



ESCHOL PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Grapevine

Term 3 Week 10

Dear parents & caregivers

Another busy term is coming to an end with school finishing this Friday for a two week holiday break. Hopefully, all the sickness, germs and bad bugs we have been inundated with will be gone, ready for us all to start a healthy Term 4.

SCHOOL PLANNING INFORMATION

The last day of school for students is **FRIDAY 15 December 2017**.

All staff members have completed time in lieu for the two professional learning days that are scheduled for 18 and 19 December 2017. They have remained back at school on four occasions until 6.30pm completing various learning activities and evaluative projects. Therefore, there will be **no staff** at school on these two days.

TELL THEM FROM ME Survey

If any parents have not completed this survey would you please do so as your input is very much appreciated and valued. So please take the ten minutes or so, it takes to complete the survey online. It is completely confidential. Please copy and paste the following link into your internet browser and this will ensure the survey launches directly to page one of the survey – “Begin Survey”.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/ftsbt>

ATHLETICS NEWS

Congratulations to all the students who represented Eschol Park PS and The Fields Zone at the Sydney South West Area Athletics carnival last Wednesday. It is a fantastic achievement to reach this level and to compete against students from across the Sydney South West area.

Special congratulations go to Jakeelie and Tye, who will be competing at the **NSW** Athletics carnival next term. Well done to Tye for breaking the record in the Senior Boys high Jump, leaping to a height of 1.67m and breaking a record that was set in 1992.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION DAYS

Children and their parents need to attend all three days. More information will be available closer to the dates. Enrolments forms are available from the school office. **(Full Birth Certificates required.)**

Orientation Days are :

Wednesday 8th November (2.00-3.00pm)

Thursday 16th November (10.00-11.30am)

Thursday 23rd November (9.00-11.00am)
(includes Morning Tea)

SCHOOL SAFETY

This is just a reminder that no children are to ride bikes or scooters on school grounds. Students are to walk their bikes or scooters to the racks, once they enter the school grounds and are to walk them to the gates when leaving in the afternoon. Many students are not wearing helmets when riding and this is a great concern as the road or footpaths are very unforgiving in the case of a fall.

Thank you to staff, students and parents for a productive and happy Term 3. Have a great holiday break. Enjoy your children. Take time out to “smell the roses” and just relax.

Mrs K Masciocchi
Principal

Truth Quality Care Awards Term 3 Week 9

*Chloe G, Shannon A, Chloe A, Hadi B,
Luke K, Hannan A, Jacqui T,
Brandon H, Ethan F, Lofia A,
Umayma R, Lanayah A & Taraleigh B.*

Congratulations.

All notes can be found on our school's website under “Notes to Parents”
www.escholpark-p.schools.nsw.edu.au



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Dates for your diary

Sept

22 Pyjama /Movie Day
Last Day Term 3

Oct

9 Term 4 : K-6 Return

Nov

8 Kinder Orientation 1
Stage 2 Teen Ranch Camp
15 Stage 1 Wooglemai Excursion
16 Kinder Orientation 2
20 Stage 3 Camp (→)
22 Stage 1 Wooglemai Excursion
23 Kinder Orientation 3

Dec

7 Presentation Day
8 Year 6 Farewell
12 School Party Day
13 Farewell Arch
15 Last day of school

Learning Awards

KJ	Joshua H	Jaden F	
KH	Indiana C	Alejandro C	
K/1N	Lillee C	Maci E	
1/2B	Eldeana U	Hamish A	
1/2D	Isabelle M	Kiara K	
1/2S	Ashton H	Summer A	
2JM	Jake P	Lachlan C	
3/4A	Lelea T	Layla T	
3/4B	Nikita A	Jordan B	
3/4W	Layne B	Krystal L	
4/5G	Amir R	Peira K	
5/6K	Maddax F Julie W	Haylee C Charlie L	
5/6S	Manraj S	Malcolm C	
5/6W	Helen T Celina D	Brydy W	

Awards : Positive Behaviour in our School on the playground

Term 3

Week 8 : Zoya 1/2S, Manraj 5/6S, Elizabeth 3/4W, Lillee K/1N, Danny 5/6S, Alena 1/2B

Week 9 : Charli 5/6K, Tyler 2JM, Beraiah 1/2D, Eden KJ, Joel 1/2B, Lily 2JM



Woolworths Earn & Learn – Finishes today 19 September 2017

Stick them onto a sticker sheet or just drop the stickers into the collection box in the school office.
The more stickers we get the more resources we can obtain for the school.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2018:

Your child is eligible to enrol at our school if they are five or turning five on or before 31 July 2018. If you will be enrolling your child for Kindergarten next year, please contact the office staff for enrolment details. If you are applying for 'Out of Area' enrolment, contact the office staff for the appropriate form and return the form to the school as soon as possible. We cannot guarantee placement for 'Out of Area' children until we review all the applications. Each case is considered separately.

AWARD REMINDER

This is a reminder to all students and parents that it is the responsibility of each child to look after their own PBL, Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.

When they are ready to trade make sure you bring in the awards and give them to the class teacher who will sign the back of each award when they are traded so they cannot be reused.

Also, please remember that this is a new system and it will take most children approximately 2 years to reach a Gold level. It is a most prestigious level now and takes time to get there. This makes it even more special.

The Year 6 children have been fast tracked so they have an opportunity to get to these levels.

Fruit & Veg Month



Fruit & Veg Month is a health promotion program for NSW primary schools that puts a positive focus on fruit and vegetables. The program is supported by NSW Health.



Fruit and Veg Month 2017 is held from 28 August to 22 September. The theme for this year is 'Get Loud for Fruit & Veg!'. Australian children (and adults!) don't eat enough fruit and vegetables. That's why this year's theme will focus on the benefits of fruit and vegetables, investigating why we don't eat enough of them, and promoting the 'eat more' message to peers, families and the wider community.

Mrs Hannah organized a challenging competition last week where children had to identify 10 very unusual pieces of fruit or vegetables. We had some extremely unusual answers!! Even some of the teachers had little idea of the names and uses of some of the unusual items.

Thank you Mrs Hannah for organizing a fun activity to encourage our students to eat more fruit and vegetables. Prizes were presented at last Friday's assembly.



Year 5/6 W students correctly named the most fruit and vegetables and shared in this lovely prize.



Some interesting fruit and vegetable creations.

national science week

12-20 August 2017



This years Science Week saw students from all Stages conducting exciting experiments with their classes.

Whether their focus was on biology or matter; students got involved and had fun!



Writing Award Winners from Term 3 : Week 9 Assemblies



Bees



By Krystal

1/25

A bee is an insect.

Bees live in groups called colonies. They live in hives. Sometimes these hives are in a hole in a tree, sometimes in manmade hives. Bees live all over the world except Antarctica. It is too cold for them there and there are no flowers.



A bee has two antennae. They have three main body parts, a head, an abdomen and a thorax. They have 4 wings and a black and yellow body.

Bees eat nectar and pollen from flowers. They turn some into honey. Bee larvae eat the honey they make.



A honey queen bee can lay up to 2000 eggs per day. These turn into larvae, then pupa then baby bees. Next they become adults. Female bees are worker bees who look after the baby bees.

Worker bees need to visit 4000 flowers to make a teaspoon of honey! There are 20,000 species of bees. The dwarf bee is the smallest bee.



Sharks

A shark is a type of fish and it is a carnivore. Sharks are a marine animal. There are over 450 species of sharks in the world.

A shark has three types of fins; dorsal fin, pectoral fin and a caudal fin. They have long sharp teeth to rip their prey apart. They have a curved snout and gills to breathe under water.

A shark moves by swimming from side to side. Sharks can swim as fast as a bullet. If they stop swimming, they die.

A shark eats either fish, other sharks, small invertebrates, shrimp, squid, sea birds, sea lions, porpoises, plankton and krill.

Most sharks live in the ocean. Sharks can also live in reefs and rivers.

A female shark has one or two babies at a time. Baby sharks are called pups. When the pups grow older, they are able to have their own babies at 15 years old.

Sharks are found worldwide. There are Bull sharks, Hammerhead sharks and many more. I love sharks.

By Max 3/4B



Cupcakes

What are cupcakes?

Cupcakes are a mini cake, specifically designed to serve one person. They are baked in small cup-shaped foil or paper container and typically iced.

What do cupcakes look like?

If the cake is cooked correctly it will look like a fluffy sponge. They can also be decorated to suit any occasion like birthdays, tea parties or weddings. Cupcakes may be decorated with icing or left plain. They come in a variety of sizes such as mini, standard, medium and large. The flavour of a cupcake is up to the individual's personal choice for example, chocolate, vanilla or butter cake just to name a few.

History of cupcakes:

The history of cupcakes can be traced back to the 1790s when the first cupcake was created in the United States of America. The first recipe was written in the American Cookery by Amelia Simmons.

Why are cupcakes so popular?

They are extremely popular because they have a simple recipe, are easy to make and cook quickly. Cupcakes are also a popular treat because they taste delicious and can be consumed on the run.

Overall, cupcakes are a fantastic dessert and a quick treat when you are in a hurry.

By Kiara



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