

Ellalong Public School

Safe Respectful Learners

Newsletter—Term 3 Week 9

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Thursday 20th September 2018



Principal's Message

As part of the transition to High School activities, Year 6 had the opportunity to attend a STEAM Fun Day, thanks to Miss King. The students participated in a range of exciting challenges in the science and engineering fields.



It was great to see all the smiling excited faces before the K-3 Reptile Park Excursion. Everyone had a great time and no one became reptile food. As you can see below, it turns out we have some very brave students, and a particularly brave teacher! Well done to all the boys and girls for their fantastic behaviour whilst representing our school, and thank you to Mrs Barnes and Mrs Hall for organising a wonderful opportunity.



Our new canteen menu has been established, with many healthy options available. I would like to thank Kylie Harris, Nicole Martin and Amber Hannan for their efforts in creating this new canteen menu and providing this service to our school community. If you are available to volunteer in the canteen in Term 4, please get in touch with Kylie Harris. At this stage, with the volunteers we have available, the canteen will be open on Fridays and possibly Mondays.

Grandparents Day is on the Friday of Week 1 Term 4 (Friday 19th October) from 11:30am. Please invite your extended family to come along and visit our school. Pre-orders for lunches are going out today, and are essential to allow for ordering and preparation. Please return them as soon as possible. NAPLAN Results were received this week and will be sent home with Year 3 and Year 5 students on Friday.

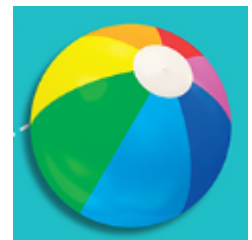
Share Our Space is on again these holidays. Feel free to use the school oval and equipment during this time.

Bounce Back: Key points to talk about with your children from this fortnight.

Blame fairly. How much of what happened was due to you, to others, to bad luck, or circumstances?

Accept what can't be changed (but try to change what you can first).

Paul Gaden
Principal



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Photos from the Reptile Park



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Canberra Excursion Photos



Weekly Awards Term 3, Week 7 & 8

Merit Awards - Olivia Pollock, Oscar Piper-Page, Savannah Teasdale, Felicity Lucas, Joshua Shakespeare, Ellen Beckett, Seb Langworthy, Kaida Werdmuller Von Elgg, Hazelle Tiernan, Tully Chapman, Charles Wallace and Olive Martin.

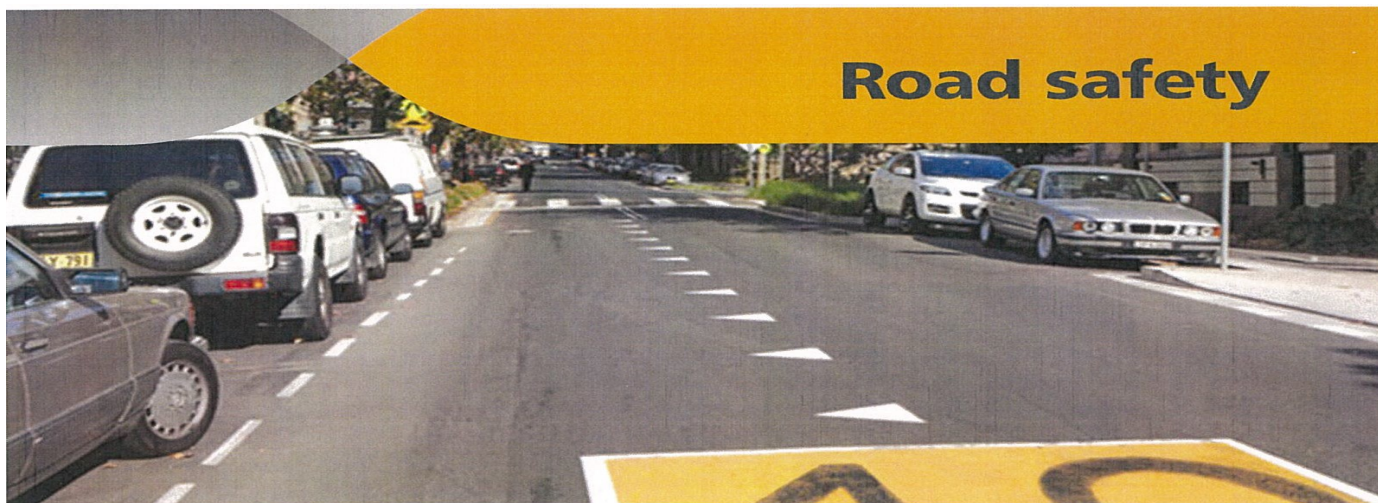
PBL Awards - Jed Swan, Archie Sills, Skylah Cameron, Ella Jackson, Grace Crump, Sophia Teasdale, Laura Thomas, Lucy Buckley, Braxton Gillham, Tori Farley, Charlotte Norley and Aleeyah Koop.

Reading Awards - Emme Formosa, Charlotte Blain, Scarlett Phillip, Joshua Shakespeare, Jewel Harrison-Northrop, Lawson Beckett, Lucy Shakespeare, Lachlan Williams-Impey, Emily Pollock, Syienna Beetham, Olivia Pollock, Macy Langworthy, Mac Burgess, Swae Howden and Charlotte Norley.

Principal Awards - Emily Pollock, Orion Griffith, Declan Piper-Page, Jewel Harrison-Northrop and Emme Formosa.

Pen Award - Macy Langworthy.

Road safety



Your guide to driving and parking safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and vehicles outside the school. That's why you need to take extra care in 40km/h school zones.

- Park safely and legally, even if it means walking further to the school gate. Parking signs are planned with children's safety in mind.
- Slow down to 40km/h in the school zone and stay aware of crossings.
- Always park and turn legally around the school.
- Never double park as it puts children at risk.
- Manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns are dangerous.
- Never park in a bus zone or in the school bus bay.
- Make sure your children use the Safety Door (rear footpath side door) to get in and out of the car.
- At a supervised crossing, observe the directions of the school crossing supervisor.
- Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child – they will learn from you.

Remember to always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways. Don't park across the school driveway or the entrance to the school car park. It's always a good idea to use the drop off and pick up area suggested by your school. This will help keep all children as safe as possible during the busiest times of the school day.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au



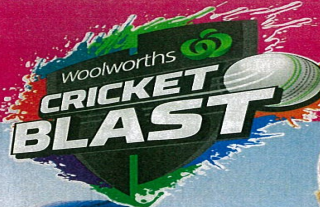
Lives lost on NSW roads.
Our goal is zero.



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E.P.S Ten Week Calendar 2018 (Updated 20/09/2018)

Wk.	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat / Sun
Wk 10	24	25	26	27	28 Gold Star Assembly	29/30
Oct	1 Holidays	2 Holidays	3 Holidays	4 Holidays	5 Holidays	6/7
	8 Holidays	9 Holidays	10 Holidays	11 Holidays	12 Holidays	13/14
Wk 1 Oct	15 Students Return	16	17 P&C Meeting	18	19 Grandparents Day 11:30am	20/21
Wk 2	22	23	24 Science and Engineering Challenge Yr5/6	25	26	27/28
Wk 3 Oct/ Nov	29	30	31	1 Kindi Orientation 1.	2	3/4
Wk4 Nov	5	6	7	8 League Tag Day	9 Military Uniforms Display	10/11 Remembrance Day
Wk 5 Nov	12	12	14	15 Kindi Orientation 2	16 Gold Star Assembly	17/18
Wk 6 Nov	19	20	21	22 Kindi Orientation 3.	23	24/25
Wk 7 Nov	26 Swim School	27 Swim School	28 Swim School	29 Swim School	30 Swim School	01/02
Wk 8 Dec	3	4 Y6 Orientation Day at MVHS	5	6	7 Swimming Carnival	8/9
Wk 9 Dec	10	11 Presentation Day.	12	13	14	15/16
Wk 10 Dec	17	18	19 Last Day of 2018!	20	21	22/23



JOIN THE FUN

WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST IS A FUN AND FAST PROGRAM FOR KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES TO LEARN THE SKILLS AND PLAY AUSTRALIA'S FAVOURITE SPORT.

Bellbird Workers Cricket Club Junior Blasters

To register visit www.playcricket.com.au click on 'Where can I play?' and enter 'Bellbird NSW'

When: Saturday Mornings Starts 13th October – Finishes 1st December
Time & Location: Carmichael Park, Bellbird
Contact: amycagney03@yahoo.com or Amy Cagney 0416 570 824
Ages: Girls and Boys aged 5 to 8
Cost: \$99 Includes Shirt and Hat/Cap **FREE** when Active Kids Voucher used!
 Claim your Active Kids voucher through <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-active-kids-voucher>



**JOIN THE FUN AT YOUR LOCAL CENTRE
 REGISTER AT PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU**

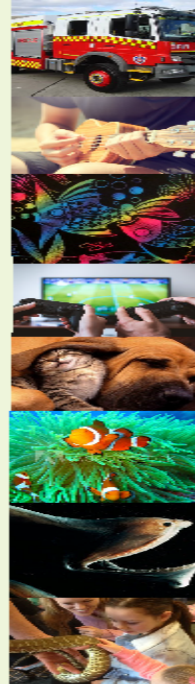
OFFICIAL KIDS PROGRAM



School holiday fun @ your library

**TICKETS ON SALE MID-SEPTEMBER
 Numbers strictly limited, pre-bookings essential, no refunds**

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| Fire, Fire: Storytime
Meet real firefighters, learn about fire safety, and check out a real fire truck!
Cessnock Library | Tuesday October 2 | Ages 2-8
10-10.45am | Cost: FREE |
| Kids Play Uke
Learn the basics of ukulele playing at this introductory workshop—
instruments provided—perform for your friends and family!
Cessnock Library
Kurri Kurri Library | Tuesday October 2
Wednesday October 3 | Ages 8+
2-3pm
2-3pm | Cost: FREE |
| "Under the Sea" Scratch Art
Scratch your own magical underwater world with local artist Michèle Heibel
Kurri Kurri Library
Cessnock Library | Thursday October 4
Thursday October 4 | 10-11am
1-2pm | Ages 8+
Cost: \$7.00 |
| Game On!
Challenge your friends on the Wii or Xbox—or your favourite board game.
Cessnock Library
Kurri Kurri Library | Friday October 5
Monday October 8 | 10am-12pm
2-4pm | Ages 8+
Cost: FREE |
| Talk to the Animals Pet Storytime
Stories, songs and craft—what's your favourite pet?
Cessnock Library
Kurri Kurri Library | Tuesday October 9
Wednesday October 10 | 10-10.45am
10-10.45am | Ages 2-8
Cost: FREE |
| Movie & Craft
Enjoy an afternoon at the movies, then make your own Nemo puppets!
Cessnock Library
Kurri Kurri Library | Tuesday October 9
Wednesday October 10 | 2-4pm
2-4pm | Ages 5+
Cost: FREE |
| Creatures of the Deep with Emma Best
Learn about giant squids, gulper eels and other monsters of the deep—
what's down there and how ugly is it?
Kurri Kurri Library
Cessnock Library | Thursday October 11
Thursday October 11 | 10-11am
2-3pm | Ages 5+
Cost: \$5.00 |
| Bob Turner Wildlife Show
Get up close and personal with bugs, reptiles and all things that slither and
crawl in this entertaining and educational hands-on wildlife show.
Kurri Kurri Library
Cessnock Library | Friday October 12
Friday October 12 | 10-11am
1.30-2.30pm | Ages 7+
Cost: \$7.00 |



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