



ETTALONG  
PUBLIC SCHOOL

# HOMENOTE

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Term 3 Week 5

20 August 2019

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Wed 21 Aug	Year 5 Cultural Continuum; Daffodil Day
Thurs 22 Aug	Showcase matinee and evening
Fri 23 Aug	Junior Gala Day
Mon 26 Aug	Southern CC Athletics
Wed 28 Aug	Year Two Cultural Continuum
Thurs 29 Aug	Father's Day stall
Fri 30 Aug	Father's Day breakfast

Dear Parent and Carers

Our fabulous public speaking representatives had a wonderful experience in the local finals last week. The competition was very well organised both at school and at a local level so our school will continue to be part of this terrific opportunity to promote research, speech writing and public speaking in the primary school years.

Our Science Day last week was an outstanding success with children watching a fascinating show and participating in many fun and interesting experiments. Days later, children were still excitedly showing me what they had made.

Senior children had a fabulous day last Friday, playing sporting games against other peninsula schools at the annual Senior Gala Day. Under perfect skies, the children tried their best and displayed great sportsmanship, even though scores weren't kept. It was a day of fun and friendship rather than competition.

The NSW school curriculum includes mandatory Child Protection lessons for all students and this is traditionally taught in Term Three at our school. This year is no exception. Children are taught to recognise and respond to unsafe situations, being 'enlightened without being frightened.'

Please look for the Father's Day raffle tickets sent home today. All money raised by the P&C is returned to the school to be spent on resources for your children so your support is very much appreciated. The raffle will be drawn at the Father's Day breakfast on Friday week August 30.

In the interest of safety, only students in Year Three and above are permitted to ride bikes or scooters to school, unaccompanied. All students riding bikes or scooters to school must wear a helmet and obey the NSW road rules, including walking their bike/scooter across the road when using pedestrian crossings.

Please check your child's schoolbag weekly for information and permission notes. Recently, students have missed out on opportunities due to permission notes and money being received too late.

ABC of literacy and numeracy cont'd ... **S**port offers great opportunities for exploring literacy and numeracy. Watch sports programs, calculate scores and discuss angles of shots and probable results. Turn off the TV for a while (after the sport program lol) and talk to your child about recent news items. **U**se the computer more as a research and learning tool and less for social media. Show children how to use a dictionary, thesaurus or spellcheck.

Lynn Balfour, Principal.

### 3R's AWARDS

<b>2/3R</b>	Keyla H	<b>3M</b>	Oscar T
	Caden K		Elina R
	Jack M		Rory M
<b>3W</b>	Charlie C	<b>4T</b>	Nick S
	Keishia R-B		Hannah S
	Tyler O'S-A		Cruz T-K
<b>4J</b>	Riley H	<b>4S</b>	Addison F
	Aoife K		Archie R
			Tam J
<b>5B</b>	Julia J	<b>5J</b>	Brody M
	Aiden D		Jake S
	Tarana C		Kayden-James F
<b>5/6L</b>	Jarrah F	<b>6C</b>	Lachlan B
	Baylin G		Millie B
	Brayden H		Brayden McL
<b>6H</b>	Jai H-D	<b>K/6S</b>	Jaxx O'B
	Ethan C	<b>K/6B</b>	Cobey D
	Emily S		

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who consistently demonstrate the 3Rs

**Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn.**

Navita H	1H	Elina R	3M
Tyler P	2/3R	Mehak C	5J
Charlotte C	6C	Riley H	4J
Anjela H	6C	Aiden D	5J
Codey D	K/6B	Sophie W	4T
Cayden G	5B	Keyla H	2/3R
Blake G	2S		

### PLAYGROUND POSITIVE WINNER

Max Malherbe 1P
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### GENERAL INFORMATION

**The NSW Government** has committed the largest investment in planned maintenance at public schools in the history of NSW. A record \$1.3 billion is being spent on an ambitious delivery program, focused on employing local businesses and contractors across the state.

To assist in addressing regional school maintenance issues and at the same time provide work for local trade's persons and suppliers across the Hunter / Central Coast regions, over \$100 million is being invested to upgrade and maintain our school infrastructure.

Given this record spend by School Infrastructure NSW, you are invited to an Asset Management Unit industry breakfast briefing. This will provide information to existing and new contractors on how you can get involved.

To find out more by attending our Industry breakfast register at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/industry-engagement-information-session-tickets-65766578607> or contact your Asset Management Unit on 4088 3500.

### Gala Day

Last Friday, Stage 3 took part in our annual Gala Day, playing other local schools in a variety of sports including AFL, netball, league tag and soccer.

The day was all about participation, with no scores being kept or winners announced.

The weather was great and the sportsmanship shown by our students was equally as good.

Many thanks must go to Brisbane Water Secondary College, who once again supplied us with referees from their Year 9 sport classes, many of whom were once students at our school.

Fingers crossed Stage 2 get weather as good this week.

### Sydney North Orienteering Championships

Last week 13 Year 6 students competed in the Sydney North Orienteering Championships, held at St Ives. They learnt how to navigate a course using a map and the sun. They competed in 2 events, an individual course and a relay event. We had several students place in the top twenty and one team place third in their section of the relay. Regardless of the results the students enjoyed the experience, learnt new skills and were exceptionally well behaved.

### AEO & CLO NEWS

Last Thursday afternoon we hosted a Meet n' Greet BBQ for our Aboriginal families. It was great to meet so many of our families, I really look forward to meeting all Aboriginal families in the future and working with you all to help Aboriginal culture stay alive in the school for our future leaders.

#### **Fathers' Day Breakfast**

Just a friendly reminder to please get your 'Fathers' Day Breakfast' slip into the office ASAP, the cut-off date for this will be Friday 23 August.

Corinne and Rheese

### P & C NEWS

#### **Fathers' Day Raffle**

Please look out for raffle tickets that have been sent home today. There are some great prizes and tickets are just \$1 each. If you would like additional tickets, please see the office or canteen. Alternatively, if you do not wish to purchase raffle tickets, please return the book or any unsold tickets to the office.

The raffle will be drawn at the Father's Day Breakfast on 30 August 2019.

#### **Fathers' Day Stall**

The Father's Day stall is set to be held on Thursday 29 August 2019. If you are available to help on the day (for any amount of time) please let us know. Any help is greatly appreciated and enables the day to run smoothly.

Please contact us on the email below if you are able to help:

Speak to the office or email: [epsbandc@gmail.com](mailto:epsbandc@gmail.com)

### CANTEEN NEWS

#### **Cup Cake Day for Daffodil Day**

This Wednesday only all money goes to cancer council. Cakes \$1.50 and will be sold outside canteen.

#### **Fruit promotion**

Every time you buy a piece of fruit you will get a sticker which will go into a draw to win lots of wonderful prizes. Hurry while we have stock.

Special thanks to St Matthew's Lutheran Church Ladies' Group for their generous donation of some electric appliances; slow cooker, sandwich press and an electric frying pan.

We will be taking finger buns off our menu.

Thank you to all our amazing volunteers.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Ettalong Beach Dental

Our experienced team at Ettalong Beach Dental offers friendly dental care for the whole family in a calm and relaxing environment.

Under the Medicare child dental schedule your child is likely to be eligible for \$1000 of free dental work.



For more information or to book an appointment call us today on 0243413160  
<https://www.ettalongbeachdental.com.au>



#### Recycle and win Community Garden Competition.

By collecting oral health waste including old toothbrushes, used tooth paste tubes, cardboard and plastic packaging of new oral health items and floss containers. Then depositing them in the collection box in the front office, you will be helping our school collect garden points for the Terracycle Garden Competition.

- The collection box in the front office (*large box covered in toothbrushes, near the fish tank*) is for students, staff and community members to donate their waste products.
- We will be collecting oral health products from now until September 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **HAVE YOU VOTED YET?**

- Please help by voting for our school at the following link and sharing the link with family and friends.  
<https://www.terracycle.com/en-AU/contests/colgategardenvoting>
  - Every vote helps us get a little closer to the win.