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Principal's Message

Swimming Success
Congratulations to the students who represented our school and the Ryde Zone at the Regional Swimming Carnival. Our students were amazing as they competed to their best ability and showed exceptional team spirit. Special mention needs to be made of Laurence L who is competing in the 50m Breaststroke at the State Carnival and Andrew K, Laurence L, Michael S & Shaun L who are competing in the Senior Boys’ Relay.

Swimming Champions and Runners Up
- Snr Boy Champion - Andrew K
- Snr Boy Runner Up - Michael S
- Snr Girl Champion - Louise G
- Snr Girl Runner Up - Natalie K
- 11yr Boy Champion - Shaun L
- 11yr Boy Runner Up - Nicholas G
- 11yr Girl champion - Lina L
- 11yr Girl Runner Up - Louise A
- Jnr Boy Champion - Zac A
- Jnr Boy Runner Up - Charlie S
- Jnr Girl Champion - Lauren S
- Jnr Girl Runner Up - Maggie L

Cross Country Carnival
For those students who like to begin practising, our school cross country will be held in the second week of Term 2.

Year 5 Camp
From reports received, the students are having a great time at camp. Please note they are due back at school on Wednesday at approximately 3.15pm. If on time, the buses will be parking in Brush Road.

Oz Opera Performance
Next Tuesday Oz Opera will be performing “Cinderella” at our school. Most families paid this as part of their school fees. A note will be sent home this week reminding those who still owe payment.

Mark Hoppitt
Principal
Stage News

Kindy
Welcome to Week 9. Our sight words for this week are baby, house, school and come. The sounds we will be focusing on are: 'b', 'j' and 'z'. Could all families please bring in chocolate eggs and chocolate bunnies to donate to the Easter Egg Raffle. Raffle ticket books were sent home last week. The raffle ticket booklet needs to be returned with any money collected to the classroom teacher. The K-2 Easter Hat Parade will be held on Wednesday, 1st April at 9:30am, under the COLA. We hope everyone is able to make an Easter hat to bring to the parade to show all of the other students.

Stage 1
The end of the term is fast approaching and what an exciting end to the term we have. Last Tuesday Stage 1 teachers met and have planned many exciting learning activities for Term 2. Last week we heard everyone's speaking and listening speeches and we were very proud of everyone. Great job! Next week 1L will be hosting our K-2 Assembly on Thursday at 12:30pm and 2W will be performing an item for us. We hope to see you there! The very exciting Easter Hat Parade is on its way. Please make hats for the day at home. We can't wait to see them all. We have been working hard rehearsing our dances for you and we are all very excited to show them to you. Thank you to all of our families who have already sent in Easter Eggs for the raffle. We are still collecting so please bring them in as soon as possible. We hope you have a great week.

Stage 2
Thank you to all the parents that had met with their child's teacher last week. All of the children are now busy working on their home projects which are due next Thursday, 2nd April. As the end of term approaches please consider replenishing your child stationery supplies. Have a fantastic week!

Stage 3
Year 5 left for the Great Aussie Bush Camp yesterday and are having a fabulous time. A reminder that all Year 6 High School forms were due last Friday. If there are any outstanding forms, please return these immediately. It's hard to believe Term 1 is almost over. We have had a fun filled term of learning and look forward to next term. The students in Stage 3 have been studying imaginative texts in English and will be involved in assessment tasks next week. Please ensure all stationery requirements are replenished and labelled over the holidays. Have a great week!

Science & Technology
Kindergarten students are making a 3D model of their favourite place in Science. Thank you to everyone who was able to contribute recycled materials for the students to use. I hope you enjoy the creative models they bring home!

Mrs Amat

ICAS
Just a friendly reminder that ICAS notes and money are due back to school by Monday 30th March. No late entries will be accepted. Please see the office if you need a note.

Young Leaders’ Day
The student executive and Miss Claro attended the Young Leaders’ Day at the Qantas Credit Union Arena on Monday 23rd March. It was an inspiring event where the students heard from speakers including the Hon. Mike Baird and Bindi Irwin. Miss Claro would like to commend the students for their impeccable behaviour during the course of the day. The thought for the event and something we can all take away is, “Nothing significant, enduring of amazing ever began that way.”

SRC
This term the SRC will be raising money for the World Wildlife Fund. This fundraiser will be held on Monday 30th March. We encourage students to come dressed as their favourite animal or in green and blue mufti on the day for a gold coin donation. A small prize will be given to the best dressed animal. As we will be making the outline of an animal to take a photo of with all of our money it would be great to see as many coins as possible.

Ryde Rotary Public Speaking Competition.
Last Wednesday evening, Sriram from 5B and Chris from 6S, gave amazing speeches on, "Mathematics is the most important subject" and "When I rule the world..." as a part of the Ryde Rotary Public Speaking competition at Eastwood Heights Public School. They were very persuasive and both students were fantastic representatives from our school. Well Done Boys!

Karen Sparrow Public Speaking Facilitator.

Band News
Hopefully you are hearing some great sounds coming from your child's instrument (and if not maybe it's time to get practising!) and so it is time for the beginners to form a band.

Band rehearsals for beginners will start on Monday April 27th at 3:00pm in the school Hall. The rehearsal will go until 3:30pm and parents are asked to pick up their children from the Hall. Any students who attend OOSH can just go after band.

Students will need to bring their Accent on Achievement Book and their instruments. I am looking forward to hearing our newest band members together for the first time.

Around the school

School Expectations
This week our focus is Be Responsible. We can demonstrate this by

• Looking after our belongings.
• Hand in any lost property or money found in the playground.
• Take pride in yourself and your school.
• Clean up an rubbish left behind in the playground.
Kiss and Ride Roster
PLEASE email colettegrundy@yahoo.com.au if you can spare 15 minutes to help once per month.

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*SDD- Staff Development Day

P&C Election Day Cake & Coffee Stall
We need YOU to help bake Cakes, biscuits, slices, pies and flans for the Election Day polling booth being held at Marsden High School this Saturday, 28th March.

With Hundreds of people queuing to vote throughout the day we have a great opportunity to raise vital funds for our school, so please help by baking ready for Friday afternoon or Saturday morning delivery. You can deliver to the school hall kitchen by 5:00pm Friday or preferably Saturday morning at the polling booth from 8:00am. If you are using Tupperware, please label lids and container bases, we will be returning all containers to our school hall kitchen ready for pickup from Monday morning. Consider easy to handle portions in your baking.

Please cover all open plates with glad wrap and label all ingredients for allergy sufferers. We could do with some extra help during the day to serve our thirsty and hungry voters, if you can help at any time, even for an hour or so, please contact Christine on 0407 909 748 or email erms.pandc.vpresident1@gmail.com

Fete News
Save the Date: Saturday 23 May 2015

Fete Contact
You can contact the Fete Committee via our e-mail address erms.pandc.fete@gmail.com

Next Fete Meeting
Wednesday 1 April at 6:30pm in the school staff room – everyone welcome – stall co-ordinators please (must) attend.

Stall Co-Ordinators
Could all stall co-ordinators please attend the next fete meeting at 6:30pm on Wednesday, 1st April in the school staff room. At this meeting we will collate the purchase of all the items required for each stall, confirm what equipment each stall will need and discuss (and confirm) locations of stalls.

Raffle Tickets
Each family has been issued with a book of raffle tickets to be sold at $2 per ticket (20 tickets per book). We have some great prizes to be won.

1st prize - iPad Air 2 with wifi and cellular.
2nd prize - LG TV
3rd prize - Play Station
4th prize - Dinner voucher Zaaffran Indian Restaurant, Darling Harbour
5th prize - Smiggle gift voucher.

The raffle will be drawn at the School Fete on Saturday 23rd May. We would appreciate it if every family can sell at least the book they have been allocated. Take them to your workplace and social events. If you can sell more books, please request at the office.

Acts and Entertainment
We are looking for any school or local groups (dancers, singers, martial arts etc) that wish to perform at our Fete to please contact us so we can complete our entertainment program and showcase the amazing groups and talents we have in our local community. Groups can contact via the fete e-mail address below.

Fete Gift Baskets
Thank You to everyone who has bought in donations for the gift basket, pick a box and face painting stalls at the upcoming fete. If you have not had a chance to bring in a donation yet don’t panic, items can be left at the front office any time before the holidays. If you would like to come and help make these items into beautiful gifts we will be holding a wrapping day on the second Friday of the holidays (17th April) from 9am-2pm in the school library. We would love to see you there if you have a spare hour or two. Stall Co-ordinators All enquiries, please contact Claire 0400 376 008.

Fete Sponsorships and Donations
With our fete fast approaching, we are still looking for sponsorship and donations. We encourage parents to ask their employers and particularly, invite parents who run businesses to get in contact with the fundraising committee to discuss the opportunities available. If you feel you know someone who may be able to help the school, please contact Simone 0410 690 140 or Joanne 0410 075 632. You can also send an email to: erms.pandc.fundraising@gmail.com

P&C Easter Egg Raffle
Thank you to all those families who have brought in chocolate eggs and bunnies for the raffle. Boxes are ready and waiting for more chocolate so if you are in K-2 please keep them coming. NUT and PRALINE FREE! We are aiming to make up at least 30 prizes so as to have lots of excited winners!

Tickets for the raffle will be on sale as of next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings under the COLA, before school. Raffle tickets will cost 50c each or 3 for $1. If anyone is able to help sell raffle tickets on these mornings please contact Megan on 0415 704 289. All proceeds from the morning will go towards the end of year party.
More Ethic Teachers needed
Students who do not participate in scripture have the opportunity to attend philosophical ethics classes. Ethics classes at Ermington Public are very popular with some classes at capacity. We have a need for more volunteers to teach in order to cover the demand. The classes teach children how to approach ethical issues and develop their capacity for considered moral judgement, which will enable them to respond more thoughtfully to many of the problems and issues they will face in their lives. Volunteer Ethics Teachers are trained to deliver our age-appropriate curriculum every week and to use the accompanying learning and teaching materials.

If you think you would like to be involved and can commit to half an hour on Thursday mornings or would just like further information, please contact the Ethics Coordinator, Kate Bowman on kate.ethics@gmail.com or 0404 217 414 or visit the following website http://www.primaryethics.com.au/ethicsteacher.html

OOSH News
Bookings for April vacation care close this Friday. Netbank payments & permission forms are also due by Friday to secure your child’s booking, unless prior arrangements have been made with the Centre. Places will be cancelled from Monday, 30th March & given to those on the waiting list for any family that has not made payment or returned the required documents.

Permission forms can be found at http://www.ermingtonoosh.com/vacation-care or on the sign on desk at the centre. All enquiries can be directed to Allison or Cathy 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: ermington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Subject: Newsletter Insert

CANTEEN NEWS

We are CLOSED this Wednesday, 25th March
DESPERATE PLEA – Can you volunteer for 1 day or a ½ day once per month?! To remain open we desperately need more volunteers:-

WE NEED: 2 for Monday, 2 for Tuesday, 2-3 Wednesday and 1 Thursday. Volunteers have a choice of am or pm, or full day shifts (full day preferred).
Please contact Wendy if you would like to find out more about volunteering in the canteen. Thanks 😊
wlarocca@optusnet.com.au or 0412 154 004

IOU RULE – If a child comes to school with no lunch and no money we will provide an IOU for a honey, jam or vegemite sandwich ONLY – NO EXCEPTIONS!!
Please don’t ask or expect canteen staff to break this ruling.

COINS (change) NEEDED No large notes please - we need plenty of small change (silver) to operate properly!

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 25/3  CANTEEN CLOSED
Thursday 26/3  Sonja, HELP NEEDED Lisa (pm)
Friday 27/3  Julie, Melissa, Anne L (pm)
Monday 30/3  Julie, Donna (5th week)
Tuesday 31/3  Kate B, HELP NEEDED (5th week)
Wednesday 1/4  Beth Cooksey, Ann A (10-12.30)
HELP NEEDED PLEASE
Thursday 2/4  Kate B, Meredith, Pam G (pm)

Last day of term- HELP NEEDED for canteen clean-up, please come to canteen at 1.30 if you can help, thanks.

If you are unable to work your shift please try to find a replacement, if you can’t, contact Wendy wlarocca@optusnet.com.au
Alive Personal Training
22nd April - June 24th June
Wednesdays 9:30am – 10:15am
Meadowbank Park Netball Courts
$100 for 10 weeks or $12 Casual rate.
Mums with bubs are welcome.
For more info please call Michael on 0405 014 629
e: michael@alivept.com.au / Website: alivept.com.au

Forgotten to register for Netball in 2015?
We are looking for:
3 x 8/9 year olds, 2 x 12/13 year olds &
2 x 15 year olds
Practice is on Thursdays at Meadowbank Park
Games are played on Saturdays starting 18.4.15.
Register online NOW:
www.cometsnetball.com.au
Call Susan on 0409 041 487
or email secretary@cometsnetball.com.au

West Ryde Easter Parade & Fair
in Market Street, West Ryde
SATURDAY MARCH 28, 2015
9.00am to 3.00pm
$5,500 In prizes to WIN!
● $2,000 Singing Star Contest
● Easter Bonnet Parade
● Best Decorated Wheels
Easter Parade from Miriam Park 9.15am
FREE Big Slide & Games
INQUIRIES: 0417 699 955 or 9807 6666
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