

The Endeavour

West Ryde Public School Newsletter
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Upcoming events

Feb

20th SPORTSPRO
21st Swimming Carnival
No Assembly
26th SPORTSPRO
27th SPORTSPRO
28th Assembly – 2B

Mar

5th Uniform shop open
SPORTSPRO
6th Zone Swimming Carnival
SPORTSPRO
7th Zone Swimming Carnival
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NOTES/MONEY

Principal's Message Meet the Teacher

Thank you to all those parents who took the time to come to the Meet the Teacher Evening on Monday. The feed-back from the teachers was very positive and they indicated that the meetings were well attended. These important opportunities provide valuable information about the programs that are running in the class and the school. If you have specific concerns about your child please make an appointment to speak to the class teacher. Thank you to all the staff for their efforts and to the teachers who provided child minding for over 60 children.

Swimming Carnival

Our annual swimming carnival is on this Friday at Dence Park Aquatic Centre. We encourage all children who can swim to participate in the carnival and support your sports house. If it is raining the swimming carnival will go ahead but will be cancelled if there is lightning.

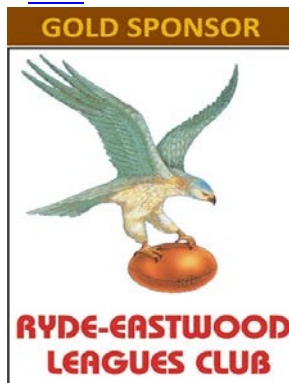
Visiting School

Just a reminder that if you are on the school grounds for any reason you must sign in and out at the front desk and obtain a visitor's badge. This ensures that the staff and students know that you are a visitor and as such you have permission to be on the school grounds.

Chaplaincy Program

This week we welcome Mrs Catherine Bradshaw who replaces Mrs Heather Wishart as our chaplain. Mrs Bradshaw brings a wealth of experience to the role and like Mrs Wishart is also a trained high school and primary school teacher. Mrs Bradshaw is here to support the educational and welfare needs of the whole school community.

Moving into High School In the next few weeks all Year 6 parents will receive an information pack about enrolment for high school in 2015. Click [here](#) to visit their website



Please support the generous sponsors of our Christmas Market Day.

- * **Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club**
(Gold Sponsor)
- * **Liz Wiggins – McGrath**
(Silver Sponsor)
- * **St George Bank – Top Ryde**
(Silver Sponsor)

SPORTSPRO (Wednesday & Thursday – Week 2 to Week 9)	\$40.00

Reminders

Swimming Carnival - Friday 21st February

The program for the School Swimming Carnival is published on the school website under the Permission Notes banner.

The swimming carnival will go ahead if it is raining; it will only be cancelled if there is a lightning.

School Banking

School banking is starting back this week, *Thursday 20th February 2014 from 8.45am*. We'll be located at the back of the COLA near the kindergarten classrooms.

To kick the year off the Commonwealth Bank are running a 'STAY COOL AT SCHOOL' promotion in Term 1 which is exclusive to the Northern Suburbs schools; this means our school has an even greater chance of winning. On offer are (4) 3m x 3m marquees which can be used at school fetes, sports events and BBQ's. Each marquee is valued at \$400. They store away easily and will be a great asset for your school.

The school with the highest percentage of active students at the end of Term 1 will win a marquee (Schools will be divided into categories based on the number of enrolled students:- Less than 250 students, 250-499 Students, 500-750 Students and Greater than 750 Students)

If you don't have an account set up for your child yet you can pop into any branch with identification (birth certificate or passport) and sign them up.

Thanks and happy banking :)

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.

FOR SALE Table Tennis tables x 2 - \$60.00 each.

If interested, please contact Mrs Lloyd Jones at the school office.



Elizabeth Wiggins
0411 434 696
lizwiggins@mcgrath.com.au



Click [here](#) to visit their website

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TOP RYDE CITY BRANCH

CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen will be open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for Term 1 (on a trial basis only).

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The opening days for Term 1 will be Wednesday (8.45am - 9.15am) 5th & 19th March and 2nd April 2014.

Dr Shoe will be attending on **2nd April**. Please note that we only accept cash or cheques (made payable to the West Ryde Public School Uniform Shop).

P & C NEWS

I hope all of you enjoyed the BBQ on Friday. It was a fantastic event organised by Mr Philip Quach (Ben's dad for some of you) and his merry group of Year 1 parents, supported by the P&C and a few current and former students (thanks Evan Phoon for helping Jarrod in the drinks stall).

CLASS LIST

The outcome from the ipad parent contact data collection has been done and each class now has a parent list and class parent. The class parent is the ultimate owner of the contact list as it is for the purpose of the class community to keep in touch with each other and organise activities and events with the class teacher. The P&C will also keep a copy for broadcasting of notes and other notices.

Please provide support to your class parent by keeping the information up to date. Note that the school is currently unable to share details with the P&C as we are separate organisations and privacy legislation currently denies us access to the school's database of parent contacts. The following are the known class parents so far. We will circulate the complete list once all the lists are updated.

	Parent	Teacher
KS	Holly Kozlovsky	Ms Sarah Murray
1A	Tracey Russell	Mrs Veronica Aspee
1B	Karin Smits	Ms Mikayla Black
3B	Milla Krivozhnya	Mr Iain Bramley
3L	Farina Shah	Ms Albina Lee
4J	Jane Huang	Mr Bruce Jenkins
5/6H	Raquel Munoz	Mr Peter Hayllar
5/6L	Dennice Perry	Mr Matthew Logan

FIRST P&C Meeting TONIGHT (Wed 19th February)

Tonight will be the 1st P&C Meeting for 2014. It is an important meeting for 2 reasons:

1. To gain membership to allow your vote to be counted when we make decisions about spending the P&C's finances and supporting programs in the school.
2. There are a number of challenging needs for the school including the Canteen and school program funding. This will impact on how we can help the school continue to fund the programs, some of which only exist at our school.

We encourage you to attend as parents who are interested in your child's education.

VOLUNTEERING WITH THE P&C

Public schools in Australia like West Ryde Public School, achieve success through the hard work of the teachers, the students and the many volunteers that help make the school community a vibrant place to be.

We ask that parents be generous with their time and to take on projects at the school by applying your skills, especially those in leadership. However, we also would encourage parents who want to get involved but are put off by language barriers, to give it a try.

CANTEEN WORKING GROUP

We are looking for volunteers to be on a new Canteen Sub Committee. As you know, Holly our Canteen Supervisor, has decided to call it a day at West Ryde Public School. She has spent many years here as her children were educated in West Ryde Public School.

As a result, this has opened up an opportunity to look at what the P&C is able to do with the canteen. The Canteen can be a major fundraiser for the P&C if the right model is used. We are looking for parents with a background in food and beverage, or an interest in assisting us with this process.

WRPS Marketplace

One of the outcomes from the last 2 Christmas markets was the creation of the [WRPS Marketplace](#). Here we have highlighted the sponsors and supporters of the school and we hope that you will support them in your everyday shopping or when you need specific services. Here are the two main sponsors' programs:

[Elizabeth Wiggins - McGrath](#)

[St George Top Ryde](#)

There are other providers as well who have helped us through donations on sale of their products such as Dr. Shoe, who comes to the school or to the comfort of your home for fittings.

In conclusion, I look forward to meeting you at the P&C Meeting tonight. I hope that we can go forward and make this school an even better place and continue to show the kids that West Ryde Public School is a school ***"where nothing is left unattempted"***.

Alan Khaw (Parent 5/6H, 3L)
President

The NEXT WRPS P&C MEETING DATE

19th February , Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00 pm

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In the school library.

FREE RACQUET

for all new tennis players!

Come down and trial our tennis Hot Shots Program at Next Generation Ryde. All new players who enrol in term 1 tennis will receive a free racquet and Hot Shots T-shirt!

Come and join Term 1. It includes:

- A 10 week tennis program that has players quickly progressing to serve, rally and score through the use of modified courts and balls
- Access to enter into one of our tennis Hot Shots tournaments including our new competition for beginners
- End of term report card highlighting your child's strengths and areas to improve
- Kids make new friends in a fun environment

Adam Feeney, Tammy Raffoul and their team of coaches make sure that every player has a positive experience in the program that exceeds expectations.

For all enquiries and questions please call Adam on 0402 018 685 or email: adam.feeney@hotmail.com

Hope to see your child there soon!



Voyager Tennis is lead by Adam Feeney

His background in tennis is:

- He competed in all 4 Grand Slams
- Career wins include Gael Monfils, Sam Querrey, Kevin Anderson



Next Generation Ryde (504a Victoria Road) has relaxing atmosphere where parents can enjoy a cup coffee while watching the kids enjoy tennis.



An invitation to visit Epping Boys High School

Information Afternoon
Thursday 27 February 2014
4 – 7 pm



Year 7 Massed Choir

Parents and Students Year 7 2015 and 2016

Parents and guardians of boys currently enrolled in Years 5 and 6 are warmly invited to attend the school's Information Afternoon in the Edmund Barton Examination Centre.

Epping Boys High School has an outstanding tradition of academic, cultural and sporting achievement.

4.00pm – 5.00pm

- Principal and Deputy Principal presentations
- Boys to Men Program
- Student presentation
- Musical items
- Question and answer session with senior staff
- Meet key school personnel

5.00pm – 6.00pm

- Tours of the school

6.00 – 7.00pm Gifted and Talented Program 2015

- Presentation in the School Common Room to interested parents

For further information about our school and achievements, please check our website:

<http://www.eppingboy-h.schools.nsw.edu.au>

Email: www.eppingboy-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Address: 213 Vimiera Rd, Eastwood, NSW, 2122

Enrolment enquiries for 2015 are invited to the

Enrolment Officer on 9869 2701.

ADHD GROUP FOR PARENTS/CARERS

A FREE program

*For parents/carers of Primary School aged children
who have been diagnosed with ADHD*

- This group is run over 5 group sessions, and one individual phone session, and aims to provide assistance for parents and carers of children who have been diagnosed with ADHD.
- We discuss some of the routines, rewards and strategies that you may find useful in the day to day management of a child with ADHD.

When	Tuesday March 4 th , 11 th , 18 th , 25 th , & April 1 st (plus an individual follow-up phone session)
Time	10.00 am – 11.30
Where	Ryde Family Services West Ryde Community Centre (Ground Floor) No. 3-5 Anthony Road West Ryde
Facilitator	Jan is a qualified Counsellor and Group Leader.
Bookings	Phone 9334 0111 - Please ensure you book as spaces are limited.
Free Childcare	For pre-school aged children only. <u>You must book a place</u> for your child (we cannot accommodate children who have not been booked in). Full details regarding childcare will be supplied upon place confirmation.
PARKING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Free 2 hour parking available next door to the Community Centre at No. 7 Anthony Road• Free 2 hour Woolies and Coles shopping complexes.

*"Support in knowing more about ADHD and that other parents are going thru the same thing.
That ADHD kids will be OK as adults – it's not a life sentence"
(ADHD Group Participant)*

"TUNING IN TO KIDS"

FREE parenting program for those with children 3 – 12, living in Ryde and Ku-ring gai LGA's.

Teach your child to understand and regulate their emotions!

When	MONDAY 10, 17, 24, 31 MARCH & 7 APRIL (Also phone follow up by facilitator wc 21/4)
Time	10.00 am – 11.45am
Where	Ryde Family Support Service West Ryde Community Centre (Ground Floor) No. 3-5 Anthony Road West Ryde
Facilitator	Sarah Cocksedge is a qualified Counsellor and "Tuning into Kids" Facilitator. She works at Ryde and Ku-ring-gai Family Services as a Family Worker.
Bookings	Phone the Ryde office to book: 9334 0111

Limited, FREE CHILDCARE available for pre schoolers - You must **BOOK** a spot for your child and full details of childcare will be provided by us, upon place confirmation. Our offices are 20 mins drive from St Ives area. Free parking available next to office.



AFTER SCHOOL MANDARIN CLASS

Calling all children from K- Y6! If you would improve your Mandarin or you are interested in Mandarin, we have a class for you to learn and have fun!

When: Every Monday 15:30-17:30pm

(During school term)

Carer available from 3pm

Where: West Ryde PS

Cost: \$90 /term or \$175/ 2 terms

\$25 Material fee/year

Contact: Mrs. Li 0488-490-882

Echo 0401-659-977

PENNY'S DANCE & STAGE SCHOOL BALLET CLASSES

3-6 year old - \$120 per term

Tuesdays at West Ryde Anglican
Church cnr. Bellevue & Dickson Aves

Call now for a FREE trial class

0415 536 374

Play Netball

We have vacancies for:

- 2 x 7/8 year olds
- 3 x 9/10 year olds
- 1 x 12 year old

Practice is at Meadowbank Park
5-6pm on Thursdays.

Saturday morning games at
Brush Farm for 10 and under
Meadowbank Park for 11-12 yrs

Register online NOW:

www.cometsnetball.com.au

Call Debbie on 0414 256 864 or
president@carlingfordcomets.com.au

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