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OUR SCHOOL VISION

“Engadine Public School promotes an inclusive environment that fosters confident, innovative, successful learners with high moral values.

Excellent academic, creative physical and social programs empower each student to become an active, resilient and informed citizen in our rapidly changing world.”

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Leadership Team for 2016.

Each year we find our leadership team progressively developing into more confident leaders as the year progresses. This year’s group have set high standards for our leaders of tomorrow. We have had the opportunity to witness what our new leaders are capable of in the final weeks of this term. As a school we can be proud of the choices made by our students for an amazing group of leaders for next year. We congratulate our new leadership team for 2016:

Captains: Allirah T and Billy L

Vice Captains: Isabella G and Wade M

Prefects: Brayden R, Emily S, Georgia H, Tye G

Sporting Houses:

Kangaroo Captains: Sophie C, Sophie H
Kangaroo Vice Captains: Adrian S, Ben B,
Koala Captains: Rory H, Sophia H
Koala Vice Captains: Baylie F, Logan M
Possum Captains: Brandon R, Erin P
Possum Vice Captains: Lavinia V, Zach T (now leaving 2016) Kailey D.
Each year the remarkable skills and talents of our Student Learning Support Officers, Mrs MacAlpine and Mrs Mitchell come to the fore as they work together with our Year 6 students and teachers and create the musical extravaganza of the play elected to be performed. This year it was “The Rockin’ Tale of Snow White”. With outstanding, colourful costuming and great choreography, the students “Rocked” their way through the play, performing for a matinee audience (including 85 Pre-schoolers) and an evening performance. You can see from these images—it was an amazing experience.
Our Outstanding Year 6 Musical “The Rockin’ Tale of Snow White”

Well done Year 6, we hope you had as good a time learning your lines and performing, as your audience did watching your performance!
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.

**Woolworths Promotes Healthy Eating**

**Dates to Remember**

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**Notes and Money Due**

**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.

**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.
School Dates for 2016

Wednesday 27 January  -  Teachers Return
Thursday 28 January  -  Years 1-6 Return
Wednesday 3 February -  1st day of school for Kindergarten

Engadine Public School P & C

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 photographeics, 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.

Thank You—Leadership Team - 2015

Year 6 Leadership Team, 2015 set a high standard of Leadership in our school—undertaking their duties with enthusiasm.

An exceptional group, these students showed initiative and extended their role. We thank all our leaders of 2015 for the role models they have been and hope they will remember their leadership experiences as they progress into high school. We will not forget them. We wish them every success in their futures, together with all our Year 6 students and other families who are leaving us this year.

Our Leadership Team 2015 were as follows:

Captains : Lara P Bradley J  
Vice Captains : Sami H Brodie B

Prefects : Lucy B, Zac T Madi R, Drew L

Kangaroo Captains : Madeline B Jake B Kangaroo
Vice Captains: Gabrielle B Chris (K6CS)

Koala Captains: Maliya M Chloe J
Koala Vice Captains: Connor M Samuel H

Possum Captains: Brooke P William W
Possum Vice Captains: Alyssa S Elisha H
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

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#### Receiving Compliments

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| ☑️ Say “thank you” and perhaps add an interesting positive comment (e.g. Thank you—I’ve worked hard on it) | ☑️ Don’t say something which suggests they’re wrong. (Don’t say “No it’s not one of my best efforts’

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**2016 BOOKPACKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE, FEBRUARY**

Book Packs will again be available in Term 1, 2016. Book Packs will be obtained directly from the suppliers, and we will be organising a BOOK PACK DAY in early February. To help with planning we would like to advise that packs and voluntary contributions will be in the areas of approximately $130–$150 per class, depending on the actual books purchased.
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.

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.

From the Office

Wishing all of our families a safe and happy holiday.

Best wishes for a happy & healthy new year.
SCHOOL HOLIDAY ROAD SAFETY REMINDER FOR FAMILIES

With the school holidays approaching, daily routines will soon change. Different play locations and holiday destinations means different traffic environments. So to help keep our children safe, families are reminded about these key road safety points:

* Stop, look, listen, think every time you cross the road.
  If your child is aged 8 years or younger hold their hand when walking near or across roads. If your child is 9-10 years old always actively supervise them.

* It’s the law that everyone wears a helmet when riding a bike in a public place.
  It makes sense to wear a helmet when riding scooters and skateboards too!

* Click clack front ‘n back every person for every trip.
  Everyone in the car must be securely buckled up in the right seatbelt or child restraint.

* Talk to your child about being a safe road user.
  Reinforce safe road behaviours by being a good role model! Children learn safe road behaviours from the adults who care for them. Talk about what you are doing to be safe when near roads, in the car and when riding.

* Point out road safety differences and dangers in new environments.
  This is especially important when on holidays in different surroundings. Roads, footpaths, parks, carparks, bike tracks and bike lanes may look different in holiday areas.
  The best way to keep your child safe is to actively supervise them.

Talk and teach your child about road safety every time you are out an about.
Remind other adults who care for your children to do this too.
SUTHERLAND SHIRE COUNCIL VACATION CARE

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

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 knolliness 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.johnfranklinchristmaslunch.com.au, contact us on 9545 0498 or email: JFCL.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 child’s 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

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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
- recognize 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

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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**
16th February to 11th of April
With 1 week break on the 28th of March
Cost: $50 per child
Venue: Caringbah Interrelate
Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408

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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 Yarravarah 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 candy cane paper to wrap it in to keep it fresh. Please note  icelies are not included in your kit, but this way you can get whatever fancies you and your family like best to decorate exactly as you wish.

Please contact Katie on 0411726408 if you wish to purchase one of these great kits for your family.