

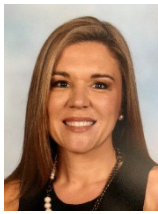


NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 WEEK 3 : FEBRUARY 2022



Happy, Healthy, Successful, Lifelong Learners



PRINCIPAL REPORT

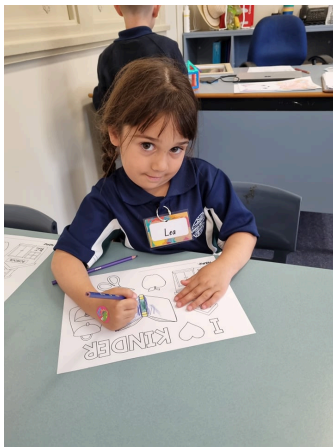
Welcome back to 2022

Welcome back to all of our wonderful students and families. I hope you had an enjoyable, restful and safe holiday break. I would like to extend a special welcome to our new families and trust that you and your children will enjoy being part of our school community.

It has been such a positive start to the year welcoming students back and hearing about students settling into classrooms with their new teachers and adapting very quickly to classroom routines.

Welcoming our new Kindergarten students

What a settled start it has been for all of our new Kindergarten students. After family photos and drop off, students were full of excitement as they went into their classrooms and started their very first day of school. Throughout the week they have become accustomed to school routines, made their first ice block purchase from the canteen and made many new friends. After a very busy and fun filled week I'm sure they will all sleep well tonight.



Swimming carnival

Our Swimming Carnival was a great highlight for staff and students and it was great to see so many students attend the day and participate in events. The day didn't have the same atmosphere without parents or our student spectators, and although students were unable to do their usual house chants, they showed great support for their peers clapping from the stand.

It was really encouraging to see students excited to get in the water and have a go. We had some experienced and serious competitors who provided some very close race finishes and even broke a few records throughout the day. Congratulations to all students who attended.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Mitchell Beams, Amanda Schofield and Lee Baldock for their organisation of such a great carnival and thank the wonderful parent helpers who were there on the day to help with the smooth running of the carnival. Events like this cannot go ahead without your support and it is greatly appreciated.



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P&C Association

All parents are invited to join the P&C and are encouraged to attend meetings. Meetings are held on Tuesdays in Weeks 4 and 9 of each term, beginning at 7:00pm. The first meeting this year will be held next Tuesday 15 February. This meeting will be via Zoom due to current COVID restrictions. The P&C will provide details for the Zoom meeting.

2022 Student Leadership Team

Position	Student
Prime Minister	Taj H
Deputy Prime Minister	Cooper R
Secretary	Aymee E
Secretary	Jack G
Minister for PBL	Ella M
Minister for Environment	Andrew S
Minister for Environment	Annabelle W
Minister for Arts	Ari B
Minister for Communication	Marlee E
Minister for Transport	Jonah V
Minister for Education	Lana W
Minister for Foreign Affairs	Gabriella P
Student Leader	Harley S
Tech Crew	Jake W and Josh H
House Captains	
Thorpe House Captains	Emily C and Ruby L
O'Neill House Captain	George B
Waugh House Captains	Logan T and Sunny E
Freeman House Captains	Harley S and Tahlia D-N

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2022 Classes

Class	Teacher
KG	Mrs Krystal Grantham
KT	Mrs Jacqui Tibbutt
1T	Mrs Angela Thaler
1K	Mrs Kerri Kerry
2C	Mrs Chloe Clarke
2HS	Mrs Larelle Hillmann Wednesday- Friday Mrs Amanda Schofield – Monday, Tuesday
3A	Mrs Deb Anderson
4B	Ms Anna Bailey
4J	Mr Jason Barnes
5L	Mrs La Verne Lanning
6B	Mr Mitchell Beames
Library	Mrs Dale Stahl – Monday, Tuesday
Learning Support	Ms Lee Baldock
Additional Support	Mrs Tanya Woods
School Psychologist	Ms Samantha Alce

Office and Support Staff

Office Manager	Tara
School Administration Officer	Rachael
School Administration Officer	Sandy - Monday
General Assistant	Craig

SLSO	Deb
SLSO	Corey
SLSO	Liz
SLSO	Jarryd

Student Birthdays

We enjoy celebrating student birthdays at school but need to take some basic precautions to ensure the safety of all students.

We ask that parents only provide items that are individually wrapped or come in individual serves e.g. Freddo Frogs. Ice blocks can also be purchased from the canteen for the whole class. Please do not bring in home baked goods for this purpose.

Thank you for your understanding.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all our school swimmers who competed at the 2022 Erina Heights Swimming Carnival. It was a slightly different atmosphere with only competitors but there was plenty of personal best efforts and wonderful examples of sportsmanship on display throughout the whole carnival. IT was awesome to hear the clapping ring throughout Mingara Aquatic Centre cheering on each other.

The early start for the 100m freestyle, 200m medley events ensured we were able to complete all four relay events which was a definite highlight.

Thank you to the many parent volunteers who assisted at the Swimming Carnival. Your support was greatly appreciated by staff and students.

Tuggerah Lakes Zone Carnival

Some students will be invited to represent Erina Heights Public School at the Tuggerah Lakes Zone Swimming Carnival to be held at Mingara Recreation Club on Tuesday March 1. These students will receive a permission note shortly. The relay teams will consist of the fastest freestyle swimmers for each age from across all house teams.

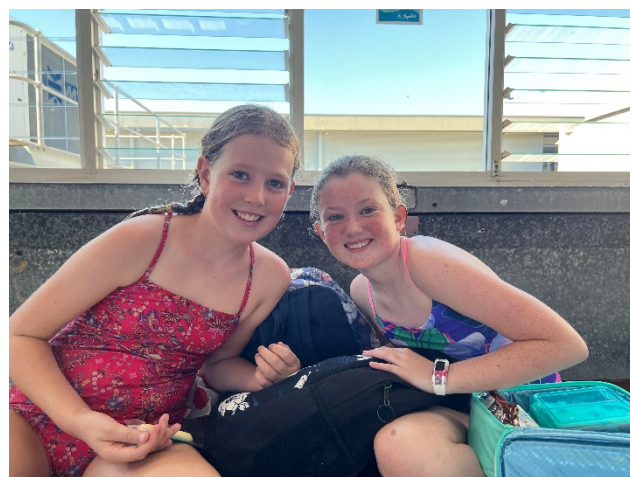
Swimming Carnival Results

Ribbons will be presented to students at a morning assembly. Winning house, Age champions and any new record holders will be published in the next newsletter.

Mr Beames



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KINDERGARTEN 2022

Our Kindergarten students have had a fantastic start to their journey here at Erina Heights Public School. We have been blown away by how quickly they have settled into school life. We have been very busy the last few days learning our classroom rules and expectations, learning how to make friends, practicing our fine motor skills and writing our name. We can't wait to see what we can achieve together in the next few weeks. The sky is the limit!

Mrs Tibbutt and Mrs Grantham



SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Education Packs and Resource Requirements 2022

Resource Requirements 2022

Each year we ask parents to provide their child with a set of equipment to support their learning and supplement what the school provides. Please be aware that some items will be for your child's personal use and will need to be labelled with their name, whilst others will be for communal use. Communal use items will be marked with an *.

Item	K-2	Stage 2	Stage 3
Glue sticks	3*	3	3
Highlighters	1 pack*	1 pack	1 pack
Whiteboard markers	4*	4	4
Lead pencils		8	8
Coloured pencils		1 set	1 set
Ruler	1*	1	1
Eraser	1*	1	1
Sharpener - enclosed		1	1
Coloured textas		1 set	1 set
Scissors		1	1
Black fine tip sharpies	2*	2	2
Red Pens		2	2
Blue Pens		2	3
A4 Scrapbook for Homework	1		
A4 Exercise book for Homework		1	1
Plastic Document wallet	2		
Small blank art book		1	
Box of tissues	1*	1*	1*
Ream of A4 white paper	2*	2*	2*
Personal headphones	1	1	1
Clip board			1
A4 Display folder – 80 pages			1
Paint shirt	1	1	1

Education Packs

We also ask parents to purchase a stage-based Education Pack which includes subscriptions to online resources that can be used both at home and at school to support students' learning. Payments can be made online, through the school website from the beginning of 2022.

Stage	PM eCollection	Mangahigh	School Magazine	Stile	Cost
K-2	•	•			\$25
Stage 2		•	•		\$25
Stage 3		•	•	•	\$40

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PM eCollection is designed to support independent and guided reading both at home and school. Students have access to a personal account, with a selection of PM levelled readers which can be tailored to cater for their reading needs.

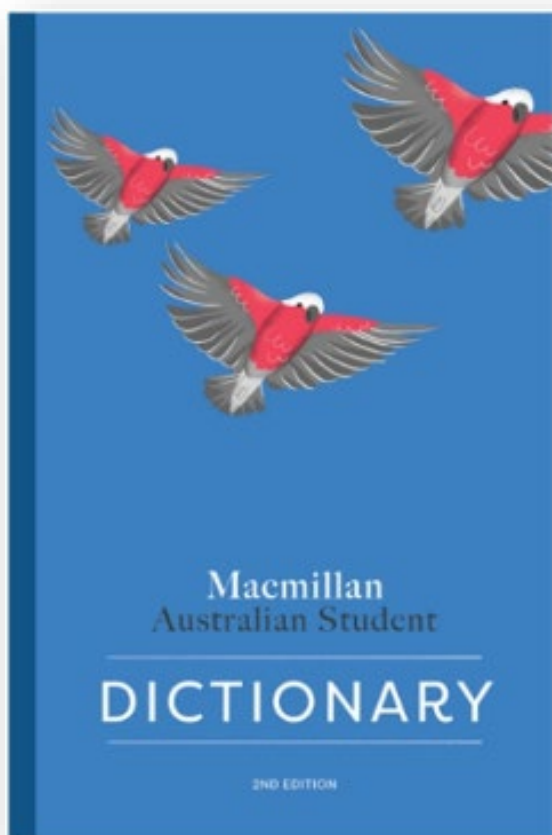
Mangahigh is a game-based learning platform which provides engaging quiz-like activities and games which support classroom mathematics programs. For more information:

<https://www.mangahigh.com/en-au/>

School Magazines are published by the NSW Department of Education and is mapped to NSW English syllabus outcomes. Each magazine offers a rich array of age-based reading material, including short stories, novel extracts, poems, crosswords and quizzes. For more information:

<https://theschoolmagazine.com.au/>

Stile is a Science based program that provides quiz like activities that encourage students to use the STEM process of defining and thinking about a problem, brainstorming solutions, researching and planning, developing and making, testing and improving, and evaluating and sharing this learning. For more information: <https://stileeducation.com/>



Dictionaries

we will be asking parents to provide dictionaries for their children in Years 3 to 6. The school will be placing a bulk order, and these will be available to buy through the school from the beginning of Term 1, 2022. Alternatively, parents are free to source their own copy.

For practicality, it is important that every student has the same dictionary so teachers can teach dictionary skills effectively. The selected dictionary is the **Macmillan Australian Student Dictionary 2nd Edition** (see left) which retails for approximately \$24.00.

Even in this electronic age, where there are many dictionary resources available online, print dictionaries still play a very important part in primary school classrooms. The ability to look up a word, phrase, concept, or idea using alphabetical order and then build upon what you've found is a developmental milestone that our children still need to learn and reach.

School Voluntary Contributions

Like all NSW public schools, we can request contributions to enhance our educational and sporting programs including elective subjects. School contributions help provide additional educational resources for the benefit of students.

The 2022 school year contribution is set at \$40 per student or \$100 per family of three or more.

While contributions are voluntary, student resources are maximised when each family makes its voluntary contribution.

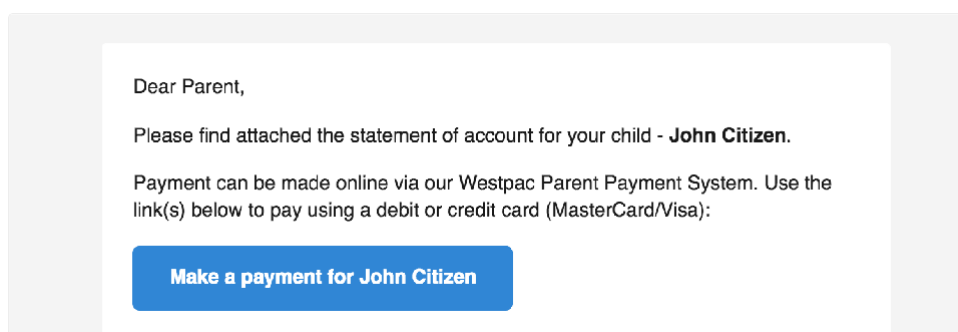
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Statements of Account – Online Payment Guide

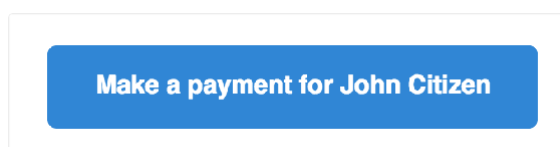
Erina Heights Public School will be sending student statements of account & payment reminders directly to parents/caregivers via email using a system called School Bytes. These statements include a link to make secure payment online through the Westpac Parent Online Payment (POP) system (Visa & Mastercard credit/debit cards accepted).

To make an online payment for your child(ren)'s school contributions, please follow the steps below:

1. You will receive an email from the school's email address (erinahts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) with the subject 'Student Statement of Account' or 'Payment Reminder'.



2. To make an online credit card payment, click the secure payment button in the email.



3. Once this button is clicked, you will be taken to a webpage on www.parentpayments.com.au.

On this page, you will see a list of all currently outstanding items for your child. By default, all items are selected/ticked for payment.

Date	Due	Fee Name	Amount	Paid	Balance Owning (\$)
05/04/2017		Gymnastics for Gymnastics	\$40.00	\$0.00	40.00
05/04/2017		Japanese Drum for Japanese Drumming	\$5.00	\$0.00	5.00
05/04/2017		LiteratLevy for Yr 6 Literature Levy Hist GC	\$18.75	\$0.00	18.75
05/04/2017		Paper for Paper Levy 2017	\$18.75	\$0.00	18.75
05/04/2017		Science-Levy for Science Levy	\$5.00	\$0.00	5.00
05/04/2017		TecLevy for Technology	\$22.50	\$0.00	22.50

4. If you wish to change the amount you would like to pay for an item, enter the desired amount in the number field under the 'Balance Owning' column.

To not pay for a certain item, untick the checkbox in the left-hand column of the table next to the item you wish to remove.

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	27/01/2017	Yr10 Technology Support	\$30.00	\$0.00	30.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	01/02/2017	Yr10 Maths - online programs	\$24.00	\$0.00	24.00

5. Once you have selected what items you wish to pay, enter your name, phone number and email address under 'Payer Details'. This allows the school to identify which parent/caregiver is making the payment.

Now, press the 'Next' button to be redirected to a secure Westpac site to finalise your online payment.

The screenshot shows a payment interface with a list of items to pay. The first item is 'Yr10 Technology Support' for \$30.00, and the second is 'Yr10 Maths - online programs' for \$24.00. The grand total is \$1028.00. Below the list is a 'Payer Details' section with fields for 'Your Name', 'Contact Phone Number', and 'Contact Email'. A 'Next' button is highlighted with a red box.

6. Once redirected to Westpac, you will see the following screen. Enter your credit card details into the appropriate text fields on this screen. Once completed, press the 'Proceed to Confirmation' button.

The screenshot shows the 'Make a Payment' screen on the Westpac website. It includes fields for 'Cardholder Name', 'Credit Card Number', 'Expiry Date', and 'Card Verification Number (CVN)'. There is a 'Cancel Payment' button and a 'Proceed to Confirmation' button.

IF YOU REALISE YOU HAVE MADE A MISTAKE IN SELECTING WHAT ITEMS YOU WISH TO PAY ON THE PREVIOUS PAYMENT PORTAL SCREEN, PLEASE CLICK THE 'Cancel Payment' BUTTON.

7. You will then see a payment summary screen where you can confirm your details. When ready, press the button at the bottom of the page to confirm and make your online payment.

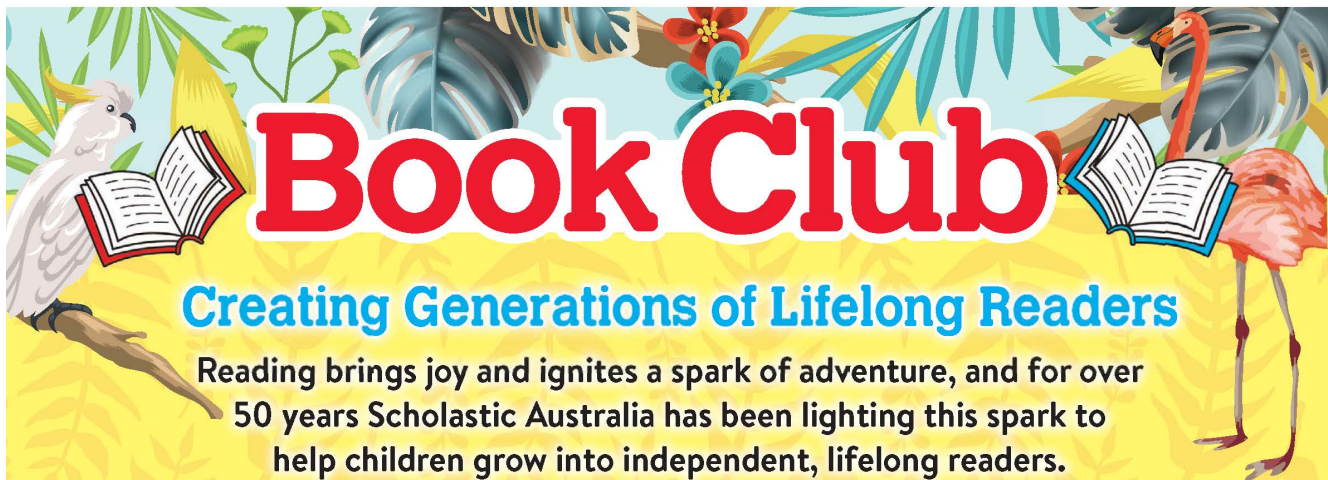
NOTE: To pay for another child in the family, return to the original email you received and click the payment button with the other child's name on it.

The payment button/link located within the email remains active for 12 months. This means that at any point within this time period you can use this link to see what items are currently owing for your family.

For information relating to the security & privacy of this service, please refer to the following webpage: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/all-files/School-Bytes-Student-Privacy-Information.pdf>

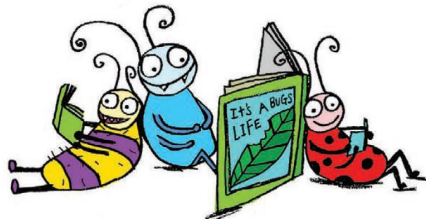
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With numerous studies finding that reading at home is a key factor in a child's success at school and into their adult life, Book Club provides a fun and easy way of bringing books into your home.



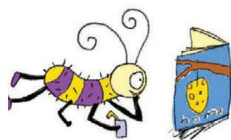
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Every purchase you make earns your child's school Scholastic Rewards that can be used to purchase valuable educational resources that benefit your child.



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How to order on **Book Club**



1. Your child will bring home a Book Club catalogue from school
2. Discuss with, and help your child pick the books they would like to read



3. Order online via the Scholastic Australia **LOOP** website or app and the school will take care of the rest! (**LOOP** orders are electronically linked to your school in an easy, secure online process)
4. The books are delivered to your child's classroom.

LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.

Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)

1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
5. Make payment via credit card.

Who is Scholastic?

Scholastic is Australia's market leader of children's publishing and a recognisable household name in children's literature. Scholastic has been helping Australian families discover a lifelong love of reading for over 100 years. Scholastic believes that all children should have regular access to quality, affordable books that they have chosen for themselves. Reading ignites a spark of adventure that a child can carry within their heart well into their adult life. Scholastic hopes to light this spark within every child.

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Where can you find Scholastic?

You can find Scholastic products in 94% of Australian schools through Book Club, Book Fairs and also retail chains and independent booksellers throughout the nation.



The Importance of 10 Minutes a Day

Did you know that just 10 minutes of reading a day will change your child's life?

While that may seem like a big statement to make, numerous studies have consistently shown that 10 minutes exposure to reading materials each day is all it takes to positively shape your child's future.

And this doesn't just include complicated educational texts—any reading materials, be it comic books, novels, picture books, recipes, magazines or the back of food packets, all count towards your child's daily reading goal.

Reading any of these materials for 10 minutes a day exposes your child to more than 600,000 words in one year—interestingly, that's more than double the word exposure of a child who only reads for 5 minutes or less each day.

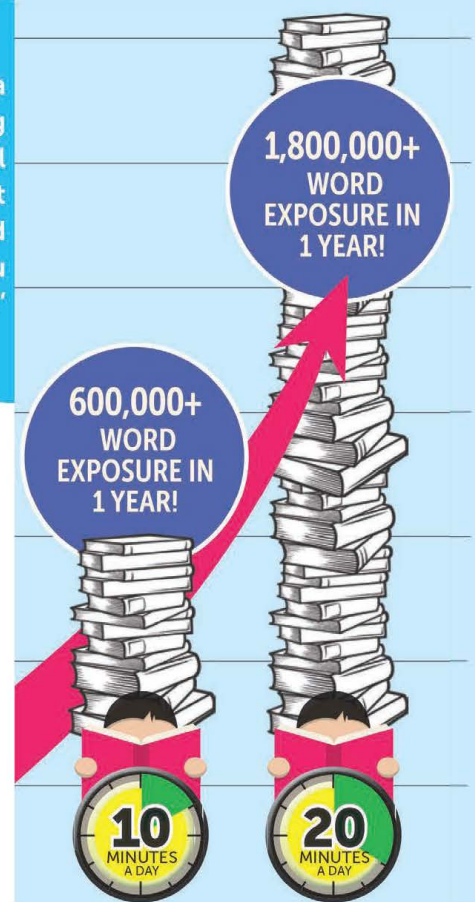
How can you ensure that you can comfortably set aside some time each day to help your child reach their reading goal?

We've put together a few reading tips to help:

- Look through Book Club catalogues with your child and talk about the books you would like to read together. Discuss what you think the books might be about.
- Be a reading role model and let your child see you reading for enjoyment, for news and for information in cookbooks, magazines, online etc. This way they see that reading is important for many reasons.
- Assign a place in your home for your family's books to show your child that books are special and deserve an organised storage space. Fill your home with lots of reading materials.
- If space allows, create a special area for your child to dedicate to reading. Make sure your child puts aside phones, tablets and any other devices that may form a distraction.
- Tie books and TV/movies together. For example, read about sea life after watching a nature documentary on the ocean. Or, connect books and experiences together. For example, after a school excursion to the zoo, read books about animals.

"Be a reading role model and let your child see you reading."

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COMMUNITY NEWS



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Term 1 2022 Calendar

Central Coast Family Support Services course work programs will be delivered as face to face courses. Most courses will have limited free childcare available which will need to be booked at registration.

FREE ONLINE PARENTING EDUCATION COURSES

Group	Date	Time
123 Magic & Emotion Coaching <i>In partnership with Woy Woy Schools as Community Centre</i>	3 Thursdays in a row March 3 – March 17	12:30pm-2:30pm
Circle of Security <i>In partnership with Gorokan Schools as Community Centre</i>	6 Wednesdays in a row February 23 – March 30	10am-12pm
Triple P – Positive Parenting Program <i>In partnership with St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School, Woy Woy</i>	4 Fridays in a row March 11 – April 1	9:30am-11:30am
Triple P – Positive Parenting Program <i>In partnership with Wyong Schools as Community Centre</i>	5 Mondays in a row February 28 – March 28	10am-12pm

[Book Here](#)

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN WEEKLY ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP

Group	Date	Time	All Grandparents raising their grandchildren living on the Central Coast are welcome to attend. No registrations needed. For more information contact us on 43401585 or email ccfss@ccfss.com.au
GRG Support Group – <i>Online, via Zoom</i>	First Wednesday of the month during school terms	10am – 12pm	
GRG Art Sessions – <i>Online, via Zoom</i>	Last Wednesday of the month during school terms	10am – 12pm	

YOUNG PARENT WEEKLY SUPPORT GROUP

Group	Date	Time	All young parents aged 13-24 years living on the Central Coast are welcome to attend. No registrations needed. For more information, contact Louise on 0412210027 or louise@ccfss.com.au
Young Parent Support Group – <i>Online, via Zoom</i>	Fridays during school terms	10am – 12pm	