



# Ellerston Public School



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Term 4, Week 8

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## COMING EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>More Info</u>
22 Nov-3 Dec21	Swim School	All students	Ellerston Pool
29 Nov 2021	Lunch Order Day	All students	Lunch Order form sent home. Please return to school or Ellerston Store ASAP if you wish to order.
6 Dec 2021	Beach Day	All students	Fundraiser for students towards their charity of choice.
2 Dec 2021	Y6 Graduation Dinner	Years 3-6 Invited	Information, Invitation and Permission Notes sent home.
9 Dec 2021	Presentation Assembly	All Students	Commencing, 2.30pm @ Ellerston PS. Due to COVID restrictions this will be a students & staff only event.
14 Dec 2021	Fun Day	All Students	Fun Day Activities with Sam Levick
15 Dec 2021	Last Day of Term 4	All Students	Enjoy the holidays with family and friends.
31 Jan 2022	Students return to school	All students	First day of Term 1, 2022.

## Ellerston Principal Position Notification

The principal position remains unfilled on a permanent basis for 2022. Damien Vaughan has agreed to remain in the relieving position for the foreseeable future.

Jo Edwards

Director, Educational Leadership Upper Hunter (Relieving)

## Principal's Message

Dear Parent(s) and Friend(s) of Ellerston Public School,

I wish to thank everyone in their support in sticking to the Level 3 COVID guidelines. It has helped greatly, in keeping our students safe. Although many of you have not been able to enter the school I am excited to say we have made a lot of recent improvements to the school grounds including the filling in of the Weathershed and screen doors on the toilets to keep out the local wildlife.

The General Assistant process has been finalised and I am proud to announce the appointment of Mrs Doreen Roots to the role of GA at Ellerston Public School. Doreen brings with her a vast array of skills and experience and will be a valuable asset to the school for years to come.

Thank you for your support,  
Mr D. Vaughan  
Rel. Principal Ellerston PS

## Visitors to Ellerston Public School

A reminder that all visitors to the school must check in at the office using the school check-in and show proof of vaccination. This is both a Department of Education and Health Department requirement. We would like to thank everyone for their cooperation in this matter.

## Swim Scheme

This week saw the commencement of our 2021 Intensive Swim Scheme Program at Ellerston Pool. All students will be assessed and placed into groups for the two weeks of lessons during week 8 and week 9. Swimming this year is in the afternoon session of each day. This will allow for optimum uninterrupted learning time during the morning sessions. The program will focus on students developing their endurance, technique and water safety skills.



## [Beach Day](#)

On Monday 6 December 2021, the school students will be running a school fundraiser. Students will be allowed to wear beach clothes and should **bring a gold coin donation**. Money raised from this event will go towards a charity chosen by the students at the end of the year.

## [Year 6 Graduation Dinner](#)

Our 2021 Year 6 Graduation Dinner will be held on Thursday, 2nd December at the Linga Longa Courtyard, Gundy. We look forward to celebrating the Primary Education of Emily and Lucas. Invitations and permission notes have been handed out to the Year 3 and 4 students who will be joining them on the night.

Due to the current COVID guidelines this will be Ellerston Public School only event as we are unable to mix with other schools..

## [Presentation Assembly](#)

Due to current restrictions that are in place until at least the end of Term 4, we are unable to hold our annual End of Year Presentation in the usual manner. We will be holding a student only Presentation Assembly on Thursday, 9th December commencing at 2:30pm. We are currently investigating formats to distribute this event to parents. More details about this will be sent home as soon as we have confirmed details.

## [Fun Day - Tuesday 14th December](#)

On Monday 13th December a Fun Day with Sam Levick is planned for our students. This will be an action packed day for our students. After a year of COVID restrictions minimising excursions and sporting events, this will be a great way to round off the year!

## [Keep up to date on Facebook](#)

Our school has a Facebook Page - 'Ellerston Public School'. We often share our learning and 'good news stories' and achievements there. If you have Facebook, make sure you 'Like our page' and then like, comment and interact with our posts. Recent posts included our students with their new drums, kindly donated by the Ellerston P&C, and Kinder Orientation.

## [Library Day](#)

A reminder that Library day is Friday of each week.. Please remember to return your books and bring your Library bag. We encourage all students to borrow from our wonderful collection in our school library. Thank you to Mrs Mamone for accessioning, covering and displaying new books as they arrive. Enjoy reading them!

## From the K-2 Classroom



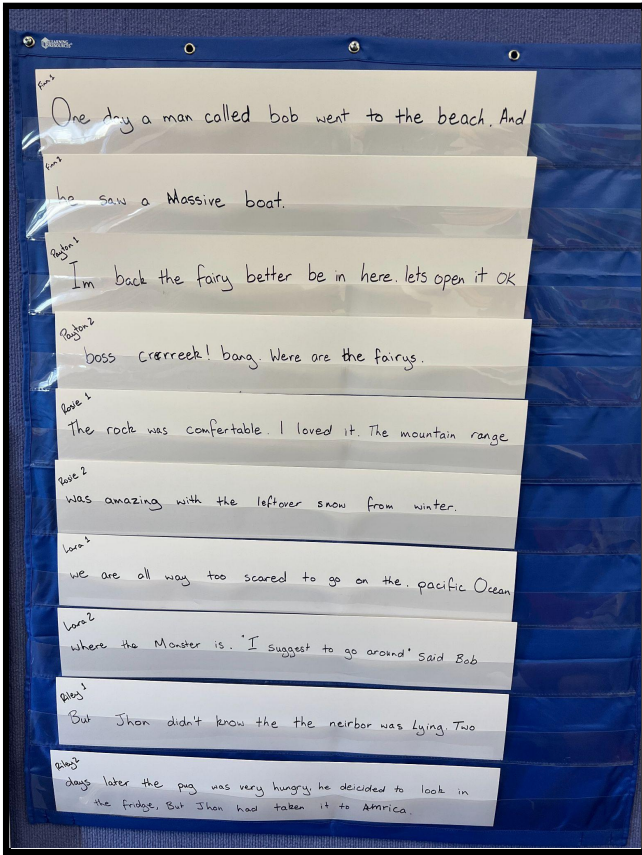
“Joyeux Noel” everyone,

Last week, our students "travelled" to France under the sometimes turbulent piloting of Captain Lara Robo. Our in-flight meal was buttery croissants followed by everyone trying frog legs!!! (Freddo frog legs that is) We learnt about the geography, climate and traditions and visited the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

Week 7 saw the end of our Kinder Orientation sessions for 2021 and what an amazing group of little people we are lucky enough to be welcoming in 2022. To Mason, Ella, Sienna and Evie - thank you so much for joining our Kinder O sessions and we look forward to watching you grow and flourish in the years to come. To the “big guys” at EPS - you know you make us proud every day but you truly shine when it comes to kindness and care for others. Thank you for making our new Kinders feel so welcome.

# From the 3-6 Classroom

At Ellerston Public School, we pride ourselves on individualised education and about students learning from students. Many of our lessons allow students to share their work with their peers and to learn from each other. Often this involves looking at each other's written work. Below is a recent example of this.



Top left: work taken from recent student writing lesson / Top right: shared discussion focusing on positive praise. Bottom left: making edits to improve writing / Bottom right: students are able to revisit the examples to further understand the changes and to try to use them as ways to effectively improve their writing.

