

Welcome to the Stage 3 Parent and Carer Information Session

Monday 26th February



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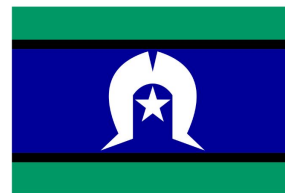
Acknowledgement of country

Earlwood Public School would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Wangal, Bedigal and Kameygal people of the Eora Nation.

We pay our respects to the courage of the Elders past, present and emerging.

With loyalty we recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land, which continue to be important today.

With courtesy we must remember that this is, was and always will be Aboriginal land.



Stage 3 Teachers

4/5T Mrs Tsionis

5PB Mr Braine

5F Ms Fomiatti (Assistant Principal)

5K Mr Khilla

6D Mr Johnson

6J Mr Jewson

6M Mrs Medaglia

6W Miss Walshe

Ms Dillon - Deputy Principal (Rel.)

Ms Davis - Principal (Rel.)

Contacting School

- For academic/classroom issues, your child's classroom teacher is your first contact. If the issue cannot be resolved, then the next contact is Ms Fomiatti (Stage 3 AP).
- Action of other students – discuss with your classroom teacher first or contact the Stage supervisor or Deputy Principal (Ms Dillon) for playground issues.
- At no time should a parent approach another child other than their own child to address issues at school.
- Please do not send messages to your child's teacher through Google Classroom or Class Dojo as these are not formal modes of communication.
- Please make an appointment to speak with a teacher.

Notes

- Throughout the year, permission notes will be given to your child. Additional notes are kept at the office.
- School Bytes is the best way to receive notifications about excursions and events.
- Please provide a note for absences within 7 days.
- Late arrivals and early departures needs to be processed at the office.
- EPS is also on Facebook.



Payments

The following are ways of paying your invoice and other payments:

- **Cash/cheques** may be placed in an envelope and handed directly **to the class teacher in the morning**. Please ensure that the enclosing envelope has all the relevant details, namely your child's name and class, the amount and reason for the payment (e.g., Joe Smith 6Z – Zoo Excursion: \$24.50).
- **EFTPOS** payments at the office by 10am.
- **School Bytes** - register for a parent portal account:

<https://portal.schoolbytes.education/auth/login>

You can process payments for multiple children in one transaction.



**School
Bytes**

Academic Progress

- Parent teacher interviews will be held at the end of Term 1. Bookings are made online. Information will be sent out on how to book closer to the date.
- Academic reports will be sent home in Term 2 and Term 4.
- Additional interviews can be made by appointment.

Overnight Excursion

- **Stage 3 Bathurst Camp:** Excursion as part of our History Unit examining Australian Colonies.
- Monday 20th May to Wednesday 22nd May
- A \$50 non-refundable deposit required as indication your child will be attending – expression of interest and deposit note sent out later this week.
- Cost anticipated to be around \$400 which covers coach fares, two nights lodge style accommodation and all activities and meal (excluding lunch on day 1).

Mobile Phone Use

- Students are only to bring a mobile phone to school where it is **deemed necessary by parent/carers**.
- Mobile phones are to be switched off when students enter the school and must only be switched on when students leave the school. **Phone are not to be turned on when students are in the playground.**
- Students **are not** to show any other student the contents of their phone.
- Mobile phones are to be registered at the school office as soon as students arrive at school and signed in out at the end of the school day.

Mobile Phone Use

- Smart watches (Apple, SpaceTalk etc.) also need to be signed in at the office.
- Parents and students are advised that in bringing mobile phones to school, they are doing so at their own risk.
- Important messages to students throughout the day must be delivered by phoning/emailing the school office and requesting that a message be given to the child.

Extra Curricular Activities

- Stage 3 Youth Group
- PSSA
- Band
- Choir
- Dance troupes
- Multicultural Public Speaking, Robert Hardy Public Speaking
- Number Crunchers
- Maths Olympiad
- BEBRAS Computational Thinking Challenge
- Premier's Reading and Spelling Challenges
- Chess
- Music Bus
- Eco warriors gardening group
- Coding, Digital Art & Photography lunchtime groups

PSSA, Carnivals and Zone Sport

PSSA stands for the Primary Schools Sports Association. Schools across Sydney and NSW are organised into zone groups. Earlwood Public School has a proud tradition of successfully competing in Wiley Park PSSA Zone.

All winter and summer teams will be selected during Term 1 with the winter competition starting during Term 2. Winter and summer PSSA competitions will run back to back.

Students who excel in sports have the opportunity to represent the Wiley Park Zone, the Sydney East Area or even the State in those sports.

3-6 Carnivals

Term 1 Swimming

Learning and Support

- Social, emotional, behavioural and academic support
- Counselling - School Counsellor and Breakthru referrals
- Speech therapy services - ALLSALT
- Occupational therapy - Koorana
- Attendance

School Attendance



**Days
missed =
years lost**

If your child misses as
little as

1

day per week

they will miss

8

weeks of school
per year

which adds up to over

2.5

years missed over
their school life

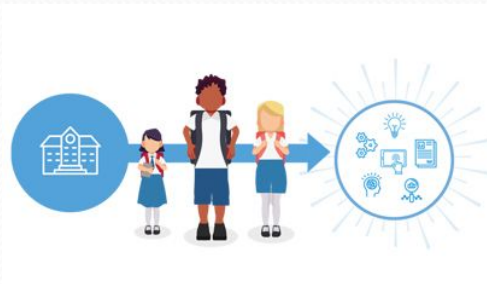
Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction

The APCI works side by side with teachers and students within the classroom with a focus on mathematics.

The APCI and classroom teacher collaborate to develop differentiated programs and resources to develop the skills of all students.

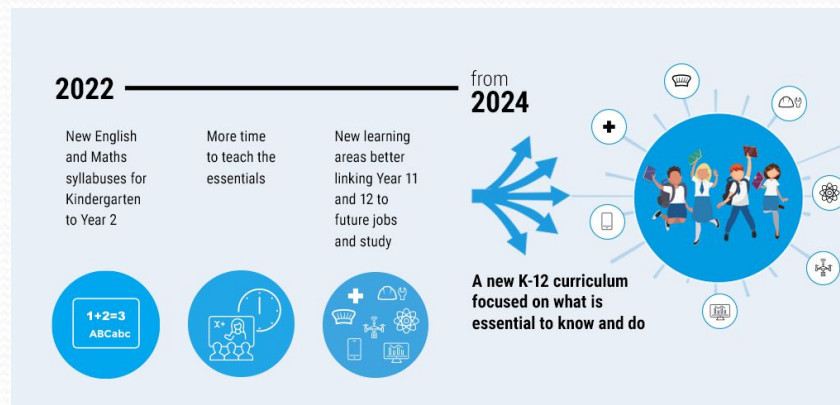
Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction

- APC&I is a new position in public schools to assist the implementation of evidence-informed literacy and numeracy practices to improve teaching, learning and assessment across the curriculum.
- I will be working closely with teachers and Assistant Principals and in 3-6 classrooms to help the implementation of the new syllabus and units of work that have been released by the Department Of Education.



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- The new curriculum will give students more time to focus on key learning areas so that they can acquire a deeper understanding of central concepts.
- It will ensure students develop strong foundations for learning, life and work in a complex and fast-changing world.



Lastly ...

- If you have any concerns regarding your child please do not hesitate to contact us to make an appointment for a meeting.
- We look forward to having a very enjoyable and successful year together.

