

THE LATEST  
NEWS FROM  
ERINA HIGH  
SCHOOL



## Upcoming Events

## Principals Message

### THANK YOU

As we move towards the end of the term it is timely to reflect on the many challenges we have all had to face in recent times and continue to try and manage from bushfires, droughts, floods, storms and COVID-19 resulting in cancellations, disappointments, financial uncertainty, business collapses to simply name a few. It is not over yet and as a school community we can only seek inner strength to do what we can to take care of ourselves and those close to us. I would like to acknowledge the significant effort the staff have made in managing student wellbeing and maintaining delivery of quality teaching and learning with uncertainty around possible school closure. To our front-line staff in administration who have shown high level communication with families when children have been sick and providing accurate data around absences for daily reporting to the Department. To our students who have been incredibly co-operative and respectful as they sense the uncertainty of what school may look like at any given moment. It has been a difficult time for everyone and as always, I sincerely appreciate the strong support of our community as we do our best to navigate these complexities. I do not recall reading how to manage a Pandemic in the Principals manual but only hope parents will be patient as we try to maintain a degree of calm, sensibility, good humour and most of all genuine care and concern for our school community. Thank you.

### YEAR 7 2021

EHS has now provided each of our partner Primary Schools information for Yr 7 enrolments in 2021. The transition folder distributed contained information on our class structure, wellbeing programs, uniform and expectations for learning. Applications for our A stream, and Learning opportunities classes will appear in this package. Expression of interest to enrol at EHS in Yr 7 2021 are now being accepted. If parents require any additional information please contact me at school so I can manage your enquiry.

### NAPLAN 2020 CANCELLED

On 20 March schools were advised the NAPLAN this year has been cancelled. The decision to not proceed with NAPLAN in 2020 has been taken to assist school leaders, teachers and support staff to focus on the wellbeing of students and continuity of education, including potential online and remote learning.



## STAGE 3 HIGH POTENTIAL DAY

Last week we hosted the stage 3 and 4 High Potential day another great opportunity for our creative minds to get together and solve some complex tasks. Congratulations to the year 5 and 6 students that participated in this program. It was a great day of problem solving, team building, using technology and good fun. Thank you to Mr Joyce and Mrs Ruming for facilitating the program and to our partner Primary schools for their participation. Well done ELC!!



## ANZAC DAY

EHS will commemorate ANZAC day on 28 April due to ANZAC day falling in the school holidays. It will not be in the usual form as an assembly but observed at a classroom level. Our usual participation in local ANZAC services is not possible due to cancellations but we will resume our normal attendance at Tarragel Glen, Pine needles, Davistown, Terrigal and Gosford services in 2021. Please make a point on ANZAC day this year as a family to reflect on the extraordinary sacrifice of men and women in the armed forces and those at home during war time, paid the ultimate price to make the world a safer place.



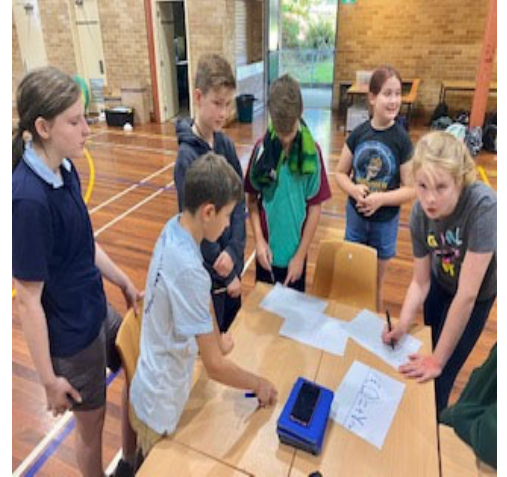
## Reminders

### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Thank you to everyone for such a positive start to the 2020 school year. Despite our challenges we are incredibly proud of the strong focus on quality teaching and learning full of great achievements. I wish staff, students and parents a restful break that coincides with Easter as well. Be safe and take care of each other. Staff will return to School for term 2 on Monday 27 April for a staff development day, with all students returning the following day 28 April.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Karen Nicol  
Principal



# Latest news from our school community

## SOFTBALL

Well done to our Open Girls Softball team. Despite losing our game to Kariong High, the girls showed great determination and team work. Our batters were not perturbed by being faced with a state pitcher, nor did the blistering heat melt the smiles from their faces. Our 'woman of the match' was Lily Gregory who outed 6 players with her precision hand work. It was a pleasure to coach this team of girls.

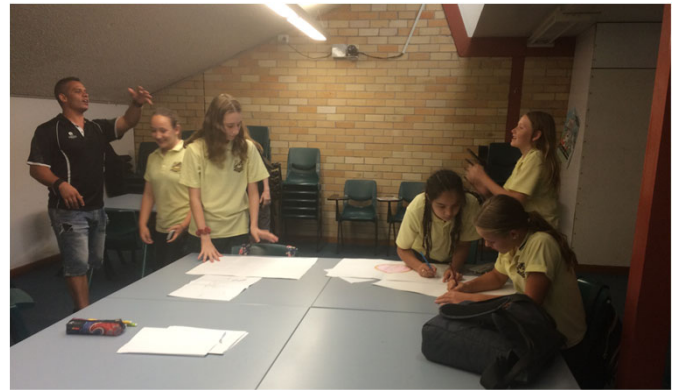


Our Masterclass "Best Place in the World" group had a little a taste of Mexico today. Nachos all round!

### Leadership Programs

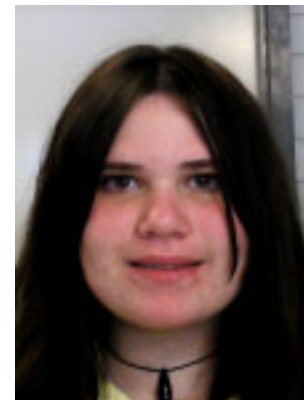
#### I BELIEVE PROGRAM

Our Yr 7 Indigenous students met with Dominic Dates (Ourimbah University) on Thursday 27 March in the school library. The students learnt about their cultural heritage and engaged in practical activities to help develop their personal skills and to set high standards and realistic goals for themselves.



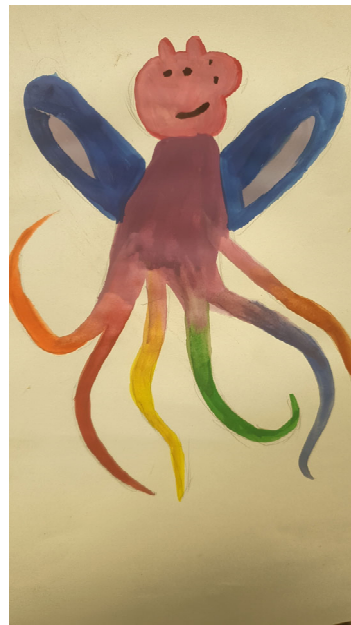
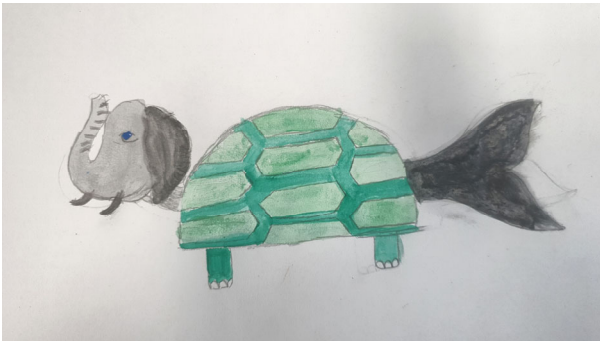
### Barang Regional Alliance

Barang Regional Alliance organized a weekend at Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Centre for 14 and 15 March. This "Empower Youth Summit" event was to support youth through culture and connection. A number of our students who attended enjoyed the workshops, interactive cultural dance and outdoor activities. Attendees: Taylee Smith, Elise Russell, Savanna, Brandy-Belle and Anastasia Thornbury and Ellie-Rose Trindall-Welsh.



## ART FACULTY

It's great to see the imagination of our Yr 7 students when they are designing their 'Fantasy Creatures'. These will now be made into clay pieces.



## ENGLISH FACULTY REPORT

Over the past couple of weeks in English, the students have continued to work hard even with the disruptions and restrictions that have been placed on the school due to COVID-19. The teachers have been supporting students in the classroom as our use of the library and computers has been restricted due to social distancing. The cooperation by everyone is very much appreciated and as a school community we have been able to maintain a stimulating learning environment and ensuring as little disruption as possible.

The students in Yrs 7 – 10 have been busy preparing their narratives for their assessment. They are to write a narrative using the context of the novel that they have been studying in class. There has been many creative pieces and the students are engaging their imagination and adding to the stories that they have read. The process has included a draft application and then a final editing process. This process creates good habits for students to critique their work and then submit their best work.

The assessment also includes an in-class component where they will need to reflect on their own ideas and construct of their stories. Again, this important in a student's learning process so they can identify their own strength and weaknesses in their writing and it also enables them to justify the choices they have made.

Our senior students are also busy preparing for assessment with support from their teachers. Yr 11 is constructing a narrative based on 'The Shifting Nature of Identity' and is the first assessment of their Stage 6 studies. Yr 12 are completing an essay for Module A: Language, Identity and Culture.

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**She read books  
as one would  
breathe air, to  
fill up and live.**

—  
*Annie Dillard*



## FOOD TECHNOLOGY



YEAR 10 FOOD  
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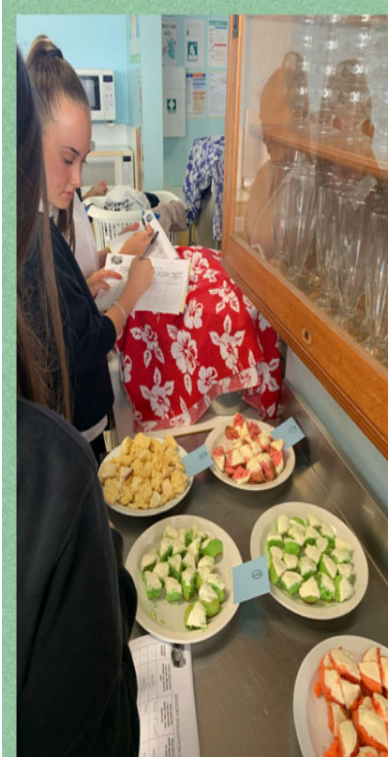


## FOOD TECHNOLOGY AND HOSPITALITY



YEAR 10 FOOD TECHNOLOGY

YEAR 11 HOSPITALITY



YEAR 11 FOOD TECHNOLOGY



## PHOTO SHOP LEARNING

YEAR 9 LEARNING BASICS OF  
**PHOTOSHOP**

*SELECTION TOOLS, HUE/SATURATION, BRUSHES,  
FEATHERING, MASKS AND TRANSFORM*

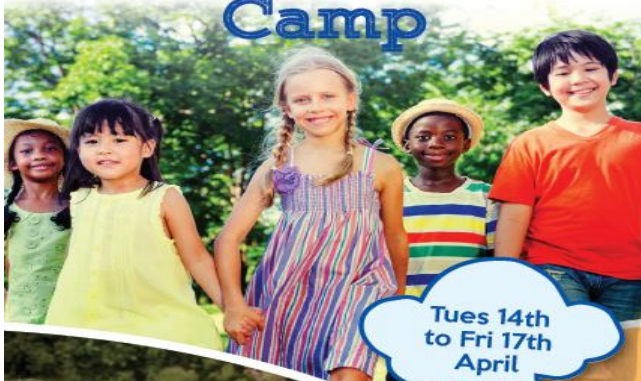


HOT AIR BALOON: JACK STAPYLTON  
LITTLE MISS BEAN: CALEB AUSTEN  
SNOW IN SYDNEY: JOSH MASTOP



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- Movies
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### In-home Activities at Venue

- Low Ropes
- Raft Building
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- Giant Crate Stack
- Dual Flying Fox
- Rock Climbing
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