



# The Entrance Public School

TERM 3 Week 3 2023

A Safe, Respectful and Engaged Community

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We are now two and a half weeks in to Term 3. Wow, time does fly!

We look forward to the next 7 weeks with lots of exciting things happening within the school.

### Athletics Carnival

The weather certainly smiled upon us during the Carnival as we could not have asked for anything better on the day. It was lovely to see the kids participation in the events. Thank you to the Staff, P&C and parents who attended. Final results:

1<sup>st</sup>: Pelicans

2<sup>nd</sup>: Swans

3<sup>rd</sup>: Ospreys

4<sup>th</sup>: Seagulls



## COMING EVENTS

TERM 3 2023

### Week 3 – Education Week

#### Fri 4<sup>th</sup> August

- 3-6 Assembly – 4C 2.20pm
- 100 days of kindergarten

### Week 4

#### Mon 7<sup>th</sup> August

- Public Speaking Competition

#### Tues 8<sup>th</sup> August

- P&C meeting – 9:30am School Hall
- Public Speaking Competition

#### Wed 9<sup>th</sup> August

- Public Speaking Competition

#### Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> August

- Tumbi Tasters – Yr. 6

#### Fri 11<sup>th</sup> August

- Whole School Assembly – 2.20pm

### Week 5

#### Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> August

- Tumbi Tasters – Yr. 6
- Choral Festival Workshop

#### Fri 18<sup>th</sup> August

- K-2 Assembly – KA – 2.20pm

### Notes you should have:

- K-2 Swimming Program
- Reptile Park – Yr. 2-3
- Amazement Farm & Fun Park - Kindy





## Education Week and Open Day

Education Week is held in Week 3 of Term 3 every year. It is an opportunity to have our parents in the school and showcase the amazing work which occurs daily within our school. This year's theme for Education week is ***Learning from the past – 175 years of public education in NSW.***

Unfortunately, with the building of our new playground, we lack the space to effectively show off what our school has to offer, and frankly we would rather show it off with the opening of our brand-new facilities. As a result, The Entrance Public School will be holding our Open Day in Week 1 of Term 4. This will coincide with an opening ceremony for the new playground.





## Be at School Everyday (Even on your birthday)

Last Term we launched our BaSE initiative and have had some encouraging early results. Sadly, we launched it as a COVID wave hit our teachers and students. The school is exceptionally understanding of student illness and would never encourage sending a sick child to school. We are particularly targeting the attendance around the 80-90% range. All the benefits of strong attendance we have promoted to our community.

Last fortnight the best attended class was 5/6C with 93.98%.

Class	Total Students	W1	W2	AVG
5/6C	28	95.4	92.6	93.98
3S	23	94.0	92.9	93.45
KA	19	93.4	90.8	92.11
1H	22	93.2	89.8	91.48
K/1B	20	88.2	94.7	91.45
3G	21	95.0	87.5	91.25
2C	23	93.0	88.0	90.50
4C	26	97.0	82.0	89.50
KC	19	89.5	89.5	89.47
5/6D	27	96.9	82.0	89.45
3T	21	92.9	85.7	89.29
1/2K	23	92.0	83.0	87.50
5/6K	29	93.1	81.9	87.50
5S	27	90.4	82.7	86.54
1P	24	85.7	86.9	86.31
4K	27	88.5	78.8	83.65
2H	23	89.1	77.2	83.15
Average	22.6	93.5	86.2	89.86

## School Uniform

A number of students have been turning up to school out of school uniform. We understand that uniform costs can be high, however, when students appear with high-end brand clothing that is often more expensive than the school uniform it gives a different message. The school will be supporting the wearing of correct uniform by providing students out of uniform with a jumper of the right colour to be worn for the day. Students who have lost their jumper or are wearing incorrect attire will also be offered this option. We are encouraging all students to be proud of our school and model appropriate uniform. K-mart and Big W also sell navy tracksuit pants and jumpers for less than \$10. This can be a more affordable option.

## The Entrance Public School P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held at 9:30am Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023 in the school hall. New attendees are more than welcome to attend. See you there.

## Education Week Awards

We take time during Education Week to acknowledge some of our staff who received Education Week awards for their continual outstanding service to the school.

A massive congratulations to the following:

Mrs Stephanie Ainslie (Assistant Principal) – *‘For her dedication and service to public education, outstanding leadership and commitment to the students, staff and community of The Entrance Public School’.*

Miss Cherryl Martinez (Assistant Principal Curriculum)– *‘Incredible skill and knowledge of the curriculum and lesson delivery, ability to develop positive relationships with students, staff and the wider community, dedication to her profession and upskilling’.*

Mrs Donna Andrews (Kindergarten)– *‘I have worked at this school for 15 years with Donna and she still teaches with the same passion, enthusiasm, organisational skills, and professionalism that she demonstrated when I first met her. She continually strives to create an optimal class environment for her students to thrive in and reach their full potential in academic and social /emotional outcomes. Donna provides a safe, caring classroom where rules and routines are maintained, and high expectations are encouraged. She is a team player and involves herself in many whole school initiatives that benefit the entire school and the broader community’.*

Mrs Lisa Parker (Teacher’s Aide IO/IS Class)– *‘Lisa has been an invaluable staff member at TEPS for many years. She has always taken on jobs/roles not in her job description e.g., end of yearbook orders, year 6 shirts. She also volunteers her time for extracurricular roles e.g., staying back to supervise students & toddlers for parent meetings, discos etc.’*

Mrs Sarah Stevens (Teacher’s Aide) – *‘Sarah always goes above and beyond her duties for teachers and students. She is always kind, approachable and considerate of others. The kids always feel safe around her, which sets a calm tone in the classroom. She builds a bond and rapport easily with students which I believe is very important and why the kids feel safe and supported when in her presence’.*

Mr Wayne Osborne (Family Support Officer) – *‘Wayne is so involved with our community and makes himself available to our parents at any time. He is dedicated to supporting families and plays a pivotal role in connecting the school and families. He creates a safe space for community members and builds trust between the education department and families.’*

## Permission to Publish

At school we have several students who do not have permission to publish their images and names in our school newsletters and through our social media channels. Parents also give permission to use their children’s images and names to the school by signing permission slips. A reminder that any footage taken of school events are not allowed to be broadcast on social media, YouTube or shared with other people as you do not have permission to use the images of the children from the parents. If you have utilised any footage in that way, can you please remove it from those media platforms. It would be grateful if you can support the school with this.



Principal – Dave Stitt

# STAGE 3 CAMP



Registrations  
due by 14th August

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!  
PLACES ARE STILL  
AVAILABLE. PLEASE SEE  
THE FRONT OFFICE  
ASAP TO SECURE A  
PLACE

REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN FOR OUR STAGE 3  
CAMP. IF YOU HAVE PAID YOUR DEPOSIT, YOU  
SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED A LINK TO COMPLETE  
THE ONLINE REGISTRATION. IF YOU ARE YET TO  
RECEIVE A LINK PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CLASS  
TEACHER.

ALL CAMP PAYMENTS ARE TO BE FINALISED BY FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST.

## NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

Check-in time! We are at the  
halfway point. How is your  
reading log looking?  
See Mrs Evans in the library if  
you need help finding books,  
need motivation to keep  
going ... or even if you just want  
to have a general challenge  
chat!

Our books are  
labelled in the library  
to help you find  
books from the right  
list.



Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	PRC booklists you can read from
K-2	30	25	5	K-2, 3-4, 5-6
3-4	20	15	5	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9
7-9	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9, 9plus
3-9 (refer to rule 7b)	20	15	5	All booklists



## Central Coast Primary Schools' Public Speaking Competition 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Students from TEPS will be provided the opportunity to participate in the Central Coast Primary Schools' Public Speaking Competition. Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will present speeches in year groups and winners will represent TEPS against other schools in Round 1 of the interschool competition. Speeches will be held at school in Week 4, Monday August 7 – Thursday August 10, 2023.

This competition forms a part of the Talking and Listening component of the English syllabus. ALL students are required to present a speech to their class in Week 4. The speeches will be assessed by class teachers and stage assistant principal.

Students are to select a topic from the list below or a topic of personal interest. Speeches will be judged according to the criteria outlined below. This rubric may help your child when preparing for their speech.

Save our oceans	We must ban plastic	My dream job
My favourite Dreamtime story	Sport brings us together	Kid power!
Belonging	Books are more entertaining than movies	My story
More than just a pet	When I grow up I want to be	My favourite holiday
My history, your history	If I were the Principal	If I could be an animal
My favourite celebration	Don't be a bully	Its cool to be kind

Stage	Speaking time	Warning bell	Time limit (continuous bell)
Early Stage 1	1 – 2 minutes	1 ½ minutes	2 minutes
Stage 1	1 – 2 minutes	1 ½ minutes	2 minutes
Stage 2	2 – 3 minutes	2 ½ minutes	3 minutes
Stage 3	3 – 4 minutes	3 ½ minutes	4 minutes

### Timeline:

**Weeks 2 and 3:** Decide on topic and prepare a speech including an exciting/thoughtful beginning and end. Practise, Practise, Practise.

**Weeks 4:** Year Competitions.



P&C/Food Hub

# FATHER'S DAY

Mystery Gift Bag

\$6 each bag

Mystery Gift Bag may include:

- aftershave
- keyrings
- chocolates etc..

(gifts will vary in each bag)

All money/orders to be paid to school

Canteen by Wed 16th August

Gift Bags received by Fri 1st September

Eftpos available only at Canteen

## Tuning in to Kids

# Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

## A five-session parenting program for parents of aged up to 12 years old

Would you like to learn how to:

- be better at talking with your child?
- be better at understanding your child?
- help your child learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- teach your child to deal with conflict?

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop *emotional intelligence*. Children with higher emotional intelligence:

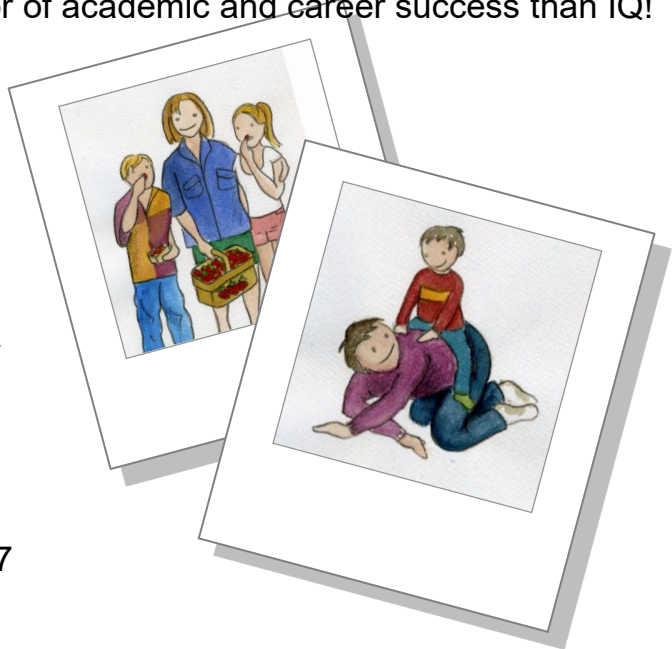
- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- have better concentration at school
- are more able to calm down when upset or angry
- tend to have fewer childhood illnesses

Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Where: The Entrance Public School

When: Tuesdays 22<sup>nd</sup> August 29<sup>th</sup> August,  
5<sup>th</sup> September 12<sup>th</sup> September, 19<sup>th</sup> September  
9.30am till 12noon.

Contact: Wayne Osborne (Ossie) 0493 084 647





## The Waterhole

Our Thirsty? Choose Water! Program, in partnership with the Central Coast Learning Health Department, is coming together nicely.

The Aboriginal Artwork titled, 'The Waterhole' by artist Jakeob Watson, was cleverly printed onto an adhesive wrap and placed onto the wall surrounding our Chilled Water Station, by Rick from Bannerama at Long Jetty.

'The Waterhole' represents traditional significance amongst our First Nation Peoples and was chosen to surround our Chilled Water Station for this reason. Over the next few weeks, all students will learn about the importance of the waterhole for Aboriginal People's survival and design their own waterhole artwork.

Stage 2 students will be participating in a 'Thirsty? Choose Water! Day in Week 5 on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of August, that will involve rotational learning activities that highlight the important health benefits associated with choosing water as the preferred choice for hydration.



# COME PLAY CRICKET!



## CRICKET BLAST 5-10 YEARS

Saturday mornings 9 -10:30am, begins 15th October  
10 week program  
\$120

**Includes a Blasters merchandise pack**

Cricket game-based activities. Fun & active program for kids of all abilities.

## BOYS 9-17 YEARS

Saturday mornings 8 -11am, begins 7th October

Available grades U10, U12, U14, U16

Youth competition Friday evenings (Under 17)

\$175 +\$16 Play HQ Fee

**Includes: playing shirt, training shirt & shorts (+ cap for new players)**

## GIRLS 9-16 YEARS

Saturday mornings 8 -11am, begins 7th October

T20 girls only competition (3 ability based grades)

\$175 +\$16 Play HQ Fee

**Includes: playing shirt, training shirt & shorts (+ cap for new players)**

## GIRLS & WOMEN'S COME & TRY SESSIONS

Sunday 20th and Sunday 27th August

Jubilee Cricket Nets, Kitchener Rd, Long Jetty

From 3pm

**All welcome - No experience necessary!**



SCAN ME

SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO REGISTER

DON'T FORGET TO USE YOUR ACTIVE  
KIDS VOUCHERS !

For further info contact the Junior coordinator  
Rob Goldie on 0415 117 539 or  
Email: [junior@tedcc.com.au](mailto:junior@tedcc.com.au)



## Healthy Lunch Box website.

Your one-stop shop for all the information and ideas you need.



### Try our interactive lunch box builder

Get kids involved in planning and packing a healthy lunch box

### Get inspired

Check out our ideas for sandwich fillings, sandwich alternatives and packed lunch boxes



### Free, easy and delicious recipes

Hundreds of family-friendly recipes that can be filtered for dietary preferences



### Snack ideas

Snack suggestions, swaps and recipes to make healthy snacking easy

### Keep up to date

Subscribe to our e-newsletter to get recipes, tips and ideas delivered to your inbox. Visit [healthylunchbox.com.au/subscribe/](https://healthylunchbox.com.au/subscribe/)



Visit [healthylunchbox.com.au](https://healthylunchbox.com.au) for recipes and information you can trust.



**Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Box

## Pack your lunch box from these food groups

### Breads and cereals



### Water



### Vegetables and salads



### Fruit



### Meat and alternatives



### Dairy and alternatives



Visit [healthylunchbox.com.au](https://healthylunchbox.com.au) for recipes and information you can trust.



**Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Box

## **Nutrition Snippet**

### LUNCH BOX SNACKS

Need some quick and tasty snacks?



Check out these recipes  
that are easy to freeze  
and ready when you are!

- Blueberry oat muffins
- Oaty biscuits
- Chewy fruit and seed bars

For more ideas download  
our Snack Solution guide



**Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Box



## CENTRAL COAST BRIDGE CLUB

The Central Coast Bridge Club is conducting a set of bridge lessons starting on Tuesday August 15 at 9:30am in our clubrooms at 415 The Entrance Road.

The set of lessons runs for six weeks and costs sixty dollars. (\$60).

For further information please contact the club on 4339 3824 or at our email address [ccbridgeclub@gmail.com](mailto:ccbridgeclub@gmail.com)



# 2024 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Do you have a child starting  
Kindergarten in 2024?

Enrolments can be done  
online at **The Entrance Public  
School** webpage via the  
**enrolments tab**

or pick up a hardcopy  
from the office

**You will need to provide:**

- Child's birth certificate
- Child's Immunisation  
History statement from  
Medicare
- 100 points proof of  
address



02 4332 2422





**Toukley & Districts Art Society Inc**

Toukley Art Gallery, 1 Wallarah Rd, Gorokan  
Ph: (02) 4392 4666 (Near Toukley Bridge)



# *Central Coast Childrens' Art Competition 2023*

*18th to 29th November 2023*

## **Age Groups:**

A: 6 & Under

B: 7 — 9

C: 10 — 12

D: 13 — 15

E: 16 — 18



## **Free Entry**

*Closing Date*

*For Entries:*

Monday

6th Nov 2023

*Delivery Date*

*For Entries:*

Thursday

16th Nov 2023

3pm — 6pm

**Use any medium you like to create your work of art**

**1 Entry per Child**

**Canvas or Framed Artwork (up to 30.5 cm x 40.6 cm)**

**Presentation of Winners: Sunday 19th Nov 2023 2pm—4pm**





**Toukley & Districts Art Society**

***Central Coast Childrens'  
Art Competition 2023***



*Please complete this entry form and return to the  
Toukley Art Gallery by Monday 6th November 2023.*

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of your artwork: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT CONSENT FORM**

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the  
Toukley and Districts Art Society's Central Coast Childrens' Art Competition 2023.

*(By signing this form you are agreeing to let your child's Artwork to be photographed for promotion and  
social media purposes).*

Name (Parent/Guardian): \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**KEEP THIS LABEL WHICH MUST BE PUT ON THE BACK OF ARTWORK ENTERED**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

## Wednesday

### *Bringing Up Great Kids with Leanne*

Bringing Up Great Kids uses mindfulness and reflection to assist parents to improve their communication with their children aged 0—12.

**Venue:** 7 Rose Street, Wyong

**Time:** 10.00am to 12.30pm

**Dates:** Wednesdays, Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Sept 6 (6 sessions)

**Cost:** Free

**Phone:** 4351 1152 Bookings essential.



✓ Free Childcare available; pre-booking required

Funded by:



Communities  
For Children







# Touch Football

## Summer Competition

starts 4th October

Junior Comp  
&  
Senior Comp

Active Kids vouchers accepted

Prices from \$55 pp plus insurance

Registration open now!

Go to [berkeley-vale.nswtouch.com.au](http://berkeley-vale.nswtouch.com.au)

## Why play touch with us?

- Improve fitness and speed
- Increase agility
- Gain ball skills
- Enjoy socialising and make new friends
- Build teamwork
- Opportunity to play

Representative Touch

PLAYED AT TED DOYLE OVAL,  
BERKELEY VALE





Go4Fun is a FREE 10-week healthy wellbeing program for children aged 7 to 13 to enjoy along with their families. Please contact 1800 780 900.

Run by top trained health professionals, it's a fun way for kids to build self-esteem and learn about eating well, staying active and living a healthy life.

Term 3 programs will take place at:

- ✦ **Lake Haven Recreation Centre**, Tuesdays 4pm–6pm (Aboriginal program for everyone run by Bungree)
- ✦ **Gosford Olympic Swimming Pool**, Wednesdays 4pm–6pm
- ✦ **Bateau Bay Neighbourhood Centre**, Thursdays 4pm–6pm

To register, visit [go4fun.com.au](http://go4fun.com.au) or call 1800 780 900.





# Volunteer Recruitment

## *Drive*

### *About us*

Meals on Wheels Central Coast has proudly supported Central Coast seniors and people with disabilities for over 54 years, providing affordable meals, social support, and a helping hand. Assisted by an army of dedicated volunteers, our trusted service has helped thousands of locals to live happily, healthily and independently.

### *The Opportunity*

As a volunteer, you will have the opportunity to develop new skills, meet new people and gain a sense of fulfillment, as you help our Central Coast community.

Volunteering opportunities include:

- **Community Restaurants** – provides a fantastic weekly social outing for our clients, offering morning tea, hot lunch, dessert and beverages, along with fun-filled social activities
- **Assisted Shopping Program** – gives our clients a chance to shop at their local stores with the help of one of our wonderful volunteers
- **Online Shopping Assistance** – helps our clients to order everyday groceries from Woolworths or Coles.

## *Join today!*

4357 8444 | [www.ccmow.com.au/volunteering](http://www.ccmow.com.au/volunteering)



# Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

## To join, participants must:

- ☒ Have a current health care card OR pensioner concession card
- ☒ Be studying yourself OR have a child in school
- ☒ Have regular income from work, yourself OR your partner

For full eligibility requirements, speak to a Saver Plus Coordinator.

## Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



## For more information, please contact Saver Plus:

 [saverplus@bsl.org.au](mailto:saverplus@bsl.org.au)

 [saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au)

 **1300 610 355**

 **@SaverPlusAU**

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

If an extra \$500 would help you prepare for the costs of starting high school in 2024, then please read on to learn more about the free Saver Plus program. Saver Plus is a matched savings and financial education program that matches participants' savings dollar-for-dollar up to \$500 for education costs such as uniforms, books, excursions, sports fees and laptops. Participants save for a period of 10 months, so families who start now will be able to complete the program and receive their matched savings in February 2024.



## Have your details changed?

If any of your details have changed please fill in the following form and hand into school reception.



### CHANGE OF ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBERS

Students Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

New address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

<b>Mother/Carer Name:</b>	
Mobile:	Work No:
Email:	

<b>Father/Carer Name:</b>	
Mobile:	Work No:
Email:	

<b>Emergency Contact Name:</b>	
Relationship to child:	
Mobile:	
Work:	

<b>Emergency Contact Name:</b>	
Relationship to child:	
Mobile:	
Work:	

Notified by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact Details

Please check your  
emergency contact details  
are correct and valid with  
the administration office

