

The Entrance Public School

NEWSLETTER



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs 22 Nov	Drum Corp Gulangfest 5pm Dolphin Theatre, The Entrance Campus
Fri 23 Nov	9:30am Whole School Assembly Year 6 Fete
Mon 26 Nov	K-2 Sport in Schools
Thurs 29 Nov	Koori Choir End of Year Celebration
Mon 3 Dec	K-2 Sport in Schools
Tues 4 Dec	Helpers Morning Tea 11am Books in Homes Kinder Assembly 2:20pm
Wed 5 Dec	K-6 Yoga Tumbi Umbi Campus Gala Day
Thurs 6 Dec	9:30am Whole School Assembly Drum Corp Combined Scripture Assembly in Hall
Fri 7 Dec	9:30am Whole School Assembly
Mon 10 Dec	K-2 Sport in Schools
Wed 12 Dec	K-6 Yoga Passport to Party
Thurs 13 Dec	Drum Corp
Fri 14 Dec	Christmas Concert 1pm
Mon 17 Dec	K-2 Sport in Schools Years 3-6 – Presentation Day Year 6 Farewell
Tues 18 Dec	P-2 – Presentation Day
Wed 19 Dec	Year 6 Mingara LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Week 6, congratulations to all our candidates that ran for our leadership positions for 2019. I am very proud and reassured that our school and local community possess so many fine children. Congratulations also to our students who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to their learning, improving their personal best in all areas, and for wearing their uniform with pride.

Good luck to our Year 6 students and staff for the mini fete on this Friday. I am sure that everyone will have an amazing time with lots of fun and laughter.

Congratulations to all the students that have visited my office in the last fortnight to show me their wonderful writing and maths. The quality of work is truly outstanding and shows that The Entrance Public School has very talented students and amazing teachers.

Please also be aware that over the next few weeks the police will have a greater presence in the area particularly around the school in the mornings and afternoons. I urge all motorists and pedestrians to continue to obey the road safety laws to ensure the safety of our students and school community, especially in the Kiss and Ride zone.

A reminder that the toilets at The Entrance Public School are for student use only. Visitors to the school throughout the day, including before school and in the afternoon who need to use the toilets must see the office staff to be directed to a staff/visitor toilet. Thank you for your assistance with this issue as it is for the safety of our students and is a child protection issue.

Choosing the right shoes: School shoes may all look the same but the cost can vary from about \$30 to \$120 and beyond. Does a more expensive shoe mean a better shoe? Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/choosing-the-right-school-shoes>

Jargon explained: If your child's teacher mentions G&T in the COLA, they are actually talking about gifted and talented classes being held in the covered outdoor learning area.

More school jargon explained:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/school-jargon-busters>

Where's the octopus

Wow - it's videos like this that show kids how cool studying science can be. Watch it with them:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aoCzZHcwKxI&feature=youtu.be>

Have a great week!

Mark Rudd
Principal



School Banking is at our school with The Greater. Any student who wishes to bank money can bring their bank book and money to the office on **Friday mornings**.

Ms Ally Bayfield
Organising Teacher

GulangFest 2018

GulangFest is an Aboriginal Cultural Concert and Art Exhibition where our ATSI students showcase their talents and celebrate culture. On Thursday 22 November 2018 many of our students will be performing, receiving awards and showcasing their artworks. Join us for an informal BBQ at 3:30pm at The Entrance Campus (The Dolphin Theatre), the concert commences at 5pm. We would love any members of our community to attend and help us celebrate our Indigenous culture.



K-6B NEWS

K-6B

Term 4 is always busy with lots of events and activities. To ensure you don't miss anything, please remember to check your child's folder daily for notes and information, then put it back in their bag to be returned to school the following day.

This semester we have been having a lot of fun learning some Key Word Signs. Key Word Signing is a communication system which supports and encourages language development in adults and children who have communication difficulties. Hand signs and gestures are used to represent the key words in a sentence as they are spoken. The signs are based on Auslan, the language of the Deaf Community in Australia. We are looking forward to showing you our Key Word Signing skills at our assembly on Friday and again at this year's Christmas Concert.

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to our clever merit award winners:

Paul – Demonstrating his knowledge of place value and reading numbers to 100

Gabriel – Fantastic improvement in spelling

Mary Best & Deb Eastment
Support Class Team

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

GETTING ALONG

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This term we introduced a new connecting behaviour – Getting Along. Students are recognised for supporting one another in the classroom and playground, for being a kind friend, playing appropriate games, using kind words, and including others. Please have a chat with your child about what they can do to display this important connecting behaviour.

YEAR 6 FETE

This Friday 23rd November is our annual Year 6 Fete. This is always an amazing day and one the children have been looking forward to. Please assist your child by sending their money in an envelope or zip lock bag, clearly labelled with their name, class and amount of money.

BOOKS IN HOMES

Kindergarten were lucky to be chosen to receive a one off 'Books in Homes' pack. Every kindergarten child selected three books that they will receive at a special assembly. This will be held in our school hall on Tuesday 4th December at 2:20pm. We would love for you to join us.

AMAZING WRITING

All of the students in kindergarten have made such wonderful progress this year with their independent writing - I am truly so proud of them all. This term we have been focusing on writing compound sentences and including adjectives to make our writing more descriptive and interesting. Take a look at the marvellous independent writing samples from Stevie (KD), Grace (KW), Jordiinah (KQ) and Ben (KL).

Crabs can be different colours and sizes. Hermit crabs are great at scurrying in the squishy squashy sand. Stevie (KD)

The Rainbow Fish saved the striped fish from the shark. The Rainbow Fish remembered how he felt when no one wanted to play with him. Grace (KW)

The crab is hiding on the boys head playing with his head. Jordiinah (KQ)

The seadragons are on the way to the seagrass meadow. The seadragon is looking at the wobbegong. Ben (KL)

HOME READING CHAMPIONS!

Kindergarten have made such wonderful progress with their reading this year. Congratulations to the following children for receiving a home reading and book award:

KL:

125 nights – Charlotte, Jacob
150 nights – Courtney

KQ:

75 nights – Kelsey, Jordinaah
125 nights – Elina
225 nights – Mikayla
250 nights – Harley

KW:

75 nights – Eli
125 nights – Charlie, Logan
175 nights – Theodorina

KD:

50 nights – Amelia, Taani
100 nights – Billy, Aiden, Ben
125 nights – Havana, Wesley
175 nights – Cadance

Have a wonderful fortnight!

Donna Andrews, Nicole Quye, Nikki Wilson, Adam Lonergan

STAGE 1 NEWS

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Stage 1 had a fun, crazy sock day last Friday raising money for Dymocks Children's Charities and new books for our Library. The best part was watching Mr Rudd in the ice bucket challenge (although I think they were a bit light on the ice). What a great sport he was!

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

2K:**Class awards:**

Ava – Clever problem solving in maths
Dane – Clever creating in Stem activities

Value awards:

Toby – Clever contributions during Science lesson discussions
Kaiden – Excellent participation in physical education lessons

175 nights: Ava
250 nights: Jacob

2C:**Class awards:**

Kim – Trying hard to achieve her writing goal
Jayden – A big improvement in reading

Value awards:

Indie – Contributing fairly in our class discussions
Katie – Showing improved resilience and for making excellent choices in the playground

125 nights: Luke
175 nights: Callum
200 nights: Chloe
275 nights: Jamie, Cameron & Ziggy

1/2D:**Class awards:**

Sienna – Amazing effort & improvement in achieving her writing goals
Gennavieve – Showing outstanding dedication towards achieving her writing goals

Value awards:

Eliza – For being a kind & caring classmate to everyone and for always being her best self
Davi – Being an amazing & attentive listener and for having beautiful manners

100 nights: Lucas

1M:**Class awards:**

Zardi – Calm and focused learning
Telesha – Kind, caring and helpful behaviour

Value awards:

Jakob – A valued class member
Lilly - Sight word champion

175 nights: Hope

1KN:**Class awards:**

Michelle – Putting 100% effort into all classwork
Jameel – Always being a star student

Value awards:

Tegan – Wonderful listener & hard worker
Diego – Working hard to achieve writing goals

175 nights: Stewone

275 nights: Keely

1P:**Class awards:**

Coco – A huge improvement in social skills
Parker – Excellent use of adjectives

Value awards:

Hunter – Being a TEPS connecting behaviours champion!
Emilee – Being a kind, polite and friendly classmate

75 nights: Josh & Amber

100 nights: Charlotte & Liam

250 nights: Hunter & Kai

**Kind regards,
Stage 1 Team**

STAGE 2 NEWS

Week 6 and Christmas is just around the corner! End of year assessments have been completed and all teachers are busy marking, grading and writing the students end of year reports. These reports will be sent home with your child in Week 10.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Save the date! We are having a day-time concert this year. Years 3 and 4 will be performing separate items, they have been busy rehearsing and all parents and carers are invited to attend and celebrate with us on Friday 14th December at 1.00pm. Sausage sandwiches and drinks will be on sale.

A GOOD NIGHT OF SLEEP

A good night of sleep helps students to be more alert in class, especially first session. Class time is when authentic learning occurs and this can't happen if a student is too tired, or misses part of the learning by being late, through sleeping in. Sleep enhances optimal brain activity therefore promoting increased concentration and attention. Sleep promotes memory retention and recall. Maintaining an appropriate routine for bed time for your children is encouraged. Not only optimum learning, but behaviour, organisation and overall wellbeing.

HEAD LICE

Cases have increased across Stage 2 students over the past few weeks. The only way to eradicate these outbreaks is through regular head checks and treatment as required for every child. Unfortunately it only takes a few live lice or missed eggs to spark a new infestation. Please check your child's hair daily and treat with recommended lice treatments before returning to school.

**Stage 2 Teachers**

**Mrs Haslam 4H, Ms Ambrose 4A, Mrs Burke 4B,
Mrs Duncan 3/4D, Mrs Kirk 3K & Mrs Canobie 3C.**

STAGE 3 NEWS

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

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As we approach the end of the year, I encourage you to continue speaking to your child/children about next year. It has come to my attention that some of our Stage 3 students are feeling anxious or stressed about moving to high school or becoming Year 6 students. I encourage all parents of students in Year 6 to ensure that their child/children attend high school Orientation days (Tumbi Umbi Campus' Orientation was on Wednesday 21st November), Gala days (Tumbi Umbi Campus' Gala Day is on Wednesday 5th December) and to participate in any of the transition programs their high school organises.

2019 Leaders: Congratulations

Congratulations to our 2019 Leaders!

Captains

Yannis H
Kaitlyn C

Vice Captains

Laykin P
Tayla S

We are so lucky to have such amazing students lead our school next year. I'm very excited to watch our leadership team step up!

**Year 6 Fete**

The day has arrived! Friday 23rd November is our Year 6 fete. Please support our Year 6 cohort! There will be a number of fun hands on activities and stalls for all K-5 students. A note was sent home last week that outlined the activities and their prices. Please have a conversation with your child/children about the day. We will remind all students to take care of their purchases and their money throughout the day.



2019 Year 6 School Shirts

A note will be going home soon regarding the Year 6 shirts for next year. Please keep an eye out. Students will be able to try on shirts to choose the right size for them. Please keep in mind that they will grow!

Year 6 News

Tumbi Umbi Campus Orientation Day was today. We hope that going to the orientation day has helped to ease the anxiety that some of our Year 6 students are feeling.

Tumbi Umbi Campus Gala Day will be on Wednesday Week 8 (5th December). Permission notes will be sent home closer to the date.

Our **Year 6 Farewell** is on Monday Week 10 (17th December). Ms Bayfield will be holding another parent meeting soon. Details to follow.

Year 6 Fun Day at Mingara will be held on Wednesday Week 10 (19th December). When students return from Mingara, the whole school will clap them out as a final goodbye.

One more thing...

- Please ensure to notify the school of any absences.
- Students must continue to wear FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM (including hat)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with me or your child's classroom teacher.

Kind regards,

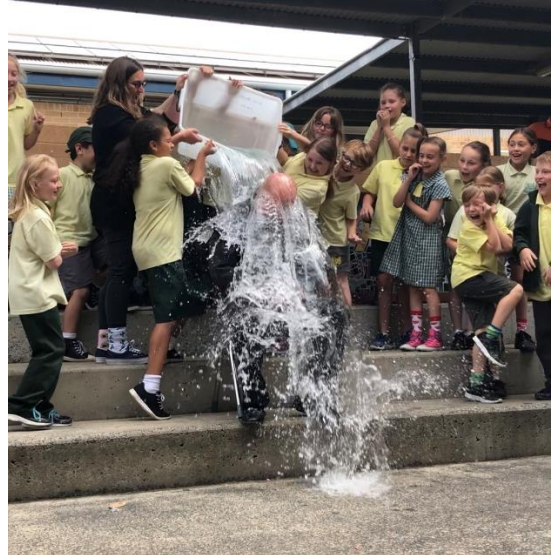
Miss Martinez (Rel. AP Stage 3), Mrs Bayfield, Ms Chaffer, Mrs Robinson and Mr McInnes

What's On @TEPSLibrary

Dymocks Children's Charities Fundraiser

Week 5 was super exciting with our fundraising efforts for the school library. Congratulations to 3C and Mrs Canobie who won our lolly guessing competition. They not only received 387 lollies to share in class but were also the lucky winners to pour ice-cold water over our principal's head. What a great sport you are Mr Rudd! Our lolly guessing competition raised over \$500 that equals over \$1000 worth of books. You can still donate to our cause at:

<https://chuffed.org/project/the-entrance-public-school>



Overdue Books

All students received a loans note showing their current and overdue loans. If your child received a note with overdue books, please assist them to bring their books back to the library and help our school to work towards a zero overdue record.

Mrs Evans
Teacher Librarian

CANTEEN NEWS

We will back in our canteen this week.

Note – we no longer have goujons, hash browns or party pies for the rest of the year.

Check our facebook page for daily specials. Hot dogs will no longer be available once we are back in the Canteen.

Thank you for your patience while our canteen has been renovated.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thurs 22 nd Nov	Kathy, Judith
Fri 23 rd	Kathy, Kylie, Caitlin
Mon 26 th	Kathy, Rita, Sue
Tues 27 th	Sammi
Wed 28 th	Sue, Kathy
Thurs 29 th	Kathy, Judith
Fri 30 th	Kathy, Kylie, Caitlin
Mon 3 rd Dec	Sue, Kathy, Rita
Tues 4 th	Sammi
Wed 5 th	Kirstie, Sue, Kathy

Uniform Shop – Any unwanted uniforms would be most appreciated for our second hand uniform shop.

Cheers,
Emma Brophy

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If you are interested, please complete the slip below and return to the Office. We will contact you early Term 1 2019 with further details.

Karen George and Sue Anderson
TEPS Instructional Leaders

To Mrs George / Mrs Anderson

I am interested in learning more about PaTCH 2019.

Name: _____ Ph No: _____

Child(ren): _____

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