Dear Parents

School Bag App / Parent School Communication Tool Term 4

We will be introducing an Engadine West School Bag App in Term 4. Parents will be able to download our app and receive alerts for information on events and school programs and much more. Our school’s app is currently being constructed, further details will be provided for parents in the near future.

Forensic Science

Mrs Evans, supported by the Year 6 teaching team, Detective Sergeant Broome and Mrs Holloway led a highly engaging learning experience for Year 6 students last week. Well done to the whole team for their outstanding efforts in promoting student outcomes and excellence in learning.

2016 Kindergarten Enrolment

If you have a child commencing Kindergarten in 2016 at Engadine West Public School, please submit your child’s enrolment form now. The school will consider both in-area and out-of-area applications. It is important enrolment information for the school is received soon so that planning for next year as well as our Transition Program can be finalised. Orientation and transition information will be distributed early Term 4.

Band Camp

Wishing our students and teachers a fantastic band camp over the next three days. A huge thank you to our dedicated teachers who give up their own family time to stay overnight and make this fantastic opportunity available to our students.

Athletics Achievement

A team of students represented our school and PSSA Zone at the Sydney East Regional Athletics Carnival. All our students were fantastic sports and great school representatives. Three students Noah, Jessica and Hayley are going on to compete at the State Carnival. Best of luck and congratulations on that fantastic achievement. Our Year K-2 Athletics Carnival is on Tuesday 8 September, where we will showcase our up and coming stars.

Tree Audit

Our trees will be inspected by a qualified arborist on Tuesday 8 September to identify any potential hazards.
Deputy Principals’ Report

Today teachers are reviewing our model for Teacher Observation within the classroom. This is part of our continual professional development for constantly improving and refining our professional practice. This need reflects the new wage agreement from 2014 and affects all teachers in NSW.

Engadine West has very experienced leaders and teachers and we have been able to respond efficiently and effectively at putting a program together that meets our new Professional Development Plans, the Australian Teaching Standards and to be embedded into our culture and practice. The new Standards will create a very rich evidenced based culture within the profession and EWPS.

During Term 4 every teacher will undergo observation within their classroom. We have set up a system that will grow and be refined to be collaborative and authentic within our school. Most teachers are familiar with other teachers being in their rooms but students and parents may notice the difference.

Jason Wilkins & Nicole Gilmore
Deputy Principal and Relieving Deputy Principal

Principal’s Message Cont’d

Marisa Cochrane’s Funeral

A few staff from EWPS will provide support and relieve Yarrawarrah PS staff to enable them to attend their colleague’s funeral on Wednesday 9 September 12.30-3.30pm.

Staff Review of School Management Plan

Staff have undertaken a review of progress and milestones in our school management plan. We are on track, some adjustments have been made and, I will be providing an overview for discussion at our P&C meeting.

New School Bells System

Work will commence this week on installing the system that will provide alerts and communication across the school. Thank you to the P&C for their support in this initiative.

Have a great week!

Ross Edwards
Relieving Principal

What’s the Buzz - Playground Report from our Beediators

We are very happy with how all Engadine West students are behaving this week. They are all being safe, respectful learners in the playground. They’re all following the expectation of the week to the best of their abilities and are treating the gardens and each other with respect. The number of reported playground problems has been decreasing rapidly from the start of the term. Keep it up everyone!

Hope this behaviour keeps up Harry and Emma J
**SRC FUNDRAISER**

**SCR Crash Night Fundraiser**

It’s on again this year! The SRC sleepover in the school hall!

**When:**  
Friday 16th October (end of week 2)

**Time:**  
Friday 6.30pm to Saturday 8am.

**Cost:**  
$30 1st child, $50 for 2 children, $65 for 3 children  
(Children must be immediate siblings to receive this discount)

**Where:**  
School hall

**Who:**  
Children in Year 3-6 with a positive behaviour record

**How:**  
Take a note home from the lunch time meeting this Thursday and bring your note and money back to the school office asap.  
or Friday 18th September  
Limited spots available.

More information will be on the note being sent home.  
Places are limited. So get your note in as soon as you can. Children who miss out, due to numbers being filled, will get a full refund.  
Note: This is the same night as the Engadine Eagles and Marton soccer presentations, so it is a great opportunity for cheap babysitting.

**Mrs K Weppler**  
SRC Coordinator

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**Easy ways to get active**

“I’m bored!” will become a distant memory these holidays with this great range of fun active ideas:

- Bushwalking  
- Shoot some hoops at the local courts  
- Kicking goals at the footy field  
- Gardening  
- Bike riding  
- Dancing around the house  
- Have a picnic and run some games such as egg and spoon race, three-legged race, wheelbarrow race, play ‘Simon says’.

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**Live Life Well**
On Tuesday, Year 6 students left their uniforms home for the day and came dressed as scientists, police officers or detectives. A crime had been committed in our administration block on Monday afternoon when Mr Edwards’ chocolate biscuits went missing from the staffroom table. Year 6 had the challenge of identifying the thief. Video footage had identified Mr Briton, Mrs Stevenson, Miss Brunning, Miss Sideris and Mrs SelCraig, as being in the crime scene location at the time of the crime.

After a briefing by Lois Holloway and Detective Richard Broome, our students went to interview each of the suspects and collect evidence. Our Year 6 forensic scientists then split up into small groups and participated in different activities where they examined the evidence that had been collected. These activities included the comparison of: finger and shoe prints and hair and handwriting samples, as well as ink from different pens. Also students investigated how to separate white powders.

After lunch, several students from each group, summarised their group’s evidence findings and nominated the suspect teacher, who they believed had taken Mr Edwards’ biscuits. Our most likely thief was Mrs Stevenson. Mrs Stevenson miraculously produced the half eaten jar of biscuits, although Mr Edwards came to her defence, saying that Mrs Stevenson had confiscated the biscuits to stop him eating them.

Year 6 students would like to thank Mr Edwards and our teacher suspects, for being good sports on the day. Also we’d like to thank Detective Broome for his insightful presentation on crime scene investigation by the police and for helping out with the activities. A final big thankyou to Lois Holloway, whose expertise was much appreciated in helping the Year 6 teachers with their preparation for our Forensic Science Day.

Year 6 Teachers and Mrs Evans

Message for Parents

From time to time we lend clothes to children who have had accidents at school. We ask that these clothes be returned to the front office, washed, so they can be loaned to other children. For students in Years K-2, particularly Kindergarten, it is suggested that spare underwear and socks be placed in their school bag in case it is needed.

Thank you, Front Office
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.

Library News

The library has many new books waiting to be covered. If you are able to assist by taking some books home to cover, please call into the Library to see Mrs Evans.

Thank you kindly,

Margaret Evans & Janet Evans
Teacher Librarians

K-2 Athletics Carnival - Tuesday 8 September

The annual K-2 Athletics Carnival will be held on Tuesday 8 September 2015 on the school back grass, starting at 11.00am until approximately 1pm.

All children K-2 need to wear their sports uniform, hat and sunscreen. They should also bring their lunch and plenty of water. The canteen will be open from 10.30am where tea, coffee and snacks may be purchased. There will be no lunch orders available on the day. Parents and visitors are most welcome to stay for lunch which will be held at the conclusion of the carnival. Parents and visitors: please bring your own chair to sit on as no chairs will be provided.

The children will compete in running races and novelty events with other children from their grade. Novelties will be held simultaneously with running events to minimize the period of inactivity for all children. The following rotations will occur on the back grass during the carnival:

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We’re looking forward to a great day!
### For Your Diary

#### Week 9

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| Monday 7 September | * Band Camp  
                      * P & C Meeting 7.30pm in Staffroom                                  |
| Tuesday 8 September | * Canteen Open for K-2  
                        (No lunch orders)  
                        * Student Banking  
                        * Band Camp  
                        * K-2 Athletics Carnival 11.00am                                     |
| Wednesday 9 September | * Band Camp  
                         * Uniform Shop Open 9.15am                                             |
| Thursday 10 September | * Garden Building Morning  
                         9.30am-12.30pm                                                        |
| Friday 11 September | * PSSA Commences  
                         * Red Light Day - Canteen                                               |

#### Week 10

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| Tuesday 15 September | * Canteen Closed  
                        * Student Banking                                                      |
| Wednesday 16 September | *                                                                 |
| Thursday 17 September | * Lend Lease Painting                                                   |
| Friday 18 September | * Last Day of Term 3  
                         * PSSA  
                         * K-2 Assembly at 12.00pm  
                         * 3-6 Assembly at 2.30pm                                                |
| Term 4 - Week 1  | * Public Holiday                                                        |
| Monday 5 October | * First Day of Term 4 for Students and Staff                           |
| Tuesday 6 October | *                                                                 |

### Excursions and Payments

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<td>Play Day</td>
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### PSSA News

Summer PSSA Commences Friday 11 September

**EWPS Green Teams play at The Ridge (Top)**
**EWPS Gold Teams play at Anzac Oval (Bottom)**

All games start at 9.30am and are completed by 11.00am
Buses depart EWPS at 9.00am
Cost: $6.00 per week

Go to engadine.sessazones.com/ to view draws
Uniform Shop News

The next Uniform Shop opening time will be:

Wednesday 9 September 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 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

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.

Red Light Day - Friday 11 September

The canteen will be holding a Red Light Day on Friday 11 September. Lollies will be for sale at recess and lunch ranging in price from 10c to $1.50. As this is a very busy day, we would appreciate extra help serving. Please contact me if you’re able to assist.

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

Leanne Best
Canteen Supervisor

This Week’s Roster

Tuesday - 8 September
CANTENE OPEN FOR K-2 ONLY (No Lunch Orders)
J Davidson, K Dickenson, K Sinclair, K Schnabel

Wednesday - 9 September
H Trenberth, N McNally

Thursday - 10 September
RED LIGHT DAY
N Brydon, A Mathieson, N Ross

Friday - 11 September
J Morando, R Bromwich

Monday - 14 September

Lost Property

There are lost property items being held at the front office including jewellery, watches, wallets and reading glasses. If you have misplaced any of the above items, please call into the front office to claim your property.

Please ensure that all items of removable clothing are clearly marked with your child’s name. This makes identification and return of lost property to students much easier. Any clothing or items found in the playground will be placed in lost property boxes in the Basement where parents and students can check for their items. After a reasonable time, unnamed and unclaimed articles will be sent to a local charity.
Basketball Camp

SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMP (Youth Centre Gym – formerly Boy’s Town Gym)

Monday 28th – Wednesday 30th, 2015

All levels welcome (beginners, intermediate, advanced). Participants will be divided into classes (age and ability).

Ages: 7 – 14 years

Duration: 9.00am to 2.00pm  Lunch break: 12-12.30 pm BYO lunch and drink bottle

Cost for 3 days: $80 (discount for siblings)

- Learn to Play
- Improve Your Game
- Shooting Competitions

ENQUIRIES: Trevor Kimber 0414 978 384 kimbies@ozemail.com.au

13th SEPTEMBER

COME AND TALK TO YOUR LOCAL BRIGADE ABOUT THE FIRE RISK IN YOUR AREA. IT COULD SAVE YOUR FAMILY AND HOME FROM BUSH FIRES.

Brigade: Engadine Rural Fire Brigade
Time: 9am - 2pm
Location: 22 Ferntree Rd, Engadine (Next to Ferntree Park)
NSW RFS Operational Command Vehicle, Woronora RFS Fire Boat, Engadine RFB Trucks, Police & SES attending!

GET READY WEEKEND

TO FIND OUT MORE GO TO RFS.NSW.GOV.AU

NSW GOVERNMENT
SENSORY SCREENING FOR FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

PIXELS
SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER @ 11AM

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.

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.

Cronulla Cinemas 2 - 6 Cronulla St, Cronulla NSW 2230
sensorymovieday.cronulla@hotmail.com
https://www.facebook.com/SensoryMovieDayCronulla
NSW PARLIAMENT PRESENTS

FAMILY FUN DAY

2nd OCTOBER 2015

COME ALONG FOR A LOOK AT AUSTRALIA’S FIRST AND OLDEST PARLIAMENT HOUSE

NO NEED TO BOOK
ALL WELCOME!
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

MACQUARIE ST. SYDNEY
www.parliament.nsw.gov.au
ENQUIRES: 02 9230 2047

FUN ACTIVITIES
/////// FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY INCLUDING:

- PHOTO AND DRESS-UP OPPORTUNITIES
- TOURS OF THE LEGISLATIVE CHAMBERS
- MYSTERY OBJECT GUESSING COMPETITION
- SAUSAGE SIZZLE (MINIMUM CHARGE)
- ROVING HISTORICAL CHARACTERS
- ART AND OTHER DISPLAYS

FREE ENTRY

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Sutherland Leisure Centre Indoor 25m Pool

The Aquadot Swim Club hold fun and encouraging swim race nights every Friday night between 6.30pm till 7.30pm at Sutherland Leisure Centre which gives swimmers of all ages and abilities a chance to practice swim race techniques as well as an opportunity to keep improving on their own personal race times.

Regular swim race practice can really benefit your young swimmer by putting their swim lessons into practice and teaching them techniques like diving and turns. Attending swim club is a great way to prepare for school swimming carnivals.

Our open day will be a great way to come and experience what our Friday nights are like without any pressure to join.

You can find more information about Aquadot online at:
aquadot.swimming.org.au  slcaquadot
$80 per player
www.oztag.com/shirejnr
shorts $25 - tights $40

MONDAYS - at CRONULLA (Play at Capt Cook, Solander, Jenola, W'ware HS Fields)
Boys U6-U16 Regos at CAPT COOK CLUBHOUSE (Capt Cook Dr)
Girls U6-U16 4.30pm-6.30pm on MON 7th & 14th Sept '15

MONDAYS - at ENGADINE - HEATHCOTE (Play at Heathcote Oval)
Boys U6-U16 Regos at ANZAC COMMUNITY HALL (upper level)
4.30pm- 6.30pm on WED 2nd & 9th Sept '15

TUESDAYS - at KAREELA - (Play at Kareela and Box Rd Fields)
Girls U6-U16 Regos at GYMEA JRL CLUB (Cnr Corea & Box Rd)
4.30pm- 6.30pm on TUES 1st & 8th Sept '15

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THURSDAYS - at LUCAS HTS - (Play at The Ridge Fields)
Boys U6-U16 Regos at MENAI COMMUNITY CENTRE – Parking at Menai Market Place
Girls U6 U16 4pm-6pm on THURS 3rd & 10th Sept '15

FRIDAYS - “MIXED” at CRONULLA – (Jenola Fields)
U14 - 18yrs Regos At Capt Cook Clubhouse, MON 7th & 14th Sept '15
( WE ACCEPT CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY )

$$$$ Referees Required – Paid Position $$$$ 
If you are 14yrs+ and are interested in being trained to Ref – please contact us !!