Engadine Public School acknowledges the generosity of Sunshine Real Estate in its support of the school.
Year 6 Cake Bake Off

Hendrika Green, Principal

Year 6 students baked cakes and dressed in costume to promote their wares, raising money for their celebrations at the end of the school year. What a fabulous job they did—with our K-5 students very excited to buy their various wares.

The Story of Engadine -Thanks to Kurranulla Organisation for their Support

Volunteers from the Kurranulla Organisation and the Men’s Group attended the school to complete the “Story of Engadine” Art Mural on the staffroom wall last week. With just some finishing touches of lyrebirds and a goanna to complete the project, the artwork is looking quite stunning and makes a valued addition to our school. Much thanks to Amy and Cheryl, who have completed the majority of the work, Deanna who was the main artist, and our own students Mirren and Allirah, who assisted in some of the painting.

New Zealand Marathon Runners!

Kaili in Year 4 and Maliya in Year 6 travelled to New Zealand last week with a group of runners, to run in events that were part of the New Zealand Marathon. Kaili ran in the 3km event and finished her race extremely strongly. Maliya ran in the 10km event and placed 3rd in her age group (7-15 yrs) running in a time of 52:27. It was very exciting to hear Maliya’s name called for 3rd place and that she was from Australia. Congratulations to these 2 sisters, who definitely take after their mum who also ran in the marathon.

Well done girls, your school is proud of you!
Woolworths Promotes Healthy Eating

KIDS are to be offered free pieces of fruit at our local Woolworths store where they have placed baskets of complimentary seasonal fruit in its fresh produce section, inviting children to pick a piece. The scheme has been rolled in December, with the free fruit being the same quality as the priced produce. Woolies expects to give away one million pieces of fruit a year, including bananas, apples, mandarins and pears, and it says the cost of priced fruit will not rise to compensate. “It is not only a great way to encourage healthy eating habits, but also an easy way to keep the little ones occupied while doing the shopping,” advised Fraser of our local shop. “We know that a trip to the supermarket can be a busy time for mum and dad, and the free fruit initiative is a way to give parents a helping hand.” Staff attended the store and were provided with some fruit for the children on Monday 7 December.

Dates to Remember

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Notes and Money Due

Big Day In—$5.00 due 9 December.

School Musical Tickets
Yr 6 On Sale - 30 November
Open to all - 4 December

WALKATHON Money

Please be prompt with your money for the walkathon as we are trying to raise as much as possible towards the installation of air conditioning.

With the hot weather we have experienced over the past weeks, we feel this a valuable target for community raised funds.

MULTILIT Reinforced Reading Program

Do you have 20 minutes a week?

Parents are needed to help as tutors for the MULTILIT Reinforced Reading Program to support some of our students in Years 2-6. As this is an evidenced based intervention to maintain validity. Parent Tutors will need to attend a one-time training session early Term 4. The techniques in the training will be useful in supporting your own child’s literacy development as well as any students you may tutor. If you are willing and able please add your name to the roster at the office.
We congratulate the students of our school who participated in the Patrick White Young Indigenous Writer's Competition. This competition was open to all students with an indigenous background, and four of our seven students participated. The calibre of entries was very strong.

The Aboriginal Education Council of NSW provided students with prizes for their efforts, and it gives the school great pleasure to acknowledge the support of Mrs Rosamond-Davis, who provided opportunities for the students to develop their vocabulary, and consider their structure of writing to produce such excellent results.

Congratulations to Allirah for her fine effort in story writing. She competed with other Stage 3 students, and presented a work of high standard. Congratulations to Mirren, who with her entry, secured 1st place in Stage 2. Congratulations to Kalei and Ruby, who secured equal 1st place in Early Stage 1. These are fantastic results for our students and our school. Well done all!

We thank the Engadine Public School P & C for continued service to the school and their fund raising efforts throughout the year. Together with the valued support of our school community, who bake cakes, provide opportunities for their children to purchase at Canteen Promotion Days, who support special fundraising events, such as the family photoghrapics, school fete, walkathon, and assist in any way possible. The support provided by the P & C and our school community in their support of P & C efforts, enables the school to provide additional opportunities for our students.

The P & C is a valuable mechanism for parents to support the school and have a voice in matters pertaining to school direction. Their first meeting next year will be Monday 15 February, and held in the school staff room. At this time they will also hold their AGM, to gain Office members. Please come along and join in. All are welcome.

Congratulations to Mrs Jenny Grinham and her team of valuable helpers for the performance of Kindergarten and Year One’s “The King’s Magic Drum”. The children did a wonderful job of acting out the play. The audience found it entertaining!
Throughout the school year, teachers focus on developing skills to building positive relationships among peers—some children learn these through experience and others need to be taught these skills specifically in order to apply them. The focus of our teaching points will last for blocks of two weeks, and will be placed in the newsletter.

**Social Skills Topic 16: Giving and Receiving Compliments**

Parents, we ask that you too go through these skills with your children, and discuss the dos and don'ts. Perhaps you can ask them if they have tried some of the strategies and what the result was. Children learn best when they are supported from both school and home with a consistent message. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

### Good Mates Look for the Good Things about Others

**Giving Compliments**

**DO’S**

☑ Look for anything about another person that you genuinely like or appreciate
☑ Look in their eyes and smile
☑ Tell them what you like about them

**DON’TS**

☑ Don’t give a compliment that isn’t true
☑ Don’t give too many compliments

### Receiving Compliments

**DO’s**

☑ Wait till the person finishes giving you the compliment
☑ Look in their eyes and smile
☑ Say “thank you” and perhaps add an interesting positive comment (e.g. Thank you—I’ve worked hard on it)

**DON’TS**

☑ Don’t laugh or say something silly
☑ Don’t look away
☑ Don’t say something which suggests they’re wrong. (Don’t say “No it’s not one of my best efforts”)

**LOST PROPERTY**

There are a lot of Lost Property clothing and items in our box. Please check this week if something has been missing as all unclaimed items will be given to the Uniform store or disposed of on Friday 11 December.
Canteen

The last day of opening for our canteen for 2015 will be Friday 11 December. The canteen will re open in 2016 on Wednesday 3 February.

PSSA Results

Our teams played a friendly against Illawong.

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School Banking — Thursdays

Rewards Update

The rewards still available to order are the ET DVD, Invisible Ink Pens, Intergalactic Rocket, Money Box and a new option of a Frisbee. To order a Frisbee, just pop a note in with your deposit book and tokens. Unfortunately handballs, solar systems, torches and light bands are no longer available. Tokens can be kept until next year and be redeemed on the new 2016 rewards early in Term 1. New Bankers welcome at any time. Put your deposits in your Dollarmites deposit book and bring to school on Thursdays. Last Banking Day 4 December 2015.

Uniform Shop

The last day to place a Uniform Order is Monday 7 December. The first opening time for 2016 is Friday 5 February. The Uniform Shop will open on Friday morning of weeks 1 & 5 of each Term except for Term 1 2016 when the first opening will be 5 February. Orders can be placed in the Office money box and they will be filled fortnightly. Cash or cheque only. Cheques to be made out to Engadine Public School P & C Uniform Shop. Please direct all enquiries to Mrs Cody on Wednesday to Friday from 9.30—11.00am. Please be aware Mrs Cody is also running the canteen and not all orders/enquiries can be dealt with immediately.

Second Hand Uniforms

The Uniform Shop is always happy to accept donations of second hand items in good condition. If you have any items you wish to donate, please bring them into the Office or direct to the Uniform Shop when it is next open.
Primary Ethics Classes

Since early 2011, NSW public school children have had a legal right to attend classes in philosophical ethics at their school if:

- their parents give permission for them to go to ethics classes and
- Primary Ethics can provide trained and vetted volunteers to organise and teach the classes.

Classes are available to all children from Kindergarten to Year 6 who don’t attend the available Scripture/SRE (Special Religious Education) classes in their school. However, Primary Ethics can only provide these classes if it has trained volunteers from either the school community or the wider community.

What are ethics classes?

Ethics is a branch of philosophy that examines ethical concepts and issues, asking what is right or wrong in particular circumstances. Our curriculum comprises a wide range of age-appropriate topics that primary-aged children find interesting. Students learn to think about these ethical matters together and engage in the give-and-take of reasoned argument. This process allows students to properly consider other people’s points of view and to be sincere, reasonable and respectful in dealing with their differences and disagreements.

Our K-6 curriculum has 78 topics, starting with Questions and Puzzlement, introducing children to the foundation of ethical thinking. Children in the younger primary years examine issues such as being left out, sharing, and bullying, while older children reflect on issues such as homelessness, fairness, and teasing to help them consider the feelings and interests of others – one important aspect of moral reasoning. Other aspects include understanding consequences, having empathy, and appreciating difference.

Research shows that well-reasoned moral judgement does not develop automatically as young people mature and that these skills are best developed using the methods we employ in ethics classes. Once acquired, these skills accompany individuals into adulthood.

Starting ethics classes at your school

If there are no ethics classes currently available at your child’s school, you should:

- let your principal know that you would like ethics classes for your child,
- go to the Primary Ethics website www.primaryethics.com.au to find out more about our curriculum, information for parents and volunteering, and
- email Primary Ethics at info@primaryethics.com.au to let us know the name of your child’s school and the year he/she is in.

We will contact you and/or your principal to get things started at your school.

No classes for your child’s year?

If there are ethics classes at your school but none for your child’s year, please contact your principal and the Primary Ethics Coordinator to let them know you would like ethics classes for your child. We will need to find a volunteer to start a class, so volunteer yourself or ask your friends/family if they are interested. See www.primaryethics.com.au/ethnicteacher.html
Enrolments are now open for Council’s Christmas school holiday Vacation Care program.

Our centres at Miranda, Lucas Heights and Burraneer Bay offer plenty of fun - from visits to Bundeena and the Sutherland Leisure Centre, mobile rock climbing and more.

Burraneer Bay: Kindergarten-12 years
Lucas Heights: Kindergarten-14 years
Miranda: Kindergarten-14 years

Open 7am-6pm. Miranda also open between Christmas and the New Year (Tues 29/12, Wed 30/12 and Thur 31/12).

Programs and enrolment:
Phone: 9710 0466
Email: VacationCare@ssc.nsw.gov.au
Web: www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/VacationCare

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THE JOHN FRANKLIN
Christmas Lunch

We would like you to join us for traditional Christmas fare and great company at the John Franklin Christmas Lunch

On Christmas Day
25TH DECEMBER – 11:30AM – 2:30PM
AT SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
ETON STREET, SUTHERLAND
COST: FREE!

The venue is located a short, easy flat walk from Sutherland Railway Station and has Wheelchair access.

John Franklin lived on the streets of Sutherland. He spoke of the loneliness on Christmas Day for people such as himself before his tragic death in 2000. The John Franklin Christmas Day lunch, held in the memory of John’s life for all persons wanting company on Christmas Day, is a joint initiative of the St. Patrick’s and St. John’s Churches at Sutherland with help from the surrounding community.

For more information, to find out how you can volunteer your time on Christmas day or Christmas eve, or where you can donate items, go to www.johnfranklincristmaslunch.com.au, contact us on 9545 0498 or email: JFLC.2001@yahoo.com.au

The John Franklin Christmas Lunch is generously funded by financial and product donations from individuals, schools, churches and commercial enterprises throughout the Sutherland Shire and neighbouring areas.
BOSCO FC 2016
REGISTRATION

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR ALL PLAYERS FROM
2nd JANUARY 2016

FOR DETAILS ON HOW TO REGISTER GO TO:
www.boscofc.org.au

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Registration commences online for all players from 2nd January 2016.

New players are encouraged to register online, but will be required to
attend one of the following registration days to provide the appropriate
documentation for proof of residency and identification.

St John Bosco Primary School, Main Hall
Banksia Rd, Engadine NSW 2233

Sunday 31 January 2016 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Wednesday 3 February 2016 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

2016 Football Season Commences on 2nd & 3rd April 2016
Parents Not Partners

This six-session program is for separated parents in conflict over their children – where they should live, how much time they should spend with each parent, what school they should attend, or anything else concerning the children.

Parents who are separated will learn:
- about the effects on children of the ongoing parental conflict
- how to shift focus from the conflict with the other parent to children needs
- skills to reduce conflict
- about parenting after separation
- how to transform the relationship with the other parent into a business-like partnership
- to better understand the emotional needs of each child in the family

Mondays, 6:30pm to 9:00pm
15 February to 21 March
Cost: $150
Venue: Caringbah interrelate
Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Road
Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408

Relating as Stepfamilies

This three-session program assists couples to manage the demands of life as a stepfamily.

It will assist parents to:
- examine the challenges and positives of stepfamilies
- examine personal beliefs and the effects of holding onto these
- highlight the losses stepfamilies have suffered
- recognise the importance of developing stepfamily rituals
- compare different communication styles

Wednesday, 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm
22 Feb, 29 Feb & 7 Mar
Cost: $75 per couple
Venue: Caringbah interrelate
Address: 383 – 385 Port Hacking Rd, Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408

Seasons for Growth

This is an eight-week program for children aged 6 to 12 years that have experienced grief and loss in their lives due to a significant change such as death, separation of parents or a natural disaster.

Children will learn:
- to understand and talk about the normal range of emotions experienced during major change; grief and loss
- how to build positive relationships with family and friends
- how they can participate in a caring and confidential network of peers and adults
- about resilience
- how to plan for a realistic and hope-filled future

Tuesdays, 4:00pm to 6:00pm
15 February to 11th of April
With 1 week break on the 21st of March
Cost: $50 per child
Venue: Caringbah interrelate
Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408

Gingerbread House Christmas Fun!

Want to make your own Gingerbread House for Christmas?

Amaze your friends and family when you build and decorate your own fabulous Christmas Gingerbread House this Christmas! A wonderful project for the whole family.

The Yarrawarrahs School F and D have Gingerbread house kits left after our Christmas Market.

Order your own high quality, bakery made, house & icing kit to decorate at home for just $25!

Kits include your house, board to place it on, piping bag, icing tub and calliephone paper to wrap it in to keep it fresh. Please note illies are not included in your kit, but this way you can get whatever Illies you and your family like best to decorate exactly as you wish.

Please Contact Katie on 0417/264080 if you wish to purchase one of these great kits for your family.