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Upcoming Events

25 August

Yrs 9/10 Girls' Netball

28 August

Yrs 9/10 & Opens OZ Tag

6-8 September

State Athletics

8 September

Yr 7/8 Girls' Cricket

14 September

Yrs 7/8 Girls' Netball

Message from the Principal

2018 SENIOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Congratulations to our new senior leadership team for 2018: Norma-Rose Bell and Thomas Fielder School Captains, Caitlin Booker and Baxter Langlar Vice Captains and Skylah Sargent, Jack Smith, Briannah Ede and James Wilkin-Poole completing the team. An exceptional group of young people that will lead the student body with great enthusiasm and passion for Erina High School.





SHINE COMPETITION

Congratulations to Casey Nugent who successfully won the Shine competition at Erina Fair recently. In the senior division with over 20 competitors she took out first place with her dance item. Well done Casey!!



ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

This term is very busy for our senior students as year 12 complete their trial exams and year 11 work towards their yearly preliminary exams. Year 12 graduation will be held on Thursday September 21 in the MPC, details to follow closer to the date.

ON-LINE NAPLAN

Over the next few weeks all schools in NSW will be trialling NAPLAN on-line in preparation for this national test to be delivered on-line in 2018. This will be important for us to participate in and determine the functionality of delivering the test on-line next year. Years 7 and 9 will participate in this trial in the week beginning September 11. Further details will be communicated to parents closer to the date.

2018 NAPLAN RESULTS

I am very pleased to advise that the 2017 NAPLAN results have been very encouraging. Our best results are in Numeracy. In Year 7 we have 21.4% of students in the top two bands in comparison to 15.2% in 2016. In Year 9 we have 15% in the top two bands in comparison to 7.4% in 2016. Our value-added growth in reading in Year 7 is 62.1 scaled score points in comparison to 46.3 for the state. Our writing data remains similar at 10.85% in the top two bands in Year 7 in comparison to 11.19% in 2016 and 9.8% in the top two bands in Year 9 in comparison to 10% in 2016. Congratulations to all of our students on these strong results and to our staff for their ongoing commitment to improving literacy and numeracy skills for students.

EDUCATION WEEK 2017

Once again the Erina Learning Community shone as we presented our performing arts showcase in the hive at Erina Fair on Monday 31 July to celebrate Education Week. Well done to Brock Wilson delivering the acknowledgment to country, support by the Dig boys Tyrece Tohu, Jayden Wilson, Kobi-Dylan Myers and Brandan Russell. Congratulations to our music performers, Amy Stuart, Max Stuart, Oussama Ghanam, Jenna Hoffman, Jasmine Tomlinson, Bella Masia and Mr Quinn.

Not to be outdone by the musicians our year 9 dance class were fabulous. Congratulations to Casey Nugent, Haylea Dahl, Teyannah Black, Lili Manning, Jasmine Moon, Jessica Ruthen, Jamilla Little & Parisa Javidi. All strongly supported by our sound crew Josh Pook, Daniel Gordon and our Captains Sophie Duruz and James Rhodes who co-hosted the event with our partner primary school leaders. Thank you to Ms Pennings and Ms Padroth for coordinating our performers and to Mr Bath for transporting the equipment and to Ms Wilmott for preparing our static display. A great team effort Erina!!!





ERNEST STREET UPGRADE

Thank you to our staff, students and parents who have been so patient with the upgrade of Ernest Street. I am confident it will be a significant improvement when completed and provide more on-street parking, kiss and ride sections and less congestion between both schools. Can I please remind our drivers to be respectful of our residents and avoid parking and turning around in their driveways. Thanks for your consideration.

PUBLIC EDUCATION APPRECIATION AWARDS

Each year schools are invited to nominate school community members who have made a significant contribution to their school. I am pleased to announce that the EHS award recipients this year are Phil Sweeney for his outstanding career in public education spanning 38 years. His leadership and commitment to student wellbeing and learning has been greatly appreciated. Vicki Smith for exceptional service to public education over 40 years. Her high-level leadership in education has been admired and deeply appreciated. Karen Kruit for her outstanding service and dedication to supporting the SASS staff and leading EHS through significant administration reforms as a highly-regarded School Administration Manager.





Erina High school is proud of its positive partnership with our community

Yours Sincerely Mrs Karen Nicol Principal



SOME PICS FROM OUR SCIENCE CLASSES AND AG FARM



FOOD TECHNOLOGY have been busy cooking up a storm!!!







ENGLISH/DRAMA FACULTY

The staff of the English / Drama Faculty wish our Year 12 students success in their Trial HSC exams which will take place in weeks 5 and 6. The hard work that they have been doing will be rewarded, and areas of need will also be identified in these exams.

Year 11 Advanced students have begun their critical study of The Handmaid's Tale, while Standard classes are studying novels as well. Junior students have begun their new module, the Area of Study, which involves them engaging with a range of texts during lessons. Year 7 students are examining the concept of Fear, Year 8 are studying the Multicultural aspects of our country, Year 9 are learning about the Aboriginal Experience and Year 10 are examining texts related to the theme of Power.

Year 10 students have received advice regarding subject selection for 2018. Teachers have suggested to students the most appropriate English course for them to study, but any further enquiries are welcome. Families are reminded that in future years all English courses can be counted toward a student's ATAR, something that is new with the introduction of the 2019 HSC Syllabus.

Our Year 9 debaters, coached by Mr Manwaring, will participate in the next round of the Premier's Debating Challenge at Tumbi Umbi High School on Wednesday 13 August. On 21 August the Year 11 debating team, coached by Ms Kronja, will compete in the Probus Shield. We wish both teams the best of luck in these pursuits.

Parents are reminded that while students read regularly at school, the single most effective way of improving a child's skills in English is by reading at home. There is a wonderful range of teen and young adult literature available, and it is through interaction with a range of such texts that students will improve not only their fluency and comprehension, but also their vocabulary and language skills. While students may not be given explicit English homework every day, it is imperative that home reading remain a focus for everyone.

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



EDUCATION WEEK

Casey Nugent and other students from Erina High went to Erina Fair on Monday 31 July to perform for Education Week at the Hive. Brock Wilson did the acknowledgement to Country, and Kobe, Tyrece, Brandon, Brock and Jaydon played the didgeridoos.

Casey was part of the Elective Dance group which also performed before the many shoppers, and said it was a most rewarding experience.

Tiarne Hart



BRANDON RUSSELL

Brandon is the newest member of the Didgeridoo Players group. He says at the start of the year he couldn't play and they almost kicked him out but he practiced lots and now he can play. He also likes dot painting. Ella Aldrick-Emanuel

WELLBEING PROGRAM



Brock and Tyrece took part in a Wellbeing Program at Wyoming during Semester 1. The program ran for 10 weeks every Friday. The boys said the experience was awesome and their favourite activities included camping in the mangroves, taking part in smoking ceremonies and going to the corroboree at Cessnock. They learnt more about their aboriginal heritage and received a beautiful indigenous shirt on completing the program.

Casey Nugent

HSIE EXCURSION

The Year 12 Geography cohort travelled to Sydney CBD to complete a case study as part of the HSC Urban Places course. The group visited Darling Harbour, Pyrmont, Ultimo and Chinatown to experience urban dynamics in action. The main themes being investigated were urban decay, urban renewal and culture of place. The students were extremely keen to be able to witness what they had studied first hand and provided some great entertainment on the long walks. The students will now be armed with an excellent case study to use in their HSC trials and final examinations. Thanks for the memories Year 12.

Mr Joyce and Ms Jansons

STATE GYMNASTICS

Congratulations to Suraya Bailey of Yr 8 who recently competed in the CHS State Gymnastics Championships held in Glendale. Suraya competed for Sydney North and performed very well in Bar, Beam, Floor and Vault. Sydney North was also crowned the overall champion region. Well done Suraya.



GOALBALL REPRESENTATIVE

Makayla Reilly of year 7, has been selected to represent NSW in Goalball at the Pan Pacific School Games in Adelaide this December. She will be competing in this international school sport competition against teams from at least 15 other countries.

She has also been selected to represent NSW in the Australian Goalball Championships in Melbourne this October.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! We wish her the best of luck for both competitions.



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SYDNEY NORTH ATHLETICS REPORT

Congratulations to our record 50 students who competed at the Sydney North Athletics Carnival held in Homebush at the end of July. The official results are in and we are very proud to announce that we have 5 students who have qualified for State in September. Congratulations to:

Mia Barber - 2nd in 80m Hurdles Baylee Lebreton - 2nd in Long Jump and 1st in 200m Tayla Montgomery - 2nd in 800m Makayla Reilly - 3rd in 100m, Shot Put and Discus

Ashlee Russell - 2nd in Long Jump, 2nd in 200m and 1st in 100m

We also had two relay teams who just missed out on State qualification finishing 3rd in the 16yrs and 17yrs Boys Relays.



YEAR 7/8 TOUCH FOOTBALL

Well done the Year 7/8 Boys and Girls Touch Football teams who competed in the Central Coast Regional Touch Football Championships held at Adcock Park. Both teams recorded some great wins and displayed excellent teamwork throughout the competition.

Our boys team recorded a big 6-0 win over Lisarow but unfortunately lost their remaining pool games by very close margins. Our girls' teams defeated Gorokan 2-1, Tumbi Umbi 2-1 and Northlakes 5-0. Unfortunately the girls went to down to Hunter Sports High and missed out on the finals by points differential.

Shout out also goes to Lachlan Debellis and Jordan Hood of Yr 10 who volunteered to ref for the gala day.

Coaches Kearney and Keyes







YEAR 7/8 GIRLS OZ-TAG

On Wednesday 9 August, the Years 7 and 8 Oz-Tag teams competed in the All Schools Gala Day at Adcock Park. The girls team started out strong with huge wins in their pool against Henry Kendall (7-1) and McKillop Catholic College (10-1). Their third pool game was against an impressive Tuggerah Lakes Tumbi Umbi team. The game was close, incredibly tight and unfortunately, the EHS girls went down 2-1. The final pool game saw the girls come out strong and defeat Lakes Grammar 8-0 with Morgan Mannion scoring 4 tries.

In their pool, the girls came second, but with their strong for and against differential, the girls still made it to the Quarter Finals. Their Quarter Final was against a strong Green Point Christian College team who had won their pool. The EHS girls fought hard and came away with a 3-0 win to progress to the Semi Final against Kincumber HS. Our girls put in a huge performance coming away with a 5-3 win to make the Grand Final!

The Grand Final was against a super strong St Joseph's College team. It was a try-for-try affair where at full time the score was equal at two all. This meant extra time where it went to 5 vs 5! St Josephs kicked off and regathered the ball, which meant EHS, was defending the try line. The girls defended perfectly and got a chance to attack. The girls made it all the way down to the other end of the field and Bailey Mannion went over to score! Erina HS Year 7 and 8 Oz-Tag Champions for 2017!

Huge congratulations to all of the girls for their sportsmanship on the day. Special mentions go to Mia Barber for highest try scorer with 9 tries and Morgan Mannion a close second with 8. Stand out players on the day were Tasmin, Mia, Tayla and Tahlia. Well done, girls!

Grant Keyes
Erina High School
PDHPE Co-ordinator/CHS Sports Organiser



UNDER 15'S BOYS BASKETBALL

On Friday 4 August Erina High School faced off against Killara High in Round 2 of the 2017 Under 15's Boys Basketball Knockout.

Fielding a relatively young and inexperienced team, Erina played hard throughout while managing to keep the game within reach. Grinding it out until the final few minutes, Erina seemed poised to pull off an upset win as they cut the lead from 11 down to just a single basket due to some clutch play from Tim Fitzpatrick. Unfortunately, Erina would end up on the wrong end of the scoreboard, losing by just 5 points. Overall, it was a great learning experience for Erina and the team should be very proud of their efforts.

Most Valuable Player of the game went to Tim Fitzpatrick and coaches award to Cooper Turner. Other team members included Riley Dawe-Ellis, Leo Elton, Bryson Jones, Aidin Kim, Alex Lakomy, Cooper Linde, and Rylee Walton. Coach Saisall



NAPLAN ON-LINE SCHOOL READINESS TESTS

NAPLAN is moving on-line. This means moving NAPLAN from the current paper-based tests to computer-based assessments. The transition to NAPLAN on-line will commence from 2018. All schools will be undertaking NAPLAN as paper-based tests in 2017.



Erina High students in Year 7 and Year 9 will be participating in the School Readiness Testing in Term 3, Week 9. The Readiness Test will include two assessments: a writing assessment and a combined numeracy/literacy assessment. The duration of each assessment will be 40 minutes. The Readiness Test involves using a locked down browser and individual student accounts to maintain confidentiality and security.

Some aspects of the on-line Readiness Tests will require headphones. Year 7 and Year 9 students are requested to make their own arrangements regarding bringing headphones for the Readiness Test. The school will have some headphones available for LOAN on the day of the Readiness Test. Students and their parents will be provided with a test schedule prior to the Readiness Testing period beginning.

For further information about the Readiness Test, please follow this link to the Department of Education Readiness Test Help and Support page :

https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/student-assessment/naplan-online/help-and-support

Mr B Jones ICT Co-ordinator

SCHOOL LEAVER EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS & NDIS SUPPORTS INFORMATION SESSION

It's your choice, you're in control.

Register for the NDIS Supports Information Session.

WHEN: Wednesday 30th August

TIME: 4pm – 5.30pm

*Light refreshments provided.

WHERE: Choice & Control – 52 William St, Gosford NSW 2250 RSVP: Please register or call the NDIS Coordinator on 4322 2200



Safety learning program

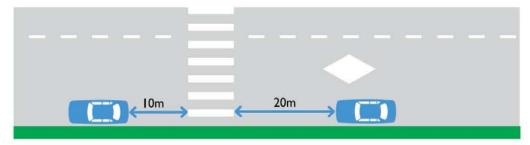
School Traffic and Parking Around Your Local Community



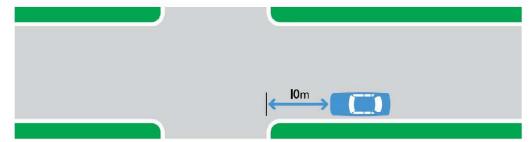
Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others. Please consider the residents when parking in streets surrounding your school.

You must not stop your vehicle (that is, bring it to a stop and either stay with the vehicle or leave it parked) in the following circumstances:

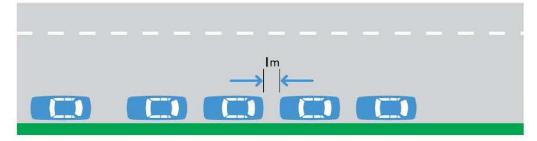
- Double parked (that is in the road alongside a car that is parked)
- Across a driveway or footpath
- On a median strip or traffic island
- On footpaths and nature strips
- On or within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing



- Within an intersection
- Within 10 metres of an intersecting road at an intersection without traffic lights unless signposted otherwise



- In Bus Stop, Bus Zone, Taxi Stand or Taxi Zone signed areas
- At least one (1) metre from any other parked vehicle, close as possible and parallel to the kerb, and facing the same direction as the traffic lane



- Within three (3) metres of any double centre lines
- Within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a bus stop

Adherence to signposting, linemarking and road rules around your school will assist in providing a safe environment 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.



A No Stopping Zone means no stopping at any time.



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.







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.





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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GOSFORD LITTLE ATHLETICS REGISTRATION DATES 2017/2018

FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER & FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 6PM-8PM

PRACTICE NIGHT FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

SEASON STARTS FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER

ADCOCK PARK 9, WEST GOSFORD

COST \$160 FOR 1ST CHILD, \$125 FOR 2ND CHILD, \$120 FOR 3RD CHILD ANY FURTHER SIBLINGS IN THE SAME FAMILY ARE FREE

TRIAL \$10

ATHLETES CAN TRIAL FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS FOR THE FIRST 6 WEEKS OF THIS SEASON. IF, AFTER YOUR CHILD HAS TRIALLED AND WISH TO REGISTER, THEIR TRIAL FEE IS DEDUCTED FROM THE REGISTRATION FEE.

DUAL REGISTRATION WITH SENIOR ATHLETICS IS FREE THERE IS A \$30 REFUNDABLE PARENT ASSISTANCE LEVY/BOND PER FAMILY

WE DO HAVE CREDIT CARD FACILITIES, SO PLEASE HAVE CASH OR CHEQUE PAYABLE TO:

GOSFORD LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE INC. FURTHER INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE

www.gosfordlittleathletics.com.au

or contact our PRESIDENT STUART FARRANT ON 0404 466848



Are you looking for a Summer Sport the whole family can play? Softball is played from October to March (with a break over Christmas) on a Saturday at Bateau Bay. There are family friendly comps for Mums, Dads & Kids. No experience required, just a willingness to have fun & give it a go!

Registration days will be held in August &September or come along to "Sports Fest" 23 & 24 September

Interested?

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check us out on Facebook



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Monday

3:30 PM - 5-8Yrs Jazz

4:30 PM - 5-12Yrs Acrobatics

5:30 PM - 9-11Yrs Jazz

6:30 PM - 9-11Yrs Hip Hop

Tuesday

4:00 PM - 5-8 Yrs Tap

4:30 PM - 5-8 Yrs Contemporary

5:00 PM - 5-8 Yrs Hip Hop

5:30 PM - 9 - 11 Yrs Contemporary

6:30 PM - 9 - 15 Yrs Show Team

Wednesday

9:30am 2-3 Yrs Jelly Beans Jazz

10:00am 3-5 Yrs Jelly Beans Jazz

10:30am 3-5 Yrs Jelly Beans Ballet

11:00am 2-5 Yrs Jelly Beans Tap

Wednesday

5:00 PM - 12 Yrs + Contemporary

6:00 PM - 12 Yrs + Jazz

7:00 PM - 12 Yrs + Hip Hop



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