# The Entrance Public School

EWSLETTER







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# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Fri 13 Nov K-6 Assembly 9:30am

Mon 16 Nov Sydney Metropolitan Waterpolo Gala

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Tues 17 Nov P&C Meeting 9:30am

Wed 18 Nov Yr 6 Orientation Day at Tumbi High Fri 20 Nov & Sat 21 Nov - The Entrance Public

School celebrates our Centenary

Tues 1 Dec Helper Morning Tea
Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas Concert 6pm

Mon 14 Dec Years 3-6 Presentation Day Assembly

9:45am

Yr 6 Farewell - Shelly Beach Surf Club

Tues 15 Dec K-2 Presentation Day Assembly 9.45am

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Week 6, congratulations to our 10 candidates that ran for our leadership positions for 2016. I was very proud and reassured that our school and local community possess so many fine children. They all presented outstanding speeches and the qualities they have displayed are truly wonderful.

Congratulations also to our students who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to their learning and in improving their personal best in all areas, and for wearing their uniform with pride.

Congratulations to our Stage 3 students and the teachers for a wonderful Fete last Friday, everyone had an amazing time with lots of fun and laughter, well done also to the rest of the students for their excellent behaviour.

# Mark Rudd PRINCIPAL

# **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT School Centenary Celebrations**

Our special Centenary Celebration Assembly will be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November commencing at 12 noon. Everyone is invited to our special celebrations. All students are required to wear full school uniform on the Friday (not sports uniform). Some children who will be performing may be asked to bring alternate clothing to change into.

After the official assembly, parents and visitors are invited to a picnic lunch. The P&C will be operating their barbecue. Following a lunch period there will be a number of student performances under the COLA and parents are invited to view the old style art/craft displays in the hall, the memorabilia displays in the library and some classrooms will be open for inspection.

On Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> November the school will be open from 10.00am – 2.00pm. Student performances will be from approximately 11.30am - 1.00pm. The art/craft displays in the hall, the memorabilia display in the library and some classroom displays will be open. On the oval area we will have displays of old fire engines from The Fun Engine, vintage cars from the Central Coast Historic Car Club and displays of old engines and tools from the Central Coast Machinery Club. The Lions Club will be running a barbecue and the P&C will be selling tea and coffee and cakes.

Tickets are still available for the dinner at Diggers, commencing at 6pm. They are \$60 which includes a 3 course meal. They can be purchased from the front office.

# **School Captain Voting for 2016**

Congratulations to all of the candidates who stood for school captain for 2015, they all did a fantastic job in presenting their speeches. The successful candidates are:

Tara Lamont - Girl School Captain Vinnie Confoy - Boy School Captain Maddy Sloey - Girl School Vice-Captain Riley Adams - Boy School Vice-Captain

I am looking forward to working with these wonderful students next year.

# **House Captain Voting for 2016**

The Year 5 candidates who wish to stand for house captains for 2016 are currently going through the nominating process. The candidates will be presenting their speeches to the Year 3, 4 & 5 students in their house on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December prior to voting.

### **Tour de Cure**

Monday of last week the school had a visit from approximately 30 cyclists. They were taking part in the Tour de Cure, an event to raise funds for cancer research. The cyclists had started their tour on Sunday riding from Brooklyn to Pokolbin and then on the Monday to the Entrance ending the day at Terrigal, finishing the tour on Tuesday riding back to Sydney. The cyclists spoke to the children about being healthy, being fit and being happy. The children were also given an activity bag and the school was presented with a cheque for \$2,000 from the Commonwealth Bank, who are the major sponsors of the tour. We thank the Commonwealth Bank very much for their support of our school.

# Selective High School Placement for 2017

Information about Selective High School placement for students entering Year 7 in 2017 has arrived at the school. An information letter has been sent home to parents of Year 5 students. Applications must be completed online by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.

Selective High School placement provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for academically gifted and talented children in Years 7 to 12. Offers for Selective High School placement will be made on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test, school assessment and other evidence of academic merit.

Gosford High School is the local fully selective high school. Gorokan High School is partially selective. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Warren Mee or speak to your child's class teacher.

# Win Bin Winners

The following students were drawn out for the win bin awards: Aaron 4L, Isla 1P, Jasmine 6S & Zen 4B. Congratulations to all of our wonderful students.

# **School Assemblies**

Our next K-6 assembly is this Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> November, commencing at 9.30am. All parents are very welcome to attend this assembly.

Our Annual Presentation Day Assemblies will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December for Years 3-6 and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December for Kindergarten to Year 2. These assemblies will commence at 9.45am.

# School History Memories - ex student recollections Mr Bill Swadling

This information was transcribed from a video recording of him speaking to Year 6 students prior to the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

I started school when I was 10 my older brother was 11. The school was built late 1915. Mr Dagg, our teacher rode from here to Berkeley Vale (it was called Tumbi Umbi school then) he spent 2 days here and 3 days at Berkeley Vale and reversed each week so I didn't have much schooling. Mr Dagg was a really good teacher, always mucking around pretending to fall off his horse.

The next teacher was Ms Barden, then Mrs Baker. She came from South Africa, she was very dark and savage. She boarded at Ellsimere Boarding house (my cousins). She didn't cane very much, parents had a lot of control in those days. There were only 14 children, they came from 3 families.

The school day commenced 9.30am and finished at 3.30pm. I finished school at 14.

All the children walked from Long Jetty, that's where we all lived. We had a leather port to carry our things in. It took us about 25 minutes to walk to school. We walked to school in bare feet, we never had shoes.

Before we came to school, we had a dairy at Long Jetty, we would carry 2 cans of milk and come back get ready and then go to school. In the afternoon we would get the cows. Many times the children had to stay at home to help their family and do jobs.

There was no school uniform. We wrote with pens and pencils – there was an ink well in the desk. We only had a bench, a hole in the top for the inkwell and a groove for the pencil and a long form and about 6 students to a form. All the work was on the blackboard and everybody did the same. We had slates in the early stage and books later on.

We had a fire in the room.

The school ground was just where the school stood. It was always wet down the bottom. The games we played were cricket and anything like that, we fooled around in the school yard and in the bush

For shopping we went to Wyong or Gosford in a horse and cart.

There was no bridge to North Entrance – the bridge was built around 1944. All things were taken across to North Entrance by boat.

There were only about 5 houses in Long Jetty, the Watkins owned Ellsimere Boarding House.

Down in Norberta St it was all cleared and they grew wheat. There was a brick pit where we used to play. In Warrigal St there was a brick kiln (the Catholic Church was made from there). We used to cut wood for the brick kiln we used a cross cut saw. Swadling St to Lions Park was our property.

As soon as we turned 14 we had to go out to work. I went to work in a shop, Duffy's Emporium. Mr Duffy said anything you want to eat, just eat it. I ate everything for the first 2-3 days and then I didn't want anything.

Down by the shore there were all tents and he used to sell them tent poles.

The tram people and the railway people used to always come up here for their holidays.

If someone was sick our doctor came from Gosford. There were no policeman in the early days. Around 1920 some old cars appeared.

Electricity came to The Entrance on the 24<sup>th</sup> October, 1930.

# Warren Mee DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

My name is Karen George, I have been fortunate to be appointed as an Instructional Leader at The Entrance Public School. My role as an Instructional Leader plays a big part in the implementation of Early Action for Success reform. The aim is to improve students' performance through a targeted approach with staff and the school community for students P-2. I feel privileged to be able to support the wonderful staff and students at The Entrance Public.

I have been made very welcome by our staff and students and am looking forwards to getting to know our community and parents.

Warm regards,

Karen George Instructional Leader

# K-6 BW NEWS



The students in K6BW are really enjoying taking part in science experiments this term. They are mixing together lots of different things and observing what

changes are happening. It's lots of fun!

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at assembly:

**Alana** for a positive and settled start in K6BW **Riley** for enthusiastic participation in all class songs

Mary Best, Gemma White, Chris Green & Sabien Stragliotto Support Class Team

# KINDERGARTEN NEWS

**SPORT** is now back to Thursdays.



# **Upcoming events:**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November- Centenary celebrations Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November- Centenary celebrations

Congratulations to the following students who have received their **Home Reading Awards**:

Kinder Ainslie-50 nights: Emily

150 nights: Miller, Luka, Calm 175 nights: Cameron, Luka

Kinder Quye-

**75 nights:** Billy, Elijah **125 nights:** Gabby **200 nights:** Mia Kinder Roberts-

**100 nights:** Hunter, Jade **200 nights:** Czhaay, Zimaine



A big thumbs up to everyone who received a RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY or PERSONAL BEST award at our mini assembly or a MERIT AWARD at our K-6 Assembly. Keep up the great work

# Regards

Stephanie Ainslie, Nicole Quye, Amanda Roberts and Mardi McFarlane.

# K-1 SWIM SCHOOL LOST PROPERTY

K-1 had a wonderful time at Mingara Swim School in Weeks 3 and 4, but there is quite a lot of lost property still at school. If you are missing anything from K-1 Swim School, please contact Ms Wilson by leaving a message at the office or sending a note with your child. Hopefully we can reunite most of the lost items with their owners.

Thank you, Ms Wilson and Mrs Quye

# **STAGE 1 NEWS**

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Some wonderful Mini projects Families - Past and Present were sent into Stage 1 classrooms last week. It was great to see and hear so many children capably gave informative speeches about their families' treasures/memories spanning generations.

# The value of our older Generations

1M was lucky enough last week to have a Grandmother/Mum come into our room to help with our centenary doorstop artworks. As Stage 1 is currently studying the unit 'Families Past and Present', having a second generation family visitor to our classroom was an insight to the past and what older people can bring to our lives today.

Judy taught small groups of students how to paint flowers using stencils and discussed how door stops were used a lot in the past. Judy was very excited about our fruit break system and decided to come back this week with a surprise for 1M! She told the kids that when she was little she wasn't allowed to eat in class and sometimes she didn't have much to eat at all at school. Special fruit and cheese cups! Yum!













Thank you Judy Keith for all your help and thoughtful, healthy snacks to keep our brains working all day © A big thank you also to our other aunts, uncles and grandparents who are involved in their grandchildren's school lives.

Congratulations for the following children who received a class award at our **Stage 1 Assembly**. Our clever **home readers** are included as well.

# 2A:

# Class awards

**Kaitlyn** – excellent application of our 3 values whilst at Swim School

Caili – displaying all 3 values at Swim School- thanks

# Value awards

Jackson – fantastic effort and application at Swim School Kaylah – a swim school champion - terrific effort and application

# Reading awards

175 Laykin

225 Kaitlyn

250 Kaitlyn

# 2K:

# Class awards

**Brodie** – great focus and concentration with French knitting **Er Xiang** – challenging himself with maths tasks

# Value awards

**Cody L –** being an enthusiastic and responsible class messenger and helper

Holly - being polite and respectful

# Reading awards

100 nights Jackson 175 nights Er Xiang and Jacob

### 2M:

## Class awards

**Selena** – great improvement in reading

Rhiarna - working well in maths

# Value awards

Brodie - showing respect to everyone

**Declain** – being a good friend and playing in a friendly and respectful manner

# 1P:

### Class awards

Isla - writing engaging imaginative stories

**Eedi** – confidently speaking in front of the whole school. Clever and cute!

# Value awards

**Caileigh** – always doing her personal best **Tahlia** – always showing respect to her peers

## Reading awards

225 nights Isla

### 1B

# Class awards

Oscar - getting started straight away and producing quality work

Ashlyn - always giving 100% to produce quality work

### Value awards

**Dominic** – has grown into a very responsible and respectful member of 1B

Jai - an amazing classroom helper who always shows respect

# 1M:

# Class awards

Hayden

Kirrilly

# Value awards

**Terrance** – using kind words and bringing his cute smile to our day

Nia -being a gorgeous member of 1M

# Reading awards

250 Chloe Williams Webster

# 1W:

# Class awards

Brad - working independently to complete set tasks

Josh - always getting on with the task at hand

# Value awards

**Jordan** – coped well when Ms Wilson went to swim school **Lisa** – responsible swimmer, making sure all belongings are tidy and together

# Reading awards

100 nights Danni-Lee 200 nights Eliza

# Regards

# Stage 1 Teachers

# **STAGE 2 NEWS**

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It has been a busy fortnight. We had the second week of swim school, Red Day and the Year 6 Fete. As the days pass, Christmas gets closer and the festivities will begin. We will start to practice for our Christmas concert soon. Ask your child what song they will be learning for the concert.

The school centenary will be on in Week 7. Each class has made something special to display and some children are participating in other events such as Maypole dancing, recorder, choir and gymnastics. Parents, friends and families are welcomed and encouraged to come along and join in the fun.

# Stage 2 Photo Gallery from the fete!









# Ms Frost

Ms Frost is a practice teacher from Newcastle University. She will be working with 3S for 4 weeks. We welcome Ms Frost and know she will enjoy her time with our wonderful Stage 2 students.

# How important is teamwork?

In Stage 2 we feel that children need to realise that their actions effect more than just themselves. Being part of a team means that you respect your classmates and make choices that will benefit everyone.

Teamwork requires people to work cooperatively with others towards a shared purpose. For a team to work together effectively, it takes all members of the team to respect each other's abilities and opinions. Teamwork is a highly social activity and involves much interaction and exchanging of ideas and actions. Being part of a team enables your child to move from more intrapersonal (individual) ways of thinking to interpersonal (communicating with others). It will help a child in all areas of their learning, and help them to feel part of a community, too.

# **Learning Snapshot**

This week's class snapshot is from 3R.

# **3R LEARNING SNAPSHOT**

In 3R we have been learning about what our school was like 100 years ago. We have been researching photographs of the school and discussing what it would have been like then as a child. Imagine only having 9 students at The Entrance Public School when we first opened and one Teacher? Thank you to Mr. Mee for writing his blurbs in the newsletters as we have been able to follow the schools progress. We cannot believe that there were no lpads, lpods, computers or internet. Oh no, what would the children do after school? As we are all amazing artists in 3R, we decided to draw our own portrait of what our school looked like back then. We hope you like our amazing school portraits and hope to see you at the celebration of our schools 100 year anniversary.

# Stage 2 Teachers



# **STAGE 3 NEWS**

Hey Team,

# Last Call for 2016 Year 6 School Shirts

Each Year 5 student has been given an order form for their 2016 Year 6 Shirt. These T-Shirts are ordered this year so that in the first week back students will receive their shirts. This shirt is the official school uniform for all Year 6 students. Once payment is received we can order your shirt. Consider ordering a size bigger than your child requires at this point in time - students grow and once shirts arrive there is no exchange policy. For help with sizing students can see Mrs Parker.

# LAST CALL Kindergarten Photos for Year 6

This is the last call for Year 6 students to bring in Kindergarten photographs. We have asked that all students bring in their kindergarten photo (or as close to kindergarten age as possible) to be included on a slideshow that will be shown at the Year 6 Farewell. This is a great part of the night and it would be wonderful if all photos could be collected asap. Please bring them in a clearly labelled zip-lock bag and they will be returned as soon as they are scanned.

# Year 6 Fete

Last Friday Year 6 held their annual fete to raise money for their Year 6 Farwell to be held during the last week of term. A huge thanks to each of the students (and parents) who organised and ran the stalls on the day. Another huge thanks to Miss Dawson who did a great job at organising the whole event. In total Year 6 raised \$5,342.00. Well done to everyone.

# Year 6 Farewell Date Finalised

The Farewell will be on Monday 14th December at Shelly Beach Surf Club. Children will be presented with their invitations.

# **Important Year 6 Transition Dates:**

# Wednesday 18th November

8am-2:15pm Orientation Day - students attend all day making their own way to and from Tumbi Umbi Campus.
6:00pm Parents Orientation meeting (school hall).

# Wednesday 2nd December

8am-2:15pm Year 6 Gala Day at Tumbi HS

Have a great week team!

Russell Stefans
Assistant Principal - Stage 3
russell.stefans@det.nsw.edu.au

# HOME READING Home Reading Awards

Congratulations to Kaitlyn in 2A and Chloe in 1M for achieving their 250 nights home reading book prize and to our kinder students Harmony in KR and Cameron in KA for achieving their 175 nights book prize. Once students reach these levels they will receive a book prize.









Our lucky book prize winners for the last 2 weeks were Jakub in 2M and Hunter in KR.

Keep up the fantastic efforts everyone!

# Sue Densmore Learning & Support Teacher

# **CANTEEN NEWS**

Hi Everyone,

We now have lemonade Fizz Iceblocks selling for 60c each.

We have a meal deal coming up, so look out for the flyer over the next few weeks.

We also have Snap Chips for \$1.20 each in bbq or salsa, they are Gluten Free.

# **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Nov Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Kylie, Leanne Kylie, Sandi, Chloe Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Rita, Donna, Nicole Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Leanne, Sammi Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jodie, Brooke, Karen Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Shelley, Razaan Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Sandi, Chloe, Kylie Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Donna, Nicole, Rita Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Sammi, Leanne Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Brooke, Jodie, Karen

Cheers,

Emma Brophy Canteen Manager Phone 4333 5174

## **P&C NEWS**

As our year is coming to an end, we are preparing our Annual Christmas Raffle.

Please return raffle tickets to the canteen (you can ask for more if you like!!)

Anyone who has a business and can offer a donation that would be appreciated and we would love all families to make 1 donation of a gift or non-perishable food item to contribute to our raffle (to be dropped off at the canteen)

Many thanks,

# Alison Leger President







# The Entrance Public School Centenary Celebrations

Friday 20th and Saturday 21st November 2015

# Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 from 12.00 noon

Whole School Special Celebration Assembly, Presentation & Filling of Time Capsule, Cake Cutting Ceremony, Memorabilia Display, Open Classrooms, Student Art Exhibition, Student Performances, Special Exhibits and Activities.

# Saturday 21st November, 2015 from 10.00am till 2.00pm

School Open Day Memorabilia Display, Open Classrooms, Student Art Exhibition, Student Performances, Special Exhibits and Activities. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Souvenirs will be available for purchase on the day.

# And in the evening from 6.00pm to 12.00 midnight

Dinner event at Diggers@The Entrance, 315 The Entrance Road, The Entrance.

Tickets available to purchase at the school office. Cost \$60 per person.



Registration dates at THE ENTRANCE LEAGUES CLUB 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> November, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Early registrations will receive a ticket in the draw to win an IPOD Shuffle! A \$50.00 deposit is required at the time of registration to join this great club & for your chance to win an Ipod shuffle.

For any questions or information you require

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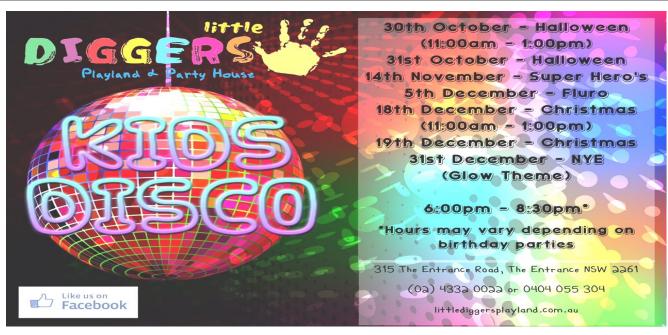
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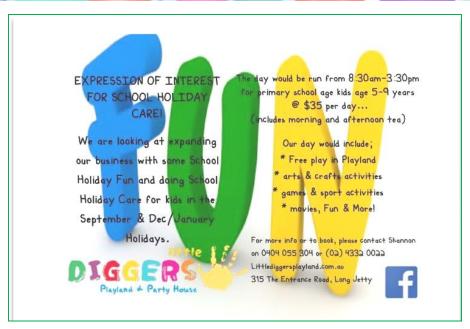
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TUESDAY Hapkido 9:30am - 10:45am
THURSDAY Comp Class 5:00pm - 6:15pm
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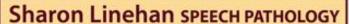




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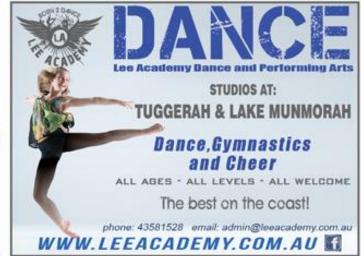
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