Principal’s Report
Welcome back to all students, families and staff of EBPS. I trust you all had a nice break and are ready for a great Term 4 at EBPS. This term will be an exciting and busy one so please ensure you keep a watchful eye on what’s happening via the term calendar (which will be sent home shortly), the weekly newsletter, the site at the front of the school, the school website and our school App.

A few reminders

Spartan Challenge Fundraiser - All money for the Spartan Challenge fundraiser will need to be brought to school by Friday of this week! Don’t forget that there are amazing prizes to be won by those students who return their sponsorship money on time.

Baystart Program - Our Baystart transition program commences next week on Wednesday 14th October. We look forward to meeting our 2016 Kindergarten students and their families.

Empire Bay Village Fair - The Empire Bay Village Fair will take place on Saturday 17th October at the Empire Bay Community Hall from 9.30 am – 3.30 pm. Some of our student school leaders have been meeting regularly with the Empire Bay Progress Committee and have been involved in the planning and organisation of the fair. The leaders have organised a digital photo display. Photos to be displayed must be brought to school by Wednesday 14th October.

Schedule for the Village Fair:
1 pm – School bands performing
1.30 pm - Choir performance by Empire Bay Public School
3 pm – Raffle drawn

We hope to see you all there!

Uniform - Please remember to send your child in the correct footwear each day. Black shoes are to be worn on regular school days and white (or mostly white) joggers are to be worn on PE and sport days. Canvas shoes are not appropriate for school as they do not provide support or protection for students’ feet. The uniform policy is set by the school P&C committee and it is expected that all students attending a public school will abide by the uniform policy of their school.

Tell Them From Me Survey please take the time to complete the Partners in Learning survey and add your feedback for the practical improvements and informed planning of the school.

The link is as below: https://www.tellthemfromme.com
username: parent18783
password: Empi1839

Thank you

Congratulations - Chinmai S of 5K has won the Hilary Lindsay Short Story Competition for Australian school children in the Yr 5 -6 category. Chinmai receives a cheque for $100 and has been extended an offer to attend the awards luncheon in Sydney in November. Well Done Chinmai!

K – 2 Workers of the Week
Term 3 Week 10
KA Kaelan VDW Olivia S
KMC Libby S Emily S-L
KS Rylan W Max E
K/1M Tarlee M Garrett L
1W Amelia L Demi C
1S Taj G Noah C
2C Matilda B-H Ryon F
2SB Connah H Morgan D
2T Mya C Hannah G

3-6 Workers of the Week
Term 3 Week 10
3/4J Ava H
3L Harley M 3H Summer H
4/5H Charlize B 4M Evandar B
5/6L Aydin T 5K Ethan W
6D Emily H 6M Logan Ellul

Events Calendar – Term 4

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Uniform Shop

- Opening Hours
- Tuesday 8.30am–9.00am
- Thursday 2.30pm – 3.00 pm
- Uniform Shop is behind the hall

Become an Ethics Teacher at Empire Bay Public School

We currently have ethics classes for K-6. Ethics classes teach children how to approach ethical issues and develop their capacity for considered moral judgment, which will enable them to respond more thoughtfully to many of the problems and issues they will face in their lives.

http://www.primaryethics.com.au or contact Jenni Bourchier, Regional Manager - Gosford Region, Primary Ethics for more information: gosford-region@primaryethics.com.au or call her on 0411 198 483. We need an additional volunteer for an Ethics Teacher within the school. Members of the school community are encouraged to apply.

Attention Catholics: The Catholic Parish of Way Way Peninsula is about to start a program for baptised catholic children, who have been confirmed, to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

An information night for parents will be held on Thursday 22nd October 2015 at 7.30pm in the Walter Baker Hall, 100 Blackwall Road, Woy Woy. For enquiries please contact Dorothy Fulton (Sacramental Program Coordinator) 4341 7610 or the Parish office 4341 1073.

Meditation for Families - The Buddhist Centre at Wamberal is holding an afternoon for families to help deal with stress and anxiety. This course will help both parents and children deal peacefully with everyday problems that life presents.

On October 17th at 2.30 – 5pm at Khedrubej Buddhist Centre, 165 Willoughby Road, Wamberal.

For further information and bookings please contact 4385 2609 or centralcoastmeditation.org.
TERM FOUR TO-DO LIST:
- pay for Amy’s school excursion
- buy James new cricket shoes
- find out more about Saver Plus!

Match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500. The Smith Family is looking for new participants in your local area.

To be eligible you need to have:
- a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card
- a child at school or starting next year
- some regular household income, e.g. you or a partner may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal work.

Contact Geoff Hynd your local Saver Plus Worker:
4322 2900 / 0428 282 900 or geoffrey.hynd@thesmithfamily.com.au

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

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Woy Woy SaCC

In the grounds of Woy Woy Public School
Registrations: Contact Philippa
on 0477 317862 or e. philippa.skipper@det.nsw.edu.au

Activities

- Mondays 9.30am
  - Latinas Playgroup
    Join Spanish speaking parents and children for a fun morning of education & play.
- Tuesdays 10.30 am
  - Fun with Sounds Pre Literacy Program
    Fun activities and play stations to help build your child’s literacy through phonemic awareness. Run by SaCC Staff and Volunteers.
- Tuesdays 1:30 pm
  - Wombats Playgroup
    Come along and play with your children, have a coffee and meet other parents.
- Wednesdays 10am-12:30pm
  - Triple P Parenting Group Program
    25, 26 October 4 & 11 November 2015
    Run by Central Coast Family Support.
- Wednesdays 10am-12pm
  - 123 Magic Emotion Coaching & Parenting Program
    18, 25 November & 2 December
    Run by SaCC. Learn strategies to communicate with your children in a positive manner. No Child Care this term.
- Speech & Language Screenings
  - Free 20-minute Screenings Assessments for 3-5 year olds.
  - Screening Dates 13, 19 & 26 October from 12.30pm.

Pretty Beach Community Pre School

State of the Art Building
Not for Profit Community Based Pre School
Economical Fees
Catering for children age 3-6
Just a 10min drive from Empire Bay
Rated EXCEEDING National Quality Standards in all 7 Quality Areas.
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