



The Entrance Public School

TERM 3 Week 1 2021

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

Another year, another lockdown. Thank you so much to all of our families who have been supportive during our current situation. The latest information from the Government says lockdown will be extended until:

July 30, which is the end of Week 3.

The Levels are shown below.

COMING EVENTS

TERM 3

Week 2

Monday 19– Friday 23 July

- School Dental Visit (postponed)

Week 3

Monday 26-Friday 30 July

- Education Week (Postponed)
- Thursday 29 July**
- School Open Day (Postponed)

Level 1

COVID normal

Overview

- Students are learning at school
- Activities can occur with COVID-safe plans in place
- QR Codes in place
- Staff and students may choose to wear a mask

Level 2

Limited restrictions

Overview

- Students are learning at school
- Restrictions to ensure activities are COVID-safe such as singing outdoors
- No non-essential visitors
- QR Codes in place
- Recommended masks indoors for all staff and secondary students

Level 3

Significant restrictions

Overview

- Students are learning at school
- Restrictions on activities to reduce mingling of student cohorts wherever possible
- Restrictions on activities such as assemblies, school performances and singing
- No non-essential visitors
- QR Codes in place
- Mandatory masks indoors for all staff and secondary students

Level 4

Learning from home

Overview

- Schools activate plans to support continuity of education for students learning from home. No student is turned away
- Reduce mingling of student cohorts wherever possible
- No non-essential visitors
- QR Codes in place
- Mandatory masks indoors for all staff and secondary students

Lock down is currently in place and due to finish on Friday 30 July

Home Learning Options

A range of online learning materials are available from See-Saw (K-2) and Google Classrooms (Years 3-6). See-saw will continue to be used for regular communication between all classroom teachers and their students.

Alternatively, there will be the option of picking up 'hard copy' learning packs from the front office.

Parent resources are available on the Department of Education's Learning from Home Hub. <https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/learning-at-home>

Parents attending the front office are required to sign in via the NSW Government QR code and wear a face mask.

Garawa Preschool

Garawa Preschool will continue to operate 9:00am – 3:00pm for those families already enrolled and of essential services. Families are asked to support alternative arrangements for pick up and drop off from the gates. Please look out for procedures on 'Story Park'.

Canteen

At this point in time our canteen will be not be open. We ask that students attending school bring their own lunch and recess.

The After-School Klub – TASK

The After-School Klub (TASK) continues to operate for families who require their service. If you are currently using their service, or would like to enquire about availability, contact TASK by telephone 1300 827 500 or enrol@task-kids.com.au.

A reminder for all families

Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms of COVID-19. Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms should not return to school until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free.

In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test. Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received.

Your assistance and support during this challenging time is greatly appreciated.

Please look out for updates on our Facebook Page, Seesaw App and School App.

Postponed and Cancelled Events

Due to the lockdown, several events will be on hold or cancelled for 2021. These will include:

- NAIDOC week celebrations (Postponed to later in the year)
- Education Week and Open Day (Cancelled)
- Boys Touch Football Gala (Postponed)
- Dental Visits (Postponed)
- P & C Meeting (Via Zoom)
- School Assemblies Weeks 1-3 (Cancelled)
- Review and Out of Home Care Meetings (Postponed)

Communication with School

Our teachers will be attempting to contact each family and check in on how they are going. Please contact the school if you are not part of our See-Saw system so we can keep you updated. Alternatively, we will be pushing out information through email, the school Facebook page and the school App.



Dave Stitt
Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I would like to acknowledge each member of the TEPS team who worked during the holidays preparing learning materials to ensure we were ready for Day 1. Online and paper-based learning materials are available to provide continuity of learning for each and every student.

While we are in lockdown, all students are expected to engage with the learning materials. If you have any questions about the learning that you would like to ask your child's teacher, they are available via See-Saw each day between 9:15am and 3:15pm.

As we continue Level 4 learning, I would like to wish all families well and encourage you to remain as connected as possible in keeping with health guidelines.

Kind regards,

Matthew Browning
Deputy Principal



The 'Teeth N Smiles' TEPS School Dental Visit, scheduled for Week 2 (19th-23rd July) is postponed until further notice.

We will reschedule the visit with new dates and details to be confirmed.

Thankyou,

Lenore Parker
Community Liaison Officer

NEVER FEAR LIBRARY IS HERE AGAIN!

Mrs Evans has increased reservation and loan limits during lock down because reading should never be restricted!

All students are encouraged to log onto Oliver library from their student portal to browse the collection, find a book or two that they wish to borrow for the week and reserve the book/s for "Click and Collect"

How to use Click and Collect:

Log into the student portal: <https://student.det.nsw.edu.au/>

Click on the Oliver Library link in the student portal.

When you find a book of interest, click the title and then click the reserve button under the book cover image to reserve the book.

Library staff will prepare reservations and have them ready for pick up from the front office.

An email notification will be sent when books are ready for collection.

The student email platform is accessed from the student portal.

Click the email icon in the student portal and keep checking back until you get your notification that says your books are ready to collect.

Library loans have been pre-selected and prepared for students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2. They are welcome to use the reservation system described above if they wish to choose extra loan items.

**ALL LOANS WILL BE QUARANTINED UPON RETURN.
PLEASE ASSIST THIS PROCESS BY ENSURING HANDS ARE CLEANED
BEFORE AND AFTER HANDLING LOANS AT HOME.**

2021 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

Use your time at home to complete your
2021 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge.

How To:

Log into the Premier's Reading Challenge website through the student portal by clicking the Premier's Reading Challenge icon:

Read the required number of books.

Register them onto your student reading log.

Done!



Mrs Evans is giving bonus class points for every student who logs a completed challenge online!

CANTEEN'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone,

New Menu

A new menu for Terms 3 & 4 is available from our front office and on our social media pages. We have had to increase a few items due to supplier price increases.



TASK (Before and After School Care) is collecting plastic bottle lids. These lids are then donated towards making prosthetic limbs. Please bring your plastic lids to the canteen after the lockdown has lifted.

Cheers,

Emma Brophy
Canteen Manager

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:



Available on the App Store | GET IT ON Google play



FOLLOW
US ON TWITTER

@THEENTRANCEPS

TASK

out-of-school hours care

CCS rebate
available

Enrolments
now open



@THE ENTRANCE

Before & After School Care
Starts Term 1, 2021

- on site at The Entrance Public School
- first aid & child protection trained staff
- TASK is screen free
- healthy meals / snacks
- homework, readers & free play
- fun & educational programs
- govt. approved provider
- to enrol: task-kids.com.au/theentrance

Opening hours & fees before rebate

Before School Care
6.00am - 9:00am
- \$18 permanent
- \$23 casual

After School Care
3.15pm - 6.00pm
- \$24 permanent
- \$29 casual

email questions to:
enrol@task-kids.com.au



THE —
AFTER
SCHOOL
KLUB —

w: task-kids.com.au t: 1300 827 500



Circle of Security

INTERNATIONAL™

Early Intervention Program for Parents & Children

Safe Hands Family Services would like to invite you to join us in this 8 week online Parenting Program in Term 3, 2021.

By the end of this 8 week course you will be able to identify your children's emotional needs and respond to their behaviours in ways which result in greater resilience, fewer behavioural difficulties, better relationships with family and friends, and improved self esteem.

Topics covered include:

- The lifelong benefits of a secure relationship with your child.
- Recognising and understanding your child's emotional needs.
- How to support your child's independence.
- How to support your child's need for closeness and intimacy.
- How to promote the development of empathy in your child.
- Understanding why sometimes your child's behaviour causes a negative reaction in you.
- How to handle your child's emotional 'meltdowns'.
- How this model provides effective discipline.

The Circle of Security® Parenting Program is an inspiring yet practical course for parents based on decades of research about how parents and kids thrive. This program will equip you with the valuable skills of being able to read, understand, and respond to your child's emotional needs in an appropriate way. It is also a program that helps you to maintain a positive connection with your child even in the most challenging of situations where connection might seem impossible.

WHEN: Monday nights for 8 weeks starting on 26th July - 13th September 2021.

TIME: 8pm to 10pm.

WHERE: Online.

COST: \$149 or FREE for those that meet the funding criteria.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL: Email admin@safehandssf.org.au to enquire about eligibility & to secure your place.





PARENTING PROGRAMS T3

ONLINE +
EVENINGS

TERM 3 2021

FREE FOR
CENTRAL COAST
FAMILIES

Registrations open for term 3 online
parenting programs!

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!

- Living with Teens (ages 12-18) starts 15/7/21 @8pm
- Circle of Security (ages 0-99) starts 26/7/21 @8pm
- Engaging Adolescents (ages 12-17) starts 29/7/21 @8pm
- Tuning in to Kids (ages 3-12) starts 10/8/21 @8pm
- Tuning in to Teens (ages 12-17) starts 26/8/21 @8pm



CONTACT US:

admin@safehandssf.org.au

To learn more, and to register,
visit us at www.safehandssf.org.au