The Endeavour

West Ryde Public School Newsletter
Term 3 Issue No. 3 – 19th August 2015

Principal’s Message

Parking and Safety around the school
Frequently in our newsletter we talk about the need to act safely and responsibly when driving and parking in and around the school. Last week I again had a phone call and email from a resident in Mons Avenue who has problems with parents parking in their residents’ parking area. The issue here is that the parking space belongs to a resident who is disabled. A white Toyota Yaris with number plates beginning with BH 79 has frequently parked in this spot causing difficulty to the disabled gentleman. Please be considerate of our neighbours and only park where it is legal. Continued complaints from our neighbours will only increase the number of parking police in the area incurring more fines for those who park illegally. We respect our neighbours and do not want them inconvenienced due to our school community not considering the effect that their actions have on others.

More information about parking and traffic will be in the P&C President’s message.

School Camp
Well done to all our Stage 3 students on their excellent behaviour while attending camp last week. The staff commented on how well behaved the students were and how well they participated in all the activities. Thank you for representing our school so well. Thank you to Mr Hayllar, Miss Farthing, Mr Watterson and student teacher, Ms Unsworth, who also attended and looked after our students so well.

West Ryde Public School Centenary 2017
In 2017, our fantastic school turns 100 years old and we would like to celebrate this important occasion in style. We are asking for anyone who is interested in helping us plan the events for the Centenary celebrations to let Mrs Lloyd Jones know.

Orchestra Evening Concert – Tuesday 25th August
Come along to our school orchestra performance on 25th August. Refreshments will be available. Please see the flyer in this newsletter.

Father’s Day Breakfast – Friday 4th September
Please come along and celebrate Father’s Day with your child. A note has gone home with RSVP required by 28th August.

The P & C will hold their Father’s Day Stall on Thursday, 3rd September. A note will be sent home next week.

Upcoming events

**Aug**
- 19th  P & C Book Preview Day Yrs 2-6
- 20th  SPORTSPRO K- Yr 2 “Athletics” Carnival Book Preview Day Yrs 3-6
- 21st  Book Sales Day PSSA Finals Assembly – 3L
- 24th  Book Week SPORTSPRO
- 25th  Orchestra Evening Concert Book Week Dress Up Day
- 26th  SPORTSPRO
- 27th  SPORTSPRO Zone Athletics Carnival
- 28th  Koomurri Incursion
- 31st  SPORTSPRO

**Sept**
- 2nd  SPORTSPRO Uniform shop open

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Friendly Reminders

EFTPOS now available

At the school office. Fees can still be paid by either cash, cheque and now credit card facilities (eftpos). The school will only accept a minimum transaction amount of $15 and over.

School Swimming Scheme

Our school swimming scheme is scheduled for Term 4 starting on Monday 2nd 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 $8.20 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. An expression of interest form has been sent home. Please return it asap if you are interested in your child participating.

Library News

Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC)

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for recently completing the challenge:

**Classes:** ALL K-2 classes
Year 3: Milni, Alysha, Marko
Year 4: Isabelle B, Lily, Alison
Year 5: Nicholas, Chad, Chandler, Adrienne

**NOTE:** Students in Years 3-6 have until **THIS FRIDAY 21st August** to complete the challenge and their online reading log.

Book Fair

**Preview days** – Wednesday 19th August AND Thursday 20th August. Students attend with their class. Parents welcome anytime between 8:30am - 3:30pm

**Sales** – Friday 21st August 8:30am - 3:30pm

Parents (or student/s accompanied by an adult) welcome from 8:30am.

All students attend with their class throughout the day.

**Note:** Books cannot sell out. If stock sells on the day, orders are taken and books are delivered next week.

If you have any questions, please pop in and see Ms Armstrong on Wednesday or Mr Jenkins on Thursday.

Poster competition winners

CONGRATULATIONS to the following winners of the 'Books Light Up Our World' poster competition:

Kindergarten - Michelle (KN)
Year 1 - Indu (1N) and Rubein (1/2S)
Year 2 - River (2B) and Jamie (2B)
Year 3 - Vasuda & Stephanie (3L) and Milni & Vinuki (3A)
Year 4 - Claudia & Alyssa (4F) Year 5/6 - Prisha (5L) and Samantha W (5H)

Ms Armstrong – Teacher Librarian

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2016

Just 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.
Junior Concert “Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Stars”
Tickets are now on sale for the matinee performances on Thursday 22nd and Friday, 23rd October. A note has been sent home about this concert for Kindergarten, Year 1 and 1/2S students.

“Lucky Country” Concert - Evening Concert - Sold Out
The “Lucky Country” concert tickets for Yrs 2 - 6 students have been selling very well. There are still some matinee tickets left for the concert for Wednesday, 16th September.

PSSA Netball
Congratulations on a great season. Each player has grown in confidence and skill over the season and it has been a pleasure to coach such a wonderful bunch of girls. As the season comes to an end, friendly games will be played during the finals rounds. Once those games have finished, could all players please return their netball dresses to Miss Farthing and collect their netball bond from the office once the dress has been returned.
The Friday morning netball game will go ahead for the remainder of the year, giving preference to younger students who enjoy the game but did not play in the PSSA teams this year.

Thanks again for an enjoyable season.
Fran Farthing – Netball Coach

Kitchen Garden
A reminder the kitchen garden market will be held 1st Thursday every month under the cola. Next date 3rd September.

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.

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.

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.

Woolworths - Earn & Learn Promotion
West Ryde Public School will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion once again this year. We have been very fortunate to have received some very useful resources through this program in previous years thanks to the help of our great community.
Woolworths issue one Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent. These stickers are then placed on one of their sticker sheets. Once your sheet is full, it can be placed in one of the collection boxes marked “West Ryde Public School” located at West Ryde & Top Ryde Woolworths. There will also be one located outside the Principal’s office at the school.
Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update – Please Read

Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch. Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program. Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

Canteen News

“Fresh for Kids Campaign” Week 5 to Week 10

The Sydney Markets “Fresh for Kids” campaign is running again in 2015 to encourage kids to eat more fresh fruit and vegetables, and to purchase them from their school canteen. From Tuesday, 11th August the canteen will sell and promote Fresh Fruit Cups for $1, Fresh Salad Sandwiches made with one or more salad items, and our regular Tuesday Chicken and Vegetable soup. Students who purchase any of these healthy choices will be rewarded instantly with a token sticker for each purchase. Once two token stickers are collected, students fill in a competition entry form at the canteen and receive a token Fresh for Kids Pencil and Eraser. All entry forms will be sent to Sydney Markets for the chance to win some major prizes at the end of the campaign.

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

NEW Thursday lunch – Fried rice with HAM egg, onion, peas, corn and carrot, $3.50

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

Our Canteen is also in need of more parent volunteers to sign up for once a week/fortnight or monthly duty. Either between 9.30am to 12.00pm OR 12.00pm to 2.45pm on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Please contact Shakeela at shakeela.ahmed@gmail.com if you are able to help. Thank You.

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) 2nd & 9th September
Over the past two weeks both our youngest and oldest students have had some great adventures. Perhaps miraculously, over 100 excited Kindy kids visited and returned exhausted from their first school excursion to the zoo, and we didn’t lose a single one. On the other hand, the year 5 and 6 kids claimed to be fresh as a daisy when they returned from their camp last week, which is more than can be said for their teachers I’m sure. I hope all of our participating students had a great time.

Some of our other students also recently experienced another exciting event, playing at Sydney’s Opera House at the Festival of Instrumental Music. If you’d like to see the talents of these and more music students at our school, please attend the upcoming music concert on the evening of August 25th.

School Music Concert, Tuesday 25th August
Everyone is welcome to come along to Music Night 2015. This is an evening organised by the Orchestra Subcommittee as a fundraiser for the school’s orchestra program. The evening will feature the musical talents of West Ryde Public School (orchestra, wind ensemble, singing students, and the parent/teacher choir). We also have a special performance by professional harpist Karen Hickmott. Tickets are $10 for adults (children free) and are available at the door - please come at 6:45pm to purchase tickets.

Earn and Learn
The Woolworths Earn and Learn program has only a few weeks remaining, so get collecting now! We need all completed sticker sheets or loose stickers to be sent in by Sept 15th.

**Bennett St Children Crossing**

Last Monday a parent was nearly run down halfway across the Bennett St Children Crossing. Had it been a child, they would almost certainly have been hit. Please keep an eye open, drive slowly, and stop for anyone waiting to cross.

Children are also often dropped off to cross the road unaccompanied. Even if you are watching from your car, kids don’t look and you can’t stop other cars on the road. Please park your car down the street and walk your child across the crossing. Better late than dead.

MAKE NO MISTAKE - THIS IS A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING.
Even though it has no zebra stripes, this is a pedestrian crossing and the same rules apply.
  1. You must stop to allow pedestrians to cross.
  2. You cannot park on or immediately before or after the crossing to drop your child.

Please keep our kids safe!!! Make sure that you or anyone else who drops or collects your children knows the rules and follows them, for the sake of our kids.
P&C Meeting Dates

The P&C will be holding its August meeting tonight (Wed 19th) in the library at 7pm. Please come along and take an interest in your child’s school. Child minding is available.

Due to the Yrs 2-6 school concert, the September meeting will need to be moved to the 2nd Wednesday of the month, on September 9th. Please put the revised date into your diaries now.

Regards,

Alison Chan

P&C President

president@westrydepublicschool.com.au

Have You Got Any Old Mobile Phones?

Have you recently upgraded your phone and have no use for the old one?

The P&C are collecting all old mobile phones for recycling. For every phone donated, the school receives $3. Please ask around and send any old mobile phones to school with your child – yours, your neighbour’s, friend’s, anybody’s.

A collection box can be found in the office area. Thanks for your support.

The NEXT WRPS P&C MEETING DATE
Wednesday 19th August, 7:00 pm
In the school library. Free child minding available.
We hope we’ll see you there.
New WRPS Wind Ensemble!

In Term 2, we started a wind ensemble, which will be performing as part of the music night on 25th August.

Children in year 3 or older, who are learning brass (eg Trumpet and Trombone), woodwind (eg Sax, Flute, Clarinet) or drums are welcome to join.

If anyone is interested to learn these instruments or join the group, contact the orchestra committee on wrpsorchestra@gmail.com.

Come along to the music night and listen to the group perform!
### 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).
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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](mailto:sales@skoolbag.com.au)
Are you interested in getting into shape safely in a small group environment?

With a maximum of 5 people per class, West Ryde Physiotherapy offers Pilates classes for a range of skill and experience levels.

Our experienced and qualified physiotherapists guide the classes, ensuring an individualised and personalised exercise experience tailored to your every need.

With a special interest in Women’s health, physiotherapist Annie Beaudoin also runs pregnancy and mum’s and bub’s Pilates classes.

For all enquiries please refer to the contact information below.

westrydephysiotherapy.com.au - info@westrydephysiotherapy.com.au - facebook.com/westrydephysiotherapy
Ph: 98093854

MACQUARIE ADHD
Parent Support Group
Supporting parents of children & teens with ADHD, learning difficulties, and co-existing conditions.

Dr. Patrick Concannon
Paediatrician
Sleep Issues in children and teens with ADHD

There is an important relationship between learning and sleep. It has become an epidemic mainly because of electronic activity. Sleep disturbance is a risk factor in the development of depression and anxiety.

Dr. Concannon will talk from a clinical point of view on these aspects, including sleep hygiene, the body clock, melatonin, and when to consider a sleep assessment. etc.

Lots of time allowed for questions.

Come along and hear a professional speaker, and meet other parents over supper.

WHEN: Thurs 3 September 2015
TIME: 7.00pm – 9.00pm
VENUE: Dunmore Lang College, (adjacent to Macquarie University)
130-134 Herring Road, North Ryde, NSW 2113
Waterloo Rd nearest cross street......near Macquarie Uni railway station.
Both street and off-road parking. Allow extra travel time for congestion.

RSVP: Tue 1 September 2015
DONATION: $5.00 for catering

All welcome – parents, teachers and professionals

ADHD Centre Helpline
Ph: 02 9889 5977 / 0416 111 036
Email: parentsupport@macquarieadhd.org.au
Come & Try Day

New to baseball or softball? Or just hanging out for some Sunday family fun?
Then come down to the Tigers’ Come and Try day!
Try out your skills, play a friendly game, enjoy our BBQ and meet our friendly Tigers!

Date: Sunday 23rd August
Time: 12:00pm - 2:00pm
Venue: George Kendall Park, Ermington
(Broadwick St side of park)

Registrations and info: www.tigerball.com.au
Enquiries: 0434 617 831

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Tigers Softball Club

Teeball • Modball
Open Grades • Ladies

Registrations & Info: www.TigerBall.com.au

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West Ryde Girl Guides invite you to

Come and Try Guides!

Friday 28 August

For girls aged 5-6 years 5.30pm-6.30pm
For girls aged 7-10 years 5.30pm-7.00pm

Guides enjoy badges, craft, cooking and camping

West Ryde Guide Hall Cnr Shaftsbury and Victoria Roads West Ryde
(Entrance from behind Midas)

Contact Lyn 0438 414 964
to register for this free event
Or to find out more visit our website www.girlsguides-nswact.org.au

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WEST RYDE ROVERS
CRICKET CLUB
SEASON 2015/2016

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The new cricket season is commencing mid September/early October and registrations are open – ONLINE.

WWR’s cricket club will have:
• In2cricket Milo for boys and girls
  4-7 years, Saturday Mornings
• Modified competition for Under 8/9s
  boys & girls Saturday Mornings
• Under 10-16, Junior competition
• Junior girls only teams
• Senior competition

Registration details go to:

Please don’t hesitate to contact us
if you have any questions:
Tim French (Club Secretary)
mob: 0402 890 857
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(Club registrar)
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