



THE LATEST **NEWS FROM ERINA HIGH SCHOOL** 

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### **Upcoming Events**

Year 11 Exams

Year 7-10 Study Skills - Zoom For Students and Parents

Year 12 Graduation Ceremony (Students Only)

Year 7-10 Interim Reports Published

School Holidays

14 Sept – 25 Sept

16 Sept 5.30-6.30pm

24 September

25 September

28 Sept - 9 Oct

## **Principals Message**

### **COVID-19 Update**

We continue to implement NSW Health advice and direction from the Department of Education regarding the safe management of the school through COVID. With the pending HSC written exams NESA require schools to have COVID safe exam protocols in place to protect everyone involved in the HSC students, exam staff and school communities. A HSC Exam contingency plan is being developed to minimise disruption to students during the exam period, so that they can attend as many exams as NSW Health advice allows should there be a confirmed case at school. This information will be provided to Year 12 students and families prior to the HSC exams early next term.

### Year 12

As the term comes to an end I would like to wish our 2020 Year 12 students all the very best of luck in the upcoming HSC exams, they have completed their HSC year under the most extraordinary circumstances that no-one could ever have predicted.

The sheer determination, commitment and perseverance they have shown is to be admired and celebrated. They survived remote online learning and have coped with unbelievable restrictions that has changed the face of so many celebrations that most Year 12 students get to deliver.

They will however be the first EHS Year 12 cohort to have the graduation livestreamed and while I realise this is no consolation, I hope they feel the enormous pride the Erina school community have for them and wish them every success now and in the future.



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# **EHS** Principal's Message Continued

### Year 12 Cont.

Details of the livestream for the graduation will be published on Facebook closer to the event so the community can join in remotely.

Whilst new advice was received late Friday afternoon, September 11 for schools hosting graduation after November 12, the planning for our graduation is too far advanced to now change.

With payments made for the livestream, catering and professional photography we need to honour this decision.

Thank you for your understanding.

### **Onstage Nomination**

Congratulations to Tishanie Ratnappuly of Year 12 who has been nominated for a possible inclusion in Onstage for her individual HSC Drama performance. This is an amazing achievement and I am sure the school community join with me in applauding Tishanie.

## School Improvement plan 2021-2024

School improvement is a continuous process centred on maximising outcomes for all students. In preparation for the next 4 year school improvement plan EHS is analysing a range of data sources to identify areas of strength and development..

Through a detailed situational analysis we are critically evaluating the internal and external conditions that impact on our capacity to deliver quality educational experiences in a highly supported learning environment. Part of this process seeks input from our community in terms of what we are doing well and what we could do better.

The Senior Executive have engaged with many families through a phone conference and have genuinely valued the feedback. I would welcome any parent's feedback and encourage you to make contact with me and share your experiences with EHS which will help direct our next plan

## **Study Skills Workshops**

Congratulations to Mr Brailey and Mrs Ruming for the recent delivery of the Zoom Study Skills Program for Year 11 and the junior school.

It was a great initiative and well received by students and parents. It is a skill to learn how to study and with Year 11 exams commencing this week and junior exams scheduled for early next term, it is really important that our students dedicate some time to preparing.



Tahlia Smith

Sam Vaynman

Joe Vaynman

Catherine Boyack

### 2021 Senior Leadership Team

Congratulations to our 2021 School Captains; Joe Vaynman and Tahlia Smith capably supported by our Vice Captains; Catherine Boyak and Sam Vaynman. They will be a great team and strong advocates for the school and student body.

### Term 4

School resumes on Monday October 12 for all staff and students. We do not have a school development day at the start of the term as it is held at the end of this term on Thursday and Friday, December 17 and 18, which are student free days. Term 4 for students concludes on Wednesday December 16.

Enjoy the spring vacation, be safe and take care of one another.

## **Mrs Karen Nicol Principal**



JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM **VOTING OPEN NOW WILL BE FINALISED WEEK 10** 

**YEAR 11 EXAMS COMMENCE 14/9/20 & CONTINUE TO 25/9/20** 



# Latest news from our school community

EHS celebrated National Science week by completing research tasks. The Yr 7 students investigated an area of Earth and Space and created a model or poster. They also presented their findings to their class. This is such a brave accomplishment for our Yr 7 students.

Yr 9 Students have completed their Student Research Projects where they set out to find the answer to their own question. They have presented their findings in a report as well as a 'Science Fair' style poster

Yr 11 Biology and Physics students have completed their Depth Studies assessment tasks where they had to investigate part of the syllabus in more depth. What they have accomplished is phenomenal and reflects the creativity, capability and dedication of our students at EHS.







### **ENGLISH FACULTY NEWS**

Our busy term continues in English. We are wrapping up our studies with Year 11 and they are busily preparing for their yearly exams. The English exam is the first exam on Monday, week 9 and we highly recommend that they prepare as much as possible.

Year 12 are also wrapping up their studies for the year and revising their trial HSC and seeing what areas they can improve in.

We are starting our new unit of works for Stage 4 and Stage 5 through the study of film/media. These units will take us up to the yearly exams where this unit will be the focus. The students will be learning about camera and sound techniques, the role of the director, setting and scene placement. It is an exciting unit that we are looking forward to unpacking.

Spring is filling the air and it is warming up in the sunshine, it is a perfect time to pick up a book and read. Find a quiet spot and immerse yourself in a world of imagination.

### **DEBATING TEAM UPDATE**

Years 7/8, and 9/10 debating teams have been competing against other schools in the Premier's Debating Challenge.

The Stage 5A Team: Jasmine Spiros, Jarred Banks, Haley Cocks and Lachlan Masters presented some higher order arguments against Gosford.

The B Team equally conquered; Christina Stewart, Lisette Tyson, Alexandre Raynaud De Faria Mendonca and Angel Healey argued some critical points against Narara last week.

This week the 7/8 Teams competed against each other. Arianne Bannister, Tabitha Pentland, Sydney Andrews, Jasmin Piggott and Ava Feeney all demonstrated their wit with persuasive arguments.

The 9/10 Teams also went to battle against each other - and Allegra Dewan has joined the team! These students are to be congratulated for their efforts, skills and team collaboration.

Well done Erina!

## **COMING UP IN CAREERS**



FREE ZOOM EVENT for Years 9-12 students

## **INSPIRING CAREERS IN HOSPITALITY & HOTEL SERVICES**

Meet and interact with employees in a variety of roles at the PARKROYAL Parramatta PAN PACIFIC Take a virtual hotel tour HOTELS GROUP

Thursday 17th September 10:30am - 11:30am (AEST)

Registration link: https://tinyurl.com/y399nnlo







WANT SOME INSPIRATION?

## **NSPIRING WOMEN**

Meet and interact with inspiring women in: Engineering, Design, IT, Hairdressing, Construction, Automotive, Tourism

Wednesday 23rd September 11:00am - 12:00pm (AEST)

Registration link: http://tiny.cc/c6losz

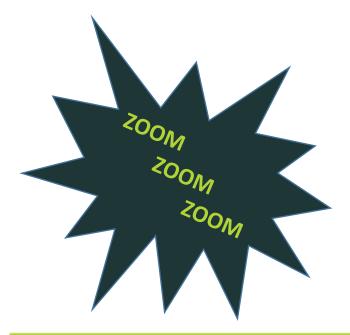




















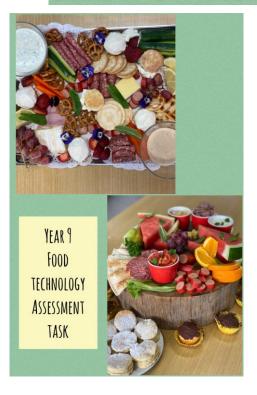




# **NEWS FROM HOME ECONOMICS**











## PDHPE NEWS



Each Tuesday afternoon students from Yrs 9 & 10 participate in school sport. After Covid-19 heavily disrupted this programme in Term 2, we have fortunately been able to provide students with much more choice in Term 3 whilst still operating under the safety and hygiene guidelines set out by the NSW Department of Education.

Each week students have travelled to Flip Out, Ten Pin Bowling, Erina Tennis Courts and Impact Gym where covid-19 safety plans are in place, including the exclusive use of specific areas and hygiene practices in place for boarding and alighting the bus. Meanwhile at school, students have been participating in Archery with Mr Keyes, Yoga with Ms Kronja or undertaking a 'tabloid sports' styled programme in small groups.

The sport programme, part of the NSW Curriculum, provides students with opportunities for physical activity and skill development along with developing key attributes such as teamwork, communication and problem solving. With most scheduled school carnivals and sporting competitions being cancelled in 2020 due to the pandemic, the sport programme has complimented regular PDHPE practical lessons in allowing some of EHS's most talented athletes the opportunity to showcase their abilities and more importantly, inspire and motivate their peers.



A reminder that students must be in full Erina High School PE uniform each Tuesday. Planning for Term 4 is currently underway and students are encouraged to see Mr Whitmore in the PDHPE staff room should they have any suggestions for sport activities.

## **YEAR 9 ART STUDENTS**

Some of our Yr 9 students recently finished their Amulets from the "Myths and Magic" unit. The works of Stevie Bernauer, Ashlyn Kelly and Kara Cannon were particularly amazing amongst several others in the class.

### P Mottershead







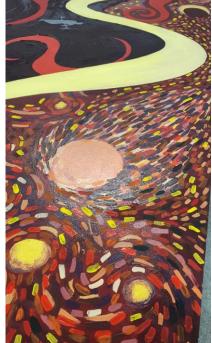


## **ART CLUB**

















Our Art Club members always have fun with their projects. At the moment we are painting a mural to represent many of the Visual Arts activities undertaken in the Art Faculty.

P Mottershead.



## **COMMUNITY NEWS**





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Ages 4-7

### **Junior Blasters**

Junior Blast introduces girls and boys to Australia's favourite sport. It's safe & great fun.



BBQ and presentation day.

- For kids aged 4-7
- Fun and safe environment to learn cricket
- Program run at Erina Oval
- Saturday Mornings 9:30 10:30am
- Kids receive a Junior Blast player pack upon registration.

### Master Blasters



- ₹ Saturday Mornings 9:00 10:30am
- ♦ All games last up to 90 minutes.
- ₹ Everyone gets a chance to bot and bow!
- Kincumber-Avoca Cricket Club 5 13 week program commencing Nov 2020
  - provide a playing/training shirt, 🝍 4 week break at Christmas club cap, yearbook, Christmas 🔻 All games are played at Erina Oval
    - ₹ Weekly training



### Junior Club Cricket Ages 9-15

Junior Club cricket is for boys who want to socialise, have some fun and keep active in a competitive environment.

- Graded competitions to suit all skill levels
- One day games of cricket, played on Saturday Mornings.
- Formats vary with age. Shorter pitch and fewer players for younger age groups.
- Flayers receive a playing shirt, training shirt and club cap.



### All Girls Cricket

All Girls Cricket is just for girls. It is fast, exciting and gives girls a fun and friendly environment to play Australia's favourite game with all their friends!

- One day games of cricket.
- Formats vary with age. Shorter pitch and fewer players means more
- Players receive a playing shirt, training shirt and club cap.



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