The Endeavour

West Ryde Public School Newsletter
Term 3 Issue No. 2– 6th August 2014

Principal’s Message
Open Day
Thank you to all our school community who came in support of Education Week and public education. Education Week is an opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful work that our staff do in educating your children at West Ryde Public School. We are very lucky to have dedicated staff who, not only provide quality education, but many extra-curricular activities that also enrich your child’s education. Without the extra hours that our staff put in we would not have such programs as choir, dance group, orchestra, sport, chess club, art club, computer club, SRC and an environmental group. We are all very proud of our school and what we have achieved and we thank you all for your support.
Thank you also to Mrs Chang and Mrs Wijngaarden who assisted the children with teaching the “Master” classes as well as the performances.

Athletics Carnival
What a beautiful day we had for our annual athletics carnival on Thursday. As always, our children showed why we are so proud of them. They displayed their ‘have-a-go spirit’ as well as exceptional behaviour. Thank you to Ms Farthing for her organisation of the event.

Annual Photographic Competition Winners
This year’s photographic competition was very well supported again with some outstanding photographic entries. Congratulations to the category winners: Rubein, Jamie, Alisa K., Henry H., Hannah T., Adelle, Joanna and Nidhi.
People’s Choice winner: Sarah T.

Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Canteen Menu Options available from 11 August to 19 September, 2014
Starting on the 12th August we will be having Fresh Food Week. Please support this healthy initiative by our school canteen.
Reminders

Parents are reminded that, due to child protection issues, you are not to use the students’ toilets under any circumstances. If you need to use the toilets, even to supervise your child, please use the hall toilets. Thank you for your co-operation.

FREE - PAVING BRICKS (approx 600)  Please see Mrs Lloyd Jones

School Swimming Scheme

Our school swimming scheme is scheduled for Term 4 starting on Monday 3rd November and continuing for two weeks. Given the rules on child protection the teaching staff is unable to assist children with dressing and undressing. With this in mind we cannot offer places to Kindergarten so only children from Years 1-6 will be able to attend. The lessons will cost $8.00 per day plus the cost of the bus. An approximate price will be in the vicinity of $150.00 inclusive. The exact price will be given closer to the date.

If you are interested in your child participating, please return the expression of interest form sent home last week, by Friday 8th August.

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.

Beginner Violin Lessons

Group beginner lessons started in Week 3. If you are interested in your child joining this group, please leave a message at the office for the teacher, Mrs Wijngaarden, as soon as possible.

Library News

Poster competition

A friendly reminder... the Book Week theme for 2014 is Connect to Reading. Students are encouraged to design a poster with this theme. Posters should the work of the children and be clearly labelled with their name and class. Entries close Friday 15th August (end of week 5) and will be displayed in the Library. All entries receive a complementary book mark and winners from each class will receive a voucher to spend at our Book Fair.

Book Fair

To celebrate Book Week our school will be holding a Book Fair. The theme for the fair is Book Fair Garden: Catch the Reading Bug! Students will preview the Book Fair on Wednesday 20th August. Sales will take place Friday 22nd August. Payment can be made using cash or credit card. Credit card payments can be made online (using a computer in the Library) or by your phone. You are welcome to attend either of these days. The Library will open 8:30am and close 3:30pm.

Ms Armstrong – Teacher Librarian

School Banking – Thursdays 8.45am

In order to participate in the School Banking program, your child will need a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account which can be opened at ANY branch of the Commonwealth Bank convenient to you. If you are an existing customer with NetBank access, you can open an account on line. Simply logon as usual, click the ‘offers and apply’ tab, then select ‘accounts’ and ‘Youthsaver’. For either option you will need to have your child’s birth certificate and your driver’s licence for identification. If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver / Dollarmite account, they can use this account for School Banking. They just need to bring their deposit in every week using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

Simone Dimech from the Commonwealth Bank will be at school on Thursday 7 August from 8.30am to answer any questions you may have and to open Accounts. If you would like to complete an application for a Youthsaver on this day, please bring the abovementioned identification for both you and your child. THIS IS ESSENTIAL PLEASE!
Mathletics News
Matthew from 4J is very proud to have received a bronze award - his first award ever in Mathletics.

Soccer News
PSSA Results 25th July – washed out
PSSA Results 1st August – Boys Senior A: 2 - 0 Senior B: 0–5 Junior A: 1-5 Junior B: 0-1 Girls: 0 - 0
West Ryde’s Soccer teams played bravely with some great team efforts on Friday. Junior B’s were narrowly beaten by a late goal in the match. Minh Tu led the way with a great game. Junior A’s were unlucky to be defeated with the score line being no reflection of how close the game was. Arinath scored a fantastic late goal from a corner. The Girls team played out a hard fought draw and are getting ready for a big semi-final effort this week. We all wish you the best of luck.
Senior B’s put in a hard fought effort and showed they were a tough team against some quality opposition. Senior A’s put on a dominant display beating North Ryde 2-0 with Tim opening the scoring with a cracking shot.
All teams played a pleasing style of soccer and should be proud of their efforts. Training will continue on Friday morning at 08:00am for any students who are not at camp.

Mr Watterson – Organising Teacher

Netball News
PSSA Results 25th July – washed out
PSSA Results 1st August – Senior A:  20 – 6  Senior B: 7 – 3  Junior A: 10-6  Junior B: 3 – 7
Congratulations to the Senior A Girls netball team for making it into the Semi Finals.

Ms Farthing (Organising Teacher) is away at Stage 3 Camp

The PSSA Semi- finals will be played at Meadowbank Park at 12.45pm on Friday, 8th August. Our girls’ soccer and netball teams will be participating and we would love to see parents come down and support the girls.

Canteen News
The Canteen is now being run by the P & C. It is open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday only. Please write your child’s lunch order on the bag provided and put the correct money inside the bag. Put the bag into the box which is located outside the library in the hallway.

**Wednesday 20th August is a special lunch order only - Sausage Sizzle Day** (cooked by the volunteer dads working in the canteen). No other canteen lunch orders will be accepted. If you would like to order this special lunch for your child please return the order form that was sent home last week to the canteen by Wednesday, 13th August. No orders will be accepted after this date.

Uniform Shop News
The opening days for Term 3 will be Wednesday (8.45am - 9.15am) 20th August (Dr Shoe attending) and 3rd & 17th September.

Please note that we only accept cash or cheques (made payable to the West Ryde Public School Uniform Shop).

P & C News No Report this week – Next P & C Meeting Wed 20th August 7pm
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RYDE-EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB

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Three Three's Condiments Pty Ltd

Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre

TAFFA'S HARDWARE
MIGHTY HELPFUL
Mitre 10

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RYDE-PARRAMATTA GOLF CLUB LTD

West Ryde Marketplace

aston MEDISPA
it’s back!
Something for Everyone

Epping street fair

Sunday 31 August
10am - 4pm
Rawson Street

HAVE YOU GOT A TALENT? WIN CASH PRIZES!
Talent Quest: Send enquiries to alicia_brown@eppingclub.com
Art Show: Send enquiries to keely_dornom@eppingclub.com

A fundraiser for Allowah Children’s Hospital

For enquiries, phone event organisers, The Epping Club 9876 4357
Rawson Street will be partly closed from 4am - 7pm, detour routes will be in operation
FREE KIDS FITNESS SESSIONS

Diploma of Fitness students need primary school aged children to participate in fitness sessions designed to develop fitness and fundamental skills in children. No sport or fitness experience necessary. Sessions held at Meadowbank TAFE campus Health and Fitness Department with qualified staff.

WHEN: Wednesday Afternoons 3:15—4:00pm starting **20th August – 4th June 2014**.

There will be five weeks of sessions then a two week break for the school holidays, followed by a further 4 weeks in Term 4

For more information contact Melissa on 9942 3056 or email on Melissa.Baker10@det.nsw.edu.au
You are cordially invited to the Riverside Girls HS Creative and Performing Arts.

2014 HSC Soiree

28th August School Hall
Doors open 5pm to view artworks Performances begin 6pm

With a crash of drums and a flash of light, Packemin Productions will launch their new initiative Packemin Youth with the spectacular musical Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat in January 2015, featuring over 150 of Sydney’s most talented young performers.

Direction by Neil Gooding and Musical Direction by Peter Hayward.

OPEN AUDITION

AN AUDITION SLOT MUST BE PRE-BOOKED

Who: 7-20yr olds only. We’re looking for dancers, singers, actors and anyone who loves to perform.

When: Saturday 30th August and Sunday 31st August 2014

Where: The Concourse, Chatswood

For more information we invite you to come along to our Orientation Evening at 7pm on Tuesday 12th August at The Concourse, Chatswood (enter near the Box Office).

If you can’t make the Orientation Evening, you will still be able to book an audition slot. To find out when audition bookings are being taken, please sign up to our mailing list or join our Facebook page.

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