K-2 Assembly at 12.00pm  
  • 3-6 Assembly at 2.30pm |

Excursions and Payments

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PSSA Finals - Friday 7 August

Well done to our PSSA teams who played in their Grand Finals last Friday. Congratulations to the following teams who came away with a win:

- Senior Boys Blue OzTag
- Senior Girls Green Netball
- Junior Girls Green Netball
Uniform Shop News

The next Uniform Shop opening time will be:

Wednesday 12 August 2015 from 9.15-10.15am

The Uniform Shop is open every second Wednesday. If there are any parents wishing to be placed on our roster to help on Wednesdays, please leave your details at the front office.

Tracy Farquhar & Kathy Cunynghame
Uniform Shop Co-ordinators

Canteen News

Find us on Facebook - EWPS Canteen

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

2015 Roster - Your Canteen Needs You!

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.

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

Leanne Best
Canteen Supervisor

This Week’s Roster

Tuesday - 11 August
CANTEEN CLOSED

Wednesday - 12 August
J Davidson, K Dickenson, K Sinclair, M Boughton

Thursday - 13 August
H Trenberth, T Huntly

Friday - 14 August
N Brydon, B Keegan, A Mathieson

Monday - 17 August
J Morando, R Bromwich

Father’s Day Stall

The Father’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 27 August and in preparation we are hoping to receive your support, where possible, by way of donations. This year we are after the following items:

★ Kindergarten - chocolates (no nuts please)
★ Year 1 and 2 - men’s toiletries (deodorant, soaps etc.)
★ Year 3 and 4 - car wash items
★ Year 5 and 6 - barbecue items (including utensils, spices, sauces etc.)

We will be holding the wrapping day on Tuesday 25 August in the basement. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance.

Carina Vitelli and Michelle Isemonger
Fathers Day Stall Co-ordinators
Free Counselling

Are you experiencing?
Domestic Violence
Depression
Anger
Loneliness
Grief & Loss
Family Struggles
Or just need to talk to someone

Salvation Army is offering 1 hour counselling sessions Wednesday from 8:30am to 3:00pm at 6 Willock Ave Miranda.

Bookings are essential
Please contact Ali on 9540 4460

Please note counselling sessions are facilitated by a final term counselling degree student.
VISIT US ON OPEN DAY

Thursday 20 August, 9.30 – 11am

85 Willarong Road, Caringbah
(Parking on Taren Point Road)

For Year 5 students wishing to sit
the Selective High School Test in March 2016
to enter Caringbah High School in
YEAR 7 in 2017

Interested students and parents are invited
to attend this information morning
with displays and activities for students

Be part of our community today

For more information visit www.caringbah-h.schools.nsw.edu.au