



# East Hills Public School

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## NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 10

### *Coming Soon*

<b>EHGTHS Canteen CLOSED</b>	<b>11 – 15 December</b>
<b>P&amp;C Canteen OPEN DAY</b>	<b>13 December</b>
<b>Year 6 Farewell</b>	<b>13 December</b>
<b>Year 6 Luna Park Excursion</b>	<b>14 December</b>
<b>100% Attendance Assembly</b>	<b>15 December</b>
<b>Last Day of Term 4</b>	<b>15 December</b>
<b>Staff Development Day 2018</b>	<b>29 January 2018</b>
<b>Kindergarten First Day 2018</b>	<b>30 January 2018</b>
<b>Yr 1-6 First Day 2018</b>	<b>31 January 2018</b>

Good afternoon students, parents, carers, family and friends.

I am fortunate to work alongside such a dedicated staff. This year we have seen the establishment of the *construction club*, the *eco club*, and *chillax* groups during lunchtimes for students to be a part of. We have inspired and developed coding in our stage 3 students and have every student engaging with making, reading and appreciating music with our new *Jellybeans* music program.

We have seen the continuation of multi-sport and dance across the school with a strong focus on literacy development.

Our teachers have engaged with visible learning through their professional learning focus as well as continued their learning in speaking and listening and we have also started our writing journey with Joanne Dooner. We have implemented SPRINTS from our work with Simon Breakspear, to assist students who require a more targeted

approach. Our teachers have also worked hard at developing our positive behaviour for learning system (PBL) that we look forward to launching next year.

Within our school community, we have seen successful communication via our new *skoolbag* application. Being able to share timely information, special moments and reminders has been very useful to both us as a school and in keeping you updated. We have established Care Monkey to assist us as a community in updating family information, personalised medical plans and we look forward to using it to send permission notes and notifications next year.

Via the school community in motion project (SCIM), we have participated as a community in yoga, a basketball workshop, a community breakfast, a reading workshop, adult learning through BCA and personal training. We look forward to sharing many more community experiences with you next year.

I'd like to acknowledge the time, effort &

dedication of our hard working P&C- with special mention to Kathryn McGrath and Kate Johnston. The speech therapy grant you gained again this year was used to develop articulation, receptive and expressive language in our students. Thank you for your support. It is wonderful to share in the enjoyment our students get out of the events our P&C run for them throughout the year. On behalf of our school community, we thank you.

A special thank you to Mrs Ola El-Zahab (Alameddine family) for the very generous donation of the year 6 graduation gowns this year. You made the year 6 graduation ceremony very special for the students on presentation day. Thank you very much.

To our teachers, I thank you for the inspiring lessons, the motivating activities and the encouragement you give students to continue to be the best students they can be. I thank you for ensuring that every student in your class is catered for and feels heard, respected and valued.

A special mention to Leona Marlow, our school counsellor, who has worked tirelessly to support our students and families. She manages to fit a weeks' worth of work into a two and a half day fortnight. I thank you for your knowledge and experience and for making a significant difference in the lives of many of our students.

Our school leadership team, Gina Longo, Francine Frouxiou, Kate Findlay, Jenny Lonergan and Brooke Beynon, I thank you for the support you give to our teachers, students and community. It is a privilege to work with each of you. Your individual strengths, talents and passion for education make an invaluable contribution to our community. We wish Mrs Lonergan and Mrs Borkowski an amazing year ahead as they take leave from our school in 2018. I look forward to their return in 2019.

Our office staff and school learning support officers are the engine room of our school.

Thank you for your flexibility, organisation and willingness to assist wherever you can. We wish Mrs Heywood all the best as she moves on to work at Chullora Public School from 2018. Mrs Podbury will return to us in her school learning support officer role, in term 2 next year.

Congratulations to our students, who have met their learning goals, achieved their individual learning targets and have worked hard on being active citizens of our school. We look forward to another year of great learning and creating lifelong experiences in 2018.

I wish you all a well-deserved, safe & happy holiday and look forward to sharing in another amazing year at East Hills Public School in 2018.

Season's greetings, and wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

Kindest Regards,

*Donna Casey*

Principal

### **MINI FETE**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2017 Mini Fete. We had such an amazing range of stalls organised by the students from Ningaloo, Gallipoli and Kokoda with many prizes won by lucky students. Our rides were also very popular, with many wet and happy students (and teachers) at the conclusion of the slip and slide. Our Stage 3 students appreciate the contributions of the school community towards their fundraising.

Thank you to all the staff at EHPS for making the day run so smoothly, ensuring that all students were having a great time and helping in any way they could from cooking the BBQ, to putting their head in to get sponged and making spider drinks.

Another thank you to our volunteer SLSO's from the BCA National program organised through our SCIM project, for attending and working with our students on the day. We appreciate the time and effort you have given to our school community



WINNERS ARE GRINNERS:

Lolly guessing competition

Jar A: Jayden Hang in Gallipoli

Jar B: Timothy Tea from EHBHS

Jar C: Ella Bargache in Pisa

Nerd gun challenge:

Major prize winner was Jarryd Belbin from Grand Bazaar

## P&C NEWS

Thank you to everyone who joined us last Thursday evening for our Annual Carols on the Green celebration, we hope you all enjoyed your night. It was great to see so many people from our school community in attendance and the kids enjoying themselves.

Thank you to all the staff for your support and the teachers for your commitment in preparing the class Christmas songs – once again they were amazing. Well done kids.

Thankyou to the volunteers who helped during the day and the evening – without your help events such as this are not possible.

Congratulations to the winners of our Raffle and Lucky Number competitions.

We would like to take this opportunity to also thank East Hills Mens Shed for kindly donating their time to build our Santa Chair, particular thanks to Stephen Park.

The P&C also thank our community for your continued support this year in all our fund-raising events, together we have raised over \$5000.

We currently have \$15,000 in our account ready to spend on resources to support our school. We look forward to discussions early next year on project ideas and spending this money to benefit the school and our children.

We wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday season and see you all again in 2018.

Thankyou

P&C Committee

### Important Dates

- P&C AGM 2018 & General Meeting – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 5:30pm

## WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

All parents and carers are invited to attend our last assembly for the year where 100% attendance awards will be handed out. Please join us at 2:30pm on Friday 15 December.

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

Andy Dang  
Izabella Ross

### **The following children will receive a Dollarmite Redemption Gift:**

Lauren Earl  
Ewan Johnston  
Emily Ross  
Izabella Ross





# FREE BUS TO BEACH

The City of Canterbury Bankstown is providing free buses to Cronulla Beach for young people and their parents/guardians on the following days:

Tuesday 9 January 2018      Tuesday 16 January 2018  
 Thursday 11 January 2018      Thursday 18 January 2018

## BUS 1 AND 2

**9AM** The Roundabout Youth Centre, corner of Helen Street and Carlingford Road, Sefton

## BUS 3 AND 4

Panania Railway Station, Panania on Weston Street side

## BUS 5 AND 6

Belmore Youth Resource Centre, 3/38-40 Redman Parade, Belmore

**9.15AM** Greenacre Senior Citizen Centre, 202 Waterloo Road, Greenacre

Revesby Railway Station, Revesby on Blamey Street side

Riverwood Community Centre, 151 Belmore Road North, Riverwood

**9.30AM** 69 The Mall, Bankstown (Adjacent to Paul Keating Park, opposite Lincraft)

Padstow Railway Station, Padstow on Howard Road side

All buses depart Cronulla Beach at 3pm SHARP and return to the pick-up points as above. Bookings are not required; the program operates on a "first come, first served" basis.



All passengers must comply with the conditions and warnings, which can be found at [cb.city/bustobeach](http://cb.city/bustobeach) or by calling 9707 9605.



## WAVE SMART: TWO-DAY SURVIVAL COURSE

You will learn:

- How to identify rips and currents;
- Recognise safe and unsafe swimming areas;
- Deep water flotation techniques;
- Skills in correct board paddling; and
- Rescue techniques and CPR procedures.

**When:** Thursday 21 December and Friday 22 December, 9am-3pm

**Where:** Meet at 69 The Mall, Bankstown, at 8:45am. Bus departs at 9am sharp.

**Register:** Go to [cbcitywavesmart.eventbrite.com.au](http://cbcitywavesmart.eventbrite.com.au) or call 9707 9605

\*Registrations essential and spots are limited.  
 \*\*This course is for young people aged 12-18 years

## LEARN TO SURF PROGRAM

As part of the City of Canterbury Bankstown's annual Bus to Beach program, young people now have the opportunity to learn to surf! This is available to residents aged between 12-24 years.

**When:** Thursday 11 January

**Where:** Meet at 69 The Mall, Bankstown at 9:00am to catch the free bus to Cronulla Beach. Bus departs Bankstown at 9:30am sharp. Bus departs Cronulla at 3pm (Expected to arrive in Bankstown at 3:45pm)

**Details:** \$10 registration fee, lunch will be provided. All participants must accompany Council staff on the bus to and from Cronulla Beach.

**Register:** Go to [cbcity2018surf.eventbrite.com.au](http://cbcity2018surf.eventbrite.com.au) or call 9707 9605.

\*\*\*Registration is essential and spots are limited.  
 \*\*\*The \$10 registration fee must be paid to Council's Bankstown Customer Service Centre by Friday 5 January, to ensure participation in the program. Registrations that have not been paid by this date, will forfeit their spot.



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## All Ages Football

**Who** Males and Females  
5 years to All Age, PL1, O/35 Men

**Rego** Register online from 1 January 2018 at [www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au)

**Cost** One low season fee - No weekly fees. Registration fees start at \$80 for grade 6-7 players. No weekly fees! Family and early bird discounts. NSW Government Active Kids Rebate available.

Free uniform for all new grade 6-7 players; discounted for all other new players.

More information:  
[www.revesbyworkersfc.com.au](http://www.revesbyworkersfc.com.au)

Enquiries: Jo 0410 649 784 or [rego@revesbyworkersfc.com.au](mailto:rego@revesbyworkersfc.com.au)

## Enrolling now for 2018

KU Milperra Preschool provides a high quality, community-based preschool program for children aged 3 to 5 years, including:

- ▶ An educational, play-based curriculum
- ▶ Qualified, caring and experienced educators
- ▶ A nurturing, home-like environment
- ▶ A special interest in the arts and creativity
- ▶ A full transition to school program
- ▶ Rated as **'Exceeding'** the National Quality Standard

To learn more, visit [www.ku.com.au](http://www.ku.com.au) or contact:

### KU Milperra Preschool

Open 8:15am to 4:15pm,

Monday – Friday

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# GRAND BAZAAR NEWS

Grand Bazaar had a very lively term. Our class participated in many exciting school events like Creative Arts Concert, Presentation Day, Australian Maritime Museum excursion and mini fete. With all these exciting school events, Grand Bazaar was eager for some relaxation time. For relaxation time, our class brought out their artistic sides and created their own masterpiece artworks. They used oil pastels to draw and watercolour paints to create their masterpiece artworks that successfully expressed their individual emotions and thoughts.

Thanks, Miss Yang.





# YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP



Join us for a fun filled and interactive youth camp for ages 14-21.

- ★ **WHEN** Monday 22 January - Wednesday 24 January
- ★ **TIME** Leaving 8:00am Monday, returning 6:00pm Wednesday  
Youth Off The Streets office, 1 West Terrace, Bankstown
- ★ **WHERE** Point Wollstonecroft Sports and Recreation Centre, Point Wollstonecroft NSW
- ★ **WHAT'S ON**
  - Outdoor team building activities
  - Interactive workshops
  - Camp fire/swimming
  - Learn about leadership and peer support
  - Registration essential by 12 December 2017 (limited spots available)

**More Information:** Contact Meri on: [MeriC@youthoffthestreets.com.au](mailto:MeriC@youthoffthestreets.com.au) or 02 9796 1193



# BANKSTOWN OUTREACH JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM!



Youth Off The Streets Bankstown Outreach school holiday calendar January 2018! Check the activities below and book your place now!

Monday 15/01	Tuesday 16/01	Wednesday 17/01	Thursday 18/01	Friday 19/01
Girls only activity swimming and beach activities  McIvers Ladies Baths, Coogee 11:00am - 4:00pm Meet at Bankstown Outreach Office	Surfing lessons & Volleyball Competition at Maroubra Beach 8:00am - 4:00pm Meet at Bankstown Outreach Office	Cable Wake/Aqua Park 8:00am - 4:00pm Meet at Bankstown Outreach Office	Outreach at Paul Keating Park 5:00pm - 9:00pm Meet at Paul Keating Park	Wet'n Wild 8:30am - 5:00pm Meet at Paul Keating Park JSH activity
Monday 22/01	Tuesday 23/01	Wednesday 24/01	Thursday 25/01	Friday 26/01
Youth Leadership Camp  Point Wolstonecroft Sport & Recreation Meet at Bankstown Outreach Office at 8:00am	Youth Leadership Camp  Point Wolstonecroft Sport & Recreation	Youth Leadership Camp  Point Wolstonecroft Sport & Recreation Return by 5:00pm	Outreach at Paul Keating Park 5:00pm - 9:00pm Meet at Paul Keating Park	Public Holiday

Youth must be between the ages of 12-21 years old. ALL ACTIVITIES REQUIRE A PERMISSION FORM TO BE COMPLETED. Permission forms will be provided for outings, please have them signed and ready on the day. Food will be provided for participants on the day.

**More Information** Contact Will Sika on 02 9796 1193 or, [williams@youthoffthestreets.com.au](mailto:williams@youthoffthestreets.com.au)

