

ENDEAVOUR

NEWSLETTER OF WEST RYDE PUBLIC SCHOOL

'nothing left unattempted'

UPCOMING DATES:

10th December

Stage 2 Gymnastics

12th December

Presentation Day

Canteen open

Uniform shop - **closed**

13th December

Canteen open

Yr6 Farewell

K-2 Picnic Day

17th December

Yrs 3-6 Balmoral Excursion

18th December

Parent Helper Morning Tea

19th December

CANTEEN CLOSED

Last day for students

Term 1 2019

Wed 30th January

Students Yrs 1-6 return

31st January

Uniform shop open

6th February

Uniform shop open

7th February

New kindys start school

Principal's Message

As this is our last newsletter for the year I would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a safe holiday. Schools are very busy places and our students always strive to give 100% to any activity that they participate in. Holidays are a time for rest and play, not a time to get ready for the next year ahead. Please allow your child time to discover, create, imagine and explore over the holidays.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all those in our community who have given their time in some way to assist the school. Your efforts are very much appreciated no matter how big or small your contribution. Next year will be one of challenges and change with the new building work commencing, new staff and my retirement at the end of Term 1.

At the end of this term we say goodbye to Mrs Lesic who has served the students and the school for over 17 years. We also farewell Ms Nicole Brett who has been successful at interview for the Deputy Principal's position at Ryde East PS and to Mr Whyntie who also was successful at interview and will commence as Assistant Principal at Ermington PS next year. We will miss their expertise and contribution to our school. We also farewell temporary teachers Mr Luke Richardson, Ms Monica Mookhy, Ms Mara Liantonio and Ms Katie Kennedy. They have all been a wonderful part of our teaching staff.

Best wishes to those students who are leaving and moving on to over 25 different schools. I know the values you have learnt at West Ryde Public School will always benefit you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff for the work that they do each and every day in ensuring that the educational needs of your children are met.

We look forward to seeing every one in 2019.

Leaving West Ryde

Forming classes for 2019 is a very complex process and one that takes a considerable amount of thought in order to get the best mix of students to enhance learning.

Please make sure that you inform us if your child will not be returning in 2019.

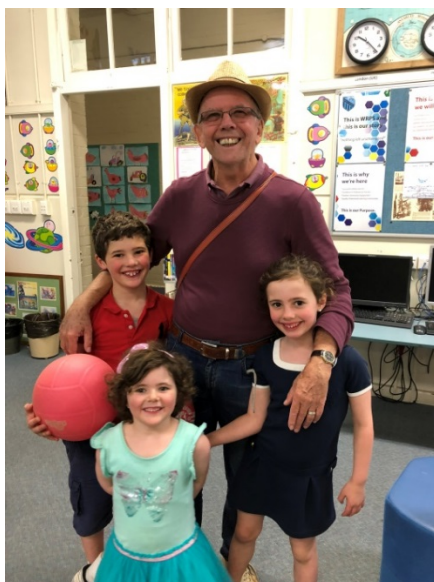
Kim Lloyd Jones- Principal

A Trip Down Memory Lane by Mr Logan and James Johnson

During the September holidays I was at school feeding the chickens. I had just entered through the gates by the kitchen garden when a gentleman, accompanied by his daughter and his grandchildren, asked if he could have a look around the school. This had been his primary school ... back in 1950!!

Of course I invited them in ... James Johnson, as he turned out to be, along with his daughter Meg and her children, his grandchildren. He told me he had wanted to show them his old school and was delighted to be able to have a look around. We went into F-block and he recalled how the librarian would bring a trolley of books around that you could borrow. It was gorgeous when he told me he had tingles down his spine being back at his old alma mater (even if only his primary school).

James was a student at West Ryde from 1950-1956 and was taught by Mr Hart and Mr Maloney. James was academically strong and was accepted into Fort Street High School. Unfortunately for James he was very young for his year and back in those days instead of accelerating students through the system it was felt that he was too young to go to high school and he was made to stay at primary school for another year. As he had already passed for high school entry, James spent the next year, 1957, working out of the principal's office running errands and assisting with whatever tasks were assigned to him. James obviously knew exactly where the principal's office was ... or as he called it the Headmaster's office ☺ ... and oops, sorry Mrs Lloyd Jones, we went in to A-block and I let him have a photo sitting in your chair with his grandchildren on his knee 🙄(ツ)🙄.



Library News

Library Book Covering Team

We would like to give a huge thank you to the ladies in the book covering team for the library. They do a sensational job twice a term, covering 100 books each time! We couldn't get our books covered without you - so thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Lizzie Chase – Librarian



New Information for Parents – Opal Cards

School student applications for 2019 open from Monday, 15 October 2018.

Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 **do not** need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2018 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2018, the system will automatically cancel a card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during December 2018 and January 2019. For further information visit <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

Making Online Payments

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school's website by selecting '\$ Make a payment'.
<https://quickweb.westpac.com.au/OnlinePaymentServlet>

2018 Parent Volunteers – WWCC Declaration

We are very appreciative of all our parent volunteers in the classrooms and around the school. Please ensure you have completed a WWCC Declaration for volunteers and contractors at the school office. You will also need to complete a Proof of Identity that meets the 100-point check. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have previously completed this in 2017, you will not need to do so again this year.

Communication

At West Ryde PS we use a range of communication methods to keep our community up to date.

Newsletter – The newsletter is sent out to families via the Skoolbag app. The newsletter can also be found on our website and a hard copy in the office foyer.

School Website – The website provides a platform to locate general information about WRPS. Permission notes, photos and new stories are uploaded throughout the year.

Skoolbag App. – The skoolbag app. provides notifications to your phone. The app. is used to provide you with reminders about school events. For information on how to download the app, please view go to the website.

Can I please ask that you do not come to class lines or to classrooms and expect the teachers to talk to you while supervising the children or teaching the class. Our staff are more than happy to talk to you at a time that is suitable

to both parties and affords enough time to discuss any issues that you might have. We do understand if the issues are urgent. If this is the case please see the office staff so that they can communicate this urgent information to your child's class teacher.

Canteen

The last canteen days for Term 4 will Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th December

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is now closed for 2018.

Opening days for Term 1 2019 will be THURSDAY 31ST January of week 1 (8.45am – 9.15am) and Wednesday 6th February, 20th February, 6th March, 20th March, 3rd April.

Uniform Shop will no longer supply plastic bags with your purchase - Please remember to bring your own bag.

School Banking – LAST DAY WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Please put your child's bank deposit book in **SLOT 2 on WEDNESDAYS.**

The **CBA School Reward Program** items will be delivered within 2-3 weeks **after** your order has been placed.

P&C News

And just like that! I am writing the last piece for this year. What a wonderful year! We are growing bigger next year with many new enrolments and I am as excited as you are to know who all will be joining our great community at West Ryde. As new families join the school community, we will also be saying Good bye to the families who have children in year 6. There are exciting times ahead for our primary school graduates. On behalf of our parent's community, I would like to congratulate our Year 6 students as they embark on their journey to high school! All the best☺!

Did you get a chance to be a part of the Music & Carols Night? What a festive atmosphere. Dance group, Choir group, Guitar group, Orchestra and Band got together and gave a performance of a life time. The children are just amazing and so are the teachers! Thank you to all who were able to join in!

P&C had organised the coffee van and the Sausage Sizzle. Our parent helpers were in the school setting up the BBQ from 4PM till pack up time. I would like to give a big shout out to Venu, Lakshmi, Akshay, Madan, Simon, Scott, Fiona T, Hannah, Swapna, Zahin, Bhushna and Gautam. Thank you to our little helpers as well. You were in full control of the different types of ketchup☺! I would also like to thank our teachers for offering all their help.





The P&C AGM was held on the 28th November and I would like to thank all who attended the meeting. Despite the bleak weather, we had a great turnout where the office bearers for 2019 were elected.

The P&C Executive and committee team for 2019:

President: Rachna Bhardwaj

Vice President 1: Amy Bested (Uniform Shop Subcommittee)

Vice President 2: Sally Cole (Music Subcommittee)

Secretary: Hannah Reid

Treasurer: Zahin Desai

Building fund Treasurer: Venu Gopal

Committee members: Akshay Manot, Neesha Khushalani

As 2018 draws to a close, I would like to take a moment to recognise all the volunteers who worked hard throughout the year and supported the school and the P&C. Thank you! 😊. We really value your involvement and giving up so much of your precious time.

Lastly, enjoy the festive season, rest up and see you all in 2019 for some more fun filled activities!!

Many Thanks

Rachna Bhardwaj
P&C President
president@westrydepublicschool.com.au

The next P&C meeting and AGM

Wednesday 20th Feb 2019, 7 PM

In the school library (Free child minding available)

THANK YOU TO OUR CENTENARY GOLD SPONSORS



Kreston Dormers is a multi-disciplinary professional service firm in taxation, financial and business advisory services located at 3/1049, Victoria Road, West Ryde.



West Ryde Pine Furniture is located at the corner of Mons Ave & Victoria Road. It is an established quality furniture shop having been in West Ryde for over 30 years. They currently run Chalk Paint workshops and provide supplies.



Asiamart (and **Jeunnal** at Ryedale Tavern) is located on Victoria Road and is a Korean grocery shop and Korean restaurant business.



Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club on Ryedale Road in West Ryde has been a regular supporter of our school. Many members of the school community attend the swimming classes and events there.



The Fridge Doctor and **Town & Country Air** are school family run businesses. Specialising in refrigeration and air conditioning services for residential and commercial clients.



Enrolments
now open
Students 5-18 Years



Helen O'Grady DRAMA 2019

Drama Develops Kids

Classes at West Ryde Community Baptist Church
Endeavour Street West Ryde, Fridays 3-4.45pm

The Helen O'Grady Drama program is now available across the road from school. Children can be collected from the classroom or After School Care. Students learn new skills in acting, speech and creativity as well as gaining loads of confidence.

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Curious Creatures

JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT YOUR LIBRARY

Mythical beasts

Come along and create your own flying mythical beast.

When: Wednesday 9 January

Where: Eastwood Library

When: Wednesday 16 January

Where: West Ryde Library

When: Wednesday 16 January

Where: Gladesville Library

When: Wednesday 23 January

Where: North Ryde Library

Time: 11.00am - 12noon

Ages: 3-5yrs only **Cost:** \$5.00

Outdoor Stories and Songs

Join us for a fun-filled award winning session with songs, stories and more!

When: Friday 18 January

Where: The Piazza Dining area

Time: 10.30am - 11.00am

Ages: All ages **Cost:** Free

Walkabout Reptiles

Meet live lizards, frogs and crocodiles and discover the world of reptiles with fossils, croc eggs and skeletons.

When: Tuesday 22 January

Where: North Ryde Community Hall

(above North Ryde Library)

Time: 10.00 - 11.00am

Ages: 5 - 7yrs **Cost:** \$10.00

PJ Storytimes

Come along and join us in your pyjamas for a heap of fun stories, songs and games.

When: Thursday 17 January

Where: Ryde Library

When: Thursday 24 January

Where: Eastwood Library

Time: 4.00 - 5.00pm

Ages: All ages **Cost:** Free

School Holiday Rhymetimes

Come and join us for lots of songs, fun and fingerplays.

When: Tuesday 8 January

Where: North Ryde Library

When: Friday 11 January

Where: Gladesville Library

When: Tuesday 15 January

Where: North Ryde Library

When: Friday 18 January

Where: Gladesville Library

When: Tuesday 22 January

Where: North Ryde Library

When: Friday 25 January

Where: Gladesville Library

Time: 10.30 - 11.30am

Ages: 0-2yrs **Cost:** FREE



1 December 2018 - 31 January 2019

SUMMER READING CLUB

Great prizes for anyone game enough to enter. For every 5 books read you'll receive a prize. For details see your friendly library staff.

AGES: 5+YRS

Curious Creatures

JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT YOUR LIBRARY

Have a hoot

Come and create your very curious Owl.

When: Tuesday 8 January

Where: Ryde Library

When: Thursday 10 January

Where: West Ryde Library

When: Monday 14 January

Where: North Ryde Library

When: Monday 21 January

Where: Eastwood Library

Time: 11.00am - 12noon

Ages: 6yrs+ **Cost:** \$5.00

Meet Edison robotics workshop

Discover the world of robotics, and learn how to code them with fun educational activities and games.

When: Tuesday 8 January

Where: Ryde Library

When: Wednesday 16 January

Where: West Ryde Library

Time: 2.00 - 4.00pm

Ages: 9yrs+ **Cost:** \$10.00

Dinosaur Science

Unearthing the palaeontologist in us all. With lashings of humour, loads of audience participation and huge scale model, Dinosaur Science is designed to 'wow' and unearth your inner palaeontologist.

When: Thursday 17 January

Where: Ryde Civic Hall

Time: 11.00am - 12noon

Ages: 5yrs+ **Cost:** \$10.00

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When: Tuesday 22 January

Where: North Ryde Community Hall (above North Ryde Library)

Time: 10.00 - 11.00am

Ages: 5 - 7yrs **Cost:** \$10.00

Time: 11.30am - 12.30pm

Ages: 8yrs+ **Cost:** \$10.00

Creature KNex

Create your own fantastical creatures using our Knex engineering kits.

When: Thursday 10 January

Where: Eastwood Library

When: Monday 21 January

Where: West Ryde Library

When: Tuesday 22 January

Where: North Ryde Library

Time: 3.00 - 4.00pm

Ages: 5yrs+ **Cost:** \$5.00

Explore the Virtual Reality world Under the Sea

Dive and discover sharks, whales, seals and more creatures living in our oceans in this exciting VR workshop.

When: Wednesday 23 January

Where: Ryde Library

Time: 2.30 - 4.00pm

Ages: 9yrs+ **Cost:** \$15



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City of Ryde

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL:

Online cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au | Phone 9952 8352 | Visit Any Ryde Library branch

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STAY SAFE ONLINE

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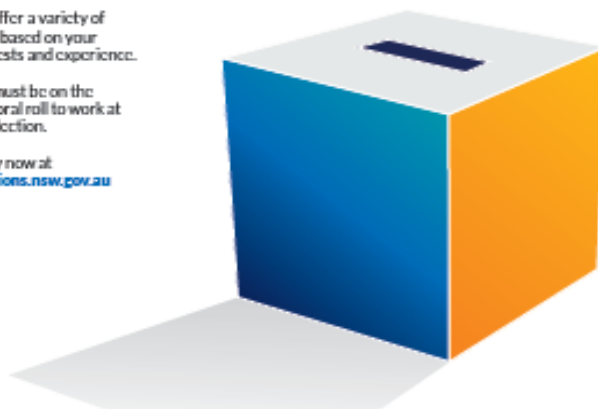
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- Courses are added and rotated each school holidays, and drop off and pick-up times are designed for the working parent.
- The Junior Science Academy is for children in Years K-6 in primary school.



Drop off	8.30am - 9.30am
Activities	9.30am - 4.30pm
Pick-up	4.30pm - 5.30pm
Cost	\$126.50

