



Newsletter

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Year 7 2021 Orientation Day

“Encouraging, dynamic, active, enthusiastic, exciting and supporting” are the six adjectives incoming Year Adviser Claire Coughran used to describe Orientation Day for Year 7 2021. It’s an exciting time for the students as they look to becoming high school students. Throughout the day, students participated in activities led by Year 10 2021 – our Fearless Leaders. The group are coming from quite a number of partner primary schools and the activities provided the students with the opportunity to get to know each other. This is the beginning (or continuation for some) of an important relationship for these students – one which we hope will support them to achieve their best throughout their high school years.

Absence Explanations

NSW law requires students aged between 6 and 17 to attend school each day. Principals are able to grant leave for a small number of reasons. If the absence does not fall within these reasons, or is not explained at all, the absence is recorded as unjustified. Our rolls are regularly monitored by the Department of Education. Once students reach a certain number of absences, or unjustified absences (considered separately), action is commenced. Initially this is via contact from the school but escalates to direct contact from the Department with the family (often an interview involving parents with Departmental officers), then can progress to the family being called to court. Parents are expected to provide an explanation for any absence their child has. The school has tried to make this easy by sending texts to which parents can respond providing an explanation for an absence. Parents are asked to ensure they respond to these texts as a priority.

The Commencement of 2021

Early notice that the Department has advised schools that one of the end of Term 4 school development days is to be moved to the commencement of the school year. For 2021, this will mean staff will return Wednesday 27 January and Thursday 28 January. Year 1-7, 11 and 12 will return for their first day Friday 29 January. Year 1-12 are all attending on Monday 1 February and forward. Kindergarten are involved in the Best Start Assessment for the first few days and their first day of attendance will be Thursday 4th February 2021.

Acceptable Uniform

Parents are reminded that Evans River is a uniform-wearing school and as such, students are expected to dress in the uniform each day, as described below.

Students are to wear the school jade shirt with embroidered logo (white with embroidered logo for seniors) and plain navy on the bottom half with no stripes, coloured inserts or non-school logos.

Footwear is to be completely black and must be leather or suede. Socks must

IMPORTANT NOTE

Please be reminded that students are **NOT** to arrive at school before **8:30am** as there is **NO SUPERVISION prior to this time.**



Diary

Week 9 Term 4 - Week B

7 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Dinner	6:00-8:00pm
8 Dec	K-4 Excursion to Tropical Fruit World	8:45am-3:20pm
9 Dec	Santa Photos - Year 12 Fundraiser	
10 Dec	Buddy Reading Volunteer Excursion	9:00am-5:00pm
11 Dec	Year 5/6 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	8:00am-4:00pm
	Year 7-12 Gold/Platinum Awards & First in class awards to be presented at Year meetings (due to Covid-19)	
	CHS Zone Volleyball Evans Head	

Week 10 Term 4 - Week A

14 Dec	K-12 Annual Presentation Assembly (Details to come)	11:30am-1:30pm
15 Dec	K-6 Platinum Award Excursion	
	7-12 Platinum Award & SRC Excursion	
16 Dec	Last day for students	

Week 1 Term 1, 2021 - Week A

27-28 Jan	Staff Development Days	
29 Jan	Year 1-6, 7, 11 & 12 students 1st day	
1 Feb	Year 8-10 students 1st day	
29 Jan - 3 Feb	Kindergarten Best Start Assessments	
4 Feb	First day for Kindergarten	
5 Feb	Yr 7-12 Swimming Carnival	

be plain navy, black, grey or white.

The Uniform Store is open every Friday 8:30am-9:30am and uniforms can also be ordered over the phone for collection from the office once the order is filled by the Uniform Store.

Rob Walker – Principal

Tropical Fruit World Excursion

Notes went home on Wednesday for the K-4 excursion to Tropical Fruit World at Duranbah. Please return notes and payments ASAP as the excursion takes place on Tuesday next week. Students will need to be at school by 8:30am and will return at approximately 3:20pm. Students who usually catch the early bus home in the afternoon will need to make alternate arrangements.

The excursion has been organised to compliment the students' learning in the areas of Literacy, Science, Geography and PDHPE and is sure to be a great day!

Elizabeth Delman

What'll Happen to the Wattle?

Exciting times; this weekend our wattle seeds will be leaving earth and going to the International Space Station (400km straight up). They will stay there for six months and then when they return we will get them for planting.

Ali Mc Geary, 7-12 Science Teacher

Camp Good Enough

Year 7 and 10 travelled to Camp Goodenough for three days this week. They were challenged throughout the week on activities such as high ropes, giant leaps, stacking crates, building billy carts and archery. It was amazing to see students step outside of their comfort zone and take the giant 12m leap of faith. Thank you to the students for their behaviour and enthusiasm on camp. Thank you to our amazing staff who volunteered their time and attended camp. These camps can only happen with the great support of staff. A great way to finish off the year!

Penny Cooper, Head Teacher Science



2021 Year 7 Orientation Day

On Tuesday 1st December a very lively (and large) group of Year 6 students came together for Evans River Orientation Day. The day was a great success with many students commenting on how much they were looking forward to high school and all of the opportunities that our school has to offer.

The Peer Support Leaders were very supportive and encouraging and made the day very special for our incoming Year 7 students.

We look forward to working with this enthusiastic group in 2021.

Claire Coughran, 2021 Year 7 Adviser



Bridge & Platform Construction

If you go out in the bush today, you're in for a big surprise....that's what teachers & students found out during Kindy Transition.

Many of our 2021 Kindy kids have been part of Evans Preschools' "Boogul Jagoon" (Good Country) group. They visited the school every week, and part of that visit was a walk on our

Cultural Walkway, "Nulingar Yaroon" (everyone's track) with the STEP students. One of the things that excited them most was the construction of our bridge, which they never got to see completed. However, finally, on transition day they were able to cross the bridge and see it all done.

It was also great for our 2021 Kindy students to meet up with the talented Green Team and Building & Construction students who just happened to be on the other side of the bridge building a seating platform so that classes can use this area for lessons.

Craig Gillespie, Head Teacher TAS



3/4E Superhero Sculptures

In class we have been learning about making stuff with play dough, and this week's topic was build your own superhero.

"My superhero is a wind up robot with super strength." Teak, Year 4

"My superhero was actually a villain trying to shoot all the superheroes!" Cameron, Year 4

"My superhero is super woman. Her super power is multitasking!" Layla, Year 4

"My superhero was a human that has laser eyes!" Quinnifer, Year 3

"My superhero has a sword on its back. It's superpower is that it can eat 10 cookies in less than ten seconds!" Elke, Year 3



P&C Christmas Raffle

It's not too late to donate non-perishable items to our Christmas raffle. Donations can be left with Jodie in the Canteen or at the Front Office.

Thanks,

P&C Fundraising Committee



Careers In Hospitality

As the demand for Hospitality careers continues to grow it is important to keep abreast of various positions and opportunities.

The below link will take you to the Discover Careers – Hospitality website. Click [here](#)

Mr Chris Hayward, Careers Adviser

Careers Website: www.evansriverk12careers.com

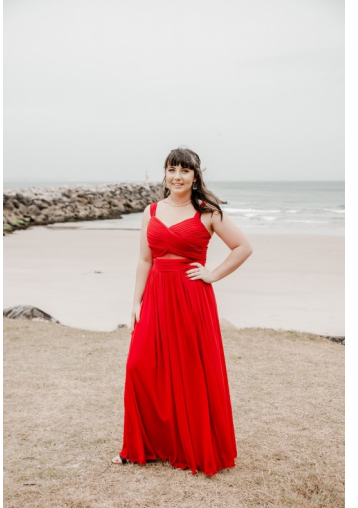


K-6 AWARDS Term 4, Week 8

KW	Bodhi Flaherty	James Deas	Maya Fields	Amelia Hartley
1C	Zoe Ison	Mara Davie	Olivia Parker	Reid Coughran
1/2M	Storm Novak	Charger Bradley	Myka Clark	Krisy Madarapu
2/3O	Lara Paschke	Kira Binge	Charlotte Tregidgo	Jasmine Ryan
3/4E	Quinnifer Barber	Theo Charters	Zoe Chapman	Cameron Horseman
4/5F	Nicky Aleckson	Thomas Daly	William Willows	Ruben Wilson
5/6B	Jaiden Cooper	Sian Charters	Jamal Cowan	
6F	Ivy Taig	Bijou Blore-Jones	Jessie McInerney	Luke Corbett

Year 12 Formal Photos





3 Freezer Hacks for the Holiday Season



Sign up to the **FREE** Food Smart program and **WIN!**

Did you know that about \$10 billion worth of good food is thrown away every year by NSW households? That's an average of \$3,800 a year per household! With the festive season fast approaching, it's a good time to think about how to store your food right to avoid wasting food.

Here are 3 freezer hacks to help your food last longer this summer:

- If you have leftover BBQ's or roasts, freeze them to use for a meal another time. Just defrost in the fridge for 1-2 days before you want to use it.
- Chop up leftover herbs and put them in ice cube trays topped up with water. You can add herb ice cubes to meals while cooking for a hit of flavour, or pop them in a refreshing summer drink!
- Store bread in the freezer. Sure, we all know this one, but remembering to do it is another thing! In this hot and humid weather, bread doesn't last long, so get it in the freezer before you forget.

And if you do have any food waste or scraps that can't be eaten, remember to put it in the food and organics bin (that's the one with the green lid). It will be turned into compost to help our local farmers supply food for our region.

For more ideas on how to save money and avoid food waste, sign up to the FREE Food Smart program. For 2 weeks, you'll get handy emails with food storage tips, recipes, hints, meal plan ideas and smart shopping solutions. If you sign up and finish the program by 31 January, you'll also go in the draw to win a freezer worth around \$750!

Sign up online to the FREE Food Smart Program at: <http://www.newaste.org.au/foodsmart/>.

The FREE Food Smart Program is open to households in the Ballina, Byron, Clarence Valley, Kyogle, Lismore, Richmond Valley and Tweed local government areas.

Food Smart is a Love Food Hate Waste Program coordinated by North East Waste on behalf of its member north coast Councils and the NSW Waste Less Recycle More initiative funded by the waste levy.

SUNSHINE SUGAR 2021 APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships and Traineeships are available for 2021 at our Harwood, Broadwater and Condong Mills

HARWOOD

- Mechanical Fitter Apprenticeship
- Store Traineeship

BROADWATER

- Boilermaker Apprenticeship
- Electrician (Industrial) Apprenticeship

CONDONG

- Fitter Apprenticeship
- Laboratory Traineeship

APPLY NOW

To apply for a Sunshine Sugar Apprenticeship or Traineeship, visit seek.com.au and search the opportunities available at any of our sugar mills.

Applications close 24 December 2020



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THE MOBILE YOUTH VAN WILL BE VISITING:

- Broadwater Skate Park - Tuesdays from 3:30pm
 - Evans Head Skate Park - Wednesdays from 3:30pm
 - Coraki Riverfront - Thursdays from 3:30pm
 - Casino (Various Locations) - Fridays from 3:30pm
 - Woodburn Skate Park - Saturdays from 12pm
- This service is for ages 12- 26 years.

The Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre is excited to announce that the Mobile Youth Van will be hanging around for another 2 years!!! This exciting project will continue to visit various local communities to engage with young people and provide a space to have fun, feel safe and access support from qualified Youth Workers. Young People will be able to join in on the different activities including sports, art, music, movie nights and so much more.....
For more information please call the Youth Team on 6682 4334.



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The Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre Inc. would like to acknowledge the Bundjalung People of the Bundjalung Nation, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we live and work.

Parent Portal Login

<https://web3.evansriver-c.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal/login>

Uniform Store

Friday 8:30-9:30am in the Performance Hall.



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