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Principal's Message

Athletics Carnival K-2
Last Friday our K-2 students participated in our athletics carnival. It was wonderful to see so many students competing in races and events. I would like to thank our teachers for their wonderful efforts to organise the school carnival. Thank you also to our parents who attended the carnival.

Kindergarten 2016
We are in the process of organising our Kindergarten Information evening and orientation days for our 2016 Kindergarten students. If you know of someone who is planning on enrolling at Ermington Public School next year please ask them to contact the school as soon as possible.

Thank you Korean Stall
We would like to thank all of the parents who worked on the Korean stall at our fete. They donated $540 back to the school so our library can purchase additional resources. This generous donation shows our strong sense of community. Thank you to all involved that

The Tell Them from Me Student Feedback Survey
The second component of the Tell Them from Me student feedback survey will commence from week 6. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. The survey is only for students in Years 4, 5 and 6. More information about the survey is available at: [http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents](http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents)

The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between Monday 17th August and Friday 16th October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A second consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by Friday 14th August. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

Working Bee
On Sunday, 30th August our school will be holding a working bee at school. The working bee will commence at 9am and finish at 5pm. Please bring gloves, wheelbarrows and gardening equipment. It is important that you supervise your own children if they are also attending. There will be a BBQ lunch provided on the day. We are looking to complete the following jobs:

- Remove the cricket pitch in the grass playground and replace with turf.
- Cover Stormwater Drain Cover in the middle of the oval with fake turf.
- Fix drainage problem adjacent to OOSH and Science Room.
- Trimming of trees (especially the ones overhanging the COLA and soccer posts).
- General tidy up of shrubs and trees.

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Championships on the Gold Coast this Saturday. The students are looking forward to delivering this program. Have a fantastic week!

Good Luck Aerobics Competitors
This Thursday our Aerobics competitors are flying to the Gold Coast to compete at the National Championships. We wish all of our students the best of luck and look forward to hearing their results. Thank you to Mrs MacKenzie and Mrs Stevens who will be accompanying our students and who have worked tirelessly during the year to ensure our students are ready to compete on the national stage.

Extra Curricular Photos & Individual Portraits
Tomorrow (12th August) we will be taking the remainder of our school photos. Some photos will be in our full winter uniform (such as Year 6, school bands, SRC, debating team, drama groups and library monitors), some require students to be in their sports uniforms (such as our PSSA teams, and Zone swimmers/cross country/athletics) as well as those who need to wear their performance costumes (aerobics and dance groups). This means that some children will need to wear their winter uniform (these photos will be taken first), then change into their sports uniform before changing into their dance costume. It is really important that the students remember to bring their correct uniform.

If you had missed the class photos day and would like an individual portrait of your child please forward $21 in an envelope with your child’s name and class and proceed to the hall when individual photos are announced.

Sad News
Last week we received the sad news that one of the members of our school community passed away suddenly. We offer our heartfelt sympathy to the Oranjian family, thinking of them at this sad time.

Debra Lade
Relivuing Principal

Stage 1
Welcome to Week 5. We had a fantastic Athletics Carnival last Friday. Thank you to all teachers and the TAFE students for their hard work. Congratulations to all Silver Award recipients, who were able to celebrate their achievements at the Silver Morning Tea today. We would like to wish Laura Nicholas good luck, as she will be competing at the National School Aerobics Championships on the Gold Coast this Saturday. The

CSIRO pilot program will begin in week 6 and run for five lessons until the end of the term. Year 1 will participate in the program on a Wednesday and Year 2 will participate on a Friday. We would love some more volunteers to cut vegetables for each grade on that morning. The program asks that the vegetables are prepared on the day of, not the night before. The school will provide all of the vegetables and equipment required. If you can volunteer, even if it is just once or twice, please let your child's teacher know. Teachers are looking forward to delivering this program. Have a fantastic week!

Stage 2
This is the last week for ICAS tests. Certificates are handed out in class and those children who have achieved a Distinction or High Distinction are presented with their certificates in assembly. Please remember to return permission notes for the CSIRO surveys. It is pleasing to see so many parents attend our fortnightly assemblies on Thursdays. Children enjoy taking an active role in these assemblies and being given the opportunity to speak in front of an audience helps build their self-confidence.

Stage 3
Congratulations and well done to our Spelling Bee Champion Sriram and Runner up Audrey! This is a reminder that our new CSIRO program that we will be trialling at school will commence this Friday. Please return signed consent forms ASAP to class teachers. We send a big thank you to all of our parent helpers who have volunteered to help with food preparations on Friday mornings. This is a final reminder for Year 6 students to ensure any outstanding fees are paid and notes are returned ASAP. Sadly, we announce that tomorrow will be Mrs Ennion’s last day at school before she goes on maternity leave. We wish her all the best of luck in delivering her new bundle of joy!

Around the school

PSSA
Semi Finals are being played this week. Netball and Soccer will be playing at Meadowbank Park. Tiger Tag will be playing at Morrison Bay and AFL will be playing at ESL Hall.

K-2 Athletics Carnival
Last Friday, 7th August the K-2 participated in their Athletics Carnival. It was a great day for everyone. We would like to thank Melissa Baker and her TAFE students for their assistance throughout the day.

Science & Technology
Next week is ‘National Science Week’, 15th-23rd August. Fortunately for us, every week is Science week at Ermington Public School. In Science and Technology lessons this week, Kindergarten students are investigating how seeds grow, Stage 1 students are exploring different types of weather, Stage 2 students are investigating heat and Stage 3 students are building their own electric circuits!! As those who visited the
Science room on Open day discovered, there’s never a dull moment in the Science classroom.

Mrs Amat

Ryde Schools Spectacular - Rehearsal

Our next choir rehearsal will be held at Ryde Civic Centre on Tuesday, 18th August. Year 6 will be on camp at this time, however Year 5 students in the choir will be required to attend. Buses have been booked for 9:00am to travel to the rehearsal with Ms Vallentine. All permission notes and money have already been handed in. The songs you are required to know for this rehearsal include: On My Way, Where the Mountains Meet the Sea, Riversong, Instanbul not Constantinople, The Journey, When I Grow Up, A Whole New World and Hall of Fame. Please bring your lunch and recess to the rehearsal, along with your choir folders and your best singing voice.

Year 6 Art Exhibition

This term, Year 6 will be involved in our Ermington Art Exhibition to be held in our school hall on Wednesday, 2nd September 2015 from 5:30am–6:30pm. The theme this year is ‘Gold’ and relates to our Project Based Learning unit for HSIE. The completed artworks will be displayed as part of the Ermington Art Exhibition to be held in the school hall. Parents, students and the wider community will be given the opportunity to view all the artworks during this time.

Times:
• K-2 – Tuesday, 1st September 2015 (1st half lunch)
• 3-6 – Wednesday, 2nd September 2015 (1st half lunch)
• Parents and the wider community – Wednesday, 2nd September 2015 from 5:30 – 6:30pm

Cost:
• Lunchtime - $1 per student
• Parents and the wider community – $5 for everyone (individual or family)

Hope to see you all there and support the great learning of Year 6 students. All funds will go towards the Year 6 Farewell and gift to the school.

Interrelate Present a Special Evening Program.

Ermington Public School P&C has organised Interrelate to help you answer those difficult question. Interrelate is a not for profit organisation that provides an interactive, family focus sexuality and relationship education.

Date: Wednesday 26th August

Where: School Hall

There will be two session
1: Where did I come from? Aim for Years 3-6
Starts: 6:00pm sharp
2: Preparing for Puberty. Aim for Years 5-6, Year 3-4 can come at parent’s discretion. Starts: 7.15 sharp.
These evenings only occur every two years so many Year 4 parents may find it is helpful to come to both sessions.

Cost: 1 session $25/ family, both sessions $30 per family.

A flyer will be sent out via email again as a reminder or you can pick up one from the school office. Please return the attached note and payment to the class teacher. (no payments on Fridays). All enquires please call Robyn MacDonald on 0417 480 403.

Ermington Public School P&C Outdoor Cinema presents

Big Hero 6

Where: Ermington Public School Oval
When: Friday, 4th September 2015

Bring your picnic blankets, chairs, friends and family for this fun evening! This is a great community event at our school and we hope you and your family will be able to attend. Notes will be coming home later this week with all the details and order form. If you are able to help out in anyway on the evening please contact Belinda M on 0417 294 623 or via the “parents of Ermington Public School” Facebook page.

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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CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN IS NOW CLOSED EVERY WEDNESDAY

VOLUNTEERS If you would like to help in the canteen we would love to hear from you. If you can help please contact Wendy on 0412 154 004 or wlarocca@optusnet.com.au. Please consider helping us out. You will be surprised how much your children will love to see you helping in the canteen!

NEW ITEMS Smiths Potato Chips $1.30 and Go! Cookie (Choc Chip) $1.00

CANTEEN ROSTER

| Wednesday | CLOSED |
| Thursday  | Colette, Kate E, Anne (pm) |
| Friday 14/8 | Wendy, Mel, Joy (am), Simone (pm) |
| Monday 17/8 | Wendy, Kate B |
| Tuesday 18/8 | NEED HELP |
| Wednesday | CLOSED |
| Thursday 20/8 | Alison, Melinda, Louise (pm) |
| Friday 21/8 | Wendy, Robyn M, Clarissa |
If you are unable to work your shift please try to find a replacement, if you can’t, contact Wendy
wlarocca@optusnet.com.au

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.

**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*

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**North Sydney Boys High School**

**OPEN DAY**

**TUESDAY 25 AUGUST 2015**

9:15AM - 12:00PM

The North Sydney Boys community invites you to Open Day. Join us to discover how we deliver excellence and innovation in boys' education. Our students, parents and teachers look forward to welcoming you to the school and sharing with you what make North Sydney Boys so unique.

School Tours: 9:15am; 9:30am; 9:45am; and 11:15am

Principal's Address and student presentations: 10:45am

**Corner of Falcon and Miller Streets, CROWS NEST**

**Phone:** 9955 4748

Parking in the surrounding streets is limited to 2 hours. Public transport links to the school are very good; visit the transport website at transportnsw.info for timetable information.
The fete raises valuable funds that the P&C Association donate to the School. These donations are for the sole benefit of our children's education. This is only possible through the generous support of our 2015 Fete Sponsors. Please support their respective businesses whenever possible.