



# Newsletter

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## Managing COVID Cases in our School Community

As you're aware, the government intends to lift restrictions before long. It is anticipated the virus will spread more widely at this time. We are likely to have positive cases over time. With vaccination levels at their current place in NSW, the government has clear and quite rigid protocols in place to manage a positive case in a school setting. These protocols control all communication emanating from a school to its community. In short, they are:

- Principal made aware by family of positive test result
- Principal notifies Department of Education
- Department of Education engages with Department of Health
- Meeting convened with Principal, Department of Health and Department of Education officials to clarify level of exposure to fellow students and staff
- Department of Education provides prescribed correspondence to school to use with families – includes information to be shared via app, social media, different letters to 'close contacts' and 'casual contacts'; COVID testing requirements are specified for those that need to have them as well as the length of time the individuals are required to self-isolate
- School is declared 'non-operational' for cleaning – this can be for one or more days
- Once timing for re-opening of school is known, further correspondence to school community re timing of re-opening

Please be aware it is likely that the school community may hear of the possibility of a positive case but nothing is heard from the school immediately. This is because of the tracing work that is being done and the specific protocols Health and Education have in place regarding what is said and when it is said to the community. As a school, we will communicate with our community as soon as permitted.

To assist in enabling parents to contact the school regarding positive cases within the family after hours and on weekends, I will be carrying the school excursions mobile. If you have a positive case in your family, please let me know. During school hours, use the usual school phone number **6682 6666**. Out of hours use **0439 822 588**. It is recommended you save this number into your phone now.

These are the routines we have at the present time. Adjustments and refinements should be expected.

To assist in ensuring you are able to be contacted by the school please ensure the school has your correct current contact information at this time.

We have been asked to provide information about where 12+ years can be vaccinated. Families can use this link to identify places where vaccinations can be obtained: [Vaccine Clinic Finder](#).

**Rob Walker - Principal**



## Diary

### Week 3 Term 4 - Week A

18 October	P&C Meeting	6:00pm-7:30pm
19 October	Year 10 2022 Peer Support Training	
20 October	Year 10 2022	
22 October	Year 12 Final Assembly & Presentation	

### Week 4 Term 4 - Week B

28 October	CCC Ag Presentation	9:00am-3:00pm
	K-6 Story Board Visit	
	Year 7 Story Board Visit	



## ORIENTATION DATES FOR KINDERGARTEN 2022

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October  
9:30 am – 11:00 am

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October  
9:30 am – 11:00 am

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November  
9:30 am – 11:00 am

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November  
9:30 am – 11:00 am

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November  
9:30 am – 11:00 am

**Enrol Online:** <https://evansriver-c.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>



- Please help us follow the COVID-safe Kindergarten orientation guidelines:
- Parents and Carers will drop off and pick up their child from the front gate maintaining physical distancing.
  - All children attending the orientation activities need to have completed and submitted their enrolment form.
  - All children attending the orientation activities should be well and free of any flu-like symptoms.
  - Please bring a fruit or vegetable snack for 'Crunch and Sip' and a water bottle.

## Cows Create Careers

The students in Year 9 Ag had an "in-school" presentation activity on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October as part of the Cows Create Careers program. They got to link up with a number of students from NSW, Victoria and QLD and took part in some interactive games via Zoom.

The students are congratulated on their "have a go" attitude. Thanks to Jodie for catering for the event. It was a delicious luncheon.

Zoe and Dana are pictured taking part in the design and promotion of a milk carton.



## Community Quilt Update

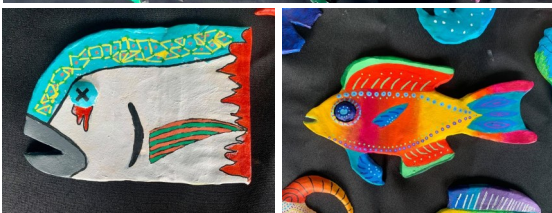
This week in sewing club, students were arranging all the cut out squares for the Community Quilt into their rows. Cutting and planning is the most time consuming part of quilt making! Once the squares are organized into rows they will be sewn together.

Also, Evans Head Preschool students have been busy decorating their squares using felt to represent sea creatures. Don't they look awesome?!



## Year 7 Art

A massive shout out to the wonderful artists of Year 7! All students have worked incredibly hard to make and paint their ceramic fish! Well done again and keep it up! Ms Simpson, Mrs Cooper and Ms Johnsen are very proud of you all.



## Canteen Important Information

Parents please remember to **put your child's name on online canteen orders** - it makes Jodie's job very difficult trying to figure out who orders belong to if they don't have a name on them. Click on the following link to place an online order: [Canteen Online Orders](#)

## Year 7 2022 Transition

Our Year 7 Transition program will start on the 12<sup>th</sup> November for Broadwater, Coraki and Woodburn Public Schools and then on the 19<sup>th</sup> November we will have St Joseph's Coraki, St Joseph's Woodburn & Evans River K-12 School.

If you are aware of students intending to come to our school next year for Year 7, please remind them that we need a completed enrolment form prior to the Transition program. Students from our school do not need a new enrolment form as they will just continue on.

## Year 7 Vaccinations

1<sup>st</sup> November, Year 7 students who returned consent forms for the first round of vaccinations earlier in the year will received their second HPV vaccination.

\* Please ensure that you have not booked your child for a Covid-19 vaccination either 1 week before or after the HPV vaccination.



## School Visitor Check-in

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18th October!

The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.



Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20sec
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW COVID-19 mandate.
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

A short parent video will be uploaded to our Facebook page to see how it works for parents.

### Who can use School Visitor check-in

- Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.
- Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in.

School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18th October at all NSW Government schools.

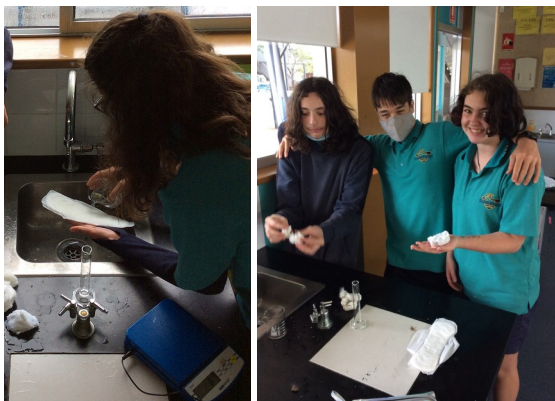
## What'll Happen to the Wattle?

We have our first little baby! One of the seeds (an Earthling) has sprouted. Now we just need to wait until the other seeds come up. Exciting times!



## Year 10 Ag Class

Year 10 Ag have just started a unit on cotton. They have planted cotton seeds at the Ag plot and conducted research into which cotton products absorb the most water. Interestingly, raw cotton bolls (the flower-fruit) were the least absorbent. The students decided the presence of cotton seed oil probably prevented the raw cotton fibres from absorbing too much water.



## Year 7-12 2022 Book Pack Orders Online

In preparation for our academic rollover in Week 6, students currently in Years 7-11 will need to order the book pack requirements for the Year they will be rolling into. See the flyer to the right for instructions on how to access the online ordering system.

Students going into Year 7 in 2022 can also order their book packs in readiness for next year.



**Book Pack - Online Ordering Guide**

Delphin Office Choice is a locally owned and operated company and would like to thank the Evans River K-12 School Community for supporting local business.

As a thank you for your support, we will be **donating 5% of all sales** made back to your school.

To start ordering please go to the following:

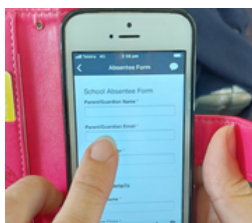
- Go to: [www.delphinbooks.com.au](http://www.delphinbooks.com.au) (Copy this URL into your google search) Or go to [www.evansriverk12schools.com.au](http://www.evansriverk12schools.com.au) and click on the Bookless.com BANNER on the home page.
- Click **SELECT YOUR SCHOOL** button, and then click on **SELECT YOUR YEAR**.
- Make your item selections and select **Pick Up or Delivery** and proceed to the Checkout.
- Multiple Book Packs can be ordered and delivered in the one delivery. If you need to purchase another Book pack before paying, you can select **MAKE ANOTHER PURCHASE**, before finalising your payment.

Free Collection pick-up points follow - We will phone you when your pack ready for collection. Stores are open Monday to Friday, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm:

Calisto	Ph: 66 622215	105 Barker Street Casino
Ballina	Ph: 66 664866	47 River Street Ballina
Byron Bay	Ph: 66 857097	Cent Fletcher and Marvel Streets Byron Bay
Lismore	Ph: 66 230656	15 Three Chain Road South Lismore
Mullumbimby	Ph: 66 642006	24 Barragamba Street Mullumbimby

Home Deliveries will incur a \$7.50 Charge and will be made ASAP. If no one is home, we will contact you for collection from our nearest retail store, parcels will not be left at unattended properties unless authorised by you. **Please place your order ASAP.**

## Absence Notifications



Parents and carers are reminded that it is a legal requirement to provide an explanation to the school for all absences. The simplest thing to do is to send a quick reply to the absence text or send a notification on School Stream. Alternatively you can phone or email the school. A simple explanation is all that is required.

## Money and Youth Allowance

Find out what support you can get from Centrelink to help steer you to success.



Whatever adventure you're going on after school, you'll want to be ready for the journey. Just like the Scouts say, "it pays to be prepared".

Centrelink has payments for **students and trainees** to help you with the costs of doing Uni, TAFE or an Apprenticeship.

If you're doing full-time study or an Australian Apprenticeship, you might get **Youth Allowance as a student**. If you're an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student or full time Australian Apprentice, you might get **ABSTUDY**.

More information can be found by clicking [here](#)

Chris Hayward, Careers Adviser

Careers Website: [www.evansriverk12careers.com](http://www.evansriverk12careers.com)

## K-6 AWARDS Term 4, Week 1

KC	Archibald Asbey-Palmer	Amalia Fayle	Matilda McLeod	Liam Morgan
K/1MW	Asher Thomson	Shilah Riley	Jesse Williams	Billy McQuilty
1/2M	Kai Cooper	Cali Gill	Luana Mackinnon	Quinn McMaster
2/3O	Lloybron Lowah	Myka Clark	Ellise Fuller	Tylarah Porter
3/4L	Miley Northey	Jasmine Ryan	Quinnifer Barber	Yahburri Wilson
4/5E	Ayla Gill	Mackenzie McDonald	Eric McKnoulty	Ruby Biffin
5/6B	Arlo Blore-Jones	Gemma Petrie	Isabelle Preece	Joel Lammers
5/6F	Taleah Riley	Jaiden Cooper	Tahlia Ison	Honey Hodder-Bell



This feel-good message has been brought to everyone by Marvin Turner, Year 9 student at Evans River Community School.

**Get Moving!**

**Flashback Friday**

Give new meaning to #flashbackfriday by playing games from the past!

Some of our favourites include:

- Quits
- Bocce
- Elastics
- Kite flying
- Hopscotch
- Frisbee
- Backyard cricket

Try a different activity each week.

NSW HEALTHYEATING ACTIVE LIVING

**RITCHIES IGA**

**DOUBLE DOLLAR DONATIONS**

This month, Ritchies are doubling all funds earned, to your selected club, school or charity.

DOWNLOAD THE RITCHIES CARD APP AND SELECT THE CLUB, SCHOOL OR CHARITY THAT YOU WISH TO SUPPORT.

FOR FULL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF OUR RITCHIES CARD PROGRAM PLEASE VISIT [WWW.RITCHIES.COM.AU/RITCHIESCARDTERMS](http://WWW.RITCHIES.COM.AU/RITCHIESCARDTERMS)

**Uniform Store**  
**Friday 8:30-9:30am, Performance Hall**  
**Primary hats available at Canteen**

**Please download the School Stream App to receive important School updates and messages and make sure notifications are turned on.**

Why download the app?  
 - Receive instant notifications for important news.  
 - Easily register absences and excursions.  
 - Keep up to date with events and set reminders.

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

## Don't forget to share recipes to our hub!

We still need more recipes to add to our community hub, so send in your best lock-down recipes.

Everyone is welcome to contribute!

Send your recipes to:

[evansrivercommunityhub@gmail.com](mailto:evansrivercommunityhub@gmail.com)



**School To Work** for Secondary Students with Disability

**School to Work workshops**

**October, November & December**

**Interactive 2 part online workshops with parent guest speakers - Annette Bush and Vanessa Shearman**

- Uncover student strengths and interests to use as a guide for potential work roles
- Identify community connections and contacts to approach for work
- Practical strategies and tips on working with other professionals or services
- Explore what good employment support looks like and find the right people to support your student

**What is School To Work?**  
 School to Work aims to inspire and equip students with disability, through the support of families, to seek meaningful, paid employment in the community.

**Who is this workshop for?**  
 Parents, family members, educators and allies of students with disability at secondary school.

**Workshop times and dates**  
**Mornings 9.30 am - 12pm**  
 • Wednesday 6 Oct & Wednesday 13 Oct  
 • Wednesday 17 Nov & Wednesday 24 Nov  
 • Monday 29 Nov & Monday 6 Dec  
**Afternoon 2pm - 4.30pm**  
 Wednesday 3 Nov and Wed 10 Nov  
**Evening 6pm - 8.30pm**  
 Thursday 21 Oct and Thursday 28 Oct

**Bookings essential**  
 Each workshop has two sessions. Please attend both workshops. Limited spaces. [www.ric.org.au/events/](http://www.ric.org.au/events/)  
 \$35 for students and families  
 \$50 for professionals

**Questions? Call us 1800 774 764 or email [info@ric.org.au](mailto:info@ric.org.au)**

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



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