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Volunteers on Fete Day
To run the fete we require as many people to volunteer on the day, you will be given easy tasks to assist with and stall coordinators will direct you in what needs to be done. So please consider sparing a few hours on the day to help out. Remember all the funds we raise go back into supporting the school. Anyone is welcome to help, mums, dads, grandparents, friends and relatives – the more the merrier.

Rides
This year at the fete we will have a great selection rides to enjoy including the Sizzler, Dodgem Cars, a Giant Slide, Cup and Saucer, Storm Swinging Chairs, Inflatable Slide and Playland. Notes will be sent home this week which will allow you to purchase armbands for unlimited rides all day at a cheaper price than those sold on the day. Please return the money as soon as possible to your class teacher.

Lolly Stall
This year’s Lolly Stall will once again be offering many wonderful treats to tempt you all!!! Any donations of homemade or bought lollies would be very much appreciated. You can bring them to the Lolly Stall on the day – please mark clearly the ingredients that have been used, and please avoid using any nut products. Homemade sweets are always a huge hit. Every year we always get requests for coconut ice, rocky road, toffees, fudge and chocolate crackles. All are very simple to make – perhaps a fun activity to do with the kids!!

Please feel free to email Louise if you would like recipes for sweets that you can make for the stall.

Thank you
Louise Stark (starkpetelouise@gmail.com)
& Peta Griffith - Lolly Stall co-ordinators

Cakes
We will need plenty of cakes, slices and biscuits for sale on the day and use in the café. So please consider what you may be able to cook and donate (please do not send store bought items as these do not sell – we would rather a donation).

ACTS and Entertainment
Booking for acts are starting to take shape – please contact us if you have a community group who wants to display their talents.
**Raffle Tickets**
Please try to sell all your tickets, and if you need more please contact us. We understand it may be difficult for some families to sell all their tickets, so if you cannot please return the books and any money to the school by Friday May 8 so we can sell on the tickets.

**Donations and Sponsorship**
If you know of any local businesses we could approach to sponsor the fete please contact our Donations and Sponsorship team via e-mail at the fete email address ermps.pandc.fundraising@gmail.com and they will be able to assist you. WE need as much help as possible to ensure we get prizes and funds to make the fete a success.

**Books & Treasure Stall**
As we have limited space at the school please hold onto all your Books and Treasures

**Delivery Times: Saturday 16 May 8am-1pm, Friday 22 May Until 7pm**
Treasure Stall – Please only clean, unbroken working items (No Electrical Goods and No Video Cassettes). For bulky furniture items we are happy to sell them, but if they do not sell we ask that you take them back (as disposal costs us a great deal of money). **Please do not drop off any items to the school office as they do not have the room, contact the Fete Committee if you cannot make the above drop off times.**

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

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**Aerobics**
This weekend our aerobics teams and singles will be performing at Sutherland as part of the Preliminary State Championships. Teams are striving to gain a place in the State Championship to be held later in the term. As with previous competitions, I know our students will compete with great enthusiasm and will show great sportsmanship.

**School Working Bee**
As is our usual practice prior to our fete, the school will be having a working bee on Sunday, 17th May. It will start at 8am and conclude by noon. There are a lot of areas that need to be tidied prior to the fete – bushes/trees to be trimmed, concrete areas to be pressure cleaned, soccer posts removed, etc. Any assistance you could provide on the day would be greatly appreciated. Although we have some tools, it would help if you could bring your own.

**Parking**
Just a reminder, the school prefers parents not to park in the Winbourne Street staff carpark at any time. We have placed signs indicating that parking is permitted between 7.00am and 7.30am and then after 4.00pm but this is really to assist those with young children attending the child care centre. We would prefer parents to park in Brush Road if delivering/collecting children to OOSH.

**Principal’s Message**

**ANZAC Commemorations**
Last week our students participated in a moving ceremony to commemorate ANZAC Day. Thank you to 4/5C for their dramatisation and to Mrs Clarke for organising the ceremony. Well done to Abigail and Liam for leading the ceremony in a respectful manner.

**Cross Country**
Today we had beautiful weather for our cross country carnival. Well done to our students for giving their best. It was great to have parent volunteers and students from Meadowbank TAFE. It was a great day. Thank you to the teachers for organising such a great event.

**NAPLAN**
Students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting their NAPLAN Assessments in Week 4. On Tuesday (12th May) the focus is language and writing, on Wednesday it is reading and on Thursday they finish with Numeracy. The students have done some work understanding how to complete the types of questions that will be posed. Pencils will be provided but the students should ensure they have a good quality eraser and a ruler.

**OC 2016**
Information has been sent home this week to all students in Year 4 regarding the application process for Opportunity Classes in 2016. All applications must be completed online by Friday 15th May. Later in the year the students will sit a state-wide test. Please consider your circumstances carefully before applying.

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**Stage News**

**Kindy**
Welcome to Week 2. Congratulations to all of the kindergarten students who completed the Cross Country. This week’s news topic is talking to mums and dads about their jobs and why they like their work. This week’s sight words ‘going’, ‘for’, ‘go’ and ‘they’. The sounds are ‘ch’ and ‘th’. There will be a K-2 Assembly on Thursday at 12:30pm in the hall. All parents and guests are welcome to attend. We had a wonderful visit from the fire fighters this week. The children loved hearing about what fire fighters do for our community and having a look in the fire engine.

**Stage 1**
Hello to Week 2! We had a fantastic day at the Cross Country Carnival. All students tried their very best, which is fantastic to see. The students also loved their new running tracks. Thank you, to all teachers, UWS students, TAFE students and parent volunteers who helped. Without your support the day would not have been so successful. Year 2 dance notes were sent home on Friday. If you haven’t already done so, please return as soon as possible. Good luck to both groups who will be auditioning next Monday for the North Sydney Dance Festival. 2W will be hosting the assembly on Thursday and 2M will be performing. No special clothes are required. Please ensure that reading folders come to school every day. It is also important that all jumpers and lunchboxes are labelled. Have a wonderful week!
Stage 2
Children have settled well into their class routine despite the weather which has kept them indoors for many recess and lunch times. As the oval is very muddy make sure children who have training for different sports have dry shoes to change into as sitting in wet shoes is very uncomfortable. The unit for Stage 2 in HSC is "Ryde -Then, Now and Tomorrow". We will be investigating aspects of local history such as transport, housing, Aboriginal traditions, education, and the arrival of different cultural groups. This unit focuses on historical inquiry and the ways in which information about the past can be gathered. Our Ms Summerhayes has a wonderful knowledge of the local area and if there are any parents or grandparents who could share their knowledge of the Ryde area with us, Stage 2 teachers would love to hear from you!

Stage 3
The Year 6 students had a wonderful two days last week training for their role as a Peer Support leader. They are all excited about the commencement of our Peer Support lessons this Friday. The Stage 3 Intensive Reading program has begun for Term 2 and once again I would like to thank our parent volunteers of this beneficial program. Thank you to 4/5C and Mrs Clarke for coordinating a moving and commemorative Anzac Day Assembly. We hope you have a wonderful week.

Around the school
School Expectations
This week we will be revisiting our 4 expectations. We wonder how many students can remember what they are. Here are a few points you may like to discuss at home:

- **SHOW RESPECT** - Allowing others to learn, respecting yourself, share friends and equipment and take turns.
- **BE RESPONSIBLE** - Be accountable for your actions, be a good sport and play fairly, take care of your environment.
- **DO YOUR BEST** - Set goals and strive to achieve them and be a positive role model.
- **STAY SAFE** - Be in the right place at the right time, play safely and fairly.

PSSA
Netball and Soccer will be playing at Meadowbank Park. Tiger Tag will be playing at ELS Hall and AFL will be playing at Morrison Bay.

Winter PSSA - AFL
A reminder to all students in the junior and senior AFL team; please return the permission note and payment to your class teacher by this Friday. Training for both teams will be held on Friday mornings at 8am. Please ensure that you have a mouthguard to take the field. Students may also wear soccer or football boots when playing.

Aerobics
On Saturday and Sunday, all aerobics teams and singles will be competing in their first competition of the year, The State Preliminaries at Sutherland. We wish all competitors the very best of luck for this exciting event and know that you will do Ermington very proud. In preparation, we would like to welcome any of the Ermington Community to school on Wednesday at 11:30am to the school hall, where you will be able to see a sneak preview of all routines that will be performed on the weekend.

Peer Support
We are commencing our Peer Support lessons this week. The whole school participates in Peer Support for 30 minutes each week. There are 2 Year 6 Peer leaders facilitate a small group of 8-10 students from Kindergarten to Year 5, who work together through a number of structured activities. Each teacher will supervise 2-3 groups in their classroom. We are working on a module called Promoting Harmony helping us define individual and community values, build relationships and improve decision making skills. The module runs for 8 sessions. Our first session enables the children to get to know everyone in their group, agreeing on how they will work together and interact cooperatively with others. They will also begin to think about what is a value and something they value in themselves. We recommend you talk to your children about Peer Support every week, as it will help to reinforce the concepts learnt in each session.

Music Camp
Applications close this Friday, 1st May 2015. The camp dates for the State Junior Music Camp are Sunday, 12th July – Friday, 17th July 2015 (first week Term 3). For registration of this event please go to the following link https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/music/music-camp-student-applications

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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Mothers’ Day Stall
Mothers’ Day gifts will be available to purchase on Wednesday, 6th May at 9am. Children will be taken in class groups to the hall where they can purchase the gifts. Please note children will only be able to purchase the one gift initially to ensure all children have a chance to purchase a gift. Any remaining gifts will be available for sale before school on Friday, 8th May. Gifts are all $5.00 each. If anyone is able to help at the Mothers’ Day stall either the Wednesday and Friday mornings, please contact Michelle on 0419 203 200.
Mothers’ Day Breakfast- Friday, 8th May 2015
It is that time of year again, Ermington P&C’s annual Mother’s Day Breakfast. So ladies take the morning off and come and have breakfast on us.

DADS – We need your help from 7am. We will begin serving breakfast from 7.30am till we run out. We will be serving BLT’s (Bacon, lettuce and Tomato Rolls) this year so the only thing that needs cooking is the bacon. There will also be Bircher Muesli with fruit, and coffee or tea (Adults only). As usual Mums will be free, children $2.50 each, with 3 or more (from same family) $6.

Note: Only one female carer per child (from EPS). Unaccompanied children will only be offered breakfast if stock is available and after all mums.

Dads we need you! If you can help call Randal on 0435 951 451 or leave a message under the post on the Facebook page.

CANTEEN NEWS

DO YOU WANT TO ASSIST THE SCHOOL BY HELPING TO RAISE MONEY? Do you know that by volunteering in the canteen you are saving the P&C costs? Please help – the canteen raises much needed funds which are used by the P&C to enhance your child’s primary school experience. Can you help for 1 day or ½ day once per month?!

To remain open we desperately need more volunteers:- WE NEED: 2 for Monday, 3 for Tuesday, 3 Wednesday and 1 Thursday. Volunteers have a choice of am or pm, or full day shifts (full day is 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.

PADDLE POPS – Streets have increased the price of Chocolate and Rainbow Paddlepops. From next week the price will increase to $1.50.

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 NOT NOTES! Please give your children coins to spend at the canteen, not notes! - we need plenty of small change (especially silver) to replenish our daily float. Also, when there is a gold coin day run by the school, the canteen WILL NOT give change.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 29/4 Teresa, Danni, Nadia (5th week)
Thursday 30/4 Colette, Kate, Anne H (5th week)
Friday 1/5 Julie, Patricia, Kylie
Monday 4/5 Julie, Donna
Tuesday 5/5 Kate B, NEED SOMEONE
Wednesday 6/5 Beth, Helen (am), Ann A 10-12.30 NEED SOMEONE FROM 12.30
Thursday 7/5 Stephanie, Meredith, Pam (pm)
Friday 8/5 Julie, Melissa, Simone (pm)

If you are unable to work your shift please try to find a replacement, if you can’t, contact Wendy wlarocca@optusnet.com.au.

Ermington Public School OOSH
The Ermington Public School OOSH needs your help supporting our wonderful staff by joining the management committee and helping this valuable service continue to thrive. Monday, 11th May at 7pm, our Annual General Meeting will be held. This is the time when the new committee will be established for the following 12 months. Please consider if you can spare an hour or two twice a term to contribute to the ongoing success of your OOSH.

The committee and Centre Director meet twice during the school term to discuss and make decisions on the general operation of OOSH including its finances and compliance with regulations. The committee, is incorporated, that is independent to the P & C. More information on the service can be found at http://ermingtonoosh.com/

Documents regarding the AGM, including committee membership forms can be found near the sign on book at OOSH. Any enquires please speak to the Centre Director Allison van Hilst.

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.
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