Our School News
Week 3 | Commencing 4th May, 2015

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URGENT MESSAGE!

Winter User Pays Sports: Years 3-6
See page 4 for enrolling on-line.
Bookings open tomorrow at 8:30am

Weekly Reminders!

Kalang Rd Construction Works:
Please see page 10 for details

Pittwater Zone Cross Country:
Thurs 7th May
P&C Mothers’ Day Stall: 3-6 Thurs
7th May & K-2 Fri 8th May

PSSA Begins: Fri 8th May

NAPLAN: Tues 12th - Thurs 14th

Rocks Walking Tour: Year 4
Thurs 14th May

Un-Named Lost Property: Parents, please come and check

School Banking: Send bank books in on Wednesday

NB: that items for this newsletter will NOT be accepted after the preceding Thursday

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Year 6 Excursion to Canberra
Last week I had the good fortune to go on the Year 6 excursion to Canberra, along with the Year 6 teachers Mr Rosconi, Ms Pitt and Mr Reid. I don’t think the teachers could have added any additional educational experiences into the three day schedule. I am happy to report that the children behaved superbly. Even the “cranky man” at the motel was impressed and told the students that they were the best group that has come through. So impressed was the “unnamed person” that he donated a weekend for two to the P&C. I would also like to thank our wonderful Year 6 teachers who gave up their time so that our children could have a fantastic educational experience with memories that will last a lifetime.

School Banking
Our weekly school banking is currently shared by two mums who volunteer their time each Wednesday. Unfortunately, both mums now have other demands on their time and are unable to continue. We are asking for expressions of interest from our school community who can spare a few hours each week to do the children’s banking. The banking day is flexible and full training will be provided. If you can assist for a few hours a week please contact the office or email us at: elanorahts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au as soon as possible. Unless we can get a replacement then it looks like we will not be able to continue this worthwhile opportunity for our students.

Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2016
The website (www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement) is open for those Year 4 students who wish to apply for entry into an opportunity class in 2016. All applications must be made online. Please visit the local library if you are having difficulties with internet access. Information booklets are available from the front office for those wishing to apply. Applications close on Friday, 15 May.

Homework planner
Children and families run more smoothly when there’s a plan. To assist with planning the Department has created a 2015 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays. You can find out more by visiting: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner

P&C Mothers’ Day stalls – P&C Meeting
The P&C will be holding two Mothers’ Day stalls this year with the Years 3-6 stall being held on Friday, 7th May and the K-2 on Friday, 8th May. Don’t forget that the next P&C meeting is on Wednesday, 13th May at 7:30pm in the staffroom. I look forward to seeing you there.

Until next time,

Your Principal, Bill Gillespie
AND THE AWARD GOES TO...

The Bronze and Silver awards for K - 2 are handed out to students at the K - 2 assemblies and the Bronze and Silver awards for years 3 - 6 are handed out at the 3 - 6 assemblies. All Gold and Diamond awards are handed out at the K - 6 assemblies. Parents are welcome to attend these assemblies, but please call the office first to confirm that your child will be receiving their award that day.

All assemblies are held on Mondays at 2pm and your child’s name will appear in the newsletter on the same day they receive their award.

To assist us, when sending in the mini merits/awards from home, please either staple or clip them and make sure your child’s full name and class is on the top mini merit. Please do not send them in in plastic bags or envelopes.

The cut-off time to hand in your mini merits/awards is THURSDAY morning as the box is emptied after recess.

SILVER AWARDS

JACKSON G  SAM K  BEAU M

BRONZE AWARDS


PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE UPDATE

Congratulations to the following students who have completed their 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge. This is a fantastic effort!

For students just starting the PRC, there is still plenty of time. They can include any books already read this year, through to 21st August and the school library has many PRC books marked with coloured dots to help students with their borrowing.

More information is available at https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc

Like many things in life, the more we practice, the better we get. So keep reading – for literacy, for fun, for the challenge.
**User Pay Sports**

Our new User Pay Sports for the Winter Season for Terms 2 and 3 (beginning Friday 8th May, 2015) are as follows:

- **Tennis for Years 3-6** (30 spots available)  ($75.00)
- **Fitkids for Years 3-6** (32 spots available)  ($65.00)
- **AFL Years 3-4** (30 spots available)  ($45.00) on school oval

Entries for these programs **MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE** at schoolinterviews.com.au. Our code for this season of sport is **9S4TJ**. The programs are filled on a first come, first served basis. If a sport that your child wishes to participate in is full then there is a waiting list, however, you will run the risk of missing out on a second preference by remaining on the waiting list for a first choice sport.

The School Interviews website will be **OPEN for bookings tomorrow Tuesday 5th May, 2015 at approximately 8.30am**.

This season, because of the limited time available, we ask that your child hand the confirmation email to Mrs Millar to receive their permission/payment note. Please do not forward you email confirmation to the school.

Thank you for your continued support of school sports and the associated programs that we endeavour to provide our students with within our school.

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**Mothers’ Day Stalls**

**Thursday, 8th May (Years 3 - 6) and Friday, 9th May (Kindy, Yr 1 and Yr 2)**

We are having Mothers’ Day Stalls on the above dates. We have some really good gifts including travel coffee mugs, makeup bags, incense and photo frames just to mention a few. All gifts are $5.00 each, if you please can send the correct money it would make it much easier for us. We have some extra gifts so your children are welcome to buy more than one gift - so Grandmothers/Grandfriends don't miss out.

**Kindergarten and Year 3 Parents**

We still need a few more volunteer helpers on both days. Year 3 parents - Thursday from 12.30pm and Kindergarten parents - Friday from 10.30am. If you have an hour or more to spare please contact Ro on either roeybraz@hotmail.com or 0414 818 364.

**P&C Meeting**

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 13 May at 7.30pm in the Staffroom. Please email any items you wish to place on the Agenda by 6pm, Friday, 8 May to elanorahtspandc@gmail.com

The Agenda will be issued with next week’s newsletter.

**This Term’s Focus**

Many thanks to all who have suggested projects for consideration by the P&C. Suggestions include restoration of the “burnt out” classroom, upgrading the toilets underneath, new uniforms and gear for the cricket team, academic aids and course material, shaded waiting area at the top of the track and re-turfing the top oval.

These items will be considered at the next P&C meeting on 13th May.
**Kids Kafe Roster | To volunteer call 9913 2721**

**ISSUES WITH INTERNET CONNECTION**

Since the storms, the canteen continues to experience problems with the internet connection, affecting our online ordering system - Munch Monitor. We are working closely with the internet provider to resolve the issue. In the meantime, staff and volunteers are doing their very best to ensure that your children are receiving their recess and lunch.

I thank you for your patience and understanding whilst we work through the issue. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Iolanda Hazell via email Iolanda.hazell@hotmail.com or call the canteen on 9913 2721.

**RECESS ORDERS**

A reminder that when ordering RECESS orders, please be sure to tell your children to come and collect it from the canteen at recess themselves, where it will be ready and waiting for them near the Munch Monitor terminal window.

**LUNCH ORDERS**

All LUNCH orders are delivered to your children’s classroom except for hot chocolate and cold/frozen items such as jelly cups, mousse, frozen cups, ice blocks and slushies. Children are asked to collect these items at lunch time from the canteen near the Hall entrance.

And of course, if there are any items incorrectly packed or missing, children are encouraged to come to the canteen to fix such issues.

**VOLUNTEERING**

Below is the volunteer roster for weeks 3 to 5 of Term 2, 2015. We are always in need of volunteers. For the canteen to run smoothly, 2 volunteers (Monday to Thursday) and 2/3 volunteers (Friday) are required to help prepare lunch orders and to serve our children during recess and lunch. Generally, we need volunteers between 9.30am – 1.30pm. However, we also welcome just a couple of hours of your time if this is all you are able to give. To volunteer, please email Iolanda Hazell on Iolanda.hazell@hotmail.com or call the canteen on 9913 2721.

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To order school lunches online go to [www.munchmonitor.com](http://www.munchmonitor.com)

Use log in – username: elanora and password: munch2101
P&C Fundraising

As part of our fundraising program, the P&C are selling Entertainment Books. The books can be either purchased as a hard copy or as a digital version via an app.

The book is a local restaurant and activity guide which provides hundreds of up to 50% off and 2 for 1 offers from the finest restaurants, cafes, attractions, retailers and hotel accommodation and the offers are valid through to 1st June 2016!

The digital version puts all of the value of the book into your Apple or Android phone, with no card or voucher to present. It also allows you to search for nearby businesses in the program; search for specific businesses by name, location or dining category and share your membership with another family member.

The digital memberships are selling like hot cakes and we have already sold 10 this week! Download the app to get an idea of how it works before you purchase it.

**The P&C receive $14.00 for every book or digital membership purchased.**

For more information please email elanoratcapandc@gmail.com or look online at http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au or call into the school office and have a look at the book on display.

Please share this with your family and friends around Australia. The more we sell the more we raise towards our children’s education.

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**Dates for your diary**

- **Thursday, 11th June:** EHPS Music Committee Meeting @ 7:30pm - Elanora Squash Courts
- **Sunday, 14th June:** Wahroonga Music Festival - Senior and Training Bands
- **Monday, 15th & Tuesday 16th June:** String Ensembles play at EHPS Art Show
- **Saturday, 19th June:** String Ensembles play at Northern Beaches Music Festival - Pittwater High
- **Wednesday 25th November:** Matilda the Musical excursion

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**Positions Vacant**

There are still positions vacant on the Music Committee. We are in need of a **Tutor Co-ordinator and Stage Band Parent.**

Please let Beck Heather know if you are able to take on either of these roles at becko1@optusnet.com.au

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**Don’t Forget**

- State Music Camp – 12th to 17th July Academy of Sport, Narrabeen
- Music bags for music books are available
- **Matilda The Musical Excursion** - Wednesday 25th November

For more details on the above please contact Beck Heather at becko1@optusnet.com.au
PSSA Training

Please be advised that all children should be collected by parents when they are dismissed from training (within the school grounds) and NOT wait for collection at the top of the track where there is no supervision.

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Training is **cancelled** if it is raining

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**Uniform Shop**

*Uniform Shop Coordinator* Sue Garrity

*Contact* ehps.uniforms@gmail.com

*Open* on Monday & Thursday from 8.15am to 9.45am

*Purchase* in store or by order form available online via the school website

*Pay by* cash or card (Eftpos, Visa or Mastercard)

*Alterations & Repairs* by Michelle Sturrock (Dressmaker and parent), great rates on offer to Elanora families. Details are available at the Uniform Shop.

**Second Hand Uniforms**

*Second Hand Uniform Coordinator* Karen Woodley

*Enquiries or Purchase* please call 9913 1292 after 9.00am or email thewoodleys@optusnet.com.au

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The Northern Beaches Youth Orchestra (NBYO) is looking for players of the following instruments, starting Term 2: violin, viola, cello, double bass, flute, clarinet, oboe, bassoon, trumpet, French horn and percussion.

The NBYO began in 2015 as a strings-only orchestra in Term 1, and is looking to expand to a full orchestra with winds, brass and percussion in Terms 2 and 3. In conjunction with the well-established Northern Beaches Orchestra, the NBYO endeavors to provide the best possible orchestral experience and training for younger players on the Northern Beaches. Rehearsals are currently at Balgowlah North Public School on Wednesday evenings, during school term time, from 6:00-7:30pm.

Please contact artsadmin@nbo.org.au or attendance@nbo.org.au

Inflatable fun at the Warringah Aquatic Centre
A giant inflatable will be a regular at the Warringah Aquatic Centre on the first Sunday of every month from 1pm – 4 pm, until the warmer weather and next school holidays. The next time the inflatable will be up is on Sunday, 3rd May and Sunday, 7th June.

Additional information can be found on our website: https://www.warringah.nsw.gov.au/aquatic-centre/your-wac/wac-events/inflatable-fun
Progress on streetscape construction works - Kalang Road

Due to the recent poor weather, the staged program for the streetscape has been impacted. To ensure the work continues, the following changes to the program have been made:

**Stage 1 - progressing**
Construction works have been affected by recent poor weather, prolonging the works of stage 1 of the program.

As part of Stage 1, the bus shelter has been relocated. However the access kerb ramps and footpath to the bus shelter have been delayed, and therefore the bus stop will remain in its current location until these works are completed.

**Stage 2 and Stage 3 - delayed**
Progress on work that includes excavation to improve drainage has been delayed. Open trenches will fill with water if the work is conducted during rain periods.

**Stage 4 - commenced**
Kerb and footpath works have commenced due to the delay of other stages affected by rainfall.