# East Links

Term 4 | Week 6 | 20 November 2024

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# **STEM SUCCESS**

Congratulations to our amazing Year 3 and 4 students who, last week, competed at the FIRST Australia LEGO League Challenge, hosted by the Murrumbidgee Academy of STEM Excellence (MASE)! Alongside tackling real-world issues in their innovation projects—such as addressing polluted waterways and creating solutions for Lake Wyangan's blue-green algae—our students built and coded LEGO robots to navigate a series of challenges. All students were incredible, displaying true gracious professionalism. Special congratulations to the GEPS Seahorse Squad for receiving the Breakthrough Award! Huge thanks to Mr. Preston (MASE), Angie and Amelia (FLL/Macquarie University), our referees, and all the fantastic volunteers who made this experience possible. Finally, thanks to Mrs Hunt, who worked for weeks to prepare students for this opportunity.



# **ROAD SAFETY**

Please be aware that the council ranger has been frequently visiting the school at pick up and drop off time, and members of the community have been fined recently. Here are some rules to be aware of around the school.

- Allowing children to jump in car at pedestrian crossing 3 points \$682 fine
- U-turn in School Zone (40km area) 3 points \$410 fine
- Stopping within 10m of (any) intersection in a School Zone 2 points \$544 fine

# **Todd Woodbridge Cup Finals**

Congratulations to our Stage 2 tennis team who headed to Sydney to compete in the Todd Woodbridge Cup Final this week! The students put in a great effort against some very strong opposition. They showed outstanding team spirit and supported each other throughout their whole experience in the competition. Thanks to Mr Noad and our parents who supported the team with training and travel.



## **PARENT AND COMMUNITY SURVEY**

Our Term 4 parent survey closed on Friday 15 November. The winner of the \$200 voucher from the school canteen was Hannah Grillo. Congratulations!

Thanks to the 63 people who completed this survey. This is double the number of responses we had in Term 2. The average time taken to complete the survey was 4.5 minutes.

The school is analysing your responses, along with those from staff and students. A summary of the findings will appear in an upcoming newsletter.



The Elvy family is collecting donations for Ronald McDonald House, a place close to theirs and many other families' hearts in our school community. We invite our school community to support this worthwhile cause by donating items from the wish list. Baskets will be available in the office foyer for donations, or you can scan the QR code to make a monetary contribution. Let's come together to make a difference for families in need!

#### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

There has been a delay in the processing of Bookclub – Issue 7. This is due to warehouse issues and beyond our control. Hopefully these orders will arrive in the next week or so. In light of this we have decided not to take any orders for the last issue of Book Club for this year. Scholastic cannot guarantee that those orders will be delivered by the end of the school year. Thank you for your continued support of Book Club. Every purchase you make gives the school reward points which are put towards Reading Club prizes and resources for the school.

## Outstanding Students Week 5

- KA Krish M, Aleah C
- **KM** Myles Z, Caleb W, Charlotte H
- KS Oliver D, Jerome M, Melek A
- **1D** Dustan H, Maddie J, Sadie M
- 1K Aidan R, Milla M
- **1M** Jesse C, Rafsan H, Preston W
- **2B** Levi B, Lyla T, Penelope M
- 2C Lylah H, Darius G, Jed G
- **2N** Patrick J, Aldrin A, Oscar W
- **2SC** Emily C, Esma-Nur A
- **3/4H** Christopher Z, Darcy B, Royce C
- **3D** Geetha K, Luca C
- **3G** Robert G, Chad A
- **4R** Peyton W, Mason S, Jerimiah F, Jordan C, Cohen C
- **4S** Torren H, Kingston P, Nicholas A, Harry B
- **5G** Amelia G, Ryan P, Cecilia R
- **5Q** Ariana M, Sophie G, Xavier H, Thomas C
- 6M Brax D, Kaitlyn P
- 6N Tilly M, Nate C, Reuben B, Ned H

## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS IN 2024 IS WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER

FIRST DAY FOR 2025 IS THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY

GEPS - Term 4 2024						
6	18 Nov Todd Woodbridge Tennis Finals - Sydney	19 Nov	20 Nov Kinder Orientation K-2 Swimming 3-6 Swimming	21 Nov Year 6 Mini Fete	22 Nov 12.30pm K-2 Assembly ATSI Eyes & ears screening	
7	25 Nov	26 Nov Band City Park Performance 12.30pm	27 Nov Kinder Orientation + Parent Information Session K-2 Swimming 3-6 Swimming	28 Nov School Captain Candidate Interviews Yr 6 High School Transition Day	29 Nov 12.30pm K-2 Assembly – Active Citizen Awards	
8	2 Dec K-2 Presentation Day Rehearsal Band to Yenda Rotary Xmas Party- 5pm	3 Dec K-2 Presentation Day	4 Dec K-2 Swimming 3-6 Swimming	5 Dec P&C Meeting Candidate Speeches & voting 11.40am	6 Dec	
9	9 Dec 3-6 Presentation Day Rehearsal	10 Dec 3-6 Presentation Day	11 Dec Year 2 to City Park	12 Dec	13 Dec Year 1 Excursion to Enticknap Park	
10	16 Dec Semester 2 Reports go home Year 6 Leeton Pool	17 Dec Year 6 Farewell	18 Dec Last Day for Students	19 Dec	20 Dec	

#### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Mon 25 Nov Lynsey Pasin Tues 26 Nov NEED SOMEONE Wed 27 Nov Josephine Mazza, Josephine Romeo Thurs 28 Nov Amanda Rosato, Katrina Fitzpatrick Fri 29 Nov Renae Moseley, Renee Condon

#### CAKE ROSTER Wed 27 Nov

Uditha Wijethunga, Katrina Fitzpatrick, Belinda Panebianco, Alyssa Vasta, Josephine Mazza

CANTEEN MEETING 21 NOVEMBER 6PM AT EXIES SPORTIES – ALL WELCOME.

## CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS VOUCHER

### Melissa Barton & Christina Catanzariti

Congratulations on winning the P&C October canteen volunteer voucher.

We appreciate all our volunteers and thank them for helping in our canteen.