

# The Entrance Public School Newsletter

#### **TERM 3 | WEEK 6 | 28 AUGUST 2019**

### Dates to Remember

#### Thursday 29 August

• Year 6 Tumbi Tasters 12:15pm

#### Friday 30 August

- Father's Day breakfast
- Whole School Assembly 9:30am

#### **Monday 2 September**

• Environment Team Rumbalara Excursion, The Entrance

#### **Tuesday 3 September**

• K6B Swimming, Mingara

#### Wednesday 11 September

• Drumcorp

#### **Thursday 12 September**

- Koori Choir Workshop & Performance, Chittaway Public School
- Year 6 Tumbi Tasters 12:15pm

#### Friday 13 September

- Whole School Assembly 9:30am
- Year 6 Fete

#### **Tuesday 17 September**

- P&C Meeting 9:30am
- K6B Swimming, Mingara

#### Wednesday 18 September

- Kinder Farm Excursion
- RYSS Visit Year 6
- Drumcorp

# **Principal's Report**

Wow, already Week 6 of Term 3! I am not sure where these days are flying to. Last week was a particularly busy week at TEPS. We thank Mrs Evans for her amazing work on the 'Book Character' Parade and also all of the students and families who supported the activity as well.

Our Year 1 and 2 students had an extremely enjoyable excursion to Taronga Zoo and we had many well performed athletes represent the school at Touch Football and District Athletics.

#### <u>Magpies</u>

Magpies have been an extremely large issue at this school for a long time now. The school has been working on a number of ways to solve the problem. Currently the students eat inside in an attempt to reduce the amount of food available for them to eat. This has decreased the numbers but unfortunately they are becoming more aggressive in stealing food and are venturing indoors to find food. We ask all families to be careful when carrying food around under the COLA.

The school has made contact with **Bird Control Australia** and is looking at solutions to scaring the magpies away. As the magpies are a protected species we need to make sure we follow all correct protocols for removal or discouraging where they are currently roosting.

Other areas of consideration are cost, environmentally safe and sustainable. Watch this space!

#### School Parking

Over the remainder of this term the school will be undertaking an investigation into parking around the school and in particular the 'Kiss and Drop' areas. This has been a concerning area in the past as there have been a number of safety concerns raised by our community. Staff will be taking photos of our current parking situation and will be putting out questionnaires to our community. We would like to develop a parking plan which will suit our community's needs and meets the obligational requirements of our local council.

#### Father's Day Breakfast

We look forward to seeing all dads or significant males in our student's lives at our Father's Day Breakfast this Friday. This is to thank them for the important role they play in our student's lives.

#### Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Last week a number of staff attended a PBL Professional Development session at Jilliby Public School. Over the next 4 years TEPS will be embarking on their Positive Behaviour for Learning journey with the aim of a clear and consistent welfare system. More to come over the coming weeks.

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#### **SCHOOL TIMES**

8:45 am - Teacher supervision begins and breakfast is available in the cultural room.
9:15 am - Morning bell; students line up and wait for their teachers in the COLA.
3:00 pm - Gates open and parents are welcomed to wait for their children.
3:15 pm - Afternoon bell students dismissed from the COLA.

All parents and visitors MUST sign in at the office if on school grounds between 9:30 pm and 3:00 pm.

All High School Students are asked to wait outside school grounds until 3:15pm.

#### P and C Meeting

Our P and C meeting was held yesterday in the Aboriginal Education Room. The agenda is below.

The Entrance Public School P&C Association	The Entrance Public School P&C Association
Meeting Agenda – 9.30am, Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	Ball Games Event – 24/10/2019 BBQ Fundraising Cookbook
	School Uniform
Opening	School Uniform Meeting Schedule
Attendees	weering schedule
Apologies	
Visitors – Leanne from Gosford Tailoring	Closing
Minutes of Previous Meeting	Next meeting – 9.30am, Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2019
Business Arising	
Correspondence	
Reports	
Treasurer Canteen Uniform Shop Fundraising Principal	
General Business	
Casual Vacancy - Treasurer	
Ratification of Constitution – please see attached	
Father's Day	
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Our next P and C meeting is on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September. All community members are invited however, only financial members can vote. If you would like to add anything to General Business, please send an email to: <u>theentrancepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au</u>

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#### Dave Stitt Principal

Creativity is the key to success in the future, and primary education is where teachers can bring creativity in children at that level. - A.P.J.Abdul Kalam



# Kindergarten 2020

We are currently making plans for our Kindergarten Transition to School program for students starting in 2020, which will commence in Term 4. If you have a child or know of a child that may be starting at The Entrance Public School in 2020 could you please advise the office to assist us with planning for the transition program and enrolment at The Entrance Public School.



Please contact the office on 4332 2422.

## **Kindergarten News**

#### The Farm Excursion

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September Kindergarten are going on an excursion to The Golden Ridge Animal Farm in Dural. The cost will be \$35.00. The excursion may be paid off with weekly payments of \$5.00-\$10.00. Final payment must be paid by Wednesday 11th September 2019.

Permission notes have been sent home. Please return it, with payment before the due date so final numbers can be given to the bus company.

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

Kinder Ainslie 25 nights: Indi-Rose 50 nights: Ava, Aeesha 75 nights: Nevaeh 100 nights: Ariel, Tyler, Michael, Levi, Marakai

Kinder Wilson (Burden) 50 nights: Douglas, Charlee, Cadence 75 nights: Hudson 100 nights: Vincent-John, Matthew Kinder Crottey 25 nights: Jordan 50 nights: Romy, Kalinda, Nixon 75 nights: Kyro, Kalinda, Harjass, Lachlan

A **big thumbs up** to everyone who received an award at our mini assembly. Keep up the great work.

Stephanie Ainslie, Nicole Crottey and Zoe Burden

## **Stage 1 News**

Wow! What a big week for Stage One - the book parade and zoo excursion in one week!

#### Zoo Excursion

Stage One had a blast at Taronga Zoo last Friday. I'm not sure who enjoyed it more, the students or the teachers. There were so many amazing animals out and about on display. This was a fantastic way to consolidate everything we have learned about zoo animals and conservation. I was incredibly proud of all our students who displayed exceptional behaviour and respect throughout the day. A very special thank you to our wonderful parent helpers and the TEPS staff that came along. A HUGE thank you must go to Mrs Knowles for her outstanding organisation!



#### Congratulations to Tyler B (2R) for representing TEPS at the PSSA Zone Athletics Carnival last Friday – Well done, Tyler!

Zone Athletics Carnival

#### **Drinking water**

Being properly hydrated helps your body function at its best. Dehydration – not having enough fluid in your body – can cause headaches, fatigue, crankiness and poor concentration. This term, Stage One have been making sure we are drinking enough water throughout the day. Please support us by sending in a bottle of water each day and avoid sending sweetened drinks such as fruit juice.

Healthy Hint - Add slices of lemon, orange or mint for flavour and add ice cubes to keep it chilled.



Have a wonderful fortnight!

Ms Andrews, Mrs Canobie, Mrs McFarlane, Mr Gallen, Mrs Knowles, Miss Cooper, Mrs Kelaher and Mrs Hobson

#### Stage 2 News

Welcome to Week 6. Thank you to all our parents/carers for the effort you went to with creating and buying costumes for our 'Book Character Parade' last Tuesday. Our students and staff looked fabulous and really enjoyed dressing up. A fantastic day was had by all. Reading is definitely our secret power!

#### **Concerns & Queries**

Teachers always encourage parents and carers to discuss any concerns or queries they may have. However, there is a fair and correct process required to ensure an appropriate time is organised for these discussions. Teachers are unable to discuss concerns with parents and carers when teaching or supervising their class. It is not appropriate to approach a classroom teacher in the classroom, during sport or at morning assemblies to discuss individual concerns or queries without

prior arrangement. Appointments and return phone-calls must be organised through the front office and teachers will happily assist with your enquiries.

#### Whole School Assembly

This Friday at 9.30am we will be holding our fortnightly whole school assembly in the hall. All parents, carers and families are most welcome to join us.

#### What is Bullying?

Bullying is a word that is used with a lot of meanings. Making sure everyone in our school shares the same definition of bullying is essential. Sometimes things that are called bullying are not really bullying at all. The <u>national definition of bullying</u> for Australian schools is:



"Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through **repeated** verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying".

Stage 2 Teachers Mrs Haslam 4H, Ms Ambrose 4/5A, Mrs Duncan 4D, Ms Robinson 3R and Mrs Kirk 3K





## Stage 3 News

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,



#### Reading is my secret power!

Year 6 had their final book parade! It was wonderful to see so many of our Stage 3 students turn up as their favourite book characters!

Did you know....?

- Reading is the best form of exercise for your brain
- Reading reduces stress and anxiety levels
- Reading can motivate and inspire
- Neighbours will never complain that your book is too loud (despite the amount of onomatopoeia in it)
- Reading isn't expensive. You can beg, borrow (never steal), or read online
  - Dinosaurs didn't read, look what happened to them!

#### Hitler's Daughter Play at Wyong Art House

Some of our Stage 3 students were lucky enough to attend a stage production of Jackie French's *Hitler's Daughter*. Some students had read the book last year and were eager to see the play. Our TEPS students



were respectful and enjoyed the stage adaptation.

#### Krispy Kreme Fundraiser



We have some gifted and talented students who were successful in their

applications to the Central Coast Gifted and Talented Camp. To support and help pay for our students Mrs Bayfield and Miranda, have organised a fundraiser with Krispy Kreme. You can order a box with a dozen donuts at the office (a box of original glaze for \$20 and a box of mixed donuts for \$24). Orders can be placed at the office until Friday 6th September to be collected at the school hall on Friday 20th September. Please support our GATS Camp students! Treat yourself!!

#### Year 6 Fete

This year our Year 6 Fete will be held on Friday 13th September (Week 8). This will be Stage 3's major event for the term. The fete raises money for the Year 6 Farewell, Fun Day and a gift to the school. The 2018 Year 6 cohort raised a whopping \$5 700. We hope to beat that amount!



Competitions	20c – 50c	3 legged race	50c	
Soft drinks	\$2	Nerf gun	50c	
Ring Toss	50c or 3 for \$1	Drawing contest	20c	
Lucky Dip	\$1	Biscuit decorating	\$2	
Arm Wrestling	50c	Ping pong target	50c or 3 for \$1	
Glow Products	\$1	Show bags	\$5	
Bottle Flip	50c or 3 for \$1	Duck fishing	\$1	
Face paint	\$1 for a cheek \$2 for face	Sponge toss	50c for 3 for \$1	
White Elephant stall	10c to \$2	Sock wrestling	50c	
Haunted house	\$2	Fake Tattoos	50c	
Obstacle course	50c	Milk shakes	\$1	
Shoot out	\$1	Spider drinks	\$3	
Jumping castle	\$2 for 5 minutes	Hair spray	\$2	

#### 2020 School Leavers Shirt



Notes for the 2020 school shirts have gone home with our Year 5 students. After receiving feedback regarding this year's shirts, we have decided to go with Lowes. The Year 6 Leavers Shirt will have an increased cost but will also be made with better material. Two orders will be sent through to Lowes with a minimum order of 30 (in total).

**Group One:** Orders received at the office by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September will be delivered to the school by February 2020.

**Group Two:** Orders received at the office by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December will be delivered to the school by April 2020. Size Guide:

#### **POLO SUBLIMATED**

UNISEX SIZES	4K	6K	8K	10K	12K	14K	16K	S	М	L	XL	2XL
1/2 CHEST	60	64	68	72	76	80	86	92	97	102	107	112

#### Mobile Phones and Online Bullying

Mobile phones are to be turned off and left in bags or at the office. If you need to contact your child during school hours, please contact the school office. We ask that you do not call your child's phone whilst they are at school. Despite the age restrictions for social media apps being 13 years and over, many students in Stage 3 are using them on their private devices. We are receiving complaints of cyberbullying from both students and parents. The online issues are quickly becoming school issues. We ask that you monitor your child's use of technology at home and remind them to be as respectful online as they would be in real life (IRL). A great website to use for tips for parents on cyber safety can be found here: <a href="https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents">https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents</a>

#### A few more things...

• Students are expected to be in <u>FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM.</u> Notes will be sent home with students who are consistently out of uniform (this includes hoodies/jumpers, socks and hats).

- If you have recently moved or changed your phone number, please contact the school to update this information. We ask that you also provide secondary contact details (family, relatives, friends, neighbours) in case of an emergency.
- Please ensure to notify the school of any absences.

#### Kind regards,

Miss Martinez (Rel. AP Stage 3), Mrs Bayfield, Miss Clarke, Miss Dawson, Mrs Hyslop, Mrs Ambrose and Mr McInnes



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

### **Canteen News**

#### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Thursday 29 August
Friday 30 August
Monday 2 September
Tuesday 3 September
Wednesday 4 September
Thursday 5 September
Friday 6 September
Monday 9 September
Tuesday 10 September
Wednesday 11
September

Judith, Kathy Kylie, Kathy, Caitlin Sue, Kathy Sammi, Alannah Kathy, Sue Kathy, Sue Kathy, Caitlin, Kylie Sue, Kathy Sammi, Alannah Kathy, Sue

Emma Brophy – Canteen Manager 4333 5174

# **Recycle Your Ink Cartridges Here At School**

Hi everyone,

The Environment Team are recycling used printer ink cartridges on behalf of Planet Ark. Every year thousands of used ink cartridges go to landfill when they could actually be recycled. We have a collection box here at school, so think of the environment and recycle your cartridges. Drop them off at the office.

Thank you! The Environment Team





# Krispy Kreme Fundraiser

Dear Parents and Carers,

TEPS has 5 students who were successful in obtaining a placement at a Gifted and Talented Camp, during the September school holidays. To attend the camp a large fee is required. In order to assist our students we will be holding a Krispy Kreme Fundraiser.

Orders can be placed at the office and will be accepted **until Friday 6<sup>h</sup> September**.

Pick up of orders will be available from 2.30pm in the school hall on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.



Kind regards,

Ms Bayfield

				Office Use: Orders to Ally Bayfield					
Krispy Kreme Fundraiser									
Student name:			_ Class:						
	Original pack \$20 x	=		_					
	Assorted pack \$24 x	=							
	Total	enclosed \$		_					