

The Endeavour

West Ryde Public School Newsletter
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Upcoming events

JUL

23rd SPORTSPRO
24th PSSA Round 12
Assembly – 5/6W
27th SPORTSPRO
Education Week
28th ICAS – English Competition
29th Open Day
SPORTSPRO
30th SPORTSPRO
31st PSSA Round 13
Assembly – 1D 12.30pm

AUG

3rd SPORTSPRO
Stewart House Bags collection
4th Instrumental Music Concert
5th SPORTSPRO
Uniform shop open
ICAS Maths Competition
6th Kindy Excursion – Taronga
SPORTSPRO
Leaders to Ryde Cenotaph
7th Assembly – 4F
PSSA – Round 14

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Principal's Message

Semester 1 Reports

Welcome back for the start of Term 3. I hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing school holiday break with your children. Quality time with family and friends helps to build positive relationships amongst family members as well as happy, healthy children. The students seem to be well rested, happy and excited to be back at school.

We have another jam-packed school term ahead of us. Term 3 has started with our washed out school athletics carnival which will now be rescheduled for latter in the term. Also included in this term is Open Day on Wednesday 29th in Education Week as well as the Stage 3 camp. There is also the Father's Day Breakfast the Festival of Instrumental Music as well as the Years 3-6 concert scheduled for this term. Teachers have also been busily planning innovative, engaging educational programs and activities for this term and the rest of the school year.

Welcome

We would like to welcome Ms Cathii Chen who replaces Mrs Chen for the remainder of the year.

Mrs Chen will be the relieving Mandarin Teacher at Narrabeen Lakes Primary School which is ten minutes from her home. Mrs Chen will still be at school on Fridays and has informed us that she misses the children but not having to fight through the traffic for 70 minutes each day is a blessing.

Music Camp

Our second combined Meadowbank/West Ryde Music Camp was again a huge success with the children making the most of their full day of tuition and rehearsal. To hear the group play in their impromptu concert in the afternoon was inspiring. Thank you all who assisted in the organisation and to the children for their wonderful behaviour and dedication. See photos below.

Open Day in Education Week 2015

Education Week is a major event on the NSW Public Schools calendar. Open Day will be on the Wednesday, 29th July and the theme will be "Hands on Learning". Parents and Grandparents will be invited to "open classrooms" and to assist us with judging our "People's Choice" photographic competition. We look forward to seeing you there – so keep the date free, if you are able!

Photographic Competition Entries

Don't forget to start sending in your entries for the Photographic Competition as judging will take place the day before Open Day with the "People's Choice Award" judged on the day.

NOTES/MONEY

School Charges	All classes	Various amounts
Sportspro (Term 3)	All classes (compulsory)	\$44.00

Friendly Reminders

New procedures for Morning Assemblies UPDATE

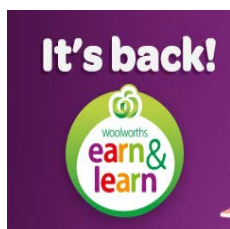
Due to requests to have the whole school come together we will be having one morning assembly per week on **Mondays only**. Every Monday from Week 2, all students will line up under the COLA when the music starts ready for the whole school assembly. This will allow us to present sporting awards, celebrate 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.

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.

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 Principals office at the school.

Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)

CONGRATULATIONS to those who have already completed the challenge:

Classes: 2M, 2B

Year 3: Gayuni, Ethan, Stephanie

Year 4: Hwan, Mitchell, Takumi, Ariel, Teja, Aditya, Abhi, Grace, Claudia

Year 5: Hayle, Prisha, Kate, Prabhsharan, Samantha W.

Year 6: Doowon, Aurore

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 completed by 21st August.

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.

Poster competition

The Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week theme for 2015 is **Books Light Up Our World**. Students are encouraged to design a poster with this theme. Posters should be clearly labelled with their name and class. Entries close Friday 14th August (end of Week 5) and will be displayed in the Library. All entries receive a complimentary book mark and winners from each class will receive a voucher to spend at our Book Fair.

Dress Up as Your Favourite Book Character – Tuesday 25th August

To further celebrate Book Week, students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. Save the date and start organising your outfit! More information to come.

Ms Armstrong – Teacher Librarian

School Concerts

A note has been sent home about the Yr 2 – 6 School Concert on 16th September. Please note that the Kindy to Year 1 concert will be performed next term with two matinee concerts being held on 22nd & 23rd October 2015.

Coding Club

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Coding Club cannot continue. A note has been sent home today.

Athletics Carnival

Thank you to all those parents, students and teachers who were so co-operative, helpful and patient at the attempted athletics carnival. The weather was ghastly and although we were only able to get through one event until the carnival had to be cancelled, all students acted sensibly and showed resilience. The primary school has postponed the carnival to Wednesday 19th August. Hopefully the weather remains fine until then as the Zone Carnival is the following Thursday. Unfortunately, this date coincides with Book Week preview day, so although the infants will still preview their books on this date, the primary school must preview the books in the afternoon or on Thursday 20th August.

Thanks again for all your hard work and patience. If any parents would like to volunteer to help out at the carnival, please hand a note in to your class teacher and they will pass it on to either myself or Mr Hayllar.

Miss Farthing
Athletics Carnival Coordinator

Netball

Congratulations to the senior netball knockout team who won round 3 against Thornleigh West Public School 48-26. The girls showed tremendous sportsmanship and determination and should be proud of their achievement. Information on Round 4 will be provided at a later date.

The PSSA netballers have improved incredibly over the season. The girls have worked hard to improve footwork, safe passes and breaking forward and are beginning to see the fruits of their labour. Unfortunately, many games this season have been cancelled due to wet weather, however we are hopeful for a few wins before the end of the season. If you are able, the students would love to see parents and friends supporting them on a Friday afternoon at Meadowbank netball courts.

Miss Farthing
Netball Coach

Music Camp percussion with Taikoz



Kitchen Garden

A reminder the kitchen garden market will be held 1st Thursday every month under the cola. Next date 6th August.

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.

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**.



CommonwealthBank

School Banking – Every Thursday at 8.45am

CANTEEN NEWS

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) 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

Welcome back everyone to a busy Term 3! I hope that everyone had a lovely break. Tuesday morning was a big struggle for most of us, but we managed to get the kids to school after much frustration and floods of tears for some, and life is falling back into the normal weekday routine.

Mrs Thompson Retirement Lunch – Please Come Along!

As some of you may know, on **Thursday July 30th** Mrs Thompson officially retires from teaching after many years of service at the school. Don't panic! She will continue on to teach KT until the end of the year.

To say thank you for all of her efforts, the P&C will be holding a retirement lunch for any parents who wish to come and give their best. The lunch will be run in the school hall from **1-2pm**. ***Please bring a plate of food to share.***

If you can help with set up, or other planning, please contact the P&C (pc@westrydepublicschool.com.au). Many thanks in advance to Bec Stooke for organising the day and Sarah Oxborough for what sounds like it will be an awesome cake!

Photo Comp and Open Day

I hope that our budding photographers have been busy over the holidays taking their photos for the annual school photo competition. The theme for this year is 'A Sight Worth Saving', and entries close Monday 27th July. If not included in this newsletter, detailed information was provided in a previous edition which can be found on the school website (Term 2, Issue 4).

The competition will be judged on Wednesday 29th at the School Open Day. Open Day is a great opportunity to see some of the activities that your children have been involved in over the year in their classrooms and surrounds. The kids love to have their parents and grandparents visit the school and share their world for just a little while, so if you're able to attend we hope that you'll come along. A note has gone home this week with further information.

Earn and Learn

Remember that Woolworths are again running their Earn and Learn program. To help the school get new resources like books or sporting equipment, please be sure to collect stickers whenever you shop there. Collection boxes are at West Ryde and Top Ryde Woolworths, and at the school next to the canteen orders table (by the office). The kids love to collect stickers and put them on the sheets, so get collecting!

Athletics Carnival

By now everyone should have warmed up and dried out after last Thursday's rather wet athletics carnival! It was a little damp. After such a lovely start to the morning and an equally sunny afternoon, it was a very unfortunate and poorly timed storm that put an end to the day's event. Here's hoping that the weather co-operates for the alternate date. Thanks to those understanding school parents and children who worked so well with teachers to help things run as smoothly as possible in a difficult situation.

Music Camp

On Monday many of our children from orchestra, band and recorder groups attended the second annual school Music Camp, in co-operation with students from Meadowbank Public. They were well underway at 8:45 at the start of a long, intensive day of music instruction and practice. It was, apparently, a very fun and fulfilling one, especially with a Taikoz Japanese Drumming workshop for the kids to experience! Their efforts were showcased for all in a short end of day concert. Special mention goes to the band who sounded fantastic after forming just five weeks ago, and to the junior orchestra who learned and performed a whole new piece in one day! Thanks to Sally Cole and the rest of the Orchestra Committee for organising a fantastic event, and to the many tutors who attended to teach our kids.

Meeting next August

Due to this month's meeting falling on the second day of term, no meeting will be held in July. The next P&C meeting will be Wednesday, August 19th. I hope we'll see many of you there.

Regards,

Alison Chan

P&C President

president@westrydepublicschool.com.au

Students Supporting Their Community

It's always wonderful to see students from our school who are conscious and considerate of the needs of others around them, and who go out of their way to make a difference for the greater good. I'd like to highlight some of these efforts by students where possible. This week it's Nina from KK.

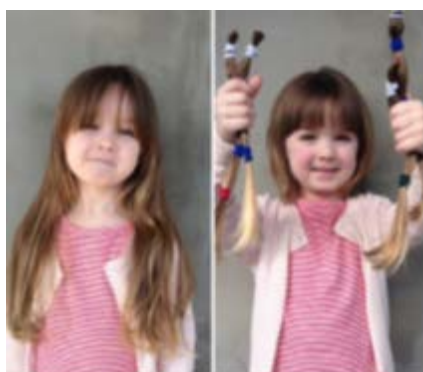
"During the school holidays Nina got her hair cut. She'd only ever had trims before, so she got a whopping 30cm cut off. Nina has donated her hair to a charity that makes wigs for children who lose their hair to illness - Australia Alopecia Areata Foundation Inc (<http://www.aaaf.org.au/>). It can take 10-20 donations of hair just to make one wig.

To support Nina we set up a fundraising site so if you can spare a few dollars to cheer her on that would be great! She gets a real kick out of reading the supportive comments and anything over \$2 is tax deductible :-)

<http://makingadifference.gofundraise.com.au/page/NinaRose>

Thank you!

Fiona and Nick Tchan"





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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.

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

Android users



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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.
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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.



THE ACTING EXPERIENCE

PRIMARY DRAMA CLASSES
ENROL NOW FOR TERM 3!
SMALL CLASS SIZES / 2 HOURS EACH WEEK

Enrol in Term 3 to be included in the end of year performance.
FOR MORE INFORMATION:
actingexperience.com.au / info@actingexperience.com.au / 0457 574 662

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Serving West Ryde for over 20 years

If you would like your child to experience a fun and educational music lesson, we would like to offer a complimentary 30 minute lesson at our West Ryde Music School Studio's in your choice of Piano, Guitar, Drums, Bass, Ukulele, Trumpet, Violin, Singing, Flute, Saxophone & Clarinet

Instrument Discounts available to Registered Students

Call 02 9809 6700 to arrange a suitable day and time.

Full price lessons are \$35 - AMEB available - Experienced tutors - Off street parking - 3 Graf Ave West Ryde NSW

Web: westrydemusicschool.com.au Email: vip@iconmusic.com.au Ph: 02 9809 6700

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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:

<http://westryderoverscc.nsw.cricket.com.au/>

*Please don't hesitate to contact us
if you have any questions:*

Tim French (Club Secretary)

mob: 0402 890 657

email: roverscricket@gmail.com

(Club registrar)

email: rovers.juniorregistrar@gmail.com

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 26th July

Time: 12:00pm

**Venue: George Kendall Park,
Ermington**

Tigers Baseball Club

'T' Ball • Modball

Open Grades • Ladies

Seniors • Juniors



Registrations and info: www.tigerball.com.au



Harbour Sculpture's stunning natural outdoor gallery of Australian art returns to Sydney's harbour foreshore from the 30th of July through to the 9th of August with over 110 artworks on display. Harbour Sculpture is a unique exhibition of art, held annually on Sydney Harbour. Sprawled across Clarkes Point Reserve and through the Deckhouse function centre and surrounds, Harbour Sculpture attracts the best Australian sculptors to exhibit their work.

Currently in its third year, Harbour Sculpture exhibits work from a range of Australian sculptors ranging from students to established, professional artists. Some examples of these artists include poet and artist Richard Tipping from Redfern; Tasmania's Nick Maxwell; Clayton Blake from Victoria; and last year's Harbour Sculpture prize winners, Senden Blackwood from Orange and Mark Swartz from Marrickville.

Visitors can explore the tranquil Clarkes Point Reserve and engage with the many artworks on display with the exhibition being free to the public. A play area will be provided for children and there will also be learning activities available for students. Volunteers will be located throughout the exhibition for any visitors who have questions about the artwork on display.

The exhibition is located in Woolwich throughout the Clarkes Point Reserve and inside the Deckhouse, visitors can get to the Harbour Sculpture exhibition via the F3 ferry service or 538 bus service as well as by car.

Harbour Sculpture

Outdoor exhibition: 30 July – 9 August

Deckhouse indoor exhibition: 30 July – 5 August

(See website for opening times)

Clarke Road, Woolwich NSW



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