



Ermington Public School Newsletter



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Week 6 Term 4

Tuesday 20th November 2018

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 6 Term 4

Wednesday 21 st Nov	P&C Cake Stall
Thursday 22 nd November	3-6 Assembly – 2:05pm Stage 1 Excursion – Old Schoolhouse Museum
Friday 23 rd November	K-2 Assembly – 11:30am

Week 7 Term 4

Wednesday 28 th Nov	Year 6 Mini Fete – 11:30am
Thursday 29 th November	Scripture Concert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Years 3-6 - 9:30am – 10:00am K-2 - 10:15am – 10:45am
Friday 30 th November	K-6 Assembly – 2:05pm OC Orientation Day

Week 8 Term 4

Tuesday 4 th December	Year 7 2019 High School Orientation Day Last Day for School Banking
Thursday 6 th December	School Concert Matinee and Evening Performance
Friday 7 th December	Summer PSSA Finals

Week 9 Term 4

Monday 10 th December	Presentation Day – Marsden High School Hall
Tuesday 11 th December	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Friday 14 th December	3-6 Acknowledgement Assembly - 9:30am K-2 Celebration of Learning Assembly – 11:30am

Week 10 Term 4

Tuesday 18 th December	K-2 Party Day – School grounds 3-6 Party Day – Auburn Pool and Wyatt Park
Wednesday 19 th Dec	Last Day for Students – 2018
Thursday 20 th December	Staff Development Day
Friday 21 st December	Staff Development Day

NOTES/PAYMENT THIS WEEK

Stage 1 - Old Schoolhouse Museum Excursion (\$27.00)

- Please finalise

School Concert (\$5 All Students)

- Permission Note and Payment (CASH ONLY) – ASAP

Presentation Day

- Please return permission note to your child's teacher

Party Day Notes

- Please return permission note to your child's teacher

Year 6 Mini Fete BBQ

- Pre-Order and payment (CASH ONLY) BY Wednesday 21st November

* No money collected on Fridays *

Student Award Information

- Teachers will finish handing out their last CYBGs on Friday 30th November
- Silver Celebration - Wednesday 5th December
- Gold Celebration - Wednesday 12th December

DON'T FORGET TO HAND IN YOUR AWARDS TO YOUR TEACHER!



TIMSS

Congratulations to 4T for being such wonderful participants of the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study last Thursday. Your behavior was absolutely outstanding. I would also like to congratulate the rest of the students who supported 4T by showing respect and being responsible whilst walking around the school during the testing times. Well Done Ermington!

Volunteers

With the school holidays fast approaching and the gardens around Ermington continuing to grow it would be fantastic to see some extra volunteers around the school helping Mario out to complete many jobs around the school before the break. We would like to see you either during school time, in the afternoon or morning to help with the maintenance of the school. All you need to do is let the school know if you would like to help out and when you are available and we will have a list of jobs that can be completed. Thank you in advance for your support and time spent helping Ermington be as wonderful as it can be.



P&C Party Days

The P&C are busy organising our End of Year Party Days. These two events are funded by the P&C and require parent volunteers. All notes in regards to these events have been distributed. K-2 students remain at school participating in a range of activities whilst 3-6 this year are heading off to the pool and park. We look forward to the Party Days, without volunteers these events will be unable to go ahead. Thank you to all our volunteers who have already offered to help these events that celebrate the wonderful year we have had.

Requests for 2019

Each year, parents are offered the opportunity to inform the school as to circumstances that may impact on their child's schooling the following year. If you wish to raise aspects of your child's placement in 2018, please note this concern in a letter addressed to myself and marked 'confidential'. Please note that this information is only used for 2019 placements so if you have issues that have extended over a few years, you will need to write a new submission. The school will listen to your concerns but please trust and understand that class placement is the decision of the school.

Is your child leaving Ermington Public School at the end of the 2018 school year?

The Executive are beginning the task of organising classes for 2019. Please inform the school (via a letter or email) addressed to myself if your child is NOT returning to Ermington Public School in 2019. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Positive Behaviour For Learning

The year is coming quickly to an end and as the weeks go by students are busy collecting their last CYBGs and striving to reach the next level of awards. Teachers will finish handing out CYBGs on Friday 30th November, 2018. Students still have the opportunity to exchange their awards. Any awards handed in after the last K-6 Assembly will be presented at the morning assemblies. The teachers are looking forward to our last Silver Celebration on Wednesday 5th December and the Gold Celebration on Wednesday 12th December. Invitations will be given to students who are invited to these special events.

This is the last time I will be signing off in the newsletter as Relieving Principal of Ermington Public School. I welcome Ms Jennifer Riley to the school. She will commence on Monday 26th November and I know that we will welcome her with our proud Ermington smiles.

I will take the last few weeks of term to work closely with Ms Riley and passing on my knowledge of Ermington to her. We have many events planned for the end of the year and I embrace celebrating these with the community before I leave and embark on my new journey as Assistant Principal at North Kellyville Public School in 2019.

I want everyone to remember:

- *To strive for progress not perfection*
- *It doesn't matter if you make a mistake*
- *That as long as you are doing your best that is all we can ask*
- *Life is a journey, just so you know. It's up to you to decide where to go*

Samantha Newth
Relieving Principal

Kindergarten

Our Teddy Bears' Picnic excursion last Wednesday was so enjoyable and was the highlight of our Meeting Needs topic as well as showcasing Sustainability. Thank you to our parents who kindly accompanied us to Field of Mars for the day. Our next K-2 Assembly takes place this Friday at 11.25am in the Hall and the talented KA will be presenting an entertaining item for us all to enjoy. Do come along if you are free. We'd love to see you there! This week's sight words are: 'called, than, made' and 'them'. Our 2 sounds are: 'ee and ea'. Now is a good time to be putting aside some gold coins for your child to spend at the Year 6 Mini-fete next Wednesday in Week 7. Kindies are very capable of earning their spending money, so it's a good opportunity to think up some jobs for them to do this coming weekend.

Stage 1

Welcome to Week 6! Stage one students are very excited to visit the Schoolhouse Museum this Thursday. Classes have received a letter from "an ex-student" and cannot wait to search for some of the things she mentioned in her letter. A reminder to parents that the P&C cake stall is running this Wednesday. If you're able to assist by baking some goods or helping out at the stall, please let the school P&C know as soon as possible. You can also assist by providing your child with a few loose coins so they can buy themselves a baked treat on the day. This Friday, 1/2H will be running the K-2 Assembly from 11:30. If you're coming along to watch the assembly, we can't wait to see you there.

Stage 2

Please remember to bring in your permission note for the dress rehearsal, concert and \$5 contribution. Students also need to return their presentation day note and 3-6 Party Day note. We still need volunteers to help out with the 3-6 party day for it to be successful. If you are able to help, please return the note by next Monday 26th November. All the help will be greatly appreciated! As it is coming to the end of the year, please make sure your students start returning their library books and resources that they have borrowed. Students in 3B and 3H were given a note about school concert costumes this week. Could students please bring in the required parts of their costume by next, Thursday that would be fantastic. Make sure it is in a bag labelled with their name and class including all clothing items labelled as well. Tomorrow is the last day to order your BBQ lunch for the Year 6 Mini Fete which is on next Wednesday. It is our second last week of homework for the year, so please ensure it is brought in on Friday. Have a good week!

Stage 3

Thank you to all those parents who have sent in their \$5 for costumes for our upcoming concert on December 6th. Everybody is practising earnestly for the event. Our prefects visited Parliament House last Thursday and viewed an interesting debate between our state politicians. This reinforced their learning on government undertaken last term. Children in Year 6 are preparing for the mini fete and are busy designing posters for the event. They have been selling raffle tickets and polishing shoes in order to raise funds. A note will be sent home this week concerning the farewell dinner on the 11th December. Year 5 will be giving their speeches on Wednesday. Every year it is amazing to see how well our children can prepare and deliver such thoughtful and entertaining speeches. Good luck to those candidates. Pleasing to see so many involved in Nude Food Day, where all food is brought to school in recyclable material.

YEAR 6 MINI FETE PRIZES

1 st Prize	\$100 Bunnings Gift Card plus 2 Events movie tickets
2 nd Prize	4 Events movie tickets
3 rd Prize	Cosmetics and hair products
4 th Prize	50 assorted cards
5 th Prize	Sporting goods
6 th Prize	Sporting goods
7 th Prize	Photo frame plus Harry Potter colouring book
8 th Prize	Kite, puzzle and washable markers

***Cost of tickets \$1 each or three for \$2 – These are sold each morning under the COLA.
Raffle to be drawn at the Mini Fete***

School & Community Helpers – Thank you Morning Tea

Dear Parents and Community members,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for the hard work that you do to support the staff at Ermington Public School.



We would like to thank all parents and community members who have helped out throughout 2018 in the classroom as parent helpers, at school events and supporting teachers by making resources, completing tasks and jobs at home. We would like to invite all of those who have helped at Ermington in 2018 to a Morning Tea. This will be held after the Presentation Day Assembly on Monday 10th December in the Ermington Public School Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Staff at Ermington Public School.

School Leaders – Parliament House Visit

Last Thursday 15th November the prefects, captains and vice captains visited State Parliament House in the city with their parents and Miss Grover. They were lucky enough to watch question time, where politicians argued like toddlers. The room was filled with shouting and three people were sent out! Later, the school leaders enjoyed afternoon tea with Victor Dominello to end the day.

Dante, 6G

Student Leadership 2019

On Wednesday at 11.30am in the school hall, twenty students from Year 5 will present their leadership speech to students in Years 2-5. After hearing the speeches yesterday as they rehearsed on the microphone, they should all be so proud. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all candidates the very best of luck in their campaign. Parents are welcome to attend this very exciting event.

Mrs MacKenzie and Mrs Stevens

Christian Community Aid Tinned Food and Toiletries Christmas Drive

Every year the school community collects items for Christian Community Aid for delivery to families in need in our area. Please donate tinned food and toiletries to your class teacher and at the end of the year Mrs Clarke will arrange for a representative from Christian Community Aid to pick up the items.

2Q

2Q had a fabulous time at the "Lunches Unwrapped" workshop run by the Ryde City Council. In honour of Nude Food Day we encourage all students to do their bit for the planet and bring in their food without plastic or foil every Wednesday. We acknowledge it's a challenge to fill a lunchbox each day, however there are simple ways you can reduce the amount of waste produced while saving money. A suggestion is to buy bigger packets of food and put a small amount each day in a reusable container. This is better than buying the packages with lots of small packages inside. They produce lots more rubbish and cost more. Finally, a big thank you to everyone who has been participating in Nude Food Day every Wednesday. So far it has been a great success. Keep up the great work E.P.S!



Friday 23rd November - PSSA Draw

Sport	Next game Location
Softball – Boys	Meadowbank Park
Softball – Girls	Meadowbank Park
Cricket Seniors	Meadowbank Park
Cricket Junior	Meadowbank Park
T Ball – Mixed	Meadowbank Park
T Ball – Girls	Meadowbank Park
Newcombe Ball - Junior	Meadowbank Park
Newcombe Ball - Senior	Meadowbank Park

P&C News

P&C Cake Stall

Tomorrow (Wednesday 21st November) Stage 1 will be holding a cake stall during recess. All cakes will be sold for 50¢ each with the funds raised going back into the school. We look forward to seeing all the yummy treats!



School Banking

The last week for school banking will be Tuesday 4th December (Week 8) so send in any orders for rewards before then. There is currently a delay in receiving rewards that have been ordered but they will be sent to the classrooms as soon as they are received.

K-2 Party Day

On Tuesday 18th December students in K-2 will have the opportunity to attend an End of Year Party Day held at school. This day has been funded by the P&C so there are no costs for the students.

For this day to be successful we require parent volunteers to help in the lead up to the day as well as on the day.

We need help with items such as:

- Running activities on the day e.g. outdoor sport, arts and craft, dancing, biscuit decorating etc
- Food preparation e.g. cooking sausages on the day, serving food, making buttercream icing etc.
- The planning/buying of items prior to the day

A note was sent home last week with more details, please return this form as soon as possible and indicate if you are able to volunteer and assist in making this day fun for all involved.

NOTE: All volunteers will need to have completed a WWCC Declaration (Appendix 5). Please see the school office if you need to complete this form.

Vicki Tanner (K-2 Parent Coordinator)

Uniform Shop Opening Times

Term 4 Dates

Tuesday 20th November (Week 6) 8:30am – 9:15am
Tuesday 4th December (Week 8) 8:30am – 9:15am – **LAST TIME TO PURCHASE FOR 2018**

School 24

Can't get to the school? Don't forget you can order online via schools24. www.school24.net.au your order will be processed and delivered to your child's class for you. **Interested in volunteering?** - We need one more volunteer to be able to open the shop for another day during the month. If you are interested please email us at epsuniformshop@gmail.com

OOSH Enrolments

With the New Year upon us, it is time to start thinking about before and after school care options. Ermington Out of School Hours Care is located on the school grounds, offering before and after school care and a vacation care program.



Ermington OOSH

- For our existing families re-enrolments opened on, Monday 5th November 2018.
- For new families, the enrolment period opened on, Monday 12th November 2018.

Our operating hours are:

- Before school care: 7:00am-8:30am
- After school: 3:00pm-6:00pm
- Vacation Care: 7:00am-6:00pm

Permanent Fees: AM: \$ 9.50 / PM: \$ 17.00
Casual Fees: AM: \$ 10.50 / PM: \$ 18.00

To ensure you are up to date with what is happening at the centre, please download the TEAM APP from Apple or Google play. Once downloaded, search for Ermington OOSH. We look forward to meeting you all.

The OOSH Team

Canteen News

NEW PRODUCT TRIAL- Ozbake Pizza Wrap \$4. BBQ Chicken, Spinach & Cheese, Meat & Cheese. All pizza wraps are halal.

Monday 19 November Wendy, Nirmali
Tuesday 20 November Nancy, Cecilia
Wednesday **CLOSED**
Thursday 22 November Tirtha, Carol
Friday 23 November Wendy, Kylie, Belinda

Monday 26 November Wendy, Nirmali
Tuesday 27 November Wendy, Ku
Wednesday **CLOSED**
Thursday 29 November Tirtha, Amanda
Friday 30 November Wendy, Cecilia **NEED HELP**

Live Life Well @ School
MAKE YOUR MOVE - BE ACTIVE FOR LIFE

Tips to be active:

- **Keep a box of balls** or a kite at home and in the car so you will always be ready for action!
- **Walk and talk.** Practice multiplication, spelling or other homework with your child while walking
- **Encourage activities** that strengthen muscle and bones at least 3 days per week e.g. hopscotch, martial arts or dance
- **Incidental activity counts!** Take the stairs, walk the dog, do some housework or spend time gardening.

For health benefits, children aged 5-12 years need at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity every day. Variety is important.

For more tips visit www.makehealthynormal.nsw.gov.au






Live Life Well @ School
HEALTHY SCHOOL CANTEENS

When it comes to healthy eating it's important we give consistent messages at school and at home.

Ideas to support the new Healthy Canteen Strategy and build positive food habits for life:

- **Swap sugary drinks** with water. For a fresh twist, add sliced fruit (citrus, berries, melon).
- **Plan meals together** and allow your child to assist in meal preparation and cooking.
- **To add flavour to meals**, use your favourite herbs and spices instead of salt. Spring is the perfect time to plant a herb garden with your kids.
Easy-to-grow herbs: parsley, mint, chives, thyme and basil.

More ideas:
 Search 'parents and friends' at healthyschoolcanteens.nsw.gov.au



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Monday 19th November, 2018

VOLUNTEERS – END OF YEAR PARTY Years 3-6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Students in Years 3-6 have the opportunity to attend an End of Year Party Day funded by the P&C. There are no extra costs involved for the students. Students will attend Auburn Ruth Everuss Aquatic Centre and Wyatt Park for a fun day of swimming activities and games in the adjacent park. For this day to be successful, we require volunteers to help out on the day.

If you are able to help, please return the slip below to the P&C box at the school office by Monday 26th November 2018 and indicate your preference for the listed roles.

Time: 9.30 am – 2pm

Venues: Auburn Ruth Everuss Aquatic Centre and Wyatt Park (adjacent to the aquatic centre)
Church St, Auburn

Party Day is a day of fun and memories for both the children in Years 3-6 and the volunteers. If you require any further information you are welcome to contact the school.

Kind Regards,

Mrs MacKenzie
Assistant Principal

Mrs Amat
R/Assistant Principal

Mrs Newth
R/Principal

VOLUNTEERS – END OF YEAR PARTY Years 3-6

I am able to help at the Years 3-6 Party Day in the following way: (please tick one of the following)

- I am able to assist with supervision of swimming activities inside the Aquatic Centre.
- I am able to assist with supervision of games and activities in Wyatt Park.
- I am able to help with cutting up fruit and serving recess and lunch in Wyatt Park.
- I am happy to assist with any of the above.

All volunteers need to have completed a Working With Children Check (WWCC) at the school office.

- I have completed a WWCC form at the school office.

OR

If you have **not** completed a WWCC, please visit the Ermington Public School office with two forms of identification including photo identification to complete the required forms. The process only takes a few minutes.

Volunteer's Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Class: _____

Newsletter Deadline

Articles should be submitted electronically to the School Office by 12 noon Monday.

These should be sent to:

ermington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Subject: Newsletter Insert

The school often publishes information on behalf of community groups – parents need to decide on the appropriateness of activities involving their child. It is the responsibility of each parent to research the bona fides of any organisation in which you wish for your child to be involved. The school accepts no responsibility with regard to advertisements placed in the newsletter. Parents and guardians should make their own decision.

The logo for 'Out & Comb' is written in a red, cursive script font.

Hairdressing Men & Women

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A dark wooden sign with 'LEGENDS' in large, white, serif capital letters, flanked by two crossed hairbrushes. Below it, 'BARBER SHOP' is written in smaller white serif capital letters, and the phone number '8084 9836' is at the bottom.

LEGENDS

BARBER SHOP

8084 9836

5A Chatham Road, West Ryde