



Erina News

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Upcoming Events

28 October
Yrs 7-10 Exams all week

29 October
Yrs 7/8 Touch Football (girls and boys)

6 Nov
Yr 6 Little Day Out Sports Gala
Immunisations

20 Nov
Yr 5 Little Day Out Sports Gala

Message from the Principal

Welcome back to the last school term of the year. I hope staff, students and families had a wonderful break. I look forward to another great term at EHS where teaching and learning is the main game.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Congratulations to the new EHS junior leadership team for 2020 I know they will be great advocates for EHS and strongly support the views of their peers. I look forward to watching their leadership skills grow and develop as we strive to bring our vision to life of being the local school of choice.

Year 7 - Parth Shah, Jasmin Piggott, Gemma Batey, Jessie Edge, Alyeska Richards and Elliott Cripps



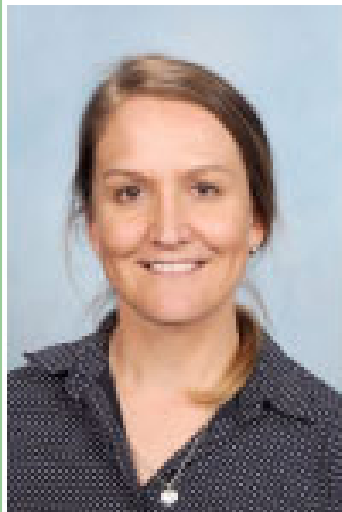
Year 8 - Beau Brown and Jasmine Spiros

Year 9 - Lisette Tyson, Allegra Dewan, Christina Stewart, Tanya Turnbull and Thalia Galvin



Year 10 - Catherine Boyack, Joe Vaynman, Luka Zetovic, Bailey Mannion, Lukas Galanto, Albin Kilander, Jacob Ayres

Year 11 - Jarrod Clarke, Rhiannon Waters, Darcy Watterson and Jordan Cattley



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 all can remember those special teachers who 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. Congratulations to Ms Jansons, EHS nomination for this award in 2019. Ms Jansons has demonstrated outstanding whole school leadership skills in developing EHS future focused learning innovation through stage 4 Masterclass program, achieving exceptional student outcomes. Well Done Ms Jansons!

UNIFORM

With the warmer weather upon us there should be no excuse for students to be out of uniform. 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. Please note that students in Yr 7-10 can wear sports uniform on a Tuesday as of this term. 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.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options after school. EHS works in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When children attend school every day the foundation blocks of learning are built, connections are made with peers and staff and a love of learning can be fostered. I have included a publication from the Department of Education regarding the importance of strong school attendance and would encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the document and support the school in ensuring your child attends every school day possible to maximise their learning potential. Interesting fact: a student who has 90% attendance will miss 1.5 years of schooling over the 13 years of school.

TERM 4 FOCUS

Term 4 is always a busy term as courses are finalized, assessment and reporting completed and preparation for the next stage of learning is underway. I would encourage all students to maintain their focus throughout the term and work towards their personal best to ensure appropriate class placements are secured for the 2020 school year. The semester two reports will be available online during week 10 beginning 16 December. Our Annual Presentation evening will be held on Wednesday evening 4 December and the Sports Presentation during the day on 5 December. Year 6 orientation day will be held on 3 December complimented by a parent evening. The 2019 school year for students will finish on Wednesday 18 December and staff finishing 19 December.

TRANSITION

EHS is very proud of our extensive stage 3 transition program as we provide numerous opportunities for our Yr 5 and 6 children from our partner primary schools to experience secondary education. In Term 4 we will host our annual Yr 6 (6 November) and Yr 5 (20 November) Little Day Out - a sports day extravaganza full of fun and activities. Yr 6 Orientation Day will be held on 5 December followed by a parent evening. The Headstart program that provides additional support for children in preparation for secondary school commenced this week. Each primary school has received detailed information about these programs and communication will be made with all families as each program is delivered. If any parent would like to meet with me to discuss their children's individual needs please contact the administration office and make an appointment.

Yours Sincerely
Mrs Karen Nicol
Principal

**CHANGE OF TUESDAY UNIFORM**

Important Message: Full Sports Uniform is now expected to be worn all day on Tuesday for all students 7-10. That means you arrive in Sports uniform and leave in sports uniform. Normal School Uniform is not to be worn, only full Sport uniform required. Student sport uniform will be checked in roll call and throughout the day to meet this expectation. This will align with the rotation to new sports for 9 and 10.



YEAR 7 SURF LIFESAVING DAY

On Friday 18 October Yr 7 adventured to Terrigal Beach to participate in the Surf Lifesaving day held by the Terrigal Surf Club volunteers and lifesavers. We were encouraged to try a range of activities involving run-swim-run, board paddling and rescue techniques to use in emergency situations, including the use of a flotation device.

We learnt how to spot a rip by using the flow of the water and how it travels. Terrigal Surf Lifesavers also taught us the importance of watching our feet to keep out of the way of the dangerous sea creatures that roam along the rocks and sand. We learnt a lot about beach safety and had a fun day as well.

Junior Leadership Team



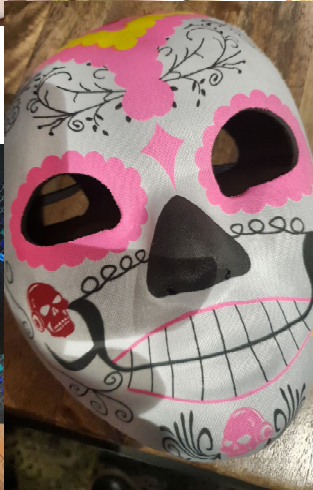
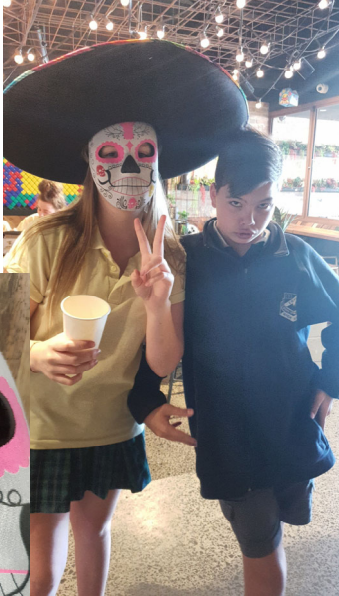
YEAR 10 MOCK INTERVIEWS

On Wednesday 25 September Yr 10 had the invaluable Careers opportunity of participating in "mock interviews" with members of the public, staff and mentors. Students had to present their CV and answer questions regarding the job they were interviewing for. All participants agreed that having to work through the experience with trusted adults will be a great help in the competitive job market. With our very helpful Yr 9 assistants ushering the students to their respective interview tables, it was a very smooth running and successful day.



MASTERCLASS

Our masterclass students travelled to Mexico to enjoy the culture and some nachos. P Mottershead



ENGLISH/DRAMA FACULTY

Yr 12 2020 Advanced, Standard and English Studies students have begun their study of the Common Module with a focus on Human Experiences, as seen in the Stephen Daldry film Billy Elliot and other texts. They have been given their Yr 11 examination results and have worked through areas that were problematic with their teachers, however it is also essential that they look closely at the feedback sheets they were given in order to rectify issues in the future.

English Classes in Yrs 7-9 are currently studying drama texts in preparation for their final assessment task, which will be their Yearly Examination in Week 3. They will construct essays regarding the themes in their text and will need to explain the ways in which composers have chosen to depict ideas.

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 to see students who 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.

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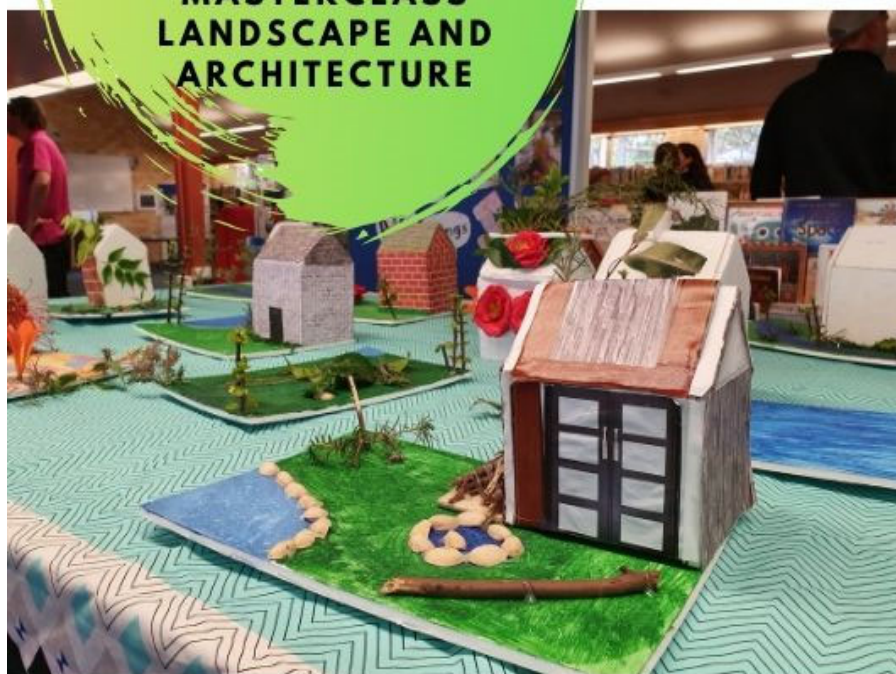


Galuwa Business and Law at UTS 23-27 September 2019

Congratulations to Sonny Spicer who was accepted into this five day program which features hands-on workshops, site visits with industry partners and information about career paths.

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