



The Entrance Public School

TERM 1 Week 2 2020

SAFE, RESPECTFUL, ENGAGED

PBL Expectations 2020

COMING EVENTS

TERM 1

WEEK 2

Thursday 6th February
Preschool Lake Group start

Friday 7th February

Whole School Assembly
9:30am

WEEK 3

Monday 10th February
Goal Setting Meetings
Notes
Dance Tryouts Week

Tuesday 11th February
P&C Meeting 9:30am

Wednesday 12th February
Freedom Ride

Thursday 13th February
Apology Anniversary

WEEK 4

Thursday 20th February
Swimming Carnival

WEEK 6

Tuesday 3rd March
Zone Swimming

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th March
School photos

THE ENTRANCE PUBLIC SCHOOL



At The Entrance Public School we value high expectations through being a **safe, respectful and engaged** community.

Safe



- Right place, right time
- Move safely around the school
- Hands and feet to yourself
- Use equipment appropriately

I am safe

Respectful



- Kind words, kind actions
- Wear school uniform with pride
- Take care of all belongings
- First time, every time

I am respectful

Engaged



- Be prepared and organised
- Try your best, have a go
- Be an active listener and learner
- Be a team member

I am engaged & ready to learn

Every one, everywhere, every time!

NOTES YOU SHOULD HAVE:

External Provider and Health Care

Swimming Carnival

Class Information

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to what promises to be an exciting year at The Entrance Public School. This year there will be a number of key changes to how we operate and do things at our school. This year we have a new school mantra.

The Entrance Public School values high expectations through being a Safe, Respectful and Engaged Community.

On the front of this newsletter you can see our behaviour matrix for all of our settings with the emphasis of every one, everywhere, every time!

These expectations are for our whole community and we strongly encourage all of us to aspire to reach them. Please discuss these expectations with your child at home.

STAFFING 2020

This year we are extremely excited to have some new staff members, yet say goodbye to others.

Mrs Jodie Harris has been successful in taking up a position at Toronto Public School on an Early Intervention class. This is a position we know Mrs Harris will fulfil amazingly and we will miss her experience and care at our school. Mrs Harris has helped many families in our community and will be a major loss. We wish her all the best in her new role.

Mrs Sue Anderson retired last year after 18 years at the school and we wish her all the best with her new-found free time.

We welcome Mr Matthew Browning to our school as a second Deputy Principal. Mr Browning brings an amazing amount of experience with him from his time in South Western Sydney and State Office.

We welcome Mrs Jackie Murray to our school community as our new Instructional Leader K-6. She will be supporting our teachers on their pedagogy and looking at improving learning outcomes for our students. She comes from Budgewoi Public School where she has an excellent track record of improvement.

Lastly, we welcome Mr Luke Neild, not only has his first teaching job, but also his first baby. A little boy called Arlo who is 3 weeks old. We are excited to have his enthusiasm at our school.

Our full staffing details are below:

Principal – Mr Dave Stitt

Deputy Principals – Mrs Lisa Wicks and Mr Matthew Browning

Instructional Leaders K-6 – Mrs Suzanne Rorich, Mrs Jackie Murray and Mrs Liana Haslam

Kindergarten – Mrs Stephanie Ainslie (AP), Ms Nicole Crottey, Mrs Erin Hobson and Miss Zoe Burden

Year 1 – Mrs Rebecca Prendergast and Mr Adam Lonergan, Miss Jodi Canobie and Mrs Belinda Kirk

Year 2 – Mrs Rebecca Kelaher and Miss Donna Andrews (AP), Ms Barbara Knowles (Miss Samantha Clarke Term 1) and Mr Ben Gallen.

Year 3 – Mr Ethan McInnes and Ms Bianca Robinson, 3/4 Mrs Allison Duncan

Year 4 – Ms Kim Ambrose (AP) 4/5 Mrs Teagan Hyslop

Year 5 – Ms Allison Bayfield, 5/6 Mr Luke Nield

Year 6 – Miss Cherryl Martinez (AP), Miss Melissa Dawson

IO/IS – Mrs Mary Best and Mrs Deborah Eastment (SLSO)

Pre-school – Mrs Recsha Beadle and Ms Suzie Akrap (SLSO)

RFF – Ms Kaye Chaffer (Sport), Mrs Sharlene Evans (Library) and Ms Lianne Tolman (STEAM)

Learning and Support – Mrs Sue Densmore and Ms Rachael Bennett

EALD – Ms Ericka Brummell

Interventionist – Mrs Rhonda Mackin, Mr Adam Lonergan, Miss Donna Andrews

Speech – Mrs Fiona Seamer

School Counsellor – Mrs Mixhuca McBride

School Administration – Ms Jan Steele, Mrs Robyn Barraclough, Mrs Kim Dicks, Mrs Sandy Robertson, Miss Kate Roberts, Miss Lauren O'Connell

Community Links Officer – Ms Natasha Harman

School Learning Support Officers (SLSO's) – Mr Peter Dykeman, Ms Jaki Alexander, Mrs Natalie Bennett, Mrs Lara Martens, Mr Ben Simpson, Ms Lisa Parker, Mrs Sarah Stevens, Mrs Sabien Stragliotto, Miss Taylor Thomas, Miss Maddison Tyson

General Assistant – Mr Guy Johnson

Cleaners – Mark and Andrea

We are confident that our staff will support the learning needs of your child.

OUR SCHOOL GATES

This year there will be a few changes to the way we make our way in to and out of the school. Our Eastern Gate has moved from next to the 'Food Hub' to further up near our school hall and in between our vegetable gardens. This gateway provides much more room when entering and departing our school as well as allowing some separation from Food Hub so they can conduct business. The gate between Food Hub and the school will now be locked.

Secondly, after 8:45am in the morning the lower (Northern) car park gate will be closed. This is a safety issue. Foot traffic then can be made in to the front office. Unfortunately, the door through the school from the front office will also be closed to traffic and we ask that parents and students utilise either the western school gates just to the South of the office near the kiss and drop zone or North of the office near pre-school. A school executive will be there to support traffic into and out of the gate. North and South Gates will operate as per normal. Please remember school gates will be locked by 9:30am in the morning and open again at 3:00pm in the afternoon.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

If your child misses an average of nine days per term (that is less than 1 day per week) during their primary school years, they would have missed a whole year of learning by the time they finish Year 7. **It is cool to be at school. The more time at school the better educational outcomes.**

EXTERNAL PROVIDERS AND HEALTH CARE INFORMATION

Notes requesting Medical information around Health Care Plans, Asthma Plan and allergy plans went home as well as requests for Therapists.

If you are requesting that your child sees a speech therapist, occupational therapist or similar within school time please note that you and them are required by law to meet at the school to discuss the programs.

Please note that this extra support is at the allowance by the school and times for these sessions are at the discretion of the classroom teacher and learning support. **If these sessions take away from the quality learning time of the student, then they will not go ahead and you will need to organise an alternative time.**

Therapist will need to fit into our times not vice versa.

WELCOME TO NEW FAMILIES

We offer a warm welcome to all of the new families who have begun at The Entrance Public School this year. In fact, 22 new families have enrolled or returned. Welcome to the TEPS family.

SCHOOL OPAL CARDS AND BUS REMINDER

SCHOOL STUDENT OPAL CARDS

- The 2020 School Student Transport Scheme Moratorium Period will run for four weeks, commencing 28 January 2020 and ending on 28 February 2020.
- The moratorium period is provided to allow eligible students who have not yet received a Student Opal Card to receive the card. The moratorium period does not negate the need for students who have already been issued Student Opal Cards to tap on and off.

SCHOOL STUDENT SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Parents/Guardians can help keep students safe by:

- Meeting your child at the Bus Stop in the afternoon
- Wait on the correct side of the road the bus stops on
- Be on time when meeting your child
- Move away from the bus when you have met your child at the bus door

BUS FLASHING LIGHTS PUBLIC AWARENESS SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Motorists can help keep children safe by:

- Slowing down to 40km/h when bus lights are flashing
- Lights flash on buses to warn motorists that buses are picking up and dropping off children.
- Looking out for children crossing the road near bus stops, in school zones or along bus routes
- You must not overtake or pass a bus with flashing lights at more than 40km/h.
- Giving way to buses when they merge back into traffic.

For more information visit: <https://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/be-bus-aware/bus-flashing-lights.html>

Dave Stitt
Principal

NEW School App

Our FREE SCHOOL APP is here! Access school news, alerts, digital permission notes and more quickly and easily.



- 1) Open the "App Store" or "Play Store" on your mobile or tablet
- 2) Search for "The Entrance Public"
- 3) Download our FREE APP with this icon:



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School Community Charter

 Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.

The following School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

What our schools provide

NSW public schools work to create positive environments for students, staff and the entire school community that support student learning. We strive to ensure that every student is known, valued and cared for.

The best education happens when parents and schools work together.

The School Community Charter aligns with the NSW Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018 – 2022.



Positive environments

It is important that our NSW public schools are positive environments and that parents and carers are kept informed of students' progress and school announcements.

Parents and carers can expect:

- to be welcomed into our schools to work in partnership to promote student learning.
- communication from school staff will be timely, polite and informative.
- professional relationships with school staff are based on transparency, honesty and mutual respect.
- to be treated fairly. Tolerance and understanding are promoted as we respect diversity.

We treat each other with **respect**

We **prioritise the wellbeing** of all students and staff

Unsafe behaviour is not acceptable in our schools

We work **together** with the school

Ensuring respectful learning environments for all members of NSW Public Schools communities.



We create
collaborative
learning
environments

We
all play
a part

We work
in partnership
to promote
student
learning

Communicating with our schools

Our staff will find a time to talk to you when they can give you their full attention. Please remember that while our staff are in class or dealing with other matters, they may not be available to answer your questions immediately.

Our schools and communities will make sure that written communication is appropriate, fair and easy to read. We encourage you to use email and social media appropriately to connect with your school and stay up-to-date with up-coming events in the school community.

Our guide for parents, carers and students provides useful information about the complaints process: education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students

Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

To ensure the wellbeing of students, staff and the community in our schools, steps will be taken to address unacceptable behaviour. This may include restricting contact with the school community or, in more serious cases, referral to NSW Police.

Unacceptable behaviour may include but is not limited to:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.

Collaborative.
Respectful.
Communication.

School Community Charter

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OFFICE NEWS

Welcome back to all of our families, we hope you all had a lovely break.

Swimming carnival notes will be sent out on Monday, payment of \$10.00 is due by 17th February. Payments can be made by cash at the office or parent online payment through our school website.

Please ensure all cash payments are in a clearly marked envelope with your child's name and class, and handed to the office staff.



TERM 1: 27th Jan – 10th April Parent Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
1	27/Jan SDD	28/Jan	29/Jan Students Return External Provider and Health care Plan Notes Home Best Start	30/Jan New Students Start Best Start	31/Jan Best Start	1/Feb	2/Feb
2	3/Feb School Info Packs Out Swimming Carnival Notes Out Kindergarten Start	4/Feb CC Soccer trials	5/Feb	6/Feb	7/Feb	8/Feb	9/Feb
3	10/Feb Gaol Setting Meeting Info Out Dance Tryouts	11/Feb P & C Meeting	12/Feb Freedom Ride	13/Feb Apology Anniversary FTLOR Choosing	14/Feb SRC Leaders Elected	15/Feb	16/Feb
4	17/ Feb Cricket Trials	18/ Feb	19/ Feb	20/ Feb Swimming Carnival	21/ Feb Fire Drill R/League Trials Aboriginal Cultural BBQ WS Assembly	22/Feb	23/Feb
5	24/ Feb AECG 5pm	25/ Feb	26/ Feb	27/ Feb TEPS Community Forum (6:00 pm) FTLOR Giving Scripture Begins	28/ Feb Leader Investiture Assembly W/S	29/Feb	1/Mar
Stage Data and Planning Meetings – See Timetable							
6	2/Mar Sporting Team Trials PRC Launch Leadership Con	3/Mar Zone Swimming	4/Mar	5/ Mar School Photos Scripture SRC	6/Mar AFL Trials School Photos WS Assembly	7/Mar	8/Mar
7	9/Mar	10/Mar Tennis Trials	11/Mar	12/Mar TEPS Parent Forum (9:30 am) Scripture	13/ Mar Day of Action against Bullying	14/Mar	15/Mar
Goal Setting Meetings – Term 1 – See Timetable							
8	16/Mar Preschool Photos	17/Mar P & C Meeting	18/Mar	19/Mar Aboriginal Cultural Incursion Scripture	20/Mar Harmony Day Cross Country WS Assembly	21/Mar	22/Mar
9	23/Mar	24/Mar	25/Mar	26/Mar Author Visit Scripture SRC	27/Mar Sydney North Swimming Cross Country B/U	28/Mar	29/Mar
10	30/Mar	31/Mar	1/Apr	2/Apr Scripture	3/Apr CC Netball Trials Yalunga Games Afternoon WS Assembly	4/Apr	5/Apr

Stage Data and Planning Meetings – See Timetable								
	6/Apr	7/Apr	8/Apr	9/Apr	10/Apr	11/Apr	12/Apr	
11	High School Transition		Easter Hat Parade Silent Disco	ANZAC Day Assembly 9:30 am Scripture	PBL Rewards Day			

CANTEEN NEWS

Hi Everyone and Welcome Back,

Just a reminder our new menu went out last term, copies are available from the Canteen. We no longer stock pies.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed in the canteen. It is a great way to meet new people whilst gaining confidence. And your children LOVE IT!

You can volunteer once a week, once a fortnight, monthly or half days. We are grateful for any time you can spare. See Emma in the canteen if you would like to volunteer, you will need a Working with Children Check from Service NSW which is free for volunteers.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

If you have any uniforms you no longer need at home, the canteen would love for you to donate them to Canteen for our second hand clothing pool.

CANTEEN PARENT HELPER ROSTER

Thursday 6 th February	Judith, Kathy
Friday 7 th February	Kathy HELP NEEDED
Monday 10 th February	Sue, Kathy
Tuesday 11 th February	Sue
Wednesday 12 th February	Sammi, Kathy
Thursday 13 th February	Judith, Kathy
Friday 14 th February	Kathy HELP NEEDED
Monday 17 th February	Sue, Kathy
Tuesday 18 th February	Sue
Wednesday 19 th February	Sammi, Kathy

Thank you,

Emma Brophy
Canteen Manager
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