As West Ryde Public School is a Sun Safe school we would like to thank all those parents who encourage their children to always wear their hat. With melanoma the 4th most common cancer diagnosed in Australia let’s all work together to make sure our children are not part of these statistics.

Mother’s Day Breakfast
A huge thank you to Mrs Bradshaw, our chaplain, Ms Cathy Belme, the staff and the community from C3 church who all worked very hard to ensure such a wonderful morning for our annual Mother’s Day breakfast. It was great to see so many of our school community here to enjoy the great food and company.
I hope all mothers had a lovely Sunday.
Thank you also to our hard working P&C fund raising committee for organizing the Mother’s Day stall.

Canteen
Our P&C run canteen is now well underway, and I thank the organizing committee for their hard work in making this happen. We are still in need of volunteers to assist. If you are making use of the canteen for your child then you might want to give some of your time to assist. This does not necessarily need to be a whole day or even a regular event. One day out of your whole year to assist would be greatly appreciated.
If you can help just email the school and we will pass on your information to the committee.

Good Luck
To all our athletes participating in the Zone Cross Country Carnival on Thursday we wish you all the very best and speed on the course. Thank you to Mrs Lee and the staff who have assisted in organizing the children.

Congratulations
To Mark in 1B for demonstrating our school rule of respect by always being polite to the teachers and showing respect for our playground by picking up rubbish without being asked. Well done Mark, you are a Superstar.

Photographic Competition
Don’t forget that our Annual Photographic Competition will again be judged in Education Week in Term 3. The topic of this year’s competition is “what matters to you”.

Golden Ridge Farm (Stage 1 only) Excursion – Thursday, 12th June
$25.00
Reminders

Speech Therapist
We are fortunate enough to have a Speech Therapist visit the school once a week. If you are interested in your child seeing the speech therapist, please see Mrs. Lloyd Jones.

Sick Children at School
Parents are reminded that all the staff at West Ryde take your child’s health seriously. If your child becomes seriously unwell or hurt in the playground we will contact you. For this reason please make sure that the school has the correct contact phone numbers. If you are not available we will then contact your emergency contacts.

Also, if you know that your child is unwell in the morning please do not send them to school, as if they are contagious, it can be passed onto other students and teachers.

Please understand that we do our best to ensure your child’s well-being. Please do not berate staff for doing their best.

Mrs Lloyd Jones

Walk Safely to School Day – Friday, 23rd May
* Please try to walk your child to school on Friday to help promote the health benefits of walking and create regular walking habits at any early age.

* Ensure that children under 10 years old hold an adult’s hand when crossing the road and help your child develop vital road-crossing skills.

* We are also asking children to bring a healthy and ‘waste free’ (no plastic wrapping or bags) lunch to school on Friday.

Thank you to parents Mr Gianatti and Ms Martin who kindly ran an Art Workshop at the school this morning from 8.30 to 9.00am. It was greatly appreciated by the children and teachers.

Soccer News
This year has shown a huge increase in the number of soccer teams that West Ryde has been able to field in the weekly PSSA competition. We currently have a total of 5 teams! Two senior teams, two junior teams and a girls’ team.

All of the boys and girls have been working hard this term at Friday morning practise and the results are starting to show. Our girls’ team are currently undefeated and are looking to be quite the powerhouse (move over Wanderers, there is a new team in town!). Last week our Senior A’s and girls also competed in the State knockout competition and although the boys lost their game against Epping Heights the girls won a very exciting and nail biting game and are through to the next round which will be played in a few weeks. A very big thank you needs to go to Mr Logan, Mr Hayllar and Ms. Black for helping on a Friday morning during training and to all the mums and dads who come to support our teams in the afternoon. See you on the soccer pitch!

Mr Bramley – Soccer Organiser

Netball News
The netball club has started term 2 with a bang! PSSA is in full swing, with all four teams winning the majority of games played. The competition has stepped up a notch from last year, however, our girls are improving incredibly well and are putting up a good fight. These skills are not learnt through osmosis and it is important to credit our dedicated coaches, Ms Perry, Mrs Emeleus and Ashten (from After Care) for their continued support of our girls.

Friday morning netball is a chance for students who may have missed out on PSSA selection to have a run, learn some new skills and enjoy the game in a less competitive environment. We would encourage anyone who is considering playing netball, boys and girls, or anyone who likes a run around on a Friday morning to come along and give it a go.

If we have enough interest, an inter-house competition might be organised.

Miss Farthing – Netball Organiser
Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge
Congratulations to the following students who recently completed their Premier's Reading Challenge:
Year 3: Owen, Takumi, Jake, Abhi, Sean, Grace, Ananya, Kushal, Ryea, Rowan, Alexandar
Year 4: Hannah
Year 5: Jina, Conor, Natasha
Year 6: Anuj

Ms Armstrong
Librarian

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
The last remaining opening days for Term 2 will be Wednesday (8.45am - 9.15am) 4th (Dr Shoe here) & 18th June.
Please note that we only accept cash or cheques (made payable to the West Ryde Public School Uniform Shop).

P & C NEWS
We are deep into Term 2 and you should have received a note to help out at our Working Bee. See more information below.
From now until the end of the year, we will be looking to parents to take up executive roles coming available towards the end of the year. Elections will be held in Oct/Nov. If you are considering a role, we would like you to come forward.

P&C FEDERATION
You might have heard the news about the dissolution of the P&C Federation by the Minister of Education (NSW State) Adrian Piccolli. This was not expected, although issues with the Federation has been coming to the fore recently. Now that it is under administration, the different groups are scrambling to reorganise themselves.
The P&C Federation historically plays an important role in providing support to what are small not-for-profit businesses which are school P&C’s. For example they provide policies and procedures, consultative and insurance agency services. They also represent the public school P&C’s in community deliberation with the government. In the private and Catholic sectors, they are called Parent and Friends associations (P&F) and play a slightly different role.
P&C’s are important in community involvement in the children’s education. It is the grass root organisation which works with each school principal. Mind you, I found out not every school has a P&C.
It is important today that a new P&C is reorganised. With the recent events affecting education, P&C’s would need to work together to support and work to provide school with enough funds to give our kids the best education possible in the government-funded sector. I will keep an eye on developments in this area.

CANTEEN WORKING GROUP
We are now into the fourth week of the canteen. It is now, operationally, running well. As we evolve the canteen, we will now focus on revenue and to some extent costs. I thank all parents and students in supporting the canteen and the volunteer parents to run it.
However, we will continue to ask parents to help out. We will discuss the result of the first few weeks of operations in the P&C meeting tonight (Wed, 21st May).

We also encourage more parents to be involved as we are intending for the canteen to be a community hub for the school. We are also looking for volunteers in the following area:

- Commercial organiser – Manage commercial arrangements, mark-ups, pricing, specials, organise the management team. May be more than 1 volunteer.
- Marketing organiser – develop and organise marketing including posters, banners, emails and newsletter. May be more than 1 volunteer.

WORKING BEE
The next working bee is slated for the last Saturday of the month, 31st May and we will request that you participate in helping make the school look its best. If you cannot help, please support the volunteer parents by buying out your time.
The Annual Working Bee is great for the working parents who find it hard to find time to help out at school on a regular basis. It is a great place to build ties and generally help out.

We will discuss the Working Bee tonight at the meeting. I would like to thank Geoff Orchard (Parent 1M) as the volunteer parent for organising this year’s Working Bee.

NEXT MEETING
The June meeting will be on at 7pm, 18th June in the Library. We invite all parents to attend. We might even change menu items in the canteen!

CONCLUSION
I look forward to seeing you at the P&C Meeting tonight.
Alan Khaw (Parent 5/6H, 3L)
President

The NEXT WRPS P&C MEETING DATE
21st May, Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00 pm
18th June, Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00 pm
In the school library.

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CLASS PARENTS’ LIST
The Class Parents are as follows:

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