**Assemblies held**  
FORTNIGHTLY On Even Weeks, Tuesday at 2:30pm

**Canteen** closed Monday and Tuesdays.

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**Special Thought**

Kind hearts are the garden,  
Kind thoughts are the roots,  
Kind words are the blossoms,  
Kind deeds are the fruits.  

*John Ruskin*

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| 2 | Seniors at Regional Dance |
| 3 | Got Game |
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| 10 | Got Game |
| 22 | Sen Choir Rehearsal |
| August |
| 11 | Jnr Choir/Dance Matinee  
Concert SSSMF |
| 12 | Jnr Choir/Dance Concert |
| 20 | Sen Choir/Dance Concert |

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**Thank You**

Hendrika Green, Principal

I would like to thank Ms Steven and Mrs Wirth who assisted in my place during the time of my absence last week. I would also like to thank Ms Steven and Mrs Raudaschl who attended the P & C meeting and shared information about our school, the upcoming Big Morning Tea and tabled our new student reports for those present.

**School Forum Meeting - 2015 –2017 School Plan**

Our School Plan for 2015-2017 and the Annual School Report have been uploaded to the school internet website, and are available for review by our local community and anyone who has an interest in the school.

The school plan was developed as a result of forum meetings held in 2014, looking at the needs and wants of the school, from the perspective of the students, staff and wider community.

A forum meeting is to be held on Tuesday 26 May, at 6:30 pm to provide an opportunity to share with the community the proposed milestones of achievement the school will endeavour to attain to meet the targeted projects of the 2015-2017 Plan.

Parents and carers are invited to attend this meeting. To assist with catering please complete the expression of interest which went home with students on Friday.

**Sustainability Camp —Congratulations to our Year 4 Team!**

Some students from our Year 4 classes attended the Sustainability Camp at Stanwell Tops, together with students from other schools of the Community of Schools on The Park. We thank the leadership of Mr Ross Edwards of Engadine West Public School and the team of teachers and secondary students from local schools who assisted in the program. Our students learned valuable information about the value of sustainability and will discuss these issues further with their peers.
Notes and Money Due

**Zone Cross Country - Monday 25 May**
Heathcote Oval

**SSSMF Jnr/Sen Choir & Dance**
Tickets on sale 27 May

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**Key Value: Honesty (Personal Key of Success)**

Honesty is a virtue and it can be taught to children. Teaching the value of honesty to children is part of the development of both moral and emotional strength. The quality of honesty helps to develop character and solid self-esteem.

Teaching children honesty can be a real challenge however, given the examples of dishonesty that they may encounter every day in the world around them. Your example, and your constant feedback about your child's behaviour, can be a powerful influence on your child.

Teaching honesty by example is very effective. This is something that both parents and teachers can do. “Do-as-I-do” is a better motto than the proverbial, “Do-as-I-say, not-as-I-do.” Teaching by example means conducting your personal and business affairs in an honest and ethical manner. By doing so you will be demonstrating the self-respect that accompanies ethical behaviour.

Although we may wish them to be, no child is perfect. It is best to use a no-shaming policy when children mess up. Children will be far more likely to revert to dishonest behaviours if they fear being shamed.

Gaining your approval is a strong motivator. Focus on the positives.

At school we want our students to be honest about the things they do, and say, to be able to return property they find, and to tell the truth about they actually saw when they witness an event. Being honest means children are developing their trustworthiness. Knowing you can be trusted is a boost to self-esteem.

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**Due Dates**

Parents and carers are advised due dates are established to ensure money is processed and numbers advised to service providers in time for all required planning.

The school is strict on close off dates.

We do not want our students, your children to miss out on valuable opportunities—and hence we ask you to help us with this.

Please ensure you pay by close off dates, or if you are experiencing difficulties, please advise the Office prior to the close off date so alternate arrangements can be negotiated, if appropriate.

It is TOO late after close off dates as commitments have already been made by this time.

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**PSSA Results—Round 2**

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**Nominate a Teacher**

‘A Day Made Better’ hunt for Australia’s best teachers. Each teacher nominated gets a certificate acknowledging their contribution to education. It doesn’t matter if you’re a student, parent, family member, friend or colleague. Please show your support and nominate an extraordinary teacher that has gone above and beyond the call of duty. Nominate a teacher from our school that you value for their work with others. Nominations close 29 May 2015.

Now taking advertising for Term 2.
Rates are $60 per term for advertising on the front page of this newsletter.
Please contact the office for further details.

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.

### Do’s

- Stay cool
- Stand tall
- Say their name (if you know it)
- Look in their eyes
- Say firmly and in a slightly louder voice something like “Cut it out” or “No more”
- If they do it again, tell them more firmly to cut it out
- If they keep doing it you can:
  - ignore them, walk away, ask an adult for support if you feel you are in danger.
  - Do this only as a last resort

### Don’ts

- Don’t get aggro
- Don’t argue with them
- Don’t annoy them back
- Don’t smile
- Don’t use a whingeing tone of voice
- Don’t try to get them into trouble

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Is your child making friends at school?


Mastering spelling

Are you checking your child’s weekly spelling homework? Try talking to your child about how you spell, and what you do when you don’t know how to spell a word. Here’s some advice about how to help your child master spelling.


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![FRUIT & VEG KIDS ARE NOT EATING ENOUGH](image)
The staff at our school are very proud of the majority of children who regularly bring crunch and sip to school every day.

We would now like to issue a new challenge for our kids to help promote healthy eating and a healthy lifestyle. We are asking that all children bring vegetables only for crunch and sip, eg. carrot sticks, cherry tomatoes, snow peas, celery sticks, etc and fruit for fruit break which is also known as their recess break. Children who bring vegetables for crunch and sip each day will be given incentives like stickers, table points, hi 5 hands, etc.

We are hoping that this will encourage children to bring healthier options to school in their lunchboxes and less packaged items, to promote healthier eating. This will also hopefully encourage and educate children to make healthier decisions about eating, now and for the future!

Canteen Roster

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If you cannot make it on your day please organise to swap with somebody else. If this is not possible please leave a message for Deidre at the school or contact her on 0412 212 750.

Thanks for your continuing support of the canteen, the children love to see you there.

Canteen Open Times

PLEASE NOTE—The canteen will be closed on Thursday 28 May as we are holding our “Biggest Morning Tea”.

Normal OPEN times are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday ONLY.
**School Photos**

There are extra school photos available to view at the office. They are of: **House Captains, Year 6, Whole School and Leaders.**

The cost is $14 per photo. Envelopes are available from the office. The correct money is required or payment can be made by credit card. The closing date is Friday 29 May 2015.

**Banking News**

Please bring your deposit books into your class on Thursday.

Banking will processed and the deposit books will be returned to classes on Fridays.

**Uniform Shop News**

**Opening Hours**: 8.45am to 9.30am

**The Uniform Shop will open Wk 1 & 5 of each Term.**

Orders can be left at the Office anytime with payment. Cash or cheque only. Cheques to be made out to Engadine Public School P & C Uniform Shop.

**Second Hand Uniforms WANTED**

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.

**Uniform Shop - UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT**

Orders will still be placed in the Office money box and be filled fortnightly. Please direct all enquiries to Mrs Cody on Wednesday to Friday from 9.30—11.00am. Please be aware she is also running the Canteen and not all orders/enquiries can be dealt with immediately.

**Please help us support the transition with our volunteers and Mrs Cody.**

**Please Note**

We have an uncollected uniform order with no name. Please contact the office.

**Zone Cross Country Rescheduled**

Please note the changes to the Zone Cross Country.

**Venue**: Heathcote Oval

**Date**: Monday 25 May 2015

**Time**: Be at school by 8:15am for 8:30am departure. Students will return at 12.30pm.

**Are You Interested in Different Cultures?**

World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in July 2015. Hosting exchange students gives Australian families the opportunity to share their life and their culture with young international students for a term, semester or year. July is fast approaching and our students can’t wait to hear from a welcoming host family they can call their own and learn about the place they will soon call home.

**Meet Our Students:**

Armelle (17) from Belgium loves sports! She tells us that she dances twice a week, participates in a fitness class on Wednesdays and is beginning gymnastics classes. She also goes to scouts with her friends on Saturday mornings. Armelle is looking forward to discovering Australia, seeing the new landscapes and speaking English with her new host family!

Gianni (17) from Italy has a wide range of interests and hobbies. He tells us that he is interested in sports, especially martial arts and basketball. He also likes to collect fossils, model airplanes, is passionate about history and travel and is very excited about being able to share his culture and learn about Australia.

**Hosting Is Fun! Request Student Profiles!** Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today on 1300 884 733, info@wep.org.au or www.wep.org.au to receive a full information pack for your family.
Community News

OYSTER BAY Art & Craft Festival

SATURDAY 30TH MAY & SUNDAY 31ST MAY 2015
10AM - 4PM

OYSTER BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL
INFANTS SITE - PHILLIP STREET, OYSTER BAY

- Art Exhibition
- Food
- Music
- Handmade Craft
- Books
- Rides
- Entertainment
- Auctions
- Raffles
- Minions Show
- And much more...

Opening Night Preview

- FRIDAY 29 MAY 2015
- AT 7.30PM
- LIGHT SUPPER & DRINKS
- TICKETS $25.00