



Respect, Responsibility and Resilience



Principal's Message

As we come to the end of a busy term, I would like to congratulate our students for their ongoing commitment to their learning and the way they consistently demonstrate our core values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. I would also like to recognise the enormous efforts of our teachers and support staff this term. We are lucky to have such a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to deliver quality educational experiences for all.

SRC

Congratulations to our SRC representatives who received their badges at our assembly last week. What a fine bunch of students who I know will do an amazing job working with the school to share what their fellow students think would further improve our school.



Anzac Day



Anzac Day falls on the 25th April, the last Thursday of the school holidays. We would like to invite students to join our school leaders and teachers to march, with pride, to the cenotaph at Eden. The march will commence at 10.45am with the service following at 11.00am. All students attending will need to wear full school uniform, including a school hat and meet Mrs Duncan opposite the Great Southern Inn at 10.35am. Please keep an eye on our school Facebook page in case there are any changes.

Our school will be holding our Anzac Day service on Friday the 12th of April at 11.00am. **We invite students to bring flowers on the day to lay at the flagpole as a sign of respect for those lost.**

Term 2

Teachers will return to school on Monday 29th April for a staff development day centred around professional learning in curriculum implementation. **All students return on Tuesday 30th April.**

I would like to wish our students, families and staff a wonderful holiday break. We look forward to seeing you all again next term.

Kara

Kara Duncan
Relieving Principal

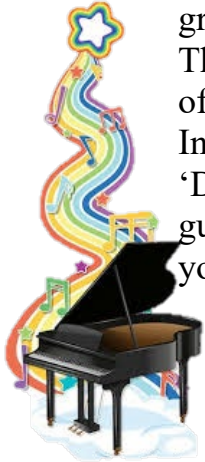
WHATS HAPPENING IN MUSIC!



Stage 3 Music

This term, Stage 3 students have worked collaboratively in small groups to create compositions using a variety of instruments. They have enjoyed experimenting with the elements of music to create their own unique and original works.

In week 10, Stage 3 students performed the Fleetwood Mac song, 'Don't Stop Thinking About Tomorrow.' They were accompanied by our guitarists, keyboard players and drummer. Congratulations Stage 3, you have done a great job this term!



EPS Strings

Well done to our string players who have continued to develop their skills this term. We are looking forward to seeing them perform next term.



EPS Wind Band

With seven new players joining the wind band this term, we are growing by the week. It is great to see enthusiasm as the students attend a weekly band rehearsal and lesson. It's also wonderful to see the more experienced members sharing their knowledge with the new members as they begin learning their instrument, creating a supportive atmosphere where students work together to have fun and enjoy learning new pieces.



Visible Learning at Eden Public School

Learning Dispositions

Learning dispositions at Eden Public School play a crucial role in shaping the educational experience and personal growth of students. This focus on dispositions represents a holistic approach to education, emphasizing not just academic achievements but also the development of lifelong learning habits. Eden Public School recognizes that fostering positive learning dispositions is essential for students to thrive in an ever-changing world.

At the heart of Eden Public School's philosophy are several key learning dispositions that are encouraged and nurtured among students. These include Embracing Challenge, Curiosity, Collaboration, Thinking Critically, Self-Motivation and Flexibility.

Eden Public School integrates these dispositions into every aspect of its curriculum and school culture. Teachers and staff model these behaviours, creating a supportive environment where students feel safe to take risks and express themselves.



Cross-Country Carnival 2024

Congratulations to our **winning house Boyd!** It was fantastic to see all our 8- to 12-year-old students competing in this year's school cross-country. It was also awesome to hear that, as many of our competitors finished their race, they stayed and cheered on the remaining runners. Well-done to everyone who competed. Extra congratulations go to our age champions: **B Bedford** (8/9Year Boy), **L Haenig** (8/9Year Girl), **L Rootsey** (10Year Boy), **Z Bedford** (10Year Girl), **H Cronk** (11Year Boy), **T Nichols** (11Year Girl), **K Everett** (12Year Boy), **N Aldridge** (12Year Girl).

Mr Taylor





Year 6 Leadership Day 2024



On Monday 8th Of April, Year 6 students attended a Leadership Day at Bournda Environmental Education Centre. It was a day that aimed at giving them the confidence to become 'Quality Leaders' by developing team building skills. The Bournda Environmental Education Centre activities included Leadership/Challenge games, Raft Building and Bush Survival Activities.

We asked some of our students to report on the day's activities:

BUSH SURVIVAL SKILLS

The Year 6's had a great time at Bournda. Our class started off with bush survival skills. We walked to our area and saw multiple items laid on concrete, such as a tarp, matches, water, blankets, torches, first aid, food, billy cans, tent pegs, shovels and rope. After closely examining the items we then split into groups of four, each group took turns to choose things. We chose; tarp, rope, water, food, blanket, matches, first aid kit, torch and a billy can. Each group was given a scenario. Martin our instructor, lead us to the corner of the bush where we were going to build our shelters.

When we set off to build our shelter, one of the girls got bitten by a snake! (Just pretend) so we had to use our first aid kit to bandage up her foot, we made sure to carefully follow the instructions the first aid kit provided us! We had to work together and solve a problem.

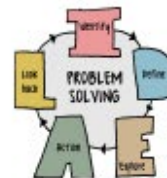
When we were finished Martin gave us a score out of ten for each group. The scores in our group were group 1 got 8, group 2 got 8.5 and group 3 got 8!

We had a great time, and we are grateful for the day.





RAFT BUILDING



On Monday, Year 6 went on a wonderful adventure to a leadership day at Bournda. I am going to be talking about the fun I had on the rafting activity with my group.

First, we had to split up into two groups as the educators told us the aim of the activity. Basically, the aim of the game was to build a raft out of limited resources and try to make it float. My group Nate, Remy, Ethan, Koby, and Truman decided to take the second offer of pipes and rope.

First, we placed the pipes down then we tied the pipes together with rope using a special knot we knew. Then all we had to do was wait to test it! As we put our raft on the water ... it floated! For a little bit.

Ethan loved the activity and said, "It was very helpful for my survival just in case I needed to build a raft sometime."

Nate absolutely adored this activity and said, "It was great, I reckon if I was on an abandoned island, I think we could actually survive and escape the island!"

Koby kind of liked the activity and said, "If there was not as many of us I think we could build a proper raft to escape somewhere or just for fun!"





Leadership/Challenge Games



Our first activity was leadership/challenge skills. Doug explained the first game that included mats and rope. We had to get our team across to the other side of the lava that was represented by 2 pieces of rope. Our team each had 1 mat, and we couldn't let go of the mat (we had to be touching it at all times). If no-one was touching a mat, then we would lose it and you would have to jump to the next one (without touching the lava). In the second activity we had to get into teams of 5 to carry a golf ball to another pole. First, we had to do a 360 spin, whilst carrying the golf ball. Some people who got it done quickly, got to do it blindfolded. One person had no blind fold and was directing the other teammates.

We all thoroughly enjoyed this activity. We are grateful to all our teachers, the bus driver and the staff at Bournda for enabling us to go on this excursion.



University of New South Wales Competitions 2024

Exciting News → UNSW is now offering their competitions to students in Year 2 in the following areas: Mathematics, English, Spelling, Digital Technologies, Science and Spelling.

The University of NSW (UNSW) competitions are offered internationally to all students as an academic competition. Students who compete receive a graded certificate of achievement (high distinction, distinction, credit, participation, etc). Competitions are offered in a range of subjects. If you are interested, please complete the entry form below and return it, with payment to the front office.

***** All entries must be returned with payment by April 5th *****

University of New South Wales Competitions Entry Form

Name _____

Class _____ **Year/Grade** _____

I wish to enter the following UNSW competitions:
(please circle)

Science	(August 19-23)	\$19.95	(Grades 2-6)
Writing	(August 5-9)	\$23.95	(Grades 3-6)
Digital Technologies	(August 5-9)	\$19.95	(Grades 2-6)
English	(August 12-16)	\$19.95	(Grades 2-6)
Spelling	(August 19-23)	\$19.95	(Grades 2-6)
Maths	(August 26-30)	\$19.95	(Grades 2-6)

Total Competitions _____ Total amount enclosed _____

Community News!



Dear Parents,

All 4 and 5 year old children in NSW are offered a free distance vision check before they start school.

Screening is conducted in preschools and childcare centres.

If your child has not already been screened they can attend a catch up clinic. Please use the QR code below to provide your contact details and the screening team will be in touch to arrange an appointment.

Further information about the program can be found at:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/kidsfamilies/MCFhealth/Pages/steps.aspx>



StEPS Program Narooma Community Health

PO Box 81 NAROOMA NSW 2546. Ph: (02) 4475 7200

Community Recovery Program

Tuning in to Kids® Online Parenting Group

An online parenting group for parents and carers who would like to:

- Improve communication and strengthen the bond with their child
- Better understand their child's behaviour and learn new parenting approaches
- Connect with other like-minded parents



What is Tuning in to Kids®?

Tuning in to Kids (TIK) is an evidenced based, emotion-focused parenting course that supports parents/carers to recognise, understand and manage their own and their children's emotions. TIK has proven success in improving children's emotional intelligence which can reduce big behaviours.

Who is it for?

We are delivering TIK as part of our Community Recovery Program. TIK groups will be open to parents/carers from the following LGAs:

QLD Gympie Region, Somerset, Lockyer Valley, Western Downs.

NSW Lismore, Ballina Shire, Richmond Valley, Tweed Shire, Mid Coast, Port Macquarie-Hastings, Snowy Monaro & Eurobodalla Shire.

Term 2: last opportunity to participate for these LGAs: Bega Valley Shire, City of Shoalhaven, Nambucca Valley, Kempsey Shire, Glen Innes Severn Shire & Clarence Valley.

Where?

Groups will take place online via Zoom. Access to stable internet, a computer/device, and a private space will be required.

When?

Term 2, 2024 Choice between 2 groups:

- **Group 1: Tuesdays 10am-12pm** beginning **April 30th** & running for 8 weeks **until June 18th 2024**
- **Group 2: Wednesdays 7.45pm-9.15pm** beginning **May 1st** & running for 8 weeks **until June 19th 2024**

Next steps:

TIK is **free to join**. Please contact our team if you are interested or have questions:
communityrecovery@royalfarwest.org.au or (02) 9466 1726

What parents have said:

"I am so incredibly grateful for this course! I couldn't be more thankful for my learning and the strategies that are making an amazing difference with both of my boys"

EDEN AUTUMN HOLIDAYS

Holiday activities ages 10-24.
Proudly brought to you by:



Eden Community Access Centre Inc.



FREE SURF LESSONS

Scan the QR code below to register your attendance.

9am, 15th~19th April 2024, Aslings Beach

INNER COLOUR

Mon April 15: @RSL Eden

9am-12noon - Mandala Art

1pm-4pm - Henna Tattoo

(making and how to)

Tues April 16:

9am-12noon - Dry Clay Art

GAMERS NIGHT

5pm ~ 8pm, 19th of April 2024

Eden RSL Hall



For more activities and to register please scan here:

EDEN
AUTUMN
HOLIDAYS



FREE

ART

WORKSHOPS

for young people 12-24

with

INNER COLOUR

MONDAY APRIL 15:

9am-12noon - MANDALA ART

1pm-4pm - HENNA ART

@ Eden RSL, 84A Bass St.

Inquiries ph 0488 951 166

Open mic
Build your
following. Lots
of prizes.

Surf Skate Sound

SURF ~ SKATE ~ SOUND

Barclay St, Eden ~ 18 April ~ Noon-4pm

U25 action packed day ~ Live music ~ MTN Bike demos ~
Art activities ~ Food vans ~ Colour run ~ Chill-out space ~
& lots more fun ~ FREE Entry!

Contact Ange McKechnie BVSC 0458 003 386



Youth Week



PCYC FAR SOUTH COAST
IS LIFE CHANGING



Discover National Parks



On the Sapphire Coast

Learn with us, Make a Difference

April 15th–18th 2024

Merimbula Boardwalk Guided Adventure

April 15th & 17th 10:00am-12:00pm



This is a unique opportunity to look at the fascinating creatures that help our estuaries thrive! Led by our NPWS discovery guide, search the mangroves for the many creatures that call it home.

At low tide join our guide as we take a closer look at the ecosystems of Merimbula Lake. Learn to identify the creatures and birds that inhabit the lake while playing a fun game of Boardwalk Bingo.

Fun for all ages!

Merimbula Boardwalk (park at Bridge and Market St.)

Cost: Adult \$16, Children \$10



19th Century Whaling Tour with Morning Tea

April 16th & 18th 10:00am-12:00pm



Join local NPWS discovery guide, for a tour of the historic Davidson Whaling Station and surrounds. Enjoy a simple morning tea and hear stories of life at the station 200 years ago. Learn about Twofold Bay's legendary killer whales and their amazing interactions with humans.

After, explore the surrounding grounds and try-works area with your NPWS Ranger. Learn more about the natural and historical aspects that make this a truly special place.

Davidson Whaling Station Historic Site

Cost: Adults \$20, Children \$12



SCAN QR CODES TO BOOK ONLINE or at Merimbula Parks Office

Link: <https://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/kids-and-family-activities>

Contact **02 6495 5000** or **1300072757**

Tours Available by Request For Groups of 8+

Contact the Merimbula National Parks Office on **02 6495 5000** to request a private tour for your group or to have our WOW trailer visit your event or location

School Holidays at the Library

The Bega Valley Shire Library school holiday program is packed full of fun activities that encourage creativity, support literacy and get kids thinking. Pick up a brochure at your local library or visit the website to book.

For School Age Kids

Stem Lego Challenge

Explore basic engineering principles to complete a series of fun challenges. Ages- 5 to 10.

Bega Library- Tue 16 April, 10.30am

Lantern Making Workshop

Come and make a beautiful lantern. Ages - 7 and up.

Tura Library - Tue 16 April, 10.30am

Handmade Paper and Paper Pulp Painting

Turn waste paper into beautiful creations. Ages - 6 to 15.

Bermagui Library - Tue 16 April, 10.30am

Board Games and Pizza Night

Challenge your friends or family to an evening of strategy and fun. pizza provided. Ages - 8 and up

Eden Library - Thu 18 April, 5.30pm

Fun with Fondant

Get creative with fondant icing. Ingredients and cupcakes provided.

Ages - 6 to 12.

Eden Library - Fri 26 April, 10.30am

Book online at

begavalley.events.mylibrary.digital

Phone the library on 6499 2127



Under 7s Activities

Storytime with Robyn O'Neil

Join author Robyn O'Neill for reading of her book 'Tree Squeak' accompanied by live music. Ages - Under 8.

Bermagui Library- Mon 15 April, 10.30am

Bear Hunt Storytime

Join us on an exciting friendly bear hunt! Ages - 2 to 7.

Eden Library - Wed 17 April 10.30am

Children's Author -Jane Gordon

Jane Gordon reads her new book 'Charley meets a new friend'. Charley the echidna teaches the reader about life as a native animal. Ages - Under 8.

Tura Marrang Library- Mon 15 April, 10.30am

Eden Library- Fri 19 April, 10.30am

Bermagui Library- Tue 23 April, 10.30am

Teddy bear sleepover

Your teddy bear is invited for a sleep over at the library! Ages 3 and up.

Tura Marrang Library

Storytime and teddy drop off - Mon 22 April 3.30 pm

Teddy pick up and make a memory book Tues 23 April 10.30am

Storytime - Floating or boating?

Can you make a boat that floats? Ages - 4 to 7.

Bega Library - Tue 23 April, 10.30am

