

# The Entrance Public School

NEWSLETTER



A partner school



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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

<b>Fri 12 Aug</b>	<b>K-6 Assembly 9:30am</b>
<b>Tues 16</b>	<b>Year 1 - Year 2 Excursion, Snugglepott &amp; Cuddlepie, Civic Theatre Newcastle</b>
	<b>P&amp;C Meeting 9:30am</b>
	<b>Uni NSW Maths Test</b>
<b>Wed 17</b>	<b>Lions Club Public Speaking</b>
<b>Fri 19</b>	<b>Tuggerah Lakes PSSA Athletics Carnival</b>
<b>Mon 22</b>	<b>Kurawa AECG Meeting at Bateau Bay 5pm</b>
<b>Tues 23</b>	<b>Student Leadership Conference</b>
<b>Fri 26</b>	<b>Book Week Character Parade 12 noon</b>
<b>Sat 17 Sep</b>	<b>The Entrance Public School Community Fair</b>
<b>Wed 21</b>	<b>- Fri 23 Sep</b>
	<b>Stage 3 Excursion, Canberra</b>
<b>Tues 20</b>	<b>Stage 2 Excursion, Outdoor Education Mangrove Mountain</b>
<b>TERM 4</b>	
<b>Mon 17 Oct</b>	<b>- Fri 28 Oct</b>
	<b>K-6Swim Scheme</b>

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Week 4 already and I am continually amazed at all the fantastic work that our students are producing. As I visit classrooms I see our students doing the best they can and showing outstanding commitment to their learning. Well done keep up the great work.

A big thank you Mrs Haley for organising a fantastic book fair last week, it was great to see the excitement on the students faces when they were choosing their books, I am sure the families will get many hours of reading out of the books.

Last term our Year 6 students were trained as peer support leaders. Our Peer Support Program started last week and will have a very positive impact on our whole school culture and provides many opportunities for students in all stages to build and demonstrate leadership abilities. Thank you to Ms Robinson and Ms Dawson for all the work they have done to make the program successful.

A reminder that the staff car park is for staff only, for the safety of our students please do not park or drive through the carpark. Thank you for your assistance keeping our students and school community safe.

**TIME TO ENROL FOR KINDERGARTEN AND PRE SCHOOL 2016**

Enrolments are now being taken for children starting kindergarten or preschool in 2017. Please advise the office of your child's name and date of birth and we will send enrolment forms home for you to complete and return. You will also need to provide your child's original birth certificate, statement of complete immunisation from Medicare and proof of your current address.

If you have any friends or neighbours who may have a child ready to start school next year, please let them know it is time to contact the school for information.

**Mental maths strategies:** We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we're helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of "number" which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your

child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here : [www.bit.ly/JkiUsY](http://www.bit.ly/JkiUsY)

**Does speaking another language at home confuse children?**

Are your children fortunate enough to be growing up in a home where two or more languages are spoken? Many parents worry that bilingualism can cause confusion and even delays in learning for their children, but according to the Raising Children Network, that's not the case at all. A good knowledge of your native language can actually help your child with learning English. Bilingual children who are read books and spoken to in their native language find it easier to learn to read and write in English when they get to school. More information is at [www.bit.ly/1m0agnk](http://www.bit.ly/1m0agnk)

Have a great week

**Mark Rudd**  
**PRINCIPAL**

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT****Assemblies**

Our next K-6 Assembly for this term will be held this Friday, commencing at 9.30am. Other K-6 Assemblies this term will be held on Fridays 9<sup>th</sup> September and 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Parents are most welcome to attend.

**Book Week**

Our Book Week Book Character Parade will be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August. We will be celebrating "Australia: Story Country". Parents are invited up to view the parade, commencing at 12 noon and are most welcome to join in a picnic lunch with their children after the parade. The P&C will be running their usual barbecue which is always very popular. Please bring a chair as there is limited seating.

## The Entrance Public School Book Week Character Parade

**"Australia: Story Country"**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August**  
**12 noon**

See the parade and join in a picnic lunch afterwards.

P&C sausage sizzle available

Come along and join in the fun

Bring a chair as there is limited seating



**Win Bin Winners**

The following students were drawn out for the win bin awards: Lahna KQ, Jaxson 1A, Kayza 1A, Cait K-6BW. Congratulations to all of our wonderful students.

**University of NSW Mathematics Tests**

The mathematics test will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August. I will be contacting the students who have paid and entered prior to the day to inform them of what is required.

**Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Meeting**

The date for the next AECG meeting has been changed to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at the Tuggerah Lakes Community Centre, Bay Village Rd, commencing at 5pm. All interested persons are most welcome to attend.

**Warren Mee****DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

We are currently making plans for our Kindergarten Transition to School program for students starting in 2017, which will commence in Week 2, Term 4. If you have a child or know of a child that may be starting at The Entrance Public School in 2017 could you please advise the office to assist us with planning for the transition program and enrolment at the best school on the Central Coast.

**Preschool Enrolments for 2017**

If you have a child who will be turning four years old before the 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017 and you would like to enrol them in our preschool for next year, please collect an application form from the front office. There are only 40 places available. The preschool currently operates two groups; one operating every Monday and Tuesday and alternate Wednesdays, the other operating Thursdays and Fridays and the alternate Wednesdays.

Priority must go to children who live in The Entrance Public School area and will be attending kindergarten at The Entrance Public School in 2018. Preference must also be given to students who have a disability, come from a low socio-economic family situation and/or are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. A birth certificate is also required for proof of age.

The Garawa Pre-school is run by the Department of Education and fees have been heavily subsidised to cater for the needs of our community. This year the full fee rate per day is \$15 per day. If the family has a Health Care card or are Aboriginal, fee relief is applied and the cost is reduced to \$7.00 per day. To date fees have not been given to us for 2017.

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**  
**Property Central Attendance Award**

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options.

Each fortnight, a student who has attended school for 100%, will be recognised with an award from Property Central Long Jetty.

Our first award winner was **Lincoln from K/1A**. Well done Lincoln!

**TUGGERAH LAKES ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

The Tuggerah Lakes Zone Athletics Carnival will be held at Mingara Regional Athletics Centre on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> of August (Week 5).

Those students selected to represent TEPS have received a note detailing which event/events they have been successful in qualifying for.

Please ensure the note is returned to the office ASAP along with the \$3.50 for carnival entry. A bus has been organised to transport the students and will be leaving the school at 8.15 sharp. Students need to be at school at 7.50am. Entry for spectators is free and programs will be available for \$1.00 on the day.

Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any further questions about what is sure to be a successful and enjoyable day for our athletes.

**K-6 BW NEWS**

What a great time the students are having at their weekly swimming lessons. We are so impressed with their fantastic effort and the improvements we are already seeing in their water confidence, safety and swim technique. We are grateful to Mingara for providing this wonderful opportunity for our children, including the free use of their courtesy bus to transport us to and from the pool.

Our reappraisal and review meetings will take place on Monday 22 August. The meetings are an opportunity for us to discuss your child's progress and set goals and priorities for the second half of the year. We look forward to meeting with you all.

**Assembly Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at our last assembly:

**Ella** – Terrific typing and super spelling

**Cait** – Wonderful improvement in on task behavior.

**Mary Best, Gemma White & Sabien Stragliotto**  
**Support Class Team**

**KINDERGARTEN NEWS****THE REPTILE PARK EXCURSION**

Our Reptile Park excursion has been booked for Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September. The permission note and medical note have now been sent home.

Thank you to all those families who have already paid.

**Final payment must be received by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August.**

**Upcoming Events**

- 12<sup>th</sup> August - K-6 Assembly 9.30am
- 26<sup>th</sup> August - Money and permission notes for the Reptile Park excursion are due.
- Book Character Parade. Each class teacher will provide you with information about what to wear.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> September- Father's Day stall
- 9<sup>th</sup> September- Reptile Park excursion

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

**Kinder Ainslie-**

**50 nights:** Dane

**75 nights:** Laila, Isabella

**150 nights:** Blair



**Kinder Quye-****25 nights:** Noah**75 nights:** Sienna**100 nights:** Ava, Tyson, Courtney, Tilli**125 nights:** Jarryd**Kinder McFarlane-****25 nights:** Aston**75 nights:** Genna**100 nights:** Yvie**Kinder Andrews-****25 nights:** Shayden, Stevie-Mae**75 nights:** Ruby**125 nights:** Caleb**175 nights:** Jamie

**A big thumbs up** to everyone who received a RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY or PERSONAL BEST award at our mini assembly. Keep up the great work.

**Stephanie Ainslie, Nicole Quye, Mardi McFarlane and Donna Andrews**

**STAGE 1 NEWS**

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A reminder: **Stage 1 Excursion** –to view *Snugglepot and Cuddlepie* at the *Civic Theatre, Newcastle* on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August**. All money should be paid in full by now. Contact your class teacher if you haven't yet done so.

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Congratulations for the following children who received a class award at our Stage 1 Assembly.

Our clever home readers are included as well.

**2C:****Class awards:**

Amelia – kind, helpful and enthusiastic 2C classmate

Xander – always doing his personal best in all activities

**Value awards:**

Joshua- honest and helpful member of 2C

Isabella – always being a great friend and learner

**2K:****Class awards:**

Emily- developing independent working habits

Tara – demonstrating awesome mathematical skills in addition and subtraction

**Value awards:**

Isla- being a wonderful role model in 2K

Jordan – being much more settled in the classroom

50 nights: Tanaya and Nakeisha

125 nights: Brodie and Nyaka

150 nights: Isla

**2W:****Class awards:**

Bella-Rose – fabulous newspaper research on Olympics

Georgia – fabulous newspaper research on Olympics

**Value awards:**

Jackson – being a kind and thoughtful classmate

Jett– trying hard to be a responsible, independent learner

75 nights: Hayden

100 nights: Bella-Rose and Georgia

125 nights: Tomas and Lisa

**2/3M:****Class award:**

Dakota- being a motivated, super star reader

**Value awards:**

Ty- for always being a motivated, sensible student

**1A:****Class awards:**

Cameron- wonderful application to her writing

Ty – fantastic effort and results with his writing

**Value awards:**

Calm- displaying his personal best when working in class

Kalais– being a respectful class member

50 nights: Aiesha

100 nights: Avneet

175 nights: Jaxson

**1B:****Class awards:**

Cohen – increasing his efforts during writing

Zylah– being an independent learner in group activities

**Value awards:**

Amber- being a responsible and respectful learner.

Jordan – he is always a kind and caring friend to his teachers and peers

125 nights: A-Litkim, Er Kai

**1P:****Class awards:**

Gabrielle – excellent effort in reading groups

Trey – trying hard to make good choices

**Value awards:**

Sofia – being a kind and caring class member

Aries – doing his personal best in all areas

175 nights: Hannah

**K/1A:****Class award:**

Miah- always doing her personal best

**Value award:**

Lincoln – for including friends in his games

50 nights: Kingston

100 nights: Miah

**Regards****Stage 1 Team****TAKE 3**

Take 3 is an initiative to encourage the reduction of waste that ends up in our oceans. Did you know that 8 millions tonnes of new plastic enters our oceans each year.

To help reduce waste Stage 2 students are participating in Waste Free Tuesday. Each week all Stage 2 classes, collect their non recyclable waste into containers. The class with the least amount of waste will be announced the winners and receive our special frog to care for. Our first winners were 3C, great job. We will announce our winners in each newsletter.

**STAGE 2 NEWS**

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Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

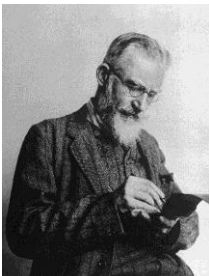
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It was a pleasure to attend our NAIDOC assembly last week. The students were engaged and enjoyed listening to the special presentation and class item representing the Aboriginal culture.

We also have our book parade coming up on Friday Week 6 (26 August). All students will be asked to dress up in costume relating to the book they are reading in class. Your support with the book parade would definitely make it an event to remember.

We will often remind students about stranger danger, road safety, and general safety that they need to be aware of. Students, in particular, are reminded that school is a safe place and while at school, they need to follow some simple instructions:

- Stay inbounds
- Not leave the school grounds
- Go to the toilet with a buddy
- Do not speak to adults other than teachers/support staff
- Report any concerns immediately to a teacher/support staff
- If walking to school or home from school: do not stop off or change plans from what your parents have instructed.



*What we want is to see the child in pursuit of knowledge, and not knowledge in pursuit of the child.*

- George Bernard Shaw

### Stage 2 Excursion

All deposits have been collected by the front office for our excursion. If you have not made your payment to book a spot, please contact the front office to make arrangements. If you have any paid the deposit for the excursion, please remember to pay the full amount when it is due.

Stage 2 will students have received a note to explaining what they will need on the day. They have also received a medical form which **MUST** be completed and returned in order to participate on the day.

If you have any enquiries about the excursion, please see your child's classroom teacher.

### Attendance – Tips for Parents

Going to school is important. It makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children.

- Keep your child home only when they are sick
- Advise the school of any absence
- See doctors and dentists after school times

Helping your child have a happy day at school is important for you and your child.

If you are having difficulties in getting your child to school, you should contact the school as soon as possible to discuss the problem and ask for help.

### What's Happening in 3KD!

3KD are looking forward to another busy and exciting term. Olympic fever has struck in 3KD! We are enjoying learning more about the Rio Olympics and the history of the Olympic games. We are looking forward to watching the athletes compete and immersing ourselves in all of the Olympic action. Usain Bolt is a definite favourite within the class, we admire his skill and determination, although we are still hoping for lots of Australian Gold Medals.

3KD have been enjoying our Peer Support Sessions. It is a great opportunity for us to expand our friendship networks to students in other grades, while we are learning and having fun. Our Stage 3 leaders have done a wonderful job making us all feel welcome and we are doing our best to be positive role models for the younger students.

Our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) lessons will continue this term. Tuesday afternoons are a hive of activity in the 3KD classrooms as we transform ourselves into engineers, who work together as a team to problem solve and complete design challenges. We are learning to follow the Design Engineering Process and have built bridges, towers, houses and parachutes using everyday materials. A particular class favourite were the houses that we had to construct to save the 3 little pigs from a huff and a puff from the Big Bad Wolf. We are pleased to report that due to our innovation and critical thinking, all of our houses survived and no pigs came to harm! We have many budding inventors and engineers in our class, so watch this space!!!

### Regards

Stage 2 Teachers

### STAGE 3 NEWS

Hey Team,

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#### TLLC Year 5 & 6 Academic Awards

Nine of our students from Year 5 and 6 were recognised for their high levels of academic achievement last Thursday at a Tuggerah Lakes Learning Community awards giving ceremony.

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Students in Year 6 and 5 who received awards were: Cameron (5/6A), Eleanor (5M), Matilda (5R), Naeem (5M), Esther (6S), Maddy (6S), Lani (6D), Jared (6D). Congratulations to these students for both their hard work and all that they have achieved in their learning - we are extremely proud of you!

### SLAM (Successful Students All in Meet)

In SLAM, over the next couple of weeks, students will be setting new goals for this semester and developing their skills in the area of problem solving.

### Year 6 Tumbi Tasters- Transition to High School

Tumbi Tasters is off and running for our Year 6 students. Students who have attended this transition program have all reported that they have really enjoyed the experience.

Information has been sent home to parents and caregivers regarding the allocated dates for students. The program runs each Thursday and commences at Tumbi at 12:15. Students will need to leave TEPS at approximately 11:45am. The program finishes at 2:15pm- the concluding time of the school day at Tumbi. Parents and caregivers are responsible for transporting students to and from this event.

If transport is a problem students are able to travel with other parents whose children are attending on the same day, provided a note is sent to the school prior to the day, indicating so.

### Walking & Wheels

Likewise Walking & Wheels is up and running each Wednesday. Unfortunately we had to cancel last week's session due to the bad weather conditions. We will update this information on the School App if this happens in the future. The safety and wellbeing of our students is our main focus.

### Creative & Practical Arts (CAPA) Electives

Last term Stage 3 commenced Creative and Practical Arts electives which were held on Thursday afternoons. This term CAPA electives will move to Monday afternoons.

### Canberra

Deposits to secure student placement on our excursion to Canberra **ARE NOW DUE**. If there are any financial concerns regarding payment for this excursion, please contact Mr Stefans as soon as possible to ensure that your child does not miss out.

Itineraries, medical forms and a list of what students need to pack on the excursion will be sent home in Weeks Five and Six.

Parents and caregiver if it assists, please feel free to pay off the balance for the Canberra excursion to the office... either in weekly, fortnightly or monthly installments if it makes things easier. The balance does not have to be paid until Term 3 Week 7. This is going to be a great memory making experience!

Have a great week.

**Russell Stefans**

**Assistant Principal- Stage 3**

**RUSSELL.STEFANS@det.nsw.edu.au**

### Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

The school Learning Support Team (along with every school in Australia), has been entering data to support this collection. The national data collection counts students who have been identified by school teams as receiving an adjustment to their learning to address a disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA).

The national data collection is an opportunity for schools to review their learning and support systems and processes to continually improve educational outcomes for their students with disability. More information can be found at:- [https://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/attachm ent\\_k\\_-\\_updated\\_parent-carer\\_fact\\_sheet.pdf](https://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/attachm ent_k_-_updated_parent-carer_fact_sheet.pdf)

**Sue Densmore**

**LEARNING AND SUPPORT TEACHERS**

### ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

Our NAIDOC week celebrations kicked off Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of July by all coming to school dressed in Red, Black and Yellow, followed by a wonderful assembly, led by Amos and Kahlia. It was great to see so many parents and family members come and celebrate this special event with us. At recess the children enjoyed eating some fantastic Red, Black and Yellow cupcakes as well as Bush Tucker lolly cups. A big THANK YOU to our fabulous mums led by Jodie, Emma, Brooke and Kristie and our wonderful teachers for all your efforts in baking and decorating so many wonderful cupcakes for our stall. The children really enjoyed the day. We raised \$365.00 which will go towards buying some more Aboriginal texts for our school Library.



### PLP MEETINGS

Personalised Learning Pathways meetings for our ATSI students will continue this week in Oasis. The children have been working hard in Cultural Groups preparing for these meetings and have enjoyed sharing their ideas and aspirations with their teachers and family.

**Mrs Haslam & Ms Saunders**

### Swim Scheme 2016

During Term 4 from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October children from Kindergarten to Year Six are invited to participate in swimming lessons at Mingara Recreation Centre.

**The total cost which includes the return bus trip and lessons is \$80.00** (unfortunately we were not able to receive funding from outside sources to reduce the cost involved).

**A non-refundable deposit of \$10.00 is to be paid by 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016** and subsequent payments can be made throughout Term 3.

**FINAL PAYMENT WILL BE DUE BY FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER.** Please note numbers are limited to 200 students therefore the first 200 deposits received are guaranteed a spot.

Ms Ally Bayfield

Swim School Coordinator

### Swim School 2016

I give permission for my child .....

class .....to participate in the swimming scheme at Mingara Recreation Area from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October till Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October. I understand that my child will be travelling to and from swimming lessons on the bus. I have enclosed a non-refundable deposit of \$10.00

.....  
Parent/carers

.....  
Date

### The Entrance Public School COMMUNITY FAIR

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September our school will be having our first Community Fair. In future newsletters information regarding our fair will be published. Currently we are in the process of organizing our Community Fair and are offering stalls for hire to local small businesses who would like to be part of our day. The cost would be \$50 or 20% of sales made on the day. If you or a business you know of would like to book a stall or receive more information, please contact:

**Ally Bayfield on 4332 2422 (via the school office) or  
allison.grindrod@det.nsw.edu.au**



**CANTEEN NEWS**

Hi Everyone,

That time of year again for our 'Eat Fresh and Win' canteen promotion through the Sydney Fruit Markets.

Simply purchase apples/bananas, a fruit cup or vegies dip, salad on your burger or sandwich and receive a sticker. Collect two and go into a drawer to win great prizes, and receive a special pencil with eraser.

Just a reminder that Kinders get their drinks sent up in lunch baskets. Kindy's need to come down for slushies and iceblocks unless marked otherwise on lunch bags. Year 1 to 6 need to come down for their drinks and iceblocks.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Razaan, Kristie, Shelley
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sandi, Shay
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Rita, Kristie
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	Sammi, Kaylah
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Brooke
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	Kristie, Shelley, Razaan
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Shay, Sandi
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Kristie, Rita
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Kaylah, Sammi
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	Brooke, Mel

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Cheers,  
**Emma Brophy**  
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**Saturday 13/8/16 9am-3pm**

**Sunday 21/8/16 10am-2pm**

**Start of patrols 24/9/16**

**Start of Nippers 9/10/16**

Marine Parade The Entrance

Any enquiries contact President- Glenn Clarke on 0407 335 172  
Or Secretary- Sue Evrard on 0409 039 910

**TEPS FAIR**

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Art  
Plants

**We'd love you to join us**  
**Saturday, 17th September**  
**10am-3pm**

**TEPS FAIR**

All day ride passes available

Pre ordered tickets \$22  
Tickets on the day \$25  
Pre ordered tickets will be sent home, these will need to be presented on Saturday to collect a wristband  
Last day to pre-order tickets is Thursday 15th September

**Amazing Rides**

Order Form - Ride Passes TEPS Fair

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of all day passes required (\$22 each) \_\_\_\_\_

Total cost \_\_\_\_\_

**SOFTBALL TEAM**

I am putting together a new softball team for under 12-14 years and would like to get the word out.

We are Wolvettes softball club and play at Bateau Bay. I will be the coach.

**Jess Honeysett**  
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