

# NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 WEEK 9: MARCH 2022













Happy, Healthy, Successful, Lifelong Learners



**2C** 

It has certainly been very busy in 2C this term. We have all settled in beautifully into our class, so much so, it feels like we have been together all along.

We are currently working on setting personal goals in our learning and 2C students are starting to identify achievable goals to work toward. In maths, our focuses have been on 2D space, length, multiplication & division. It has been so lovely watching the 'light bulb moments' when students have been able to connect their learning between mathematical concepts such as how we can work out division problems using our knowledge of multiplication.

In English and literacy lessons, we have been reading up a storm. We are currently reading 'The cow who climbed a tree' which is about a courageous and ambitious cow called Tina, who seeks adventure and achieves things that ordinary cows haven't been able to. We've also recently read, 'Peggy' which is about Peggy the chicken, who just like Tina the cow, loves an adventure and isn't afraid to try new things. There have been many great talking points in these books including how we achieve success when we use a growth mindset just like Peggy and Tina.

I am so proud of how far everyone has come in term 1. I am looking forward to another successful and productive term next term. I will be looking for parents to volunteer next term during reading groups so if this is something you might be interested, please send me a dojo. Little people are welcome too!

#### Mrs Clarke













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## SPORTS UPDATE

# Rugby Leaguer Skills, Team Building and Fundamental Movement Skill sessions

We have had the pleasure of having the NRL come into Erina Heights Public School to run Rugby Leaguer Skills, Team Building and Fundamental Movement Skill sessions with our 3-6 students using our Sporting Schools funding. Students have been using new and building on old skills to pass and catch, evade and score tries. Students had a lot of fun with all the different equipment that the NRL has for us to achieve our PE outcomes. Teachers were amazed at how students' confidence and skill developed in iust one session. Students enjoyed the fun sporting challenges from their NRL instructors. Pictured are our fabulous Stage 2 and Stage 3 students participating in a wide range of activities that we tried last week.

# 12 Year Girls Tuggerah Lakes Zone Age Champion

Our very own Aymee E was the 12 Year Girls Tuggerah Lakes Zone Age Champion at the recent TLPSSA Zone Swimming Championships. This is a tremendous achievement as she scored the most points from her placings at the TLPSSA Zone Swimming Championships out of all the 12-Year-old Girls.

Well done Aymee!



#### **Sydney North Swimming**

On Wednesday, 16 March 2022, 7 students attended the Sydney North Swimming trials at Homebush. They represented Erina Heights PS competed under Tuggerah Lakes PSSA.

It was such a wonderful day, watching our students cheer each other on and participate with everything they had.

We were so proud that the students tried their very best and earnt spots in several final events. For some it was their very first final so having this experience was a significant achievement.

Aymee E finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 50m Freestyle and will represent Sydney North at the NSW State carnival.

**Aymee** 6<sup>th</sup> ΑII Girls 100m Freestyle Age 8<sup>th</sup> 11-13 year old Girls 200 12 year old Girls 50m Freestyle - 12 year old Girls 50m Breaststroke 4th

17<sup>th</sup> - 12 year old Girls 50m Backstroke 10<sup>th</sup> - 12 year old Girls 50m Butterfly

Finn E 21<sup>st</sup> - 9 year old Boys 50m Freestyle

Jack G 5<sup>th</sup> - 13 year old Boys 50m Freestyle

**Tahlia** D-N 22<sup>nd</sup> 12year old Girls 50m Freestyle 12 year old Girls 50m Backstroke 12 year old Girls 50m

Lily C, Skyla E, Tahlia D-N, Aymee E 9<sup>th</sup> - 4x50m Senior Girls Relay

Mr Beames

## **Class Merit Awards**

Congratulations to our Class Merit Award recipients:

KG	Harrison	Aidan	Madi
KT	Flynn	Joe	Landon
	Evie	James	Harry F
	Ari	Raider	Darcy M
1K	Brianna	Issac	Erin
	Aurora	Beau	
1T	Parker	Billie	Hayes
	Lily	Riley	Sophia
	Isabella	Victoria	
2HS	Jaxx	Lily	Cooper
3A	Bowie	Greta	Tahli
	Archie	Rachel	Eli
	Jacob	Ella	Dat
	Addison	Pip	Brooklyn
4B	Caelan	Ollie	Elsie
	Will	Chelsea	
<b>4</b> J	Emmy	Koby	Joshua
	Sachi	Liam	Mila
	Levi K	Levi G	Mia
	Jackson G	Jackson Ga	
5L	Maddison	Jackson	Isla
	Bleu	Рорру	
6B	Max	Xavier	Annabelle
	Will	Liam	Marlee
	Andrew	Тај	Cooper
	Flynn	Josh	Tahlia
	Lily	Chiara	





### LIBRARY NEWS

The Premiers Reading Challenge is underway, and the focus of our library sessions has been to ensure all students are able to log into their accounts and begin to borrow library books on the official list.

It has been an exciting time particularly for our Kindergarten students who have been introduced to the challenge and were given the opportunity to log in to their accounts and learn how to borrow books for the first time. Please remember to pack a library bag for your child on their allocated library day as they are unable to borrow a book without this.

Students and parents can log in to view their account, track their progress and view the list of all books included in the challenge through the Premiers Reading Challenge website (https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html). We encourage families of Kindergarten students to log in from home to set them up. All students should use their school login details, please contact your child's class teacher if you have any problems logging in.



NSW Department of Education
2022 NSW Premier's
Reading Challenge

Key dates for students in K-10: Challenge opens Monday 28 February Challenge closes for student entries Friday 19 August

Start reading now!

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Mrs Stahl





## ANTI-BULLYING DAY

Last Friday we held our Anti-Bullying Day. Students came to school dressed in orange and teachers ran activities in the classroom to teach students the importance of saying no to bullying and choosing kindness. Students learnt skills to help them navigate dealing with situations.

It was a great day where everyone got involved in a very worthy cause!











## P&C EASTER RAFFLE





Please add to your next grocery shopping list- Easter eggs, as we are now accepting donations of chocolate Easter eggs for our upcoming P&C Easter Raffle! We would love any chocolate Easter donations to be sent to the school office. We greatly appreciate your support with fundraising for our school!



Last week, the eldest child in each family brought home a P&C Easter raffle ticket booklet for you to sell to friends, family & neighbours. Please ensure the purchasers full name and phone number is written on the stub. Please return by Monday April 4 all sold, unsold or partially sold booklets. There will be a prize for the class that returns the most booklets & for the child who sells the most booklets. If you would like extra booklets to sell, please ask at the front office. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Parade on Thursday April 7!

Many thanks, Erina Heights Public School P&C

#### **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.

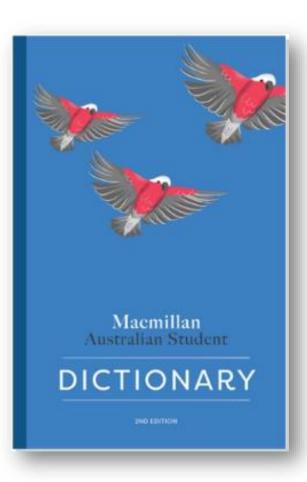
Stage	PM eCollection	Mangahigh	School Magazine	Stile	Cost
K-2	•	•			\$25
Stage 2		•	•		\$25
Stage 3		•	•	•	\$40

<u>PM eCollection</u> 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.

<u>Mangahigh</u> 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/

<u>School Magazines</u> 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: <a href="https://theschoolmagazine.com.au/">https://theschoolmagazine.com.au/</a>

<u>Stile</u> 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: <a href="https://stileeducation.com/">https://stileeducation.com/</a>



#### **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 <u>from the beginning of Term 1, 2022</u>. Alternatively, parents are free to source their own copy.

For practicality, it is important that <u>every student</u> <u>has the same dictionary</u> so teachers can teach dictionary skills effectively. The selected dictionary is the *Macmillan Australian Student Dictionary* 2<sup>nd</sup> *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.

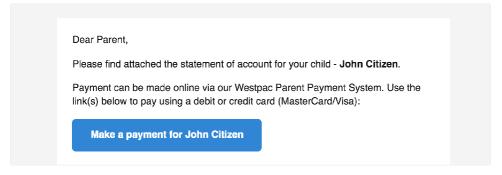
While contributions are voluntary, student resources are maximised when each family makes its voluntary contribution.

#### Statements of Account - Online Payment Guide

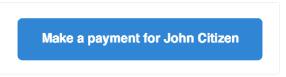
Erina Heights Public School will be sending student statements of account & payment reminders directly to parents/caregivers via email using a system called School Bytes. These statements include a link to make secure payment online through the Westpac Parent Online Payment (POP) system (Visa & Mastercard 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 ( <a href="mailto:erinahts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au">erinahts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</a>) with the subject 'Student Statement of Account' or 'Payment Reminder'.

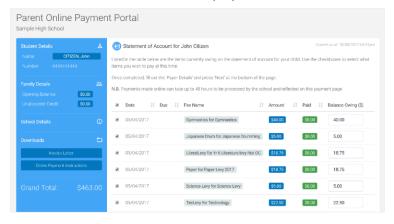


2. To make an online credit card payment, click the secure payment button in the email.



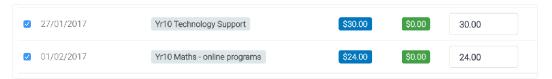
3. Once this button is clicked, you will be taken to a webpage on <a href="https://www.parentpayments.com.au">www.parentpayments.com.au</a>.

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.



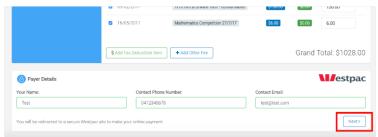
4. If you wish to change the amount you would like to pay for an item, enter the desired amount in the number field under the 'Balance Owing' column.

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.



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.



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

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☐ Card Details						
* Cardholder Name						
★ Credit Card Number	V	ISA 🥌				
* Expiry Date	01 🔻 / 18 🔻					
★ Card Verification Number (CVN)	What is the CVN2					
Cancel Payment		Proceed to Confirmation				

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: <a href="https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/all-files/School-Bytes-Student-">https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/all-files/School-Bytes-Student-</a> <a href="Privacy-Information.pdf">Privacy-Information.pdf</a>

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- Card AND an eligible Centrelink payment\*
- (can be starting school next year)
- Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)\*

\*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:









books & supplies



& gear





activities

camps & excursion

#### For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:



Meredith or Graeme



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Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

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Find out more at saverplus.org.au

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

ERINA HEIGHTS HOLIDAY PROGRAM (bookings close Wed 6 April)

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ERINA HEIGHTS HOLIDAY PROGRAM (bookings close Tues 12 April)

**April 2022 - WEEK 2** 





