



# Erskine Park High School Newsletter

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Captains Induction

Our senior leadership team have been officially inducted into the roles at our annual Induction Assembly. We are proud to have such talented students lead our student body and I look forward to meeting with them regularly to gain their input on how our school can continue to improve. As we welcomed our new leaders we also farewell our current school leadership team, Joshua Parmenter, Bridget Grima, Anthony Halteh, Dervish Kemal, Sinead Rofe, Olivia Swan and Tiarne Verbeek and wish these students and all other Year 12 students all the best for their exams as we prepare to farewell them at the end of the week.



### NAPLAN Results

There was much controversy with NAPLAN this year. This was because some students completed the test online, while others did the written version, and this posed some challenges with the comparison of student results across the nation. Students at Erskine Park High School completed the written test and individual results have been sent home with students. Overall our results show some excellent improvements, particularly in reading, but I am a little dubious to draw too many conclusions from comparisons that may not be valid. In saying this, the individual student results are extremely valuable in identifying areas for improvement and nearly

all students demonstrated positive growth in their learning.

The teaching and learning centre will continue to prepare students for the online testing, which is going to be more common in future years, with the new HSC Science Extension course being the first HSC course to be done online in 2019.

### Dates to remember - Term 3 2018

#### Term 3 Week 10 - Term 4 Week 3

17-28 Sep	Year 11 Preliminary examinations
26 Sep	Year 12 graduation practice
27 Sep	Year 12 graduation assembly
15 Oct	Students return to school
18 Oct	HSC examinations commence
	School spectacular rehearsals
22 Oct	Year 10 All my own work
25 Oct	Year 11 Science excursion - Liverpool hospital
	School spectacular rehearsals
29 Oct	P&C meeting
	Year 10 - All my own work
	Parent workshop - Supporting your child with the HSC
1 Nov	School spectacular rehearsals

### Federal Funding Announcement

It was very disappointing to hear the announcement made by our new Prime Minister, Scott Morrison, which sees public schools miss out on much needed funding. Fortunately, the Erskine Park school community is very generous with paying voluntary school contributions, with just about every family making these payments. These funds are used to create the excellent learning facilities used by our students, including the new irrigated oval, air conditioners to every classroom, lockers for all students, shaded seating areas, Ersko Cafe, new cricket nets and the refurbishment of a dance and drama studio, being just the start of a long list of improvements made to the school with community

funds. I would like to thank you for your continued financial support. The voluntary payment, also referred to as the school administration fee, has remained unchanged since the school opened more than 25 years ago will not change for 2019. The current amount is \$40 for students in Years 7 and 8, \$45 for students in Years 9 and 10 and \$50 for students in Years 11 and 12.

It has been another busy term with many opportunities for students to participate in a wide variety of extra curricula activities. In addition to this Year 12 students have completed their major works in Design and Technology, Visual Arts, Music and Industrial Technology. Congratulations also to Michelle Wen who has had her artwork selected to be part of a travelling exhibition for Operation Art.



Leiza Lewis  
Principal

## DEPUTY PRINCIPALS REPORT Year 12

The end of Term 3 is the conclusion of Year 12 officially attending classes at Erskine Park High School. Students will have completed their studies at school and now need to focus on an intensive study plan for the HSC examination. It is important students

continue to build their knowledge in each subject as the HSC examination is worth 50% of their final mark. The formal exams start on Thursday 18th October and concludes on Friday 9th November. A copy of the HSC examination timetable is available on the [NESA website](#). Students should have their student ID to access the Student Online website. Each student should check his or her personal timetable and the correct equipment required for each examination.

The lead up to the examinations can be a stressful time. There are many websites to help you and your child prepare for the HSC. Here are some suggestions:

- [NESA](#)
- [What to do 7 days before your HSC exams](#)
- [School a to z Practical help for parents](#)
- [SMH 2018 Study Guide](#)

As relieving Deputy for Year 12, I would like to wish students all the best for their HSC exams. Remember, Get organised, get motivated, and see the results!

### Important dates for Year 12

27 September	Graduation ceremony arrive 3pm for 3:30pm start
15 October	STU VAC - teachers available as per normal timetable
18 October	HSC begins
5 - 6 November	Year 12 clearance days (references/school formal tickets issued when all outstanding monies have been resolved)
9 November	Final day of HSC examinations
At the end of the HSC examination period	Assessment ranks available to all students on student online. All ranks should be checked against your final school report and the Deputy Principal of your year group notified if any concerns or inaccuracies exist
15 November	Year 12 school formal
12 December	Presentation night
13 December	HSC results by phone or the internet
14 December	ATAR results resulted
	Year 12 celebration lunch BBQ at community courtyard - 12:30pm. All students welcome

### Teacher v Year 12 sporting games

Each year during these last weeks of Term, a number of friendly games are played between the teachers



and year 12 students. This year a soccer, netball and volleyball were played. The competition in each game was fierce and the umpiring, gave the teachers two wins and students one win and one draw.



### BYOD year 6 into 7 Information evening

All students at Erskine Park High School are expected to have a fully charged laptop at school every day for their learning; this includes our Year 7 students in 2019. Two information sessions were held to inform parents and students of our BYOD program, including device requirements and dates for approval. Over 200 parents and future year 7 students attended the night.

Information from this night can be found on the [EPHS website](#) or enquiries can be made by contacting the school office.

### Summer uniform

Our uniform has vastly improved this year and we want to continue with these high standards as we head into the warmer months. Students need to be in full school uniform each day. On the occasion, students are unable to be in full uniform, a note from home for the incorrect pieces of uniform is to be provided to their roll call Head Teacher. Students will be issued with a blue pass for the day, which any staff member may check throughout the day.



I would like to thank the majority of our students but more importantly our parents for their ongoing support with the uniform. Community members who visit our school often recognise our outstanding uniform.

The uniform shop is open Tuesdays 8am - 4pm and on Fridays 12pm till 3pm or you can purchase via the [Online Uniform Shop](#).

Below is a list of the correct uniform:

#### Junior Girls (Years 7 - 10)

Plain EPHS navy blue, above the knee shorts Plain EPHS navy blue long pants  
Unisex microfibre shorts Junior Tartan skirt (pleated)  
White blouse with school crest  
White EPHS collared polo shirt with school crest  
Navy blue fleece with school crest  
Microfibre EPHS school tracksuit jacket  
Black, navy or natural coloured stockings  
Plain white socks  
Black shoes with leather uppers  
Black shoelaces  
Coloured black to the ground

#### Junior Boys (Years 7 -10)

Plain EPHS cargo navy shorts  
Plain EPHS cargo navy blue long pants  
Unisex microfibre shorts  
White EPHS collared polo shirt with school crest  
Navy blue fleece with school crest  
Microfibre EPHS school tracksuit jacket  
Plain white socks  
Black shoes with leather uppers  
Black shoelaces  
Coloured black to the ground

#### Senior Girls (Years 11 - 12)

Plain EPHS navy blue, above the knee shorts  
Plain EPHS navy blue long pants  
Unisex microfibre shorts  
EPHS tartan senior skirt (pleated)  
EPHS senior blue blouse with school crest  
Navy blue senior jumper with school crest  
Black, navy or natural coloured stockings  
Plain white socks  
Black shoes with leather uppers  
Black shoelaces  
Coloured black to the ground



**Senior Boys (Years 11 - 12)**

Plain EPHS navy tailored shorts

Plain EPHS navy tailored pants

Unisex microfibre shorts

Senior blue collared business shirt with crest

Navy blue senior jumper with school crest

EPHS school tie - optional in summer, mandatory in winter

Plain navy socks with long pants

Plain white socks

Black shoes with leather uppers

Black shoelaces

Coloured black to the ground

**A reminder the sports uniform is only to be worn during the PE or Sport period**

**Sport and PE uniform**

**To be worn during practical crossroads, PDHPE and SLR lessons**

School EPHS sport shirt

School EPHS microfibre girls sport shorts

School EPHS microfibre ladies sport shorts

School EPHS microfibre boys sport shorts

School EPHS microfibre mens sport shorts

Navy blue microfibre

EPHS tracksuit pants microfibre

EPHS school tracksuit jacket

Plain white socks

White sports shoes with leather uppers

Mrs Melinda Waddell  
Deputy Principal

**TAS 1 FACULTY**

Senior Support Food Technology Class Start preparing Chicken Schnitzel Burgers.



Year 11 Hospitality Food and Beverage students catering for the SAS breakfast and preparing sandwiches for a staff morning tea.



Year 7 Technology Mandatory classes learning to sew and construct aprons in Textiles and learning how to prepare, cook and serve a variety of recipes.

Year 8 Technology Mandatory classes learning how to make drawstring backpacks and preparing healthy meals during a practical assessment.





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# RYAN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP





News from the farm - All Agriculture student vegetable gardens are growing well especially tomatoes, broccoli and peas. Year 7 are currently learning about Meat Chicken production. There are 9 meat chickens that the Year 7 Ag classes are weighing to find out how much weight meat chickens gain over a number of weeks. Year 9 will be watching the sheep get shorn next week by our visiting shearer. They have been learning about sheep production and in Term 4, they will be studying wool production. Year 10 have been learning all about pasture and crop production this term. They have established an improved pasture in one of the paddocks. They have also sown a potato and butternut pumpkin crop in the top paddock. Year 11 have been studying Animal Production especially Dairy in preparation for their excursion next term to Leppington Pastoral.

Mr Greg Tilley  
Relieving Head Teacher, TAS 1

## TAS 2 FACULTY

Stage 5 Industrial Technology Timber has always been a popular subject at Erskine Park high. This year has proved to be no different with three classes running for year 9 and three for year 10.

Industrial Technology Timber gives students the

opportunity to develop knowledge and skills that can lead them into a variety jobs ranging from furniture manufacture to housing construction.

Throughout the first 3 terms Year 9 students have been extending and developing the basic skills learnt during stage 4 and applying these to new projects. They have completed the trinket box project and some have had the opportunity to vary their designs, adding different edge profiles and hinges or handles.



The second project for the year has been the bread box, teaching students about widening, shaping and different joining methods. This project has also given students the opportunity to expand their knowledge about the capabilities of the router and other hand held machines.



Year 10 students have also been building on their knowledge and skills with the completion of the foot stool project. Some students also adding their own design flair with the use of different timbers and alterations to the leg design.



Throughout the year students have been preparing for their major project, which has required them to design a small side table or coffee table of their own. This project builds on students' knowledge and ability to develop working drawings, cutting lists, procedures and time plans as well as carefully consider their abilities and research various possibilities in relation to methods of construction.





The Year 9/10 support class (Hollows) has also enjoyed developing their skills in timber, learning about various joining methods, shaping techniques and angles. So far this year they have

completed their pencil box projects, many taking the opportunity to make the design their own by adding hand drawn images and text to their boxes.



The second project students are in the process of completing is the folding camp stool. This project has taught students the importance of accuracy and the necessity to complete

processes in a logical sequence.

HSC Industrial Technology Timber & Furniture Industries major projects.



Congratulations to all students on completing your major projects on time.

Mr. Inben Pather  
Head Teacher TAS2 Faculty

## SRC REPORT

Congratulations to the Leadership Team for 2019:

Captains-Rhys Graham and Hannah Marchant.  
Vice Captains-Diana Ebirim, Bradley Fraser, Damon Myburgh-Sisam and Tahli Baker.



On Monday, September 10, students who have been successful in achieving a position in the Student Leadership team were formally recognised at both the senior and junior assemblies with family members who were able to attend. Students were officially presented with their leadership badge. Congratulations to all Year 11 students who were prepared to nominate and go through the selection process. The newly elected Student Leadership Team play a crucial role by supporting the efforts of staff, leading the SRC to ensure the success of events and reinforcing the importance of setting high expectations in everything we do. They are expected to be positive role models leading by example on a daily basis through proudly demonstrating the Erskine Park High School value of showing pride in achievement and inspiring others to seek leadership opportunities in the future.

We look forward to the year ahead,

Julie Walker and Laura Giaquinto  
SLT and SRC Coordinators

## HSIE FACULTY

Term 3 is the final term for the 2018 HSC cohort. There has been many Year 12 students enrolled in HSIE subjects this year, such as Business Studies, Ancient History, Modern History, Legal Studies and History Extension. Many Year 12 students are still recovering from the shock and "trauma" of their trial HSC exams, but most will admit that it was a good preparation for the final HSC. All of the HSIE faculty wishes the 2018 HSC students good luck in their upcoming exams. Please make the most of your time after graduation in preparing for the final exams.

Term 3 sees Year 11 sitting their final exams for the many preliminary courses that they are enrolled in. By now, Year 11 should have realised that they have come a significant distance from where they were last year in Year 10. The demands of their HSIE subjects will only increase as they start their HSC

year next term. Year 11 students will only have to ask Year 12 students how accurate that statement is. My advice to Year 11 students that will sit the 2019 HSC exam, is to start organising a study routine as soon as next term starts. Plan your entire week along school, assessment, part time work, and social times. Students that have done this in the past have gone from achieving average marks in Year 10, to getting outstanding marks in the HSC.

Term 3 has seen Year 10 students submit efforts for the Colin Shepherd Memorial Scholarship. Approximately a dozen entries were received and the St Marys RSL sub branch will reward the three best with “handsome” scholarship payments for education expenses. Good luck to all Year 10 students who entered. Year 10 students have also submitted entries in the EPHS community scholarships. There will be twenty in total. Recipients of all scholarships on offer from the school will be required to attend ceremonies to receive them. Families of scholarship winners really appreciate seeing Year 10 students rewarded for their efforts.

Fifty Year 10 students also attended the Vietnam veterans visit to EPHS. Here students got to hear, first hand, what the Vietnam War era was like by people that had lived through it. The Vietnam war is such a complex subject and offers a wide variety of insights into the time period. Students got insight into not only the experience of War, but the lingering effects it has on veterans and their families.



Term 3 saw Year 7 students attend two excursions. On a cold, yet sunny July day, 100 Year 7 students undertook two strenuous bushwalks in the Blue Mountains. The walks were run by teachers from the Penrith Lakes Environment Education Centre and were very rewarding for students that attended. Many had not been in the Blue Mountains before. 100 Year 7 students also attended the Chinese cultural excursion to the Nan Tien Buddhist Temple site, south

of Wollongong. Here, students experienced Buddhist religion culture and ate vegetarian dishes.



HSIE staff hope students have a relaxing break from school. Once again, good luck Year 12 in your upcoming exams

Mr Grant Kelly  
Head Teacher HSIE

### YEAR 11 REPORT

As we approach the end of Term 3, all Year 11 students are busily studying and revising in preparation for their preliminary examinations. The examinations will occur for the entirety of weeks 9 and 10, September 17th – 28th. All students have been issued with a timetable which details the time and location of their examinations. If you require a replacement copy of this timetable, please see Mrs Bale.

As Year 11 students are now completing their preliminary studies remaining and should resolve any N-Awards for assessment tasks and course work in order to ensure a smooth transition into their Higher School Certificate year. I look forward to a productive Term 4 with the students.

### Teacher's awards

In week 9 of next term we will be having our last recognition assembly of the year so please round up any paper Teacher's Awards you have at home as these are still recognised along with the new format digital Teacher's Awards. Bring any to Miss Mills in the English staffroom to make sure you are eligible to receive your well-deserved silver, gold or diamond awards. Don't forget to keep working hard to receive more in class.

### Captains & Vice Captains

As a year adviser, it is always rewarding to see our students developing the capacity to be the leaders of tomorrow. Year 11 is such an outstanding cohort who



showed the necessary commitment and leadership skills and 14 students eagerly nominated themselves for the opportunity to lead our school in 2019.

I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate those students for their wonderful speeches and for taking the time to apply. The candidates were: Kaustubh Alulkar, Ethan Baker, Tahli Baker, Zoe Dutton, Diana Ebrim, Bradley Fraser, Rhys Graham, Damon Myburgh-Sisam, Hannah Marchant, Jake McKean, Ethan McAnulty, Ijlal Khan, Lachlan Jansen and Alexander Hundal.

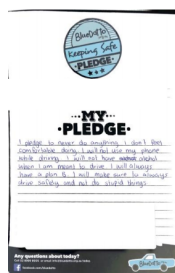


Captains 2019 – Rhys Graham and Hannah Marchant

Vice Captains 2019 – Bradley Fraser, Damon Myburgh-Sisam, Tahli Baker and Diana Ebrim.

### Blue Datto Incursion

On Friday September 7th our Year 11 students took part in the Blue Datto incursion Keeping Safe Program. This award winning program was a great success with the students at Erskine Park High School. On the day the students engaged in an interactive analysis of travel safety risks and examines the influence of family, friends and the social environment on the choices young drivers make. They were involved in a combination of whole group presentations, breakout sessions, feature films, role plays, interactive activities and presentations. Every student completed a personal road safety pledge. Blue Datto emails them every year to remind them of their pledge. Congratulations to the students involved for their outstanding behaviour.



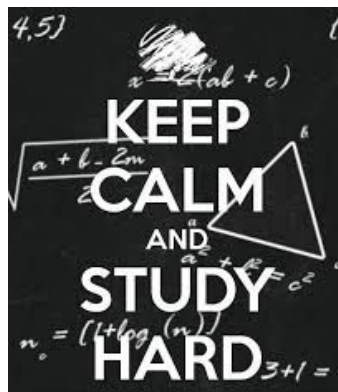
*'I pledge to never do anything I don't feel comfortable doing. I will not use my phone while driving. I will not have alcohol when I am meant to drive. I will always have a Plan B. I will make sure to always drive safely and not do stupid things'.*

### Upcoming Dates for Your Diary:

15 October	Students return to school
25 October	Liverpool hospital P.A.R.T.Y excursion
23 November	Year 11 receive reports
10 December	Senior recognition assembly
12 December	Presentation night
19 December	Last day 2018

Mrs Bale and Miss Mills  
Year Adviser and Assistant Year Adviser.

### YEAR 12 REPORT



Congratulations Year 12 on making it this far; only a few weeks of school left! Now that the trial exams have been completed and you have had a chance to reflect on your exam preparations and results, organise a plan on how you are going to continue or improve your upcoming

HSC exams. Remember the importance of a balanced, realistic and workable study schedule; ensure to factor in exercise, sleep and a healthy diet. If you require assistance with time management planning, please see your teacher mentor, Mr Bisoglio or myself.

Year 12 is reminded NOT to bring the following items with them to the HSC exams:

- Mobile phones.
- Electronic devices (except for a NESA approved calculator)
- Paper or printed material.
- Correction Fluid
- Drink bottles, which are not transparent.

Remember what you have learned, study hard and smash those HSC exams.

### Uniform Donations

Parents please consider donating your old uniforms if they are still in good condition. We are in need of sport shorts but please note that items with holes, stains or that require repair cannot be accepted.

Mrs Macinante and Mr Bisoglio  
Year adviser and Assitant Year Adviser

### HSC PERFORMANCE NIGHT

HSC Performance Night was held on Tuesday the 4th of September. This was an excellent opportunity to see the Year 12 Music class perform their HSC musical items before their final external examination. The night was a culmination of two years of hard effort and practice on selected instruments, of repertoire and a final opportunity to perform in front of a live audience. Thank you to all those who supported the event by coming along on the night to celebrate the 2018 Year 12 Music class and continuing a long established tradition at Erskine Park High School.



Mr Gennaro Serra  
Head Teacher CAPA





# Holiday Trading Hours

Erskine Park High School Uniform Shop will close for the school holidays on Friday 28th September at 3.00pm.

Additional term 4 holiday trading hours

**Monday 15th October** 8.00 am - 3.00 pm

The uniform shop will return to normal hours on Tuesday 16th October.

Throughout the school term our opening hours are:

**Tuesday** 8.00 am - 4.00 pm  
**Friday** 12.00 pm - 3.00 pm

You are welcome to purchase from the online uniform shop at your convenience and your order will be filled when the store is next open.

Please contact the uniform shop:

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## FOR CHILDREN &amp; YOUNG PEOPLE

# 5,4,3,2,1... BLAST INTO ORBIT AT THE LIBRARY

**It's a launch!** Our new-look newsletter for children and young people has landed. Set your orbit around your library – a hub of fantastic, fun and handy resources for children and young people, not to mention your baby sister, mum, dad and grandpa too! Books are just the beginning...

Penrith City Library has a huge collection including children, teens, fiction, non-fiction, large print, audio, reference and research books to name just a few. There are DVDs for everyone and CDs for children too.

If you'd like to hear a short story while you're visiting the library, check out the Story Pod which comes with great picture book animations and is available in many languages. You can also find your Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) titles marked with handy grade stickers in the devoted PRC shelves in the Children's area and the non-fiction area.

Our collection heads online with Libby, where you can download eBooks for reading on the go, or you can jump on the catalogue at the Library and at home to find stories, games, rhymes and jokes with e-resources like Zepales and World Book Web for kids and students. All you need to get online is your library card and password.



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## TERM 4 ACTIVITIES

### Young People



### CONTEMPORARY POP ART with Na'ama Atzmon-Simon

Pop Art broke the mould with its revolutionary use of mass media and popular culture images celebrating everyday objects and people. Get hands on using Pop Art's bright, graphic and comic art style to develop your own cutting-edge art works. Be inspired by the techniques of Pop Art legends like Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein and walk away with your own works on mixed-media and canvas.

**WHO:** Students in Grades 7-10

**WHEN:** Tuesdays, 4.30 - 6pm  
(23 October - 13 November)

**TICKETS:** \$80 for a 4 week term



### Children



### TINKERING THURSDAYS with Build-a-Mind

Join Kerry from Build-A-Mind for Tinkering Thursdays where you get the chance to create, discover and solve a new weekly tinkering challenge all new while you're having fun. Grounded in science, technology, engineering, arts and maths (STEAM), children will be introduced to a variety of tools and materials. They will face a weekly challenge to solve in their own way, using what they have learnt coupled with their imagination.

**WHO:** Students in Grades 1-6

**WHEN:** Thursdays, 4.15 - 5.15pm  
(18 October - 6 December)

**TICKETS:** \$120 for an 8 week term

## CHILDREN'S WEEK



Celebrate Children's Week with great, free activities and a fun-fair atmosphere. Children, bring your parents to visit the Penrith City Library stand on the Mondo to enjoy stories, craft and much more. Find out about the great places children and families can enjoy in our local council area.

**WHO:** 0-5 year olds

**WHEN:** Wednesday 24 October, 10am - 2pm

**WHERE:** The Mondo, High Street, Penrith  
(opposite Penrith City Library)

For more information contact Barjinder on 4732 7891, email [childrensteamlibrary@penrith.city](mailto:childrensteamlibrary@penrith.city) or go to [penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/library](http://penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/library)

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## HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

TICKETS ON SALE FROM MONDAY  
20 AUGUST 2018 - **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!**



### Family Shows



### THE BIG BAG SHOW with Dennis Clare

A master in mime and visual theatre, Dennis involves audiences in the action and literally pulls a unique, fun and spontaneous family show straight out of the bag! Bring your best ideas, add them to the Big Bag and be delighted as Dennis uses the skill of mime to bring your ideas alive. Children will be part of the action helping Dennis enact their ideas on stage. What emerges from the Big Bag is only limited by your wildest imagination!

**WHO:** For the whole family  
**WHEN:** Wednesday 3 October, 10 - 11am  
**TICKETS:** \$7 per person (children under 2 free)



### READ YOU CAN ORANG-UTAN with Jared Morgan

With puppets, larger than life character costumes, diverse stories and a splash of magic this vibrant show has something for everyone! You'll meet mischievous Orang-utan who can't read books but reads the jungle, over-the-top Pantomime Dame and El Howiddee the illusionist who mystifies even himself! Each new character spins a different tale and has you imagining how you might tell your own.

**WHO:** For the whole family  
**WHEN:** Wednesday 10 October, 10.30 - 11.30am  
**TICKETS:** \$7 per person (children under 2 free)

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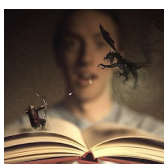
### Young People



### COLLAGED ILLUSTRATION WORKSHOP with Narelida Joy

Illustrate your story in collage with illustrator Narelida Joy. Starting with word prompts to develop story ideas, you will make a character and produce two storyboards showing the movement of the character from one story scene to the next. Later, at home you can make more storyboards to complete the whole story.

**WHO:** 9-14 year olds  
**WHEN:** Thursday 4 October, 10 - 12pm  
**TICKETS:** \$18 per student



### GREAT CHARACTERS WALK OFF THE PAGE with Penny Reeve

Great characters make great stories. But how do we write them? What makes one character more believable than the next? And how do we make our readers care about them? Join author, Penny Reeve in a workshop for budding authors wanting to make their stories, and characters, really come alive!

**WHO:** 11-15 year olds  
**WHEN:** Thursday 11 October, 12.30 - 1.30pm  
**TICKETS:** \$12 per student



### Children

### VISUAL THEATRE & MIME WORKSHOP with Dennis Clare

After being blown away by Dennis' Big Bag Show, get hands-on to play and experiment with the visual props and drama techniques Dennis uses to create the show. Try some basic mime skills to make the invisible world visible and learn how to animate and create characters using the amazing giant slinky apparatus as it glides across the stage. Lots of interactive fun.

**WHO:** 5-11 year olds  
**WHEN:** Wednesday 3 October, 11.15am - 12.15pm  
**TICKETS:** \$12 per child

### BIG BANG SCIENCE ESCAPE ROOM with Children's Discovery Museum

Race against the clock to solve the mystery of the Zombie Outbreak, Librarian Crime Ring, Alien Investigation, Pirate's Treasure or Scientific Discovery and open the chest which holds the key to your escape!

**WHO:** 9-12 year olds  
**WHEN:** Tuesday 9 October, 10.30 - 11.30am  
**TICKETS:** \$18 per child



### MAKE A MOVING PUPPET with Narelida Joy

Make a moving puppet with illustrator Narelida Joy. Younger children will be able to bring a puppet character to life based on illustrations in the delightful story, Fox and Moonbeam. A reading of the story will inspire children to reach their full potential.

**WHO:** 5-8 year olds  
**WHEN:** Thursday 4 October, 1 - 2pm  
**TICKETS:** \$12 per child



### CREATE A FLIP PICTURE BOOK with Penny Reeve

Love playing hide and seek? Love making up stories? This creative workshop combines both with children's author, Penny Reeve. Children will learn about how stories are structured as they write and illustrate an engaging 'lift-the-flap' adventure they can share with family and friends.

**WHO:** 6-10 year olds  
**WHEN:** Thursday 11 October, 10.30 - 11.30am  
**TICKETS:** \$12 per child



### BACKYARD BUGS with Rangers on the Run

Explore the amazing world of bugs in an interactive show where children can hold and touch them in a safe and exciting way. Live myriapods (the slinky guys – like centipedes!), insects and arachnids are the stars of the show. We explore their features and their amazing abilities, where they live, how they grow and the role of bugs in the environment.

**WHO:** 6-13 year olds  
**WHEN:** Friday 12 October, 10.30 - 11.30am  
**TICKETS:** \$10 per child



### THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR LIBRARY TRAIL At Penrith, St Marys and St Clair Library Branches

Pre-schoolers, bring your parents, sisters and brothers to follow The Very Hungry Caterpillar's food trail through each of our library branches. Find the hungry caterpillar's cocoon and take away a small gift. Only available while stocks last.

**WHO:** 3-6 year olds  
**WHEN:** Saturday 29 September - Sunday 14 October  
During library opening hours.  
**TICKETS:** Free



### TICKETS ON SALE FROM MONDAY 20 AUGUST 2018

All events are at Penrith Library. Bookings are essential. Book early to avoid disappointment as tickets sell quickly. No refunds or exchanges for tickets purchased. Family shows – every adult and child over 2 years old must purchase a ticket. Other events – accompanying adults attend for free. All events are supervised by professional facilitators and staff. Images displayed in the newsletter are for promotional purposes only.







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**COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH MONTH EVENTS**

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Penrith-At the Mondo (between Westfield and Joan Theatre)  
 Thursday 4th October, 2018 \* 12pm - 4pm

Richmond-At the Oval  
 Tuesday 9th October, 2018 \* 12pm - 3pm  
**ENTRY IS FREE!**

Musicians \* fun activities \* jumping castle \* face painting \* food

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