## Term 3 Week 2

**Tuesday 22 July**  
3-6 Athletics Carnival (Dunbar)

**Wednesday 23 July**  
K-2 Athletics Carnival (School)

**Thursday 24 July**  
K-2 Assembly 12.30pm  
3-6 Assembly 2.05pm

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## Term 3 Week 3

**Tuesday 29 July**  
ICAS English

**Wednesday 30 July**  
Maths Olympiad  
Book Fair

**Thursday 31 July**  
Education Week Open Day  
World Cup-Athon

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## Term 3 Week 4

**Tuesday 5 August**  
Extra-Curricular Photos  
Raising Kids that Cope

**Wednesday 6 August**  
Yr4 Excursion Hyde Park Barracks  
6J Science @ Marsden HS  
7.30pm P&C Meeting

**Thursday 7 August**  
2.05pm K-6 Assembly

**Friday 8 August**  
PSSA Semi-Finals  
Aerobics Nationals

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## Principal's Message

### Raising Kids that Cope

As a joint initiative between Ermington, West Ryde, Meadowbank and Melrose Park Public Schools, I would like to invite you to attend a FREE parent seminar on building resilience and optimism in children. We hope this will be one of many parent seminars that we are able to provide to our parent communities. This first seminar is being held at West Ryde Public school so please RSVP directly to them (westryde-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) stating that you are an Ermington parent. It will be great to see some of our parents attending as the subject matter is very relevant to raising children today.

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### Education Week Open Day

Our Education Week Open Day will be held on Thursday, 31st July. There will be an opportunity for parents to visit classrooms from 9.15am until 10.00am.

From 10.15am until 10.45am some of the students would like to perform to show some of their talents. For your pleasure we have our:
- School Bands
- Years 3-6 Dance Group
- Year 2 Choir
- Junior Choir
- National Aerobics Teams
- Year 5 Recorder Group.

Our Book Fair will be open from 8.30am until 11.30am.  
Our World Cup-athon will be held after Recess.
Athletics Carnivals
Today the Years 3-6 students had a great day at Dunbar Oval enjoying our athletics carnival. Tomorrow the K-2 students will participate in their carnival on the school grounds.

Kindergarten 2015
Do you know someone who is eligible to enrol in Kindergarten at Ermington in 2015? If so, it is important that you contact the office and request an application for enrolment form. If you already have a child at the school, you also need to fill in a form if their sibling is coming to school next year. If you don’t tell us, we don’t know. There will be an information evening at the end of this term and it is important that we have a clear understanding of the number of students to anticipate being in Kindergarten in 2015.

Mark Hoppitt
Principal

Stage News

Kindy
Welcome to Week 2. This week’s sound is ‘ee’ and the tricky words for this week are ‘Sunday’, ‘Monday’, ‘Tuesday’, ‘Wednesday’, ‘Thursday’, ‘Friday’ and ‘Saturday’. For news this week, students are to bring in their favourite book about a jungle animal. Students are to tell the class about it and why it is their favourite book. Please label the book as we will keep it in the classroom for future reference. Please ensure students are prepared for news as we have had a number of students unprepared each week. We have a busy week this week; Wednesday is the K-2 Athletics Carnival and on Thursday the K-2 Assembly. Payment for our excursion to Taronga Zoo is due Monday, 4th August. Have a great week.

Stage 1
Welcome to Week 2! This week we have our K-2 Athletics Carnival on Wednesday. The carnival will commence at approximately 9:15am. Students are to come dressed in their sports uniform or they can wear their house colour t-shirt. On Thursday we have our first K-2 Assembly for Term 3 at 12:30pm. 2V will be presenting an item for us. Year 1 also have Maths Groups on Thursday at 2:30pm all parents are welcome to come and help. Ms Vallenite would like to let her class know that Reading Groups are on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday starting this week. She would also like to ask Year 2 to bring in their outfit (Suit pants and white shirt or raincoat and gumboots) for their ‘Singing in the Rain’, Open Day item in Week 3. This week’s topic for Child Protection is ‘Protection’. All Year 1 and Year 2 classes will be looking at this topic this week. Any questions please ask your child’s teacher. We are looking forward to an exciting week at school.

Stage 2
Stage 2 students have returned with enthusiasm. Thank you to the parents who have replenished their child’s stationery supplies, although many students are still in need of new pencils, glue sticks and rulers. The times table challenge is underway, the children are wearing their bands with pride and are eager to progress onto the next times table. Next week is Education Week. The Book Fair will be operating so please visit it at some stage to purchase a book for your child or one to donate to the school. Open Day is on Thursday, 31st July and we look forward to opening our classrooms to you. This term in Weeks 4 or 5, Stage 2 students will be attending Hyde Park Barracks to learn more about the early history of Australia. Students will also be participating in the Backyard Rugby League program offered by the Balmain Tigers development team. This program will run for 5 weeks as a part of our weekly PE lessons. It is an excellent opportunity to develop ball skills delivered by professionals. Please send in permission notes and money as soon as possible.

Stage 3
The students have made a very positive start to Term 3. Please ensure your child has the appropriate stationery items for the term and that they are ready for all the fabulous lessons and activities the teachers have planned. We are excited to be starting our Asian Cultural Study for HSIE and students are encouraged to research their country and bring in any books to share with their class. Students in Year 6 are reminded to ensure all camp payments and forms are returned by Wednesday, 23rd July. This Thursday will be our first 3-6 assembly for Semester 2 and we hope to see you there. Have a superb week.

Around the School

School Expectations
This week our focus is on STAYING SAFE. Ways in which our students can display this is by:

- Walking around the room and the school in a sensible manner
- Holding and using scissors correctly
- When crossing roads, make you wait for the green walk signal.
- Watch out for cars and pedestrians if riding your bike to school.

Ermington PS Student “Today Show” Experience
Last term, two of our students had the amazing opportunity to co-host on the Today Show. Alexia T 5C
Hi, I am mini Lisa from the Today Show, you might have seen me on TV at the end of last term. I am also Alexia T. It was heaps fun and I got to meet and get autographs from Ben Forman, Sylvia Jeffrys, Karl Steffanovic, Lisa Wilkinson, Stevie Jacobs, Richard Wilkenson, David Campell and Sonja Kruga. They were all super nice. At first during the ad, we did a practice run. Did you know? The camera has the words that you have to say!! We saw you on TV at the end of last term. I am also Alexia T. It was heaps fun and I got to meet and get autographs from Ben Forman, Sylvia Jeffrys, Karl Steffanovic, Lisa Wilkinson, Stevie Jacobs, Richard Wilkenson, David Campell and Sonja Kruga. They were all super nice. At first during the ad, we did a practice run. Did you know? The camera has the words that you have to say!! We also got to do an advertisement, it was a great experience. Over to you Cory ...”.

Cory M 5C
Hi, this is mini Karl and along with the others we are the mini Today hosts. At 7:20am, we all got on live TV alone. During the week we all got to have a turn and then on the Friday we all got together as the mini Today hosts on the table that the “Normal” hosts sit and we got to do what the normal hosts do like read the news, have a laugh and stuff like that. After we got to go on an ad right before The Voice Kids came on. It was long to shoot but in the end it was awesome and everybody said, “Hi mini Karl, we saw you on TV” but it was a great experience and it was so much fun. I just want to go back up there again.
Year 6 Yearbook Reminder
Thank you to all those families who have contributed photo content for the Year 6 Yearbook which was due back last Friday. The variety and mix of photos received so far have been amazing. If you would still like to contribute some photos and have yet to do so, please hand in your labelled USBs containing the photo content to your class teacher by this Friday 25th July at the latest. Any questions, please contact the yearbook committee on yhdu@hotmail.com or 0410 682 133.

Bookfair is Coming
Our amazing bookfair, the 'Book Fair Garden', is coming to Ermington Public School in Week Three, during our Education Week festivities. I am planning a preview/early bird sales morning before school on Wednesday, 30th from 8.30am before our big day on Thursday, 31st during Open Day. Book Fair is like having the books from Book Club on display in our own pop-up bookshop. Please come and visit us in the computer room, just next to the canteen, and consider buying books for family and friends, or perhaps as a donation to our school. All sales will earn our school a commission which will be invested into reading and learning materials for our school library.

I am encouraging all children to complete their reading records for the Premier's Reading Challenge. We have until Friday, August 22nd to finalise these in preparation for the awarding of certificates in Term Four. We will assist our K-2 students by adding books from classroom and library lessons to reading records, and all 3-6 students have received time in library lessons to add books to their records. There is no reason for any student to miss out on this recognition provided they take the time to record their reading throughout the year. All orders for Book Club Issue Four have been filled. If there is any issue you would like to discuss with Book Club, please contact me via the school office.

Mr Butterfield

Science & Technology
This term, Stage 3 students will conduct their own scientific investigations in class. They will also research the contribution made by Australian innovators/inventors as a home project to present in class (not 6B). Information about this project was handed out last week. The project is due in Week 8 (by Friday, 5th September). Stage 2 students will be investigating the components of simple machines. They will be using Lego Technics kits to design, make and explain the working of a variety of simple machines.

Mrs Amat

3-6 Dance Group Audition Success!
Congratulations to the 3-6 Dance Group who have been successful in their audition for the 2014 Ryde Schools Spectacular at the Sydney Opera House in October. The dancers are to be commended on their dedication to weekly dance rehearsals. Don't forget we have rehearsals on Thursday morning at 7:45am.

Miss Claro

Book Club Issue Four have been filled. If there is any issue you would like to discuss with Book Club, please contact me via the school office.

School Swimming Scheme
Just another reminder that arrangements have been made to once again include a Learn to Swim Program in our school curriculum for Year 2 and Year 3 students. The Department of Education and Communities School Swimming Scheme is an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The program is conducted over 10 days with each daily lesson running for 45 minutes. This year it will run from Monday, 8th September to September, 19th and the cost will be approximately $90.00.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Notes and additional information about the program please see Mrs Cheng. If you have any questions regarding the program please contact me.

Mrs Cheng - Swim School Coordinator

Band News - TSA Band Camp 2014
Yes, it's that time of year again! Pull out your best swimmers for the waterslide, your grooviest PJ’s for the pyjama disco and get into training for the staff v’s students beach volleyball match!! (Oh, and you should probably practise your band music too!)

Whilst most kids come to camp for the excitement of new friends, fun activities and a weekend away, the real benefit is in the valuable experience (both musical and social) gained from such intensive time spent in such a highly musical environment. With over 8 hours of face-to-face tuition over the weekend, there is over a term and a half worth of 30 minute lessons to be had! Camp is also a valuable experience for students who may be losing interest in music and need a boost of enthusiasm and practice to get them to a level where they can enjoy their music and performance.

Notes for camp should have been received late last term outlining details including cost, venue, times and dates. If your child did not receive this note or you need another copy, please visit www.teachingservices.com.au and download the note. Permission notes, along with deposit, need to be returned ASAP to avoid missing out as the camp is now being finalised.

Kiss and Ride Roster
PLEASE email colettegrundy@yahoo.com.au if you can help on Mondays or Tuesdays.

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Coffee and Prayer
All are welcome at Claire’s house - 16 Murdoch Street, Ermington on Wednesday, 30th July at 7:45pm. For more information please call Claire on 0400-376-008.

Entertainment Book
This is your last chance to purchase a 2014/2015 Entertainment Membership. Don’t miss out. Order now, before they’re all gone. See what the fuss is about and get your hands on the new 2014/2015 Entertainment Membership before it’s too late. Purchase your new Entertainment Book today – supplies are extremely low, and we don’t want you to miss out on enjoying valuable offers. Ermington Public School is wrapping up the fundraiser and books won’t be available much longer! The best part is that $13 from your Book purchase goes towards our fundraising! Contact Belinda Barnes on 0410 210 702 or belinda5d@optusnet.com.au or to order online please visit the following website www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/217e692

Band News
A big Thank you to all band parents for their contributions to the Cake Stall at the end of last Term. We were overwhelmed with the response with lots of yummy goods on offer. We raised a total of $275 which will go towards our resource budget. Thank you to all the wonderful band parents who helped set-up and serve on the day. We really appreciate all your support and look forward to our next Cake Day on September 15 (last week of Term 3).

Canteen News
WE ARE ONCE AGAIN DESPERATE FOR VOLUNTEERS – WE MAY NEED TO CLOSE 1 WEDNESDAY, 1 THURSDAY AND 1 FRIDAY PER MONTH!
Please call or email Wendy -wlarocca@optusnet.com.au 0412154004 if you can help out.

SUSHI DAY – This Wednesday 23 July. Sushi vouchers will be sold at the canteen @ $2.70 each. Sushi is for lunch orders only. There are Chicken, Tuna, Chicken & Avocado, Salmon & Avocado. ORDER NOW!

Canteen Roster
Wednesday 23/7 Beth, Kate B
Thursday 24/7 Lisa Fu, Louise (pm) HELP NEEDED!
Friday 25/7 Wendy, Melissa, Teresa
Monday 28/7 Eunice, Jina
Tuesday 29/7 Robyn B, Donna (5th week)
Wednesday 30/7 Nichole, La (5th week)
Thursday 31/7 James Meena Louise(pm) (5th week)
Friday 1/8 Wendy, Patricia HELP NEEDED!

Newsletter Deadline
Articles should be submitted electronically to the School Office by 12 noon Monday. These should be sent to: ermington-p.school@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.
Private Piano Lessons
• High school teaching experience +10 years piano tuition experience (A.M.W.B)
• Bachelor of Music / Education UNSW
• Amus. A in piano
• Studying Music Therapy UWS
• 1st lesson half price
For more information please contact Peggy Shen on 0433677233 or p.shen29@gmail.com

WEST RYDE ROVERS CRICKET CLUB
SEASON 2014/2015 IMPORTANT NOTICE
The new cricket season is commencing mid Sept and registration day will be in a couple of weeks!!!
We will have In2cricket Milo for boys and girls 4-7 years, Saturday Mornings
Modified competition for Under 9s boys & girls Saturday Mornings
Under 10-16, Junior competition and Senior Teams
Junior girls teams
Registration Day Details
When: Sunday 27th July @ 11am - 4pm
Where: Denistone Sports Club Ltd
59 Chatham Rd West Ryde.
Please don’t hesitate to contact us if you have any questions: Tim French (Club Secretary) mob: 0402 890 657 email: roverscricket@gmail.com
Bec Di Giulio (Club Junior Registrar) email: rovers.juniorregistrar@gmail.com