Principal's Report

School Development Day
A final reminder to parents - our school will be participating in a full-day of training and development on Monday 13th July. Empire Bay staff will be engaging in Module 1 of the 'Focus on Reading' (FoR) program as led by Mrs Leslie and Mr Leadbeatter. This means, of course, that there will be neither classes nor supervision available to students on this day. All Students begin Term 3 on Tuesday 14th July.

Parent Information Sessions
From Week 2 of Term 3 the school will be holding a weekly Parent Information session covering a variety of topics. Topics which will be covered include:

- Planning Room/Sentral – what is it and how does it operate?
- PBL – what is positive behaviour for learning?
- L3 – our kindergarten Literacy program and how & why it operates?
- Focus on Reading – why are we introducing this whole school Literacy program?
- Curriculum Update – where are we up to with new syllabus implementation?
- School Plan – what are our targets for the next three years?
- Sport – how do we select teams at different levels of representation?
- Aboriginal Days of significance – why do we celebrate/observe certain days of significance?

The school will offer two sessions on each subject – usually a morning session and one repeated after school in the afternoon. A number of different presenters both school & non-school based will be presenting these sessions. A more detailed timetable (including dates & times) will be distributed soon via the School App/school newsletter. I hope that parents find these sessions informative and helpful.

Education Week Celebrations
For your forward planning we have a number events planned to celebrate ‘Education Week’ which will begin on Monday 27 July (week 3). The planned events for that week include:

- Grandparents Day – Wednesday 29 July
- Book Parade – Thursday 30 July, and
- the combined 3-6 Athletics carnival/K-2 Sports Day – Friday 31 July

In addition to this, our Library Team will be hosting the annual ‘Book Fair’ over the week. Please mark these dates down in your calendar – we hope to see you at least one of these events!

Change of Name
Please note that from 1 July 2015 the Department of Education and Communities (DEC) will be known as the ‘Department of Education’.

School Holiday Wishes
As Friday marks the last day of Term 2 and the beginning of the July holiday break, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in our school community a safe, relaxing and enjoyable break. Take care on the roads and, if travelling any distance, please allow yourself plenty of time to get to your holiday destinations safely.

School Security
I ask all parents and friends of our school to monitor our school grounds over the holiday period. Cleaning staff and painting contractors will on-site over the holiday period as will our before & after school Baycare providers. If you see or hear any suspicious activity please do not hesitate in calling the School Security Hotline on: 1300 880 021 at any time of the day or night. Prompt action from the community will ensure that our school remains undisturbed and in good condition for our students upon their return.

Rugby League

K – 2 Workers of the Week
Term 2 Week 9
KA Lucy M Jaiden L
KMC Elouise F Eva N
KS Bridgette Mc Lili R
K/1M Charlee H  Tarlee M
1W  Eva L  Amelia L
1S  Taj G  Marley C
2C James G-C Layla P
2SB Opal W  Morgan D
2T Jarvis O  Gaby A

3-6 Workers of the Week
Term 2 Week 9
3/4J Otto K
3L Harrison G  3H Phoenix W
4M Gemma G  4/5H Seanna H
5K Jazmin L  5/6L Bailey H
6M Portia S  6D Jack L

Events Calendar – Term 2

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<td>K-6 Combined Sports Day incorporating 3-6 Athletics carnival McEvoy Oval, Umina</td>
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The school band committee is hoping to raise $5000 to pay for musical instruments needed for our school band. There are great 3 prizes to win:

1st Prize:
- 7 night’s accommodation at the Port Pacific Resort, Port Macquarie
- Two bedroom apartment - sleeps up to 6 people
- Check in Saturday 23 Jan Check out Saturday 30 January
  (Prize valued at $1200!)

2nd Prize:
- Brand new Talon Falcon T350 whipper snipper

3rd Prize:
- $50 Gift voucher at Impact Plants and Cafe

Raffle will be drawn at the ‘Christmas in July-ish’ event Saturday 1 August.

Raffle Tickets cost $10 each. Please ask friends/family members if they would like to order and purchase tickets which will be sent home with your child.

Phone 43691796 to order your tickets.

We greatly appreciate your assistance to help pay for our instruments.

E.B.P.S Band on Tour!
Last Wednesday our concert band, consisting of 12 students from years 3-5, travelled to Umina Peninsula Village to perform for the retirees. The band members were amazing to say the very least! Their commitment and dedication to music really showed during their performance, so much so, they have been invited back at Christmas! A big thank you to J.P, our wonderful conductor, who supports the band every step of the way!

Mrs K. Hickey

Uniform Shop

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

Sporting Teams
There are many sporting teams still involved in the PSSA knockout competition. Next term Netball, Boys and Girls Touch Football, Girls Softball and Senior Rugby League will play in their next rounds. We thank parents and caregivers for their support and understanding when events are postponed due to the weather. These are often decisions made on the day of the event and beyond our control. The Junior Rugby League team will be involved in the Woy Woy Cup at a later date yet to be determined. Training sessions for each of these school teams are held either before school or during lunchtime. Students will be notified via the Student Notice Board, messages to classes or messages at Assembly. Teachers who coach these teams are at times limited by the use of the oval and try their best to notify students of a change.

Mrs Dempsey, Sport Organiser

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION THERMOMETER

| Amount | 
|--------|--------|
| $15,000 | $6,500 |
| $6,000 | $5,500 |
| $5,000 | $4,500 |
| $4,000 | $3,500 |
| $3,000 | 

From the Canteen

Looking for a quick and easy way to order School Lunches - why not check out ON-LINE ORDERING AT FLEXISCHOOLS. It will take the hassle out of lunch orders and that school morning rush!

Work Health & Safety requires anyone working in the canteen to wear closed in shoes so your assistance in this matter is much appreciated.
Wonderful Workers of the Week:

Become an Ethics Coordinator 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. Dhttp://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 due to the size of the Stage 2 class, we need an additional volunteer Ethics Teacher to teach Stage 2. We also need a new volunteer to be the Ethics Coordinator at the school. Ethics Coordinators and Ethics Teachers are provided with training and support by Primary Ethics. Coordinating can mostly be done by email in your spare time and would take no more than an hour per week. Members of the school community are encouraged to apply.

Central Coast Conservatorium Presents

BIG DAY OUT 2015

Monday, July 27 2015

EV Church
331 Terrigal Drive
Erina NSW 2250
9.00am to 2.15pm
(registrations from 8.30am)
Pre-bookings/payment required

Concert: 2.00pm
Workshop cost: $20 per student

Bring: Instruments, music stand, pencil, recess & lunch

PRE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
(scan the code to go to the logo page)

www.centralcoastconservatorium.com.au/concerts/big-day-out

NSW Government
Education and Communities

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE
12PM
EMPIRE BAY TAVERN

FUNDRAISER
FOR A GORGEOUS FAMILY!
FUN FILLED DAY, LOTS OF PRIZES UP FOR GRABS, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, LIVE AUCTIONS
$5 OF EVERY HAMBURGER PURCHASED WILL GO TO THE FAMILY...
PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

Free Holiday Activities

HOW TO BOOK
Bookings and payment can be made online via the Gallery's website www.gosfordregionalgallery.com Alternatively, payment can be made at:
36 Wode Street, East Gosford
11 52 434 7050
E: gallery@gosford.nsw.gov.au
www.gosfordregionalgallery.com

Children's Art Activities
July Holidays 2015
Gosford Regional Galllery and Arts Centre

GO TO CAPE perfection.

Peninsula Occupational Childcare has vacancies for children 6 weeks to school age.

The Centre has qualified educators with current working with children checks, CHM Protection and First Aid.

The Centre is located in the Peninsula Community Centre at MC Masters real Way Way.

The centre is open Monday to Friday from 7 til 3pm. Children can be booked in on a permanent or casual basis. From 2 hours up to 6 hours per day up to 5 days per week.

The Centre operates under the Early Years Learning Framework. We also offer a transition to school program.

Please contact Educators on 63 22 3891 for further enquires.
Term 2 - Week 10

Wednesday, 24 June 2015

JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY GRAPHS PROGRAM

Monday 29 June
Make an Out Suffer in a Sew & Sew Kids Workshop: Open the Power Session 1: 10am - 12noon Session 2: 2pm - 4pm

Tuesday 30 June
10am - 12noon: Timarrrrns

Wednesday 1 July
10am - 12noon: Block Printing on a Tote Bag with Jo B 2pm - 4pm: Tea Day with Jo B, BYO T-shirt or Pillow Case

Thursday 2 July
10am - 12noon: Birds and their Homes 2pm: Territorials

Friday 3 July
10am: Table Pom Pom Mobiles 2pm: Indian Featherhead Turban Hats & Rain Shoes

Monday 6 July
10am - 12noon: Make a Mini Cactus with Sean the penis 2pm - 4pm: Making Unlucky Dolls (yes de Dino)

Tuesday 7 July
10am - 12noon: Paper Flowers 2pm - 4pm: Neon Dream Catchers

Thursday 9 July
10am - 12noon: Pastel Animal Art Workshop with Melinda Art 2pm - 4pm: Day of the Dead/Mexican Art Workshop with Melinda Art

Friday 10 July
10am - 12noon: Pigeon Flowers and Flowers 2pm - 4pm: Mosaic Bat Making

For more info and booking visit
misskingo.com.au and go to the JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY YAB
Miss King’s is located at: 368 Ocean View Road, Shelly Beach, NSW 2087
contact@misskingo.com.au
Karen - 0481130802

Schools as Community Centres (SaCC) Woy Woy Term 3

Activity

Latino Playgroup
Join Spanish speaking parents and children for a fun morning of education play and activities. Non Spanish speakers welcome.

My Time Playgroup

Supported Playgroup

Fun with Sounds Literacy Group
Fun activities and play stations to help build your child’s literacy through phonemic awareness. Run by SaCC Staff and Volunteers. Free to attend. Registrations essential. Fee $20

Woy Woy Wombats Playgroup
Playgroup for all ages. Come and have coffee and play with your children before school finishes for the day.

123 Magic Parenting Program
123 Magic Emotion Coaching & Parenting skills program. Learn how to use strategies to communicate and deal with difficult behavior in your growing children. Child Care available. Registrations essential. Fee $20

Wiggle and Giggle Music
Fun and interactive music groups for babies and toddlers with qualified music teachers. Registrations on website: www.wiggleandgigglemusic.com.au

Speech & Language Workshops
A series of 6 workshops for Early Childhood Educators
1. Articulation Skills and Changing Habits
2. Receptive Language Skills and the Impact of Technology
3. Expressive Language Skills and Improving Spoken Language at a Whole Group Level

Go4Fun

Do you have children aged 7 - 13 years old and you worried about their weight?

Go4Fun is a Healthy Weight program to help children, young people and their families to achieve a healthy weight. The program consists of games, activities, info on healthy food, lifestyle and much more. It's free to attend. For more info, please visit our website.

ACRES 7-13

For more information, please contact
Go4Fun, FREE CALL 1800 780 900 or www.go4fun.com.au

Premier’s Reading Challenge 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

Your child’s childcare educator takes part in the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge. The Premier’s Reading Challenge is a state-wide interactive reading challenge across the state in every school. It is a fun way for children to develop their reading skills and enjoy reading for pleasure. The Premier invites children to read and record books in each challenge. Books can be read by anyone, including parents, grandparents, carers or anyone else who is interested.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge encourages children to read books from the library, at home and school and anywhere else, where they can enjoy reading and be inspired to read more. The Challenge helps children to develop daily reading habits and improve their literacy skills.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This year, the Premier’s Reading Challenge is aimed at all children aged 5 to 17 years across the state. The Premier’s Reading Challenge is a fun and engaging way to encourage reading and to promote a love of books and reading.

Students are encouraged to participate in the Premier’s Reading Challenge by reading books from a range of genres and formats, both physical and digital. The challenge encourages reading for pleasure and enjoyment, which can lead to increased confidence and motivation to read.

Important Information

1. You are encouraged to read books from the library.
2. You are encouraged to read books from home.
3. You are encouraged to read books from school.
4. You are encouraged to read books from anywhere else, such as parks, shops, or at home.

For more information, please visit the website: www.readingchallenge.nsw.edu.au

Happy Reading,

Mr. McCracken and Mrs. Oliver

Teachers Librarians