Swimming Carnival 2014
Principal’s Report
As mentioned in the first newsletter for 2014, it has been a very positive start to the school year. Congratulations to both the students and staff for the great attitude that has been on display around the school.

The school has now received our staffing allocations for 2014 based on student enrolments. There has been an increase in our predicted student numbers. This is good news as this means the school is provided with some additional staffing to support the learning needs of our students.

Consultation is now occurring in the development of the school’s management plan. This document identifies what the school is looking to achieve in improving student learning outcomes over the next three years. A draft document was discussed at the most recent P&C meeting. Further consultation with the school community will continue until the end of Term 1. The final plan will then be endorsed by the Director of Public Schools and posted on the school website.

Whilst on the subject of the P&C can I make an impassioned plea for parents to consider attending our P&C meetings. They occur once a term in the school library from 5.30 to 7pm. These meetings create a fabulous opportunity to learn more about the school and to become involved in a number of areas that have a direct and significant impact in the school. Being part of the P&C can allow members to be trained to sit on merit selection panels in the appointment of staff, become a parent member of a school team, listen to presentations from guest speakers and have the ear of the Principal to discuss individual student matters. The meetings are conducted in a very inclusive and welcoming way. The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday March 25th. This will be the Annual General meeting (AGM) and it would be great to have a good roll up for the evening. If you would like to attend, try and bring along another parent as well!

On Tuesday the 4th of March the school held a swimming carnival with a focus on participation and fun. Congratulations to Mrs Wungluck and her team for coordinating a fantastic day enjoyed by all.

A Welcome Yr 7 BBQ was held on Wednesday March 5th. Over 70 parents attended with lots of students. Yr 7 interim reports were issued to provide immediate feedback to parents about the way their children have progressed at high school. Of course they are all going sensational!

A reminder that a Parent/Teacher afternoon will be held for Year 7, 8 and 9 in the school hall on Tuesday March 18th. Students will soon be receiving details of this event so keep an eye out for information (This may mean digging through the school bag).

The school has begun formative discussions in relation to some exciting community partnerships in the Eden area. I am hoping that as these initiatives develop they will create great opportunities for our students and our community. Watch this space for future updates.

Ian Moorehead
Principal

‘Stories are like spiders, with all their long legs, and stories are like spiderwebs, which man gets himself all tangled up in but which look so pretty when you see them under a leaf in the morning dew, and in the elegant way that they connect to one another, each to each.’

NEIL GAIAIN, Anansi Boys

LIBRARY NEWS
Students have been very busy over the past few weeks, refining their research skills in the Library. The focus this term has been on accessing reference tools such as dictionaries and encyclopaedias. Students have also been shown how to access the school library catalogue via their DEC Portal. This allows students to identify resources and their location from any point in the school, as well as from home. They are then able to come to the library before school or at lunchtime to read, research and borrow.

New resources in the Library cover a wide range of topics including; short stories, Italian language, multimedia systems, stem cell research, Nelson Mandela, Cuban missile crisis, battle of Britain, Iraq, money in sport, Australia’s engagement with Asia, single-parent families, etc.

Our current magazine collection includes: Time, Choice, Australian Photography, Dolly, Rolling stone, Tracks, Australian healthy food guide, Tech life, Freshwater fishing, National Geographic, Slam skateboarding and Top gear.

Library resources are on loan for a period of two weeks. Students are reminded to return all items during this time or see the Library staff to renew items for a further two-week period. Overdue notices are issued twice a term via Roll Call.

Kaylene Taylor
Teacher Librarian

‘Need more adventure? Want to explore your wild side? On display this week in the library- new resources from exotic locations from around our fabulous planet.'
WHAT IS ANAPHYLAXIS

Anaphylaxis is a severe and sometimes sudden allergic reaction. If your child has been diagnosed by a doctor as being at risk of anaphylaxis there are some important things to remember that will help the school to support your child’s health care needs.

You need to keep us informed if your child is diagnosed as being at risk of anaphylaxis or if his or her condition changes. This includes if they have an anaphylactic reaction while not at school.

The school can only respond to risks it knows about. Please keep the school informed so that we can plan to support your child at school.

Bridie Takes on Big City

Year 11 students have currently been seeking work placement for next term as part of their course requirements. Students will be working locally and interstate learning many new skills and opening job prospects.

We would like to congratulate Bridie Ahern on being accepted to complete her placement at Adriano Zumbo Patisserie in Sydney, which is a great opportunity for her future employment in hospitality.

Stay tuned for some exciting upcoming hospitality functions.

P&C NEWS

Due to unforeseen circumstances the P&C AGM will now take place on:

Date: Tuesday, 25th March
Time: 5.30pm
Venue: Eden Marine High School library

All are welcome.

Light refreshments will be available.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March
Wed 12th School Photos
Tues 18th Parent & Teacher night - Year 7, 8, 9
Thurs 20th Zone Touch, Bombala
Tues 25th P&C AGM
Fri 28th Girls Learn to Surf, Merimbula
Mon 31st Year 12 Assessment Week
White Card Training

April
Tues 1st Zone Volleyball, Bega
Thurs 3rd Year 11 Flexi Day
Thurs 10th Vaccinations
Surf Survival Day - Year 9

CELEBRATE ATTENDANCE

Getting to school on time

It is essential to establish a regular routine each morning and arriving at school on time an important part of your child’s morning routine.

It is important to be at school on time because:

• It sets up good habits for the future/
• It provides social benefits – good play time and discussion among friends.
• The school day usually begins with the teacher giving out information to students. Eg. Any changes to school routines, coming events etc.
• It is an opportunity for important teacher pupil interaction before school.
• There is plenty of time for ordering lunches if needed.

Year 11 student Bridie Ahern cooking up a storm in the school's hospitality kitchen.

EMHS is So Boring!

Well it’s the end of week six (when this article was written) and the school is so ‘boring’; we have only had:

• Open boys basketball at Bateman’s Bay
• Under 15 and Open boys and girls soccer try outs
• Whole School Swimming Carnival
• Competitors only swimming carnival, Zone swimming championship Under 17’s and Eden Marine High School named overall School champions
• ‘Coming Home’ music performances in the hall
• Choir practice and try outs
• Surf Survival and surfing during class lessons
• 7’s rugby in Bega
• Social Touch football every Friday on the oval
• Year 11 S.L.R. fitness testing at Eden Primary School
• Students acting as officials at Merimbula Public School’s swimming carnival
• Year 7 Eco-Ranger

Not to mention coming in the next 4 weeks:

• Rugby League Gala day 13’s, 15’s & Opens – 3rd April
• Under 14’s and Open boys cricket
• Surf Survival testing day at Pambula Beach – 9th April
• Year 11 S.L.R. camp at Bournda – 2nd – 4th April
• Girls Go Surfing day at Merimbula – 28th March
• Zone boys and girls Touch football at Bombala – 20th March
• Year 10 PD/H/PE cross country
• Zone Rugby League trials under 15’s and Open at Bega
• Zone Squash – 10th April
• Under 14’s Rugby League Buckley Shield – 3rd May

We are on the Internet – check our website at http://www. edenmarine-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Email: edenmarine-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
CAREER MATTERS
Half of Year 10 have now completed their interviews with me and should have a resume on their laptops and a hard copy. All of Year 10 will be eligible to gain their White Card qualification, which is necessary if they are to enter a worksite or pursue a trade as a career. Mr Jason Smith will be conducting the course over the last two weeks of Term 1 and students will receive a permission note from me when the cost has been finalised with Work Cover. A reminder that Work Experience will be 2-6 June 2014 and students in Year 10 can start organising themselves now! We have five students who have applied for Defence Force Work Experience placements, and two of those students have already received confirmation to work as Naval Aviators at HMAS Albatross in Nowra.

Year 12 students had the opportunity to attend the Combined University Talks on 5 March 2014 and should now be looking at University websites to find out what scholarships are available. If your family receives Centrelink payments, you should make an appointment to see what scholarships they can offer your child as there are a number available depending on your financial circumstances.

I will advertise in the Newsletter upcoming events, but realise that it is quite impossible to be able to attend most of these events. You will be able to contact the organisers though, to gain more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS
University of NSW - Engineering and Student Parent Information Night
Wednesday 19 March 2014 6-8pm
Visit engineering.unsw.edu.au/student-parent for more information.

University of Newcastle: HSC Music Day
Fri 9th May, 9:30am to 2:30pm
Harold Lobb Concert Hall, Newcastle Conservatorium, Newcastle
During this day, students will be able to choose from workshops and presentations by HSC markers about aural skills, composition, performance anxiety and nerves, and musicology.

UNSW: Health Careers Kit 2013
This document, developed by the University of New South Wales, contains information about going to university, allied health/medicine/nursing programs at a range of universities, and more.
http://web.med.unsw.edu.au/rcshealthcareers2013/

Open Colleges
Open Colleges is one of Australia’s leading providers of distance learning and it offers courses across the country in a range of areas.
http://www.opencolleges.edu.au/

University of Western Sydney: The Academy Scholarships
The Academy at UWS offers substantial financial support for high-achieving students who are committed to academic excellence and to making a contribution to their community. Scholarships include the VC Leadership Scholarship, valued at $10,000 per year, and the Dean’s Scholarship and Academic Excellence Scholarship, valued at $5,000 per year. The University of Western Sydney also offers other scholarships.
http://www.theacademy.edu.au/scholarships

PRIVATE COLLEGES
Metro Screen: Screen & Media Careers Info Night
Wed 26 March, 6pm to 7pm
Corner of Oxford Street & Oakley Road, Paddington
Hear from industry professionals about how they started and what has helped them achieve careers in the screen and media industries.

OTHER NEWS
The School for Excellence: Getting the Most Out of the Time Spent at School
This article discusses some ways for students to make the most of their time at school so that they can spend less time after school working.

OC Tours
OC Tours runs school tours, small group & personalized tours, and volunteer programs in rural Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar. Their volunteer program places students in teaching projects in rural schools, and is intended for school leavers interested in volunteering during their gap year. www.octours.com.au

HSC In The Holidays: HSC Term 1 Seminars
Mon 17th & Tue 18th March, UOW Wollongong & UOW Southern Sydney
These seminars provide students and parents with the opportunity to hear from experts about how students can achieve their best during the HSC this year.

Sydney Dance Company: April School Holiday Workshops
Juniors: Mon 14th & Tue 15th April; Seniors: Wed 16th & Thu 17th April.
These workshops are run by Sydney’s leading choreographers & dance teachers, including Jason Winters (So You Think You Can Dance), Loredo Malcolm (The Lion King) and more.
http://www.sydneydancecompany.com
Sydney Design 2014
Sat 16th to Sun 24th August. Sydney Design is a festival that focuses on how designers and producers are harnessing the new technological revolution to create their products. The festival will include workshops, exhibitions, and more.
http://sydneydesign.com.au

Careers in the Sign and Graphic Design Industry
This website focuses on the range of careers in the Sign and Graphic Design Industry. It includes a list of available apprenticeships by state, career guidance & more detail about the Sign and Graphic Design Industry.

Engineers Australia Autumn School of Engineering
Mon 14th to Fri 17th April
The Autumn School of Engineering is for Year 11 & 12 Students from the Sydney Metropolitan Area who want to meet professional engineers and get more information about future careers in Engineering.

Engineers Australia Upcoming Events
Engineering Careers Expo: Tue 18th March, 2:30pm to 6pm – Sydney Masonic Centre, 66 Goulburn Street, Sydney

Discover Engineering Day: Tue 25th March, 9am to 2:30pm – William Clarke College, 1 Morris Grove, Kellyville

CSIRO Work Experience Placements
Work experience placements are available for high schools students around Australia interested in science in years 10, 11 and 12. Applications open Sat 1st March and close Mon 31st March
http://www.csiro.au/org/Work-Experience-Overview

Raffles Photography Competition
Term 1 closing date is Wednesday 9th April.
High school students are invited to submit a photo to this competition. Entries are limited to one photo per person per term. There is no theme to this competition.
http://www.raffles.edu.au/photography-home/competition

Archibull Prize 2014
Expressions of Interest are now open for schools in ACT, VIC, NSW & QLD.
Art4Agriculture’s ‘Archibull Prize’ is an integrated program which will engage secondary and primary school students in agricultural and environmental awareness through art, design, creativity and teamwork. Students will have to create an artwork on a blank, life-sized cow that aligns with a primary industry (beef, dairy or wool).

CareerMate
CareerMate is a computer program that serves as a career counselling tool. It takes about 50 minutes and involves students entering information about themselves into the program which then develops a report that spells out strengths, work preferences and possible careers.

Defence Jobs Australia Youtube Channel
The new Defence Jobs Australia Youtube Channel is the organisations sole video channel. The site can be of use to future ADF applicants to research job roles and get an understanding about life in the Defence Force.
http://www.youtube.com/defencejobsaustralia

COMBINED UNIVERSITY TALKS
Representatives from the Canberra Institute of Technology, Australian National University, Australian Catholic University, Charles Sturt University, University of Canberra and the University of Wollongong came to Eden Marine High on 5 March 2014 to give Year 12 students a taste of what courses they have on offer. Each representative gave a brief talk on topics such as:
• Alternative Entry Pathways that are available if you don’t receive the required ATAR
• Accommodation Options
• International Exchange Programs
• Scholarships
• Support Services that are available for students if they are struggling to keep up with the rigours of University.

Students were then given time to individually ask questions of the Representatives about courses that they were hoping to study. All students felt that they had a better idea of the requirements needed to pursue their course and some were pleasantly surprised by ATAR scores and extra bonus points available for Regional students. Thank you to Mrs Taylor for providing the venue on the day.

Michelle Bond, Careers Adviser
Year 9 Surf Survival
Over the past couple of weeks, Year 9 PASS (Marine) have been studying the different types of waves, safety rules and the way waves are formed. Year 9 Pass and Marine studies teachers have been teaching all Year 9 what to do in sticky situations, how to read the surf and how to spot and look for danger.
We have learnt new tricks and skills that will benefit us later on in life. We have been having lots of fun learning to surf and doing rescues. We have learnt how to help/save someone who is unconscious or just needs assistance.
Written by Jordan Parkes, Year 9

Battle of The Best
On 20th February, Mr. Langford and Mr. Fogg’s PASS classes went down to the Eden Olympic Swimming Pool to battle it out for the annual water polo title. There were four teams, consisting of two boys and two girls. The day started off with the boys’ first quarter followed by the girls’ which was fast paced, displaying high levels of skill. Throughout the game both teams were very competitive, with Corey Spink having a good throwing arm and Bryce Christie showing his skills by stopping a penalty shot. Tahlia Ingram and Kye Lygon were great in attack.
Both teams showed great sportsmanship but at the end of the day Mr. Langford’s class was, of course, on top with a final combined score of 13-8.