



# East Hills Public School

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## NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 2

### *Coming Soon*

<b>P&amp;C Meeting</b>	<b>23 October</b>
<b>School Spectacular Rehearsal</b>	<b>23 October</b>
<b>P&amp;C Halloween Disco</b>	<b>30 October</b>
<b>Bankstown District Dance Festival</b>	<b>31 October</b>
<b>Student Leadership 2018 Speeches</b>	<b>1 November</b>
<b>School Spectacular Rehearsal</b>	<b>2 November</b>
<b>Support Unit Blue Light Disco</b>	<b>3 November</b>
<b>Whole School Assembly (9am)</b>	<b>3 November</b>

#### **RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT WEEK 2 TERM 4**

Welcome back to term 4! It has been a busy start to the term already. I proudly watched our students present their speeches last week as part of our school public speaking finals. Congratulations to all those students who participated and also to the students that represented our school on yesterday at the Glenfield Network Public Speaking finals hosted at Georges Hall PS.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mrs Findlay on the safe arrival of her beautiful baby girl – Ava Tess Findlay. I would also like to welcome Miss Yang and Miss Ferdous to the staff of East Hills PS. A big thank you also to Mrs Nikki Moscidis who has worked alongside Mrs Bronwyn Holt in our school office for the past few weeks.

As part of the SCIM project, and in partnership with BCA National some of our parents, carers and community members embarked on their

adult learning journey on Monday. This learning journey will see them complete a partial qualification in Certificate IV in Education Support. It was a very proud moment for our community to see this come to fruition. I would like to take this opportunity to remind our community that the PT sessions are again running three afternoons a week at a cost of \$5.00 per session that you attend. All parents and carers are welcome to join the functional, fit and fun sessions.


At the end of last term, our P & C President Mrs Kathryn McGrath was recognised for the outstanding contribution she makes to the students and community of East Hills Public School. Kathryn was awarded the NSW Education Public School Parent of the Year award. This is an extremely prestigious award and Kathryn is to be congratulated on receiving this accolade for her ongoing commitment to our school community.



Finally, thank you all for your support while I have been relieving Principal during Ms Casey's leave period. We welcome Ms Casey back this week. I have thoroughly enjoyed being able to lead our amazing school and community.

Jenny Lonergan  
Relieving Principal

### CANTEEN TENDER



Tenders are called for the licence of the school canteens for the East Hills Community of Schools, including East Hills Public School (180 students), East Hills Girls Technology High School (1050 students) and East Hills Boys High School (760 students) as well as 200 staff across the three school sites. Licences will commence January 2018 for a term of approximately 2 years with possible option for renewal of 3 years. Requests for a Tender Information Package should be referred to:

Tracey Keen, School Administrative Manager  
East Hills Boys High School  
Lucas Rd, Panania, 2213.  
Telephone: 9773 7806

All other enquires should be directed to:  
Andrew Kontellis Deputy Principal  
East Hills Boys High School  
Telephone: 97737806

A non-refundable deposit of \$150 is payable in cash on collection of tender documents. Tender site visits and briefing sessions are planned for Friday 20th October 2017 and Monday 30th October between 2-3pm.

Tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked 'Confidential - School Canteen Tender' and sent to:

The Principal  
Kevin Elgood  
East Hills Boys High School  
Lucas Rd, Panania, 2213.

**Tenders close at 3pm on 3rd November 2017.**

### STUDENT LEADERSHIP 2018 SPEECHES

Speeches for Year 5 Students who wish to hold a student leadership position will be held in the hall Wednesday week 4, November 1, from 11.30. Parents of the students presenting speeches are welcome to attend.

### BANKSTOWN DANCE FESTIVAL TICKETS

Tickets have now arrived for those that had pre-ordered. Please see the office from Monday 23 November for collection. Please note that this years performance has sold out and no more tickets can be purchased.

### INTENTION TO APPLY FOR YEAR 7 ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL IN 2019

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 15 March 2018.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2019, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 10 October 2017 in a printed application information booklet and at <https://education>.

[nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7](https://www.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7).

The application website opens at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> on 10 October 2017 and closes on 13 November 2017. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms available. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library or contact the school office for assistance. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit or school office for assistance after 10 October 2017. You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Please return your note as soon as possible to indicate your intention to apply.

### **P&C NEWS**

Firstly, I would like recognise the amazing achievement of one of our own, our President Kathryn McGrath. In recognition of her significant contribution to East Hills Public School, Kathryn has recently been honoured with the NSW Education Public School Parent of the Year 2017 award. Congratulations Kathryn and thank you for your dedication and ongoing commitment to our school.

Another huge thankyou to all students and families for their contribution to the term 3 5cent coin competition. This year we were able to raise \$552.15. Congratulations to the winning class Pisa with an amazing final total of \$149.95. We hope you enjoyed your class party last Friday.

Term 4 this year is shaping to be a big term of events for the P&C.

Along with hosting our Teachers thankyou breakfast and opening the P&C Café as part of the Kindy transition program for our new 2018 Kindergarten parents, we have both the

Halloween Disco and Carols on the Green events scheduled.

### **HALLOWEEN DISCO**

The Halloween Disco is on **Monday 30 October at 5:30pm**. Remember to send back the permission slips and money for the disco before the night to get a ticket in the draw for a special mystery prize on the night. The disco will be run by experienced children's entertainers from Bop till you Drop., with lots of dancing, karaoke, games and most importantly fun. Check out the Bop till you Drop crew at <http://www.boptillyoudrop.com.au>

We will also have a BBQ available on the night along with our usual snacks and drinks stall. The BBQ is available to students and their families, but only EHPS enrolled students are permitted in the hall for the disco. Families are welcome to stay outside the hall or alternatively you can drop off your child, but please ensure they are signed in and then return to the school at pick up time and ensure they are signed out before leaving the school grounds.

### **CAROLS ON THE GREEN**

**Friday 1 December 2017** we will be holding our annual "Carols on the Green" Christmas celebrations. After the amazing student performances at our 2016 event, we are very much looking forward to seeing what the classes prepare for this year. Please keep the night free and join us for a fun and enjoyable evening. Further details and fundraising activities for this night will be coming out very soon.

### **VACANT P&C SECRETARY POSITION**

The **P&C Secretary** position is still vacant, if you are interested please don't hesitate to contact the committee at [easthillspandc@gmail.com](mailto:easthillspandc@gmail.com) or come along to the next meeting. We understand that some people may not come forward due to not being able to attend both day and evening meetings or feel they don't have a lot of time



to completely commit to the position, please if you have even a small amount of time come and talk to us it is possible to share the position, any small amount of time helps.

Kate Johnston  
P&C Treasurer

**Important upcoming P&C dates**

- **P&C General Meeting –**
  - Monday 23 October 5:30pm
- **Halloween Disco –**
  - Monday 30 October 5:30pm
- **P&C General Meeting –**
  - Monday 27 November 9:15am
- **Carols on the Green –**
  - 1 December (evening)

**WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

On Friday 3 November @ the special time of 9.00am we will hold our 1<sup>st</sup> assembly for term 4. We hope you can join us.

**The following children will receive an Award for Excellence at next Friday's assembly:**

- Christian Nguyen
- Isabella Ly
- Kaylah McMahan
- Heba Mourad

**The following children will receive a Principal Award at next Friday's assembly:**

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| Ryan Abu-Taleb    | Ella Bargache    |
| Isabella Woodford | Tyleah Ricks     |
| Hayden Glass      | Raymond Webster  |
| Kathy Wu          | Mariama Barry    |
| Dianne Pham       | Kaylah Nguyen    |
| Theo Koundouris   | Tristan Glass    |
| Ayse Aslan        | Christian Nguyen |

**The following children will receive a Bronze Dollarmite Certificate:**

Praise Joseph

**THE FAMOUS SCHOLASTIC SUPER SALE**

**50-80% OFF RRP**

**What's on sale?**

- Paperback Novels **\$3.00**
- Paperback Picture Books **\$6.00**
- Teacher Resources **From \$6.00**
- Activity Items **From \$6.00**
- Hardcover Books **\$8.00**

**It's easy to buy!**

- You can pay by:
- EFTPOS
  - Credit Card (Mastercard & Visa)
  - Cash
  - School Account: You will need your customer number and letter of authority on school letterhead and/or purchase order.

DON'T FORGET YOUR BAGS.

**When?**

**WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER** 10.00am–5.30pm  
**THURSDAY 9 NOVEMBER** 10.00am–5.30pm

**Where?**

**SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK SPORTS CENTRE  
SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK**

**FREE PARKING IN CAR PARK P3 & P4**  
You will need to validate your P3 & P4 ticket at sale entrance. A three hour limit applies.  
*A fee applies for all other parking areas.*

**If you need more information . . .**

Contact us on 1800 021 233 or at [customer\\_service@scholastic.com.au](mailto:customer_service@scholastic.com.au)

We look forward to welcoming you to the 2017 Scholastic Super Sale.



**Explore the future and win with School Banking.**

Term 4 is here and the Future Games competition is in full swing, with two exciting prize draws to enter. Get started by making three or more School Banking deposits during the competition period – from Monday 14 August 2017 to Friday 10 November 2017.

**HIGH TECH PRIZES**

- 80x** Spinny Mini Racing Robots
- 80x** GoGo Mini Activity Trackers
- 90x** Ultimate 3D Pen Set

**HOW TO ENTER**  
Make 3 or more School Banking deposits for a chance to win one of these High Tech Prizes.

**Play the Future Savers app for a chance to win a Nintendo Switch**

The Future Savers app is an amazing adventure in augmented reality that brings the future and the Dollarmites to life, teaching fun money lessons along the journey.

After playing three exciting games, unlocked week by week, students need to complete the online entry form at [commbank.com.au/futuregames](http://commbank.com.au/futuregames) by Friday 10 November 2017 to go in the draw for a Nintendo Switch.

**GAME MASTER PRIZE**

- 50x** Nintendo Switch Mega Deluxe Packs

**HOW TO ENTER**  
Make 3 or more School Banking deposits – play the Future Savers app – complete the online entry form for a chance to win a Game Master Prize.

Download and play the Future Savers app from Monday 16 October 2017. Simply search Future Savers in the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android). For more information about the app and the Future Games competition, visit [commbank.com.au/futuregames](http://commbank.com.au/futuregames)





# Stage 3 camp

3 full days of fun, activities and friendship! The Great Aussie Bush camp was a lot of fun for the 21 students and Mrs Beynon and Mrs McCann. We participated in activities such as canoeing, fencing, movie night, high ropes, orienteering, bush craft, mud world, county fair, archery and the giant swing. How did we fit all of that in to 3 days!

The students were amazing - helping each other out and supporting each other when approaching challenging activities and conquering fears.





# Term 4

This term the students in Stonehenge will be learning all about The World.

Last week, we learnt about the different continents and the countries that make them up.

Our focus this week and for the rest of term, will be learning about the different countries, their flags, national anthems, customs, currencies, climate, festivals and celebrations and much more.

We are extremely excited and are looking forward to

