Dear Parents

Public Speaking Winner

Last week Matilda G (KB) won the Southern Sydney Public Speaking Early Stage 1 Division Woronora Pool. That is an outstanding achievement. She now moves onto represent Southern Sydney, keep up the great work.

Healthy Garden Environmental Project

On Thursday 10 September our student environmental team are having a garden building morning 9.30am-12.30pm. We are developing our gardens with funds provided by Suez Environment Community and support from Bunnings. If parents are interested in helping please contact Mrs Allatt: margot.allatt@det.nsw.edu.au

Parent Classroom Helpers

A reminder for all parent classroom helpers, before entering classrooms sign in at the school office and please wear a visitor’s badge/sticker when helping in classrooms. There are copies of our school’s guidelines for parent classroom helpers available at the sign on desk in our office.

Sports Stars

Congratulations to our Girls State Soccer KO team on a fantastic performance last Wednesday. Mrs Payne and Mrs Tremlett were both very proud coaches as the girls made it through to the round before State finals which was a great effort.

Well done Luke W and Zane K for your performances in representing our school and Sydney East in Rugby last week. We certainly have talented teachers at Engadine West PS with Mr Field and Mr Meakin doing a fantastic job coaching and managing the Regional team at the State Carnival.

Teacher Professional Learning

This Monday after school, our teaching team will be participating in further professional learning regarding developing quality English programs.

Have a great week!

Ross Edwards
Relieving Principal
Deputy Principals’ Report

Student Assessment
Many thanks to the staff who passed on their gratitude for last week’s staff professional learning. We did a session on Assessment Differentiation focusing upon Mathematics and differentiating our top end scores. Staff spoke of their appreciation for the relevance of the topic and the opportunity to explore A’s and B’s on our student reports. It is hoped that our school will continue making refinements and improvements to its A and B grades and that these efforts will be passed onto student reports for Term 4. This week we will do something similar for English.

Senior Dance
We were delighted to witness the wonderful dance performed by our Senior Girls Dance group at last Friday’s Infant’s Assembly. It was an enthralling performance with the girls being well-rehearsed and choreographed. Thank you to their teachers for developing the girls, parents for the costumes and of course, last but not least, our wonderful Senior Girls Dance Group.

I’m So Much More Than Just a …. TEACHER
I am a counsellor and psychologist to a problem-filled child
I am a police officer that controls a child gone wild
I am a travel agent scheduling our trips for the year
I am a confidante that wipes a crying child’s tear
I am a banker collecting money for a tonne of different things
I am a librarian showing adventures that a storybook brings.

I am a custodian that has to clean certain little messes
I am a psychic that learns to know all that everybody only guesses
I am a photographer keeping pictures of a child’s yearly growth
When mother and father are gone for the day, I become both.

I am a doctor that detects when a child is feeling sick
I am a politician that must know the laws and recognise a trick
I am a party planner for holidays to celebrate with all
I am a decorator of a room, filling every wall.

I am a news reporter updating on our nation’s current events
I am a detective solving small mysteries and ending all suspense
I am a clown and comedian that makes the children laugh
I am a dietician assuring they have lunch or from mine I give them half.

When we seem to stray from values, I become a preacher,
But I’m proud to have to be these people because ….

I’m proud to say, “I am a teacher”.

By Stacy Boninio

Jason Wilkins & Braidy Connor
Deputy Principal and Relieving Deputy Principal

Library News

It is Book Week this week and this year’s theme is “Books Light Up Our World”. Students will be participating in various activities during their Library lessons including a trivia contest and our Kindergarten and Year 1 classes will look forward to visits from Engadine Librarians next week.

Margaret Evans & Janet Evans
Teacher Librarians
What’s the Buzz - Playground Report from our Beediators

The Beediators have created a line graph to clearly show the school community how many playground problems there are each week. As a result of our ‘beediator’ program a lower number of playground problems at school have been recorded.

Keep it up!

By Kadyn, Harry and Ryley J

Sutherland Shire Children’s Choir

Sutherland Shire Children’s Choir are enrolling now for 2016. Members record a CD and perform at major concerts and local community events. Contact Natalie to book your audition and free trial rehearsal.

Email: natalie@cantabilemusic.com.au
Ph: 0415 796 095
www.cantabilemusic.com.au

Live Life Well

Fruit & Veg Month
24 August – 18 September

This year’s Fruit & Veg Month theme is ‘Let’s Go Green!’

‘Let’s Go Green!’ is all about eating more fruit and vegetables (of course!) and about being sustainable with our food waste.

Boost your family’s fruit and veg intake this month. Ask your child to select a fruit or vegetable they have not tried before, prepare and taste it together.

Have you ever picked your own fruit and veg? It’s a great family day out! Check out the list of pick your own farms in NSW listed here: http://www.pickyourown.org/australianswact.htm
### For Your Diary

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Events</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday 24 August</td>
<td>• Book Week</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Year 2 Swimming Commences</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• KS &amp; 5A Play Day Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 25 August</td>
<td>• Canteen Closed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Student Banking</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• 1E &amp; 5/6D Play Day Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday 26 August</td>
<td>• Uniform Shop Open 9.15am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Father's Day Stall Wrapping in Basement</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Yr 6 Engadine High School Testing Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday 27 August</td>
<td>• Father's Day Stall</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• 6F Play Day Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Yr 1 Fundamental Movement Skills Sport Groups Commence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 28 August</td>
<td>•</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday 31 August</td>
<td>• 5M Play Day Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Book Club Orders Due</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 1 September</td>
<td>• Canteen Closed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Student Banking</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• KM &amp; 1G Play Day Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Yr 6 Forensic Science Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Engadine Librarians Visit Yrs K &amp; 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday 2 September</td>
<td>• 6B &amp; 6H Play Day Workshop</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Engadine Librarians Visit Yrs K &amp; 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday 3 September</td>
<td>• Last Day of Yr 2 Swimming</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• K-2 Assembly at 12.00pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• 3-6 Assembly at 2.30pm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Save the Date!

**K-2 Athletics Carnival**

**Tuesday 8 September 2015**

*(held at school on the back grass)*

### Excursions and Payments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Excursion or Payment</th>
<th>Please pay by</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>KM, KS, 1E, 1G, 5/6D, 5A, 5HS, 5M, 6F, 6B and 6H</td>
<td>Play Day</td>
<td>Friday 4 September</td>
<td>$18.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Band Members</td>
<td>Band Camp (7-9 September)</td>
<td>Wednesday 26 August</td>
<td>$225.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 6</td>
<td>Canberra Excursion (7-9 October)</td>
<td>Friday 11 September</td>
<td>$320.00 balance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Years K-6</td>
<td>Voluntary School Contribution</td>
<td>As soon as possible</td>
<td>$50.00 per child</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Band Members</td>
<td>Term 3 Band Fees</td>
<td>As soon as possible</td>
<td>$120.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Woolworths Earn & Learn

Please remember we are participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion. We have a box located at Woolworths Engadine and at the Front Office.

Feel free to just drop your stickers in one of the boxes and we will happily stick them on a sheet for you.
Uniform Shop News

The next Uniform Shop opening time will be:

**Wednesday 26 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.

**K-2 Athletics Carnival - Tuesday 8 September 2015**

The canteen will be open on this day from 9.00am serving coffee, tea, cakes and lollies. Lunch orders **WILL NOT be available on this day**.

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

*Leanne Best*
Canteen Supervisor

---

Father’s Day Stall

The Father’s Day Stall will be held this **Thursday 27 August**. Gifts will be priced between $1 and $6 and don’t forget to send along a plastic bag with your child. Thank you to everyone who has already kindly donated gifts for the stall. It’s not too late to donate, we are still accepting 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 **Wednesday 26 August** (not Tuesday as reported in last week’s newsletter) in the basement. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance.

*Carina Vitelli and Michelle Isemonger*
Fathers Day Stall Co-ordinators
Book Club News

Orders from Issue 6 catalogues are due to be returned to your classroom or the front office by Monday 31 August. Every order earns free books for our school library so take advantage of the great savings.

If you are paying with cash, particularly coins, could you please tape unsealed parts of envelope to ensure coins do not fall out.

Orders can be held at the office for collection. Please ensure this is clearly marked on all the order forms and envelope with a contact phone number. We will ring you when the books are ready for collection from the front office.

To ensure your order can be placed on time, please check the following:

- Student's name and class on all forms and envelope.
- For cash payments please check the amount if your child is paying and please ensure the envelope is well sealed.
- For cheque payments the cheque must be made out to Scholastic Australia.
- For credit card payments use the website to pay and get a receipt number or call the phone number on the form. Only one receipt for the total amount is necessary and you only need to write the receipt details on one order form.

Thank you for your support.

Mandy Goodman & Stephanie Wise
Book Club Co-ordinators

Community News

No apologies, no excuses

When it comes to child safety, Sutherland Shire Council makes no apologies for fining drivers who break the law around schools and school zones. If you are caught endangering a child by parking illegally in a school zone you will be fined. Illegal parking in school zones kills children. Parking offences in school zones carry heavier fines and loss of demerit points.

You can find out more about the Australian Road Rules and other road safety information on the RTA website www.rta.nsw.gov.au

Know your Parking Signs and rules

**NO STOPPING**

What does it mean?
You cannot stop in this area FOR ANY REASON.

Why is it there?
To keep sight lines clear for drivers AND children so both have more time to avoid crashes.

**NO PARKING**

What does it mean?
You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle at all times.

Why is it there?
To provide a safe place for older children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children.

**BUS ZONE**

What does it mean?
You must not stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.

Why is it there?
To prove a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up. Cars parking in bus zones put lives at risk by forcing buses out of “their” safety zone.
Community News

ENGADINE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Family Fete Fun Day

Saturday 29th August
9am to 3pm

Entertainment all day!
Stage performances

BBQ
Carnival Rides
Class Stalls
Show Bags
Face Painting
and Much much more!

Henna Artist
Jewelry
Trash n’ Treasure
Devonshire Tea
Petting zoo
Gozleme & Ice Cream
Show Bags
Book Stall
Como West Public School's 10th BIG DAY OUT
Sat 29th August
10am-3pm

Carnival atmosphere!

- Arts and Crafts
- Amusement rides
- Market stalls
- 2nd-hand books
- Raffle
- Food
- Bottle toss
- Cake stall

and lots more...

Held in the school grounds,
corner of Wolger & Taplan St

Free entry!

sanders
property agents