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### **Upcoming Events**

### 25 October

Rugby League 9's Youth Frontiers Showcase Immunisations

## 1 November

Year 6 Little Day Out Sports Gala Day

8 November Tjudibaring Aboriginal Education Awards

**15 November** Year 5 Little Day Out Sports Gala Day

20 + 21 November Science Fair

**23 November** Parent Road Safety Workshop

**24 November** Zone Years 7/8 Gala Day

**29 November** Year 5 Primary Fun Day

## **Message from the Principal**

#### YEAR 7/8 GIRLS OZ-TAG

Huge congratulations to our Year 7/8 Girls Oz-tag team who are victorious as the state champions!! Well done to Year 7 girls Lucy Drummond, Morgan Mannion, Phoebe Pitstock, Charli Russell, Jade Smith and Maddi Lenton, and Year 8 Mia Barber, Tasmin Hill, Bailey Mannion, Ashleigh Meyer, Tayla Montgomery and Tahlia Smith. Applause for the coach, the new Mrs Berg (formally Ms Padroth) Go Erina!!!



#### YEAR 12

What a great celebration as we farewelled the Year 12 class of 2017. It was a fantastic assembly as we reflected on the last 13 years of their educational journey and admired the exceptional achievements of the students in the academic, sporting, cultural and leadership arenas. After a day of fun and colour on the Wednesday the students attended the graduation assembly with pride as we bade them farewell and wished them every success in the new chapter of their lives. Year 12 we wish you luck, good fortune and happiness as you commence life after school!





#### Issue 10

### WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Each year in October schools proudly celebrate World Teachers' Day, an opportunity for us to recognise and congratulate our teachers for the huge difference they make in a young person's life. We can all remember those special teachers that inspired, encouraged and made us feel so valued. To teach is to touch a life forever and World Teachers' Day is that day we stop and say thank you to the many dedicated, committed and wonderful teachers that give so much of their time, expertise and energy to develop skills, knowledge and experience. To support families in preparing children for the world of work and life beyond school. Two of our staff are being recognised at the Central Coast World Teachers' Day celebration and are most worthy recipients of this award.

Mr Grant Keyes, an outstanding classroom teacher who has demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities at a faculty and whole school level. His passion for education is inspiring and he has been instrumental in the enormous sporting success that EHS experiences. Congratulations Mr Keyes!!



Mrs Julie Ruming who demonstrates a strong commitment to supporting Aboriginal education at EHS. She engages positively with our local AECG and facilitates opportunities to build successful outcomes for all students. As an outstanding Language Teacher she effectively engages her students to achieve their personal best. Congratulations Mrs Ruming!



#### TRANSITION

During term 4 EHS will host a Year 5 and 6 Gala Sports Day for our partner primary schools as well as a Year 5 Primary Fun Day. Information has been sent to each of the schools and we warmly welcome the children this term. It is a great opportunity for students to meet new friends and familiarise themselves with High School as stage 3 children commence the secondary education journey.

#### UNIFORM

With the warmer weather upon us there should be no excuse for students to be out of uniform with coloured jumpers and denim jeans. A reminder that short black shorts are NOT school uniform only to be worn for sport and PE. Please support the school by encouraging your children to wear their uniform proudly. Any pre-loved uniforms are greatly appreciated for our uniform pool. Please drop them off in the administration block. Year Advisers and Head Teachers check uniform during roll call and failure to be in uniform will result in a letter being sent home and discipline consequences. Please contact me at school if assistance is required with purchasing school uniform.

#### ERNEST STREET UPGRADE

With the upgrade of Ernest street now completed it has made a positive difference to traffic flow and improved safety. Attached in the newsletter is some information regarding the changes in the traffic conditions. In order to ensure high level of safety it is important that both drivers and pedestrians follow the new procedures. I am concerned with students not using the pedestrian crossing in the morning with the bus service that stops on the Woodport Public School side of the road. This is extremely dangerous and I seek parental support in reminding their children to use the crossing and not run across the road in front of or behind the bus. Students will be reminded of this at year meetings next week.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Karen Nicol Principal



## MUSIC

Last term students from HSC Music presented and performed their pieces in front of friends and family. A big thank you to Jack Clay (Yr 10), Oussama Ghanam (Yr 9), Caleb Klarnett (Yr 11), Max Stuart (ex-student) and Mr. Quinn (Maths Teacher) who played numerous instruments for our HSC students. Congratulations Year 12 on your hard work this year! Not long to go now.



### YEAR 7/8 GIRLS NETBALL

Well done to the Year 7/8 Girls Netball team who played in the Sydney North Netball competition on Thursday 14 September. The girls had a fantastic start to the day with wins against Wyong 9-11 and Lisarow 16-5. They then came up against strong opposition with a loss to Asquith Girls and were then narrowly defeated by Northlakes which saw them finish 3rd in their pool.

The girls played well and fought hard in a close win over Wadalba 12-11 and then lost to Kincumber in their final. Throughout the whole day they all played with enthusiasm, great teamwork and never gave up and they can be very proud of their efforts and the way they represented EHS. They finished the day in 10th position out of the 23 teams that competed which was an excellent result.

Best and fairest on the day went to our super shooter Morgan Mannion of Year 7 and the Coaches award to Lucy Drummond also in Year 7 for her great intercepts and strong attack through the midcourt. A big thankyou to Elise Annabel of Year 9 for umpiring all 6 games throughout the day and to all the parents who assisted with transport. Coach Scully

### **OPEN BOYS CRICKET**

On Friday 13 October, the Open Boys Cricket team were drawn against Wadalba Community School in Round 3 of the Alan Davidson Shield KO, played at Hylton Moore Oval, East Gosford. Taking no notice of the portentous date, the team was excited to play. The luck started early, and skipper Zak Allan won the toss and elected to bat. Openers Darcy Watterson (26) and Tim Fitzpatrick (24) proved to be a great pairing and made a very responsible start. Great middle order innings from Lincoln Delaney (33), Alec Doolan (35) and Ben Campbell (23) eventually saw our total climb to 6/189 off 40 overs. The Wadalba team had some quality batsmen and made a bright start, but our persistent and accurate bowling restricted them to 170 all out. Skipper Zak Allen led by example taking 4/12 off 5 tight overs.

Special thanks must go to Mrs Brown, Mr Ford and Kyan Everson for taking on scoring duties. Round 4 sees us take on BWSC Woy Woy at Umina Oval on Thursday 2 November. Mr Jones - Coach





#### ENGLISH/DRAMA FACULTY REPORT

The staff of the English / Drama Faculty wish to congratulate our Year 12 students who have now completed their external examinations. We look forward to sharing their results with them and hearing about the direction their lives will now take. It is also important to us that we congratulate the Year 11 students on their completion of The Preliminary Certificate and wish them well as they progress into their HSC courses. Families are reminded that staff are happy to resolve any queries that may arise during this important year and encourage you to give class teachers a call if you have any questions.

Year 12 2018 Advanced and Standard students are participating in the Area of Study-Discovery module with a focus on the Ang Lee film Life of Pi. They are preparing for assessment of their comprehension skills in Week 6 and will also submit and present a speech about a related text in Week 10. English Studies classes are learning about texts relating to Australian identity and will complete a writing task for assessment in Week 10. Course Booklets which detail all significant aspects of their HSC English courses, including their assessment schedules and assessment task notifications, can be located on the Student Portal. It is important that students access this information and record the information pertaining to assessment on a calendar.

Junior English classes in Years 7-9 are currently studying drama texts in preparation for their final assessment task which will be due in Week 10. They will need to construct a visual representation of the themes in their text and explain the ways in which they have chosen to depict ideas. Families are reminded that the marks allocated for this particular assessment task will contribute to their assessment grades for 2018. Year 10 students are currently working through their final unit of work in the junior school, which is about the way social context has been reflected through song lyrics from the 1950s until the present.

Parents are reminded that all English and Drama texts will need to be returned to class teachers or the staff room as soon as possible. Each year a number of texts are not returned, which is a very costly issue. It means that we have to find money to replace these, as full class sets are required for classes. We welcome all Erina High texts, regardless how old they are, with no questions asked! We are always thrilled when students have found a book hidden in their room, or texts that belonged to siblings, and return them to us. Similarly, if you have novels in your home that may be suited to class libraries, these too will be appreciated, as junior classes begin each lesson with silent reading and new texts are always refreshing.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any concern regarding their progress in English or Drama.



Year 10 Drama are studying Traditional Japanese Drama. Here they are practising the correct Kabuki makeup techniques on each other. Well done girls.





## BARKAN "BOOMERANG" IN DARKINJUNG

#### FAMILY WELLBEING PROGRAM

We are proud of two of our indigenous students who have been participating in the Central Coast Family Wellbeing Program for the last three weeks. Caleb Steptoe and Jayden Wilson of Year 8 have been training in family wellbeing issues for both indigenous and nonindigenous people, including skills in personal development, cultural and spiritual connection, positive relationships, conflict resolution, dealing with grief and loss, positive planning for the future, and leadership. The program will run for thirteen weeks in total. Caleb and Jayden have been excellent participants and they have gained considerable knowledge and skills.



#### BRISBANIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NAIDOC DAY ACTIVITIES

On Friday 15 September four of our indigenous students were invited to Brisbania Primary School to facilitate workshops in indigenous cultural activities as part of NAIDOC Day. The workshops ran for 45 minutes on a rotational basis. Kobi Dylan-Myers and Brock Wilson ran didgeridoo workshops, including instruction and practice in circular breathing where they used water filled containers and straws as learning aids with much laughter and water everywhere. Then they got the chance to play actual didgeridoos and to learn some playing techniques. The boys were excellent facilitators and the Brisbania students had a wonderful time. Ella Aldrick-Emanuel and Tahlia Williams ran indigenous workshops where the students were taught traditional movements and dances and had a great time. Overall, it was a great day and the Brisbania students learnt a lot about traditional Aboriginal culture. Our students also had a terrific time and developed skills and experience for the future.



#### INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

#### **CLOSE THE GAP**

CTG aims to benefit Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of any age who present with an existing chronic disease or are at risk of chronic disease in the opinion of the Doctor.

Eligible patients can be registered for the CTG Copayment scheme. Talk to your GP who can register you for this service.

Talk to your GP and identify as an indigenous patient.

If you are eligible you may receive your medications and a discounted rate if you don't hold a current concession card from Centrelink your wil pay the the concession rate for your CTG script, however if you do hold a current concession card you will receive your scripts for free.

#### 715 HEALTH CHECK

Have you had your 715 Health check with your GP. The aim of the 715 health check aims to ensure that Aboriginal & Torrest Strait Islander people receive primary health care matched to their needs by encouraging early detection, diagnosis and intervention for common and treatable conditions. The health assessment is an annual service privided by your GP.



#### NUNYARA ABORIGINAL HEALTH SERVICES

Central Coast Local Health District's Aboriginal Health Unit Nunyara supports the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living on the Central Coast.

Nunyara has strong links to the Aboriginal community and provides a number of services including specialised Aboriginal health services, advocacy and support. Health services provided by Nunyara include:

Chronic Health Care Sexual Health Worker Pregnancy, Child & Family Health Services Early Intervention Family Worker Mental Health Services Youth Health Services Drug & Alcohol Services

Nunyara is located at 2 Ward Street, Gosford just behind Gosford Hospital. Open Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm 2 Ward Street, Gosford NSW 2250 Phone: **4320 2698** 



Ph: (02) 4351 1040 Fax: (02) 4351 1037

#### ELEANOR DUNCAN HEALTH SERVICES

This service is located at Suites 8 & 9, 36 Alison Road, Wyong, (Cnr. Margaret Street & Alison Road) Telephone 4351-1040.

Eleanor Duncan offers a wide range of services for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander People including : GP's, Practice Nurses, Aboriginal Health Practioners, Psychologists, Midwife & Child Health Nurse as well as other visiting Specialists ie: Paediatrics, psychiatry, dental, optometry (eye specialist). Visit their site at www.yerin.org.au

#### SYDNEY DENTAL HOSPITAL

2 Chalmers Street, Surryhills

The Sydney Dental Hospital has a Free Koori Dental Clinic available to all Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island people. Services include :

Extractions Cleans Assessments Fillings Dentures Mouth Guards

To access the services all you need is Confirmation of Aboriginality and a medicare card. To book an appointment at the clinic ring 02 9293-3438

## Safety learning program

## School Traffic and Parking Restrictions in Ernest Street

Ernest Street has been redesigned to address and improve safety around both Woodport Public School and Erina High School. The new conditions have really helped in making Ernest Street much safer and improved the traffic flow, but we still need the community to follow the rules and think about their choices when accessing the school community.

Ernest Street no has a lot of **Kiss and Ride (No Parking)** facilities on both sides to enable parents and carers to drop their child off safely. Please remember that **Kiss and Ride** is a **No Parking** restriction.

A No Parking Zone means that you must not stop for more than two (2) minutes. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle. - No Parking Zones are suitable for 'Kiss & Ride' – but you must abide by the rules.





Ernest Street also has a small section of **No Stopping** around the school crossing. There is absolutely no reason any vehicle operator should be pulling up in this space. It is important to keep it clear to allow other drivers travelling on the roadway clear vision of the students using the crossing and Crossing Supervisor. Staying out of these zones also helps the Crossing Supervisor see the cars.

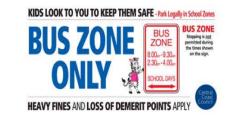


A No Stopping Zone means no stopping at any time.

The bus companies were extremely cooperative in giving up their space. Please respect the **Bus Zones** which need to be kept clear.

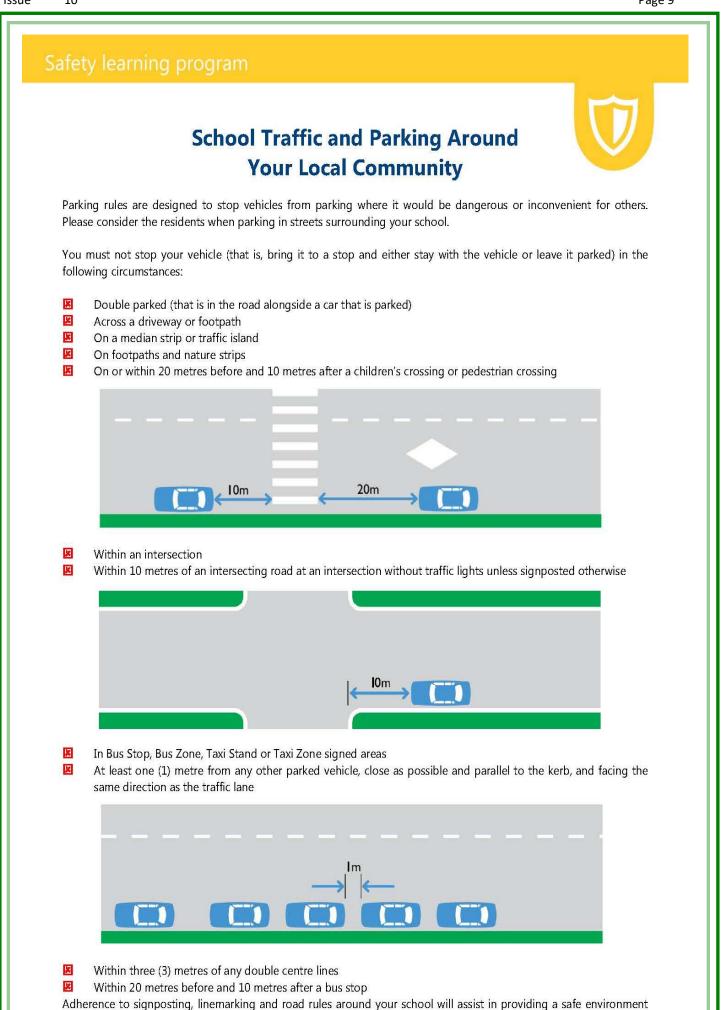
A **Bus Zone** means that the area is restricted for bus use only. If hours of operation are shown, the restriction only applies to this time. You may use this area outside of these times.





Finally, Ernest Street now carries double white lines for the full length. You cannot cross these unless you are entering or leaving a property. **YOU CANNOT PERFORM U-TURNS OVER DOUBLE WHITE LINES!** 

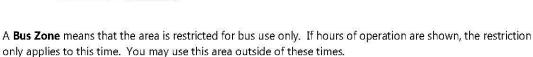
Think about where you're coming from and going too when you drop your students off. Is it the best option? Could you can something you do that would help in improving the safety of your child and others further? Is it worth driving for an extra minute to access a better option?



for the school community and residents.

- School Bus lights buses use signs and orange flashing 'wigwag' lights to warn motorists and pedestrians that they are picking up or setting down school children. The lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors are opened. They keep flashing for about 30 seconds after the doors close and continue even after the bus moves off. You must not drive past the bus in the same direction at more than 40 km/h while the 'wigwag' lights are flashing as there may be children crossing or about to cross the road.
- A School Zone is the area around a school with a speed limit of 40 km/h. Between the School Zone and End School Zone signs you must obey the school zone speed limit. The school zone speed limit only applies on gazetted school days and during the times shown on the sign.
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**NO PARKING ZONE** 

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KIDS LOOK TO YOU TO KEEP THEM SAFE - Park Legally in School Zones

For more information regarding parking restriction around your school please contact Council's Road Safety Officers via email at: roadsafety@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au



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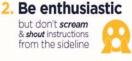
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# TIPS FOR ADULTS AT KIDS SPORT

1. Keep it fun don't take it too seriously It's not the World Titles

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4. Cheer & acknowledge good plays by all players, both teams



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2017 Citizen of the Year – Lester Pearson

## Central Coast Australia Day Awards 2018

The Australia Day Awards is your chance to acknowledge the achievements and actions of community members on the Central Coast.

### Who makes a real difference in your Community?

For further information or to nominate go to: centralcoast.nsw.gov.au Refer to the website for nomination eligibility criteri Central Coast Council

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