2014 - Term 1 Week 8

Monday 17 March  7pm OOSH Meeting
Tuesday 18 March  Year 1 Field of Mars Excursion
Wednesday 19 March  Year 2 Field of Mars Excursion
Thursday 20 March  2:05pm - K-6 Assembly
Friday 21 March  No PSSA – Zone Winter Trials
High School Forms Due
P&C Movie Night

Hot Cross Buns Orders Due

2014 - Term 1 Week 9

Tuesday 25 March  Parent Teacher Interviews
Thursday 27 March  Paul Kelly Cup
Friday 28 March  PSSA Summer end Term 1

2014 - Term 1 Week 10

Monday 31 March  Year 5 Camp
Tuesday 1 April  Year 5 Camp
Wednesday 2 April  Year 5 Camp 7:30pm P&C Meeting
Thursday 3 April  SRC Mufti Day (Pyjamas) 12:30pm K-2 Assembly 2:05pm – 3-6 Assembly

2014 - Term 1 Week 11

Tuesday 8 April  Oz Opera
Wednesday 9 April  9:30am Easter Hat Parade  Hot Cross Buns Delivery
Friday 11 April  ANZAC Day Service  Last Day of Term 1

PSSA
There will be no PSSA cricket, t-ball or softball this week as the Ryde Zone will be holding their trials for their Zone winter teams. These are Open teams, which usually means they comprise students in Year 6. The school is often limited in the amount of students it can send to each trial. Parents need to arrange their own transport. Please contact Mrs Clarke for more details.

Mark Hoppitt
Principal

Stage News

Kindy News
Welcome to Week 8. This week’s sounds are ‘u’, ‘i’ and ‘f’, and our tricky words are ‘family’, ‘love’, ‘was’ and ‘the’. Each Friday your child is given a home reader; these books come from a series of books that are at a specific reading level. Please ensure these are read over the weekend as they are very beneficial for beginning readers. Parent helpers will begin assisting with reading groups this week, please see your class teacher if you would like to help. Please remember that if your child receives 10 Caught You Being Good Cards they are eligible for a Bronze Award, so please keep these in a safe place. Have a fabulous week.

Stage 1
Welcome to Week 8. We hope everyone enjoys the Field of Mars excursion this week. Year 1 have started maths groups on Thursday from 2:30 - 3:00pm, if you can help in Weeks 9, 10 and 11 of this term please let your child’s teacher know. Assembly this week will commence at 2:05pm and you are all welcome to attend.

Stage 2
Welcome to Week 8. This week we have an Assembly on Thursday afternoon. We will also be meeting on Wednesday afternoon to practise our song for the Anzac Day Service. Please encourage children to practise this song at home and be confident with all the words. Thank you to parents who have already arranged Parent/Teacher Interviews for Week 9. Please contact your child’s teacher if you still need to make an appointment.

Principal’s Message

Movie Night
This Friday night the P&C have organised a special MOVIE NIGHT for the school community to attend. They will be screening Despicable Me 2. I am looking forward to it.
Welcome to Week 8! The students in Stage 3 enjoyed a wonderful incursion last week with their ‘Journey to Antarctica’. A reminder to all Year 6 students, to please hand all high school expression of interest forms to Miss Claro by Friday 21st March. There will be no Summer PSSA this week, as there will be Ryde Zone Winter PSSA trials. The teachers are looking forward to meeting parents next week for the Parent/Teacher Interviews. Have a fabulous week.

Around the School

School Expectations
This week our focus is on RESPECT. Students at Ermington can display respect in many ways, including:
- Allowing others to learn
- Listen and communicate with courtesy
- Respect the property of others
- Actively accept the rights and differences of others

Winter Zone PSSA Trials
This Friday (21st March) there will be zone trials for girls and boys soccer, netball and Rugby League at Meadowbank Park. If your child is a skilled player who plays competition in these sports and would like to attend these trials please see me by Thursday and their names will be submitted. The trials will be held at Meadowbank Park at 12.10pm to 2.30pm. Parents will have to transport their child to and from the venue. These trials are conducted to form a Ryde representative team to play other districts in Term 2 and usually comprise of senior students.

Mrs Clarke - PSSA Co-ordinator

Winter PSSA Tryouts
This Friday morning (except Senior Netball as it will be held this Thursday morning), tryouts will be held for school competitive winter sports. Tryouts will begin at 8.00am and the sports are as follows.
* Junior Netball - Mrs MacKenzie
* Senior Netball - Mrs Sparrow
* Junior & Senior Soccer - Mrs McCormick
* Girls Soccer - Ms Bull
* Tiger Tag (Seniors Only) - Mr Clark
* AFL - Mrs Clarke (mixed senior team and mixed junior team)

Children need have no experience to try out for these codes. Everyone is welcome. If unable to attend please see the relevant teacher.

Paul Kelly Cup
This AFL gala day will be held on Thursday March 27. We will be taking 3 teams (girls and boys, junior and senior). Children will be informed this week if they have been selected for a team. They will need a mouth guard for the day and will not be allowed to play unless they have one. This applies to AFL for PSSA Friday afternoon sport also.

PSSA
No PSSA this week. Winter Zone PSSA trials are being held.

Library News
Our current Book Club (Issue Two) is due first thing this Friday, 21st March, either to the office or the library. I will process the orders on the day to make sure we receive the books by the end of term. I am still waiting on the Minecraft Redstone Handbook from Issue One and Scholastic advises it is due late March. Once I have them, I will pass to students. Our commission from the first issue alone was over $300 and I have just received an order of new books for the library using these funds, which will be on the shelves before the end of term. Your support is appreciated and allows me to purchase popular titles from each issue of the club.

I am very grateful for parent assistance with shelving on Thursday afternoons. To avoid clashes with assembly, we will concentrate on the odd weeks only. Keeping tidy shelves assists with finding books quickly and confidently. You are most welcome to help from 2pm, but even fifteen minutes before the bell would not be wasted.

Mr Butterfield (Teacher/Librarian)

Canteen News

Sushi Day
Our next Sushi Day is next week – Wed 26 March, please help us by pre-ordering your sushi. Our flavours are Chicken, Chicken & Avocado, Salmon & Avocado and Tuna - $2.50 ea.

Volunteers
Many thanks to the wonderful people who volunteered for the canteen last week - however to fill our roster we still require 3 people for Wednesdays and 2 people for Thursdays.

If you are able to help, please txt or call Wendy 0412154004.

Breakfast – Café-style Raisin Toast for $1 - available for breakfast from 8.40am – Mondays & Fridays ONLY.

Hash Browns – In keeping with the Healthy Canteen guidelines hash browns will be limited to 2 per person.

Canteen Roster

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If you are unable to work your shift, please refer to your contact list to arrange a swap. If you can’t find a replacement, please contact Wendy 0412154004.
Kiss and Ride Roster

If you can assist with the K&R service for 15 minutes once per month, email (help needed urgently on Wednesdays)

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Please do not drop off students near the crossing as it is becoming a safety issue. Please drop off in designated areas of Kiss and Ride.

K-2 Dance Group

The K-2 Dance Group will commence auditions in Week 10 of this term. Please remind your child to listen carefully for any announcements.

OOSH NEWS

The April vacation care program is available for download to your computer or smartphone from our website www.ermingtonoosh.com. Bookings can be made on the webservice using your OOSH log in details at www.becklynweb.com.au/ermington. All Enquiries can be directed to Allison, Cathy or Sandy on 9874 4077 or ermingtonoosh@live.com.au

Newsletter Deadline

Articles should be submitted electronically to the School Office by 12 noon Monday. These should be sent to: norrie.summerhayes@det.nsw.edu.au

Subject: Newsletter Insert

The school often publishes information on behalf of community groups – parents need to decide on the appropriateness of activities involving their child. It is the responsibility of each parent to research the bona fides of any organisation in which you wish for your child to be involved. The school accepts no responsibility with regard to advertisements placed in the newsletter. Parents and guardians should make their own decision.

Western Sydney Volunteer Branch Mak-A-Wish Annual Trivia Games Night

Date: 5th April, 2014
Where: Don Moore Community Centre, Cnr Farnell Ave & North Rocks Road, Carlingford
Cost: $20 per person (8 per table)
Contact: Emma Gillham – P: 0424 294 243 or Email: MAW_Western_Sydney@hotmail.com
RSVP: 21st March 2014
BYO Food & Drinks

Free Kids Fitness Sessions

Wednesday Afternoons 3:30pm – 4:15pm
26th March – 4th June 2014
Contact: Melissa Baker
P: 9942-3056 or E: melissa.baker10@det.nsw.edu.au
**Why Read 20 Minutes at Home?**

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<th>Student A Reads</th>
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<th>Student C Reads</th>
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<td>20 minutes per day.</td>
<td>5 minutes per day.</td>
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<td>3,600 minutes per school year.</td>
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<td>1,800,000 words per year.</td>
<td>282,000 words per year.</td>
<td>8,000 words per year.</td>
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- Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests.
- Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests.
- Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests.

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

**Want to be a Better Reader? Simply Read.**

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**Field of Mars Discovery**

- Native Animal Show
- BBQ & Face Painting
- Guided Bush Walks
- Local Stalls & Displays
- Indigenous Catchment Talks
- Storytime

Bring your picnic rug, friends and family and discover what Field of Mars Reserve has to offer.

**Date:** Sunday 30 March 2014
- Session 1: 10:00am - 12:15pm
- Session 2: 12:45pm - 3:00pm

**Location:** Field of Mars Reserve, Pittwater Road, Gladesville

**Cost:** Free

**Bookings:** Essential ph. 9952 8222. Book early as places are limited.

**Parking:** Kennedy St, Westminster Rd and Monash Rd. Limited parking at Field of Mars main entrance. No parking permitted on Pittwater Rd.

**Note:** Sorry no dogs or pets.

Ermington Public School P&C Outdoor Cinema (25 Ft Screen)

Despicable Me 2

***The EPS P&C is holding an outdoor cinema Family Movie Night***

Where: Ermington Public School – School Oval
When: Friday 21st March 2014
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<td>Pre Movie Entertainment from 6:15pm</td>
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Tickets:

Tickets will be sent home on Wednesday 19 March and must be used on the night to gain entry.

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<td>Child (Under 18)*</td>
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<td>Family (Max 2 Adults and 2 Children from the same immediate family)</td>
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*Children must be accompanied by an adult. No children supervision will be provided on the night.*

Total Ticket Cost $________

Dinner:
Pizza Hut Pizzas can be pre ordered and will be delivered to the school on the night.
All Pizzas are 11 Inch Large Size

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Total Pizza Cost $________

Total Amount Enclosed $________

Child/Family Name ___________________________ Class ___________________________

Refreshments: POPCORN, Tea, Coffee, Multicultural Delights, Cold Drinks, Ice Creams and Lollies will be available for purchase on the night.

LAST CHANCE TO PRE-ORDER

NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH