Upcoming events

June
26th PSSA Round 10
   Assembly - Leaders
LAST DAY OF TERM 2

July
14th Students return for Term 3
   CANTEEN CLOSED 1ST WEEK
15th Uniform shop open
16th Debating
17th PSSA Round 11
   Assembly - Leaders 11.30am
20th SPORTSPRO
   Music Camp
21st Athletics Field Events
   CANTEEN RE-OPENS

22nd SPORTSPRO
   OC Test
   Uniform shop open
23rd SPORTSPRO
   Strings Rehearsal
24th PSSA Round 12
   Assembly – 5/6W
27th SPORTSPRO
28th ICAS – English

Principal’s Message

Semester 1 Reports
Student reports for Semester 1 were sent home on Monday. Please take the time to read your child/children’s report carefully and encourage discussion about their achievements. The teachers use their judgment about student progress against learning outcomes based on a range of work undertaken during the Semester – it is not simply based on test results or pen and paper assessments. Increasingly teachers are looking for evidence of deep learning, often shown by transferring knowledge to new situations and applying knowledge in new ways. Children develop many of their attitudes about their learning based on the conversations they have with important adults in their lives. Reports are a great opportunity to re-inforce the home-school partnership.

Thank you
I would like to thank all our volunteers who gave up their Saturday to assist with our Working Bee. The school is looking so much tidier and the chickens are very content with their new home. Thank you to Geoff Orchard and his many helpers for such a fantastic effort.

Open Day in Education Week 2015
Education Week is a major event on the NSW Public Schools calendar. Open Day will be on the 29th July and the theme will be “Hands on Learning”. Parents and Grandparents will be invited for open classrooms and to assist us with judging our photographic competition. We look forward to seeing you there – so keep the date free, if you are able! There will be more information in the newsletter early next term.

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2016
A friendly reminder that we are now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2016. If you have a sibling of students already enrolled at the school and you are in the catchment area for West Ryde Public School please come to the office to fill out the paperwork.

NOTES/MONEY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>All classes</th>
<th>Various amounts</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>School Charges</td>
<td>All classes</td>
<td>Various amounts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Athletics Carnival</td>
<td>Thursday, 16th July</td>
<td>$10.00 (if not paid in school charges)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Friendly Reminders

Kitchen Garden Market
The next market is on Thursday 25th of June (Week 10) from 3pm under the COLA.

New procedures for Morning Assemblies UPDATE
Due to requests to have the whole school come together we will be having one morning assembly per week on Mondays only. Starting Week 2 on Monday 20th July all students will line up under the COLA when the music starts ready for the whole school assembly. This will allow us to present sporting awards, celebrate any achievements by our students and hand out lost property.

All other days will follow the normal procedure of lining up in class lines as per our Term 2 arrangements.

Library News

Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC)
CONGRATULATIONS to those who have already completed the challenge:

K – 2 Classes: 1L
Year 3: Janelle, Pooja, Daisy, Sepand
Year 4: Sumanth, Namika, Owen, Rowan, Caleb, Jessica H., Riya, Alyssa, Austin, Timothy, Alisa, Emily, Jhanvi, Hitomi, Katie Y., Alexandar
Year 5: Samantha, Simone, Andy, Nicole, Vardan, Arinath, Jinhee, Priyamvada, Rohan, Hannah
Year 6: Sriven, Minuri, Jina, Alba, Dawon, Harrison, Inyoung, Shiwani, Roychelle, Conor, Natasha, Aidan, Adelle, Max, Louis, Corina

Reminder: students have until late August to complete the challenge. K-2 completes the challenge as a class - but individual certificates are awarded. Online student reading records for students in Years 3-6 must be complete by 21st August.

If you have not yet completed the challenge, you are encouraged to read books from the PRC list over the holidays. Books are available from West Ryde Library.

Happy reading!

Scholastic Book Fair
To celebrate Book Week our school will be holding a “Book Fair” during Week 6 of Term 3. Students will be able to preview the Fair on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th August. Sales will take place Friday 21st August. You are welcome to attend any of these days – more details to come.

Ms Armstrong – Teacher Librarian

Area Cross Country Team
This is the West Ryde PS team who competed at the Sydney North Area Cross Country. They put in a huge effort in cold and wet conditions and they should all be very proud of themselves. Well done WRPS!!
Skoolbag is here!

Our school now has its own smartphone app! The app will help us communicate more effectively with our Parent and Student community. We are asking for as many parents and students to install our Skoolbag School App.

To install it, just look for our school name "West Ryde Public School" in the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or Windows Store and install it on your phone or tablet today!

Please refer to the flyer at the end of this Newsletter for further information on subscribing to notification groups.

Help Needed

If any parents have professional experience and equipment and are willing to volunteer to film the school concert/performance in Term 3 would you please contact Miss Belme, or leave a message at the school office.

Speech Therapist

We again have the services of the Gladesville Speech Pathologist on site every week. If you think that your child needs speech therapy please come to the office and ask for a referral form. The speech pathologist will contact you directly to arrange a time that suits you. Please note that there is a cost involved and that this is not a free service. See advertisement in this newsletter.

School Visits and Safety Induction

When you come onto school grounds you will need to come to the front office and sign in to receive a visitor’s badge. You will now also be required to have a safety induction. The gates on Mons and Bennett Streets will be locked during the school day - please enter via Endeavour Street.

School Banking – Every Thursday at 8.45am

Canteen News

Closed - Week 1 Term 3 – Re-opens Week 2 (Tuesday, 21st July)

Autumn/Winter Menu

PLEASE USE SEPARATE BAGS FOR RECESS AND LUNCH ORDERS FOR EACH STUDENT AND PLACE ORDER BAGS IN BOX (outside library). Please note that only Kindergarten recess and lunch orders are delivered to the classroom.

Tuesdays to Thursdays recess and lunch (PLEASE PRE-ORDER ON ORDER BAGS AND COLLECT MILO FROM CANTEEN WINDOW AT RECESS OR LUNCH) - Warm Milo with milk - $1.50 a cup (with lid).

Tuesdays to Thursdays recess and lunch (PLEASE PRE-ORDER ON ORDER BAG) – Slice of garlic bread – 50c

Tuesday lunch - Chicken, potato and carrot (or pumpkin) soup with 1 slice of wholemeal toast - $3.50

Thursday lunch - Fried rice with egg, onion, peas, corn and carrot, $3.50

Please note: only limited portions of the above lunch items will be available each day.
UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Stop Press! EFTPOS now available in Uniform Shop

Personal shoppers only - a minimum purchase of $15

Term 3 2015 - Opening Days:
Wednesday - (8.45am – 9.15am) 15th & 22nd July, 5 & 19th August, 2nd & 9th September

If you are not able to attend the uniform shop on opening days order forms are available from the office. Please fill in the form and put **cash** (correct money only no change given) OR **cheque** (payable to West Ryde Public School Uniform Shop) in an envelope and give to the office. Your order will be filled as soon as possible and given to your child.

P&C NEWS

As a mother of a Year 3 and Kindy child, I’ve been at this school for a few years now and it’s easy to forget those things that weren’t clear to me when I started out but which have been explained along the way. If there’s ever anything that you think parents might like to better understand about the P&C or the school, please tell us.

Some parents have obviously been confused about the difference between the building fund request and the P&C voluntary contribution which we asked for at the start of the year. I’ve tried to explain a bit more about this and where we spend your money in the piece below, so please read.

Before we get to that, however, I’d like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Somehow we’ve reached the middle of the year. Enjoy your two weeks of no homework and no getting kids to school on time for sports training or orchestra. It’ll be back before you know it!

The P&C meeting for July falls on the second day of school for Term 3. Given this fact, there’ll be no meeting for next month. The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday August 19th. Please put it in your diary now.

Working Bee
To wind up the term, last Saturday saw over 60 parents and children come to school to help scrub walls and chairs, dig out tree roots, weed, rake and even build the new ‘chicken mansion’. Thank you to all of the amazing helpers who lent a hand, and to those who were unable to come along on the day but who helped with some money to pay for materials and to feed the hungry hoards. The greatest thanks must be given to Geoff Orchard who organised and directed the entire day for the second year running.

Canteen
Our incredibly hard working and invaluable canteen coordinator Veronique Png is due to leave school at the end of the year and the desperate search is now on to find new people to help to take her place. Changes have been made to try and split up the job across a few different positions, to try and lighten the load. However, we need people! **If organisers can’t be found, the canteen may have to close!**

More information will come home soon. In the meantime, **if you can help at the canteen or want to chat about what’s needed, please let them know!**

Building Fund
Hopefully you all received the email from the P&C apologising for leaving off some crucial information from the Building Fund request form. As a result we have had to chase some parents for missing information, and we’re sorry for that inconvenience.
As many of you may not be aware, the P&C does not have access to the personal contact details of students, including parent’s names. This is partially why we ask to collect that information at the start of the year for your class parents lists.

In case you missed the email and still want to send in a donation, please return the money to the school office by Friday morning (June 26th, end Term 2). Please place it in an envelope with the following information;
- Child’s name and class
- Parent’s name (to be included on the receipt)
- Amount
If you wish to pay by cheque, please make it out to ‘West Ryde Public School P&C Association Building Fund’.

Receipts for donations made prior to this week will be sent home with your child before Friday. Receipts for donations made after will be sent home at the start of Term 3.

**How Does The P&C Spend Your Money?**

Both the P&C voluntary contribution and the building fund are voluntary donations to help the P&C to improve the school resources and facilities. P&C voluntary contributions were asked for at the start of the year along with school fees. The building fund request was sent at the start of June.

P&C voluntary contributions go directly to the P&C to allocate as needed. Our expenses are approved at meetings by all P&C members, and include items such as;
- Money to hire teaching support staff for extra days each week
- Purchasing of literacy resources such as readers and library books
- Purchases of tablets and docking stations and other learning resources
- Support of school sports through uniforms and purchases of other sporting equipment such as netball hoops
- Other one-off purchases such as the school gazebo and classroom literacy workstations

The building fund is a separate pool of money. Donations to the Building Fund are tax-deductible. Money within the Building Fund can be used for the construction or maintenance of a school building or related asset. Funds from the P&C Building Fund have previously been used to install air conditioning in the older classrooms across the school.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn – Can You Help Out?**

Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers are due to return at the start of Term 3. The P&C are currently looking for someone to help collect and handle sticker sheets for the school. If you’re able to give some time for this simple job or would like some more information, please be in touch via the school office or at pc@westrydepublicschool.com.au

Regards,
Alison Chan
P&C President
president@westrydepictureschool.com.au

---

**The crossing on Bennett St is called a ‘Children’s Crossing’**

**Did You Know?**

*You must not park on or within 20 metres before or 10 metres after, a children’s crossing.*
Fine: $415 and 2 demerit points

*You must stop at a Children’s Crossing if pedestrians are waiting to cross.*
Fine: $519 and 4 demerit points
**iPhone and iPad users**

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

**Android users**

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

**Windows Phone users**

1. Go to the Windows Store on your Windows Phone
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app.
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows Phone App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones.

---

If you have any questions please email sales@skoolbag.com.au
West Ryde Public School
Students of Years 2 - 6 proudly present

The Lucky Country
A concert that celebrates the diversity of Australia.

Wednesday 16th September in WRPS Hall - 12.30pm
Wednesday 16th September in WRPS Hall - 7.00pm
Tickets $6 each or $20 for a family of 4.
Tickets on sale early Term 3!

---

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS
(They’re educational but... shhh... don’t tell the kids! They think it’s fun!)

July School Holiday
BRICKS 4 KIDZ RYDE & STRATHFIELD

With specially created BRICKS 4 KIDZ models, LEGO® games, and plenty of time for free-play, the kids are always having fun. Our school holiday programs are designed for kids ages 5 – 16 and are staffed by trained, screened BRICKS 4 KIDZ instructors. Children will work and play with designated LEGO® Technic pieces such as gears, axles, electric motors and more!

Themes
- Mining & Crafting
- Remote Control Manic
- Super Hero Academy
- Ninja Spinning
- CHI Challenge
- Angry Birds / Bad Pigtlets
- A Pirate’s Quest
- Pocket Brick Monsters
- Christmas in July
- Space Adventure
- Amusement Park Mayhem
- LEGO® Game Design

Venue 1
North Ryde Community Church, 2 Cutler Parade, North Ryde 2113
Mon 26th - Fri 30th, Mon 6th - Fri 10th

Venue 2
Uniting Yenuma, 10 Masons Drive, North Parramatta, 2151
Mon 26th - Fri 30th

Venue 3
Concord RSL, Narrabeen St, Concord West 2138
Mon 6th - Fri 10th

Time
Half day 9am-12pm & 1-4pm
One day 9am-3:30pm

Booking
bricks4kidzaustralia.com.au/sydney-ryde/

Half day
$45, incl GST
One day
$85, incl GST
Two day
$115, incl GST

Enquiry: 0449957740
Email: john@bricks4kidz.com
More Exciting Sports
Longer Supervision
Cheaper Prices

Tennis • Soccer • Hockey • Basketball
Dodgeball • Cricket • Volleyball • T-Ball

Don't miss the opportunity to join the famous multisport holiday camps at Next Generation Ryde. Children will enjoy lots of different sports. There will be coaching, competitions and tons of fun.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dates</th>
<th>Week 1: June 29 – July 3</th>
<th>Week 2: July 6 – 10</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Times</td>
<td>8:30am to 5:00pm (activities between 9am and 3pm)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Costs</td>
<td>$40 per day*</td>
<td>$150 per week*</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Early Bird Specials - Price available until 15th June

Book and pay online at www.voyagertennis.com and click on the Ryde tab
Contact: nextgeneration@voyagertennis.com | Ph: 0402 477 762

Term 3: Next Generation Tennis: Henshaw's After School Programs
FREE TENNIS LESSON OFFER
Book your child in for a free tennis lesson today before the new term begins.
Email: nextgeneration@voyagertennis.com | Call: 0402 477 762
Programs are every day after school from Monday to Friday, available for new clients only during Term 3 After School Program.

---

THE ACTING EXPERIENCE

WINTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS:

› PRIMARY DRAMA DAYS
FOR SCHOOL YEARS 4 TO 6
WED 1 JULY

› ACTING FOR SCREEN
FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
6 STUDENTS ONLY
THURS 2 JULY

The Acting Experience also runs weekly drama classes:
› Primary Classes – Wednesdays
› High School Classes – Thursdays and Saturdays

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
acting.experience.com.au
info@acting.experience.com.au
0457 574 062
REACH
FOR THE STARS!
3RD–11TH JULY 2015
WWW.SPEECHPATHOLOGISTS.COM.AU
Gang Show

2015 PERFORMANCES

Date
Friday 3rd July
Saturday 4th July
Saturday 11th July
Saturday 12th July
Monday 13th July
Wednesday 15th July
Friday 17th July
Saturday 18th July
Saturday 25th July
Saturday 26th July

Time
7.30pm
2.30pm
7.30pm
7.30pm
7.30pm
7.30pm
7.30pm
2.30pm
7.30pm
7.30pm

Cost
Gibert
Gibert
Gibert
Gibert
Gibert
Gilbert
Gibert
Gibert
Gibert
Gibert

Venue
Felton (Red Scarf Night)
Felton
Felton
Felton
Felton
Felton
Felton
Felton
Felton
Felton

Performance
Fenning
Evening
Morning
Fenning
Fenning
Fenning
Fenning
Fenning
Fenning
Fenning

NOW TO BOOK
Tickets are purchased directly through the Theatre Box Office.
ONLINE: riverside@parra.nsw.gov.au
PHONE: 02 9553 2000 during operating hours
IN PERSON: Riverside Box Office during operating hours<br>One Church & Market Streets, Parramatta<br>Operating hours: Mon-Fri 9:30AM to 5:00pm.<br>Sat & Sun 9:30AM to 1:00pm and up to 1 hour prior to each performance.

GANG SHOW TICKET SELLER
Name: Katherine Thompson

Linda Kendrick owns and operates Gladesville Speech Pathology and Learning Centre. She and her colleague provide a friendly, professional service to children of all ages who have speech, language or learning difficulties.

We aim to offer a high quality service in a friendly and welcoming environment. We believe that children should be happy and comfortable and enjoy their therapy sessions!

Each week a Speech Pathologist from the practice visits West Ryde Primary School to conduct assessment and therapy sessions with students who have been referred by their teachers or parents. The sessions are paid for by the child’s family.

Speech Pathologists can assist with the following types of problems:

- Articulation and Phonological difficulties (slurred speech, difficulty pronouncing specific sounds)
- Language delay & disorders
- Comprehension difficulties
- Verbal expression problems
- Phonemic awareness & literacy skills
- Language based learning difficulties

The practice also offers education sessions for parents & teachers, as well as school starters groups each January.

Families with private health insurance may be eligible to claim some of their expenses. Please contact your health fund to discuss their coverage of Speech Pathology.

Gladesville Speech Pathology and Learning Centre has been approved by the Australian Government to provide intervention services to children with disabilities under the Helping Children with Autistic Spectrum Disorders and the BetterStart Initiative. Medicare rebates for children with a Chronic Disease Management Plan may be available. Please discuss your child’s eligibility with your GP or Paediatrician.

Please contact us for more information or to make a referral.