



Ermington Public School Newsletter



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Week 10 Term 1

Tuesday 2nd April 2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 10 Term 1

Thursday 4th April 3-6 Assembly – 2:05pm
Friday 5th April PSSA Winter Commences
K-2 Assembly – 11:30am

Week 11 Term 1

Tuesday 9th April Years K-2 Easter Hat Parade
K-2 Parent Morning Tea
Wednesday 10th April Oz Opera incursion
Thursday 11th April P&C School Disco
Friday 12th April ANZAC Ceremony – 10:30am School Hall
Last Day of School for Term 1

Term 2

Week 1 Term 2

Monday 29th April Staff Development Day (No Students)
Tuesday 30th April Students Return for Term 2

Week 2 Term 2

Tuesday 7th May Cross Country
Wednesday 8th May Mother's Day Stall
Friday 10th May Mother's Day Breakfast

Week 3 Term 2

Tuesday 14th May NAPLAN – Language Conventions / Writing
Wednesday 15th May NAPLAN - Reading
Thursday 16th May NAPLAN - Numeracy

CURRENT NOTES/PAYMENTS

PSSA Winter

- **Permission Note and Code of Behaviour by Thursday 4th April**

Cross Country – Year 3-6 (year 2 turning 8 years old in 2019)

- **Permission note by 1st May**

Maths Olympiad

- **Permission Note and payment by Friday 12th April**

Scripture Easter Service

EPS Facebook Page

School Fees – All Years

- **Please finalise by 3rd April (Week 10)**

P&C CURRENT NOTES/PAYMENTS

P&C Voluntary Contribution

P&C School Disco

- **Entry payment and Dinner order by 5th April**

Easter Raffles / Wrapping & Morning Tea – **Volunteers Needed**

This week our focus is to **STAY SAFE**. Our classes have been discussing the school crossings and awareness of road traffic around our school. It is important that if we are meeting our family at a kiss and ride to listen to the adult / teacher on duty and be aware of other students and cars. We always wait patiently at the crossing for the supervisor to guide us across safely.

Student response: I stay safe by walking and waiting for our crossing helpers at the front gate. I watch for traffic to see if they have stopped correctly. In the playground I play gently and cooperatively with my peers on oval - Mark



Enrolling Now for Kindergarten 2020

We are currently taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2020. If you know anyone with children who will be starting school next year, please encourage them to enrol. Our first information night session will be held on Wednesday 22nd May from 5pm -6pm.



ERMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
ENROLLING NOW

Engaged - Proud - Successful

Ermington Public School provides outstanding educational, cultural, sporting and wellbeing programs for each and every student.

For more information, visit our school website: www.ermington-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

School tours will be held this year for prospective families to Ermington Public School. Tours will include visits to classrooms, our school grounds, library and technology hub. Tours will be held on the following dates:

- Thursday, 2nd May at 9:30am
- Tuesday, 25th June at 2pm
- Friday, 9th August at 9:30am



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Alternatively school tours can be requested at an alternative time and arranged via the office.

Year 5 Camp

Our Year 5 students along with Miss McMurray, Mr Lawless, Miss Grover and Mrs Taylor experienced a successful camp adventure last week. Thank you teachers for providing Year 5 with such a great opportunity.



Harmony Day

Congratulations to Miss Aguas and all our dedicated teachers and students who proudly acknowledged and celebrated Harmony Day last Thursday. Messages of inclusion, belonging, respecting one another and caring about those less fortunate were evident throughout the day. I know I felt very proud to belong to such a wonderful, caring school community.



School Transformation

It is very exciting to see our school transforming. The roofs of A, B, C and D block are almost complete. New plants have been planted in our garden and we have some great new seating for our students.

See you at the P&C Meeting tomorrow evening,

Ms Jen Riley

Principal



Student Disco and Parent Literacy and Numeracy Workshops – Thursday 11th April

While your children have fun at the school disco, parents are encouraged to participate in literacy and numeracy workshops in the school library. Notes have gone home so please return them to indicate your attendance. This will assist our team in ensuring there are enough resources and materials for parents. The workshops will involve some presentations and hands on activities. They are designed to assist you in understanding the literacy and numeracy development of children and will provide you with some ideas of how you can assist at home. The 3-6 workshop will also provide information on the NAPLAN Online Assessment.

If you would like to volunteer at the disco, please contact Sara Andersson via email at spandersson@live.com.au

Mrs MacKenzie

Combined Scripture Service

Next week on Thursday, 11th April, the combined scripture service will be held. If your child is in non-scripture or ethics, a note has gone home to determine whether you would like your child to attend the service. Only return the note if you **do not** wish for your child to attend the service.

If your child attends a scripture class they will attend the combined scripture service on Thursday next week.

Mrs Ennion

Communication at EPS

We have a number of communication platforms. The following provides you with a guide to each one.

School Website: Provides general information about the school and NSW Public Schools. The newsletter is uploaded to the website each week.

Newsletter: Provides specific up to date information about what's been happening at EPS, upcoming events and any community news.

Enews: Provides the school newsletter and any reminders as needed.

New – facebook page: Provides insight to teaching and learning and special events at EPS. Like us on facebook.

Mr Lawless and Mrs Ennion

Stage News

Kindergarten

Kindergarten have been developing their gross motor skills throughout the term. Our throwing, catching, skipping and coordination skills continue to improve on a weekly basis. We have been busy learning our Easter dance and cannot wait to perform it next Tuesday. Sight words for this week are he, she, be and me. This week's sounds are 'w', 'y' and 'v'. Please read and practise their sounds and sight words each night and remember to bring their reading folders to school every day.



Stage 1

Stage 1 had a fantastic time celebrating Harmony Day with many students enjoying the orange jelly cups at recess. Students looked fabulous in their orange clothing or traditional dress. If any Stage 1 families shop at Woolworths, teachers are collecting the letter tiles. If students could give the letter tiles to their classroom teacher, classes can begin to use the tiles for different literacy based activities. K-2, please continue donating Easter chocolates which are to be given to classroom teachers.



Stage 2

What a busy end to the first term of 2019! Students in Science have been learning how to accurately write up experiments about heat and how materials transfer into solid and liquids. They have done an audit of the classroom on items that produce heat and those that use heat / power. In Literacy groups students have been avidly reading their novels, trying Reading Eggs, completing comprehension tasks on current events through multimedia and enjoying their school magazines. We wonder what the new May school magazine will have in it. Our stage have been studying Australia and it's closest neighbours. The speaking and listening assignment is due on Monday 8th April (week 11). Have a lovely week!

Stage 3

Last Tuesday our year 6 prefects attended a course titled "Think Big" at the Whitlam Institute and University of Western Sydney. The day was designed to raise awareness of how decisions are made and the importance of voicing opinions and voting. The next few week are busy with a performance by Musica Viva, special Anzac Day celebration on 12th April and a house challenge also on the last Friday of term. In addition, the school disco will be held on Thursday 11th April. Congratulations to Remy F who made it into the zone soccer team and Tom Gethin and Max Elwin who were selected into zone softball team. Parents, please remember to send a note when your child is absent.

Camp News

The Year 5 Camp was a really joyous experience. Everyone was over the moon with excitement when we were told we were going to camp. At camp you really had to break out of your comfort zone. In my opinion the Giant "Swang" and the flying fox were the most sensational. The food was exceptionally good and every meal we had a drink. Occasionally we would wake up extra early and talk all morning! The bunks were cosy and comfortable which ensured a good night's sleep. Although we had to wake up early our cabin would be buzzing with excitement (mostly on the day of the mud run)! I truly recommend going to Year 5 Camp as it is really a once in a lifetime experience.

Thomas, 5G

Last Monday Year 5 had a chance to go to The Great Aussie Bush Camp! We all had a wonderful experience. The activities we participated in were high ropes, rock climbing, canoeing, flying fox and much more. My personal favourite activity was the giant swing! At camp I learnt how I could push myself harder and have a better go at things. All students encouraged each other to take that extra step towards success. We all knew that camp was a onetime only experience so we enjoyed every second of it!

Emily, 5G

School Sport

Congratulations to those students that have been selected to represent EPS at PSSA sport. Following are the details for training times for those students. Please ensure students arrive on time to train.

PSSA Training Times

Tiger Tag - Boys	Friday 8am
Tiger Tag - Girls	Tuesday 8am
Junior Soccer	Thursday 8am
Senior Soccer	Friday 8am
Junior Netball	Thursday 8am
Senior Netball	Friday 8am

PSSA Summer Sport – Friday 5th April

Sport	Next game Location
Tiger Tag	Morrison Bay Reserve
Junior Soccer	Meadowbank Park
Senior Soccer	Meadowbank Park
Junior Netball	Meadowbank Park
Senior Netball	Meadowbank Park

P&C News

This year the money raised from our fundraising efforts will be going towards creating a new play space our students. To get this project started we are forming a playground committee and are looking for one parent representative from the K-2 age group, and one from the 3-5 age group.

The representatives are to provide input on the play area design, thinking about the needs for all students in their age group. We will need to meet regularly to plan, decide on, and implement the new play space. We are also seeking anyone who can assist in seeking out and writing grants to ask local government / business for assistance in funding this project. If you can assist with either of these please email your name and children's class year to ermeps.pandc.president@gmail.com

Easter Raffle

A reminder for all Year 2 parents to bring in their yellow volunteer note to help with the Easter raffle, prize wrapping and the Easter morning tea. If you have misplaced your note and would like to volunteer email nosworthybelinda@yahoo.com.au

Easter Raffle Tickets will be on sale under the COLA each morning from Monday, 25th March until Tuesday 9th, April from 8:35am to 9:00am. Tickets are 50c each or 3 tickets for \$1.00.

Prizes

- 1st Prize - Huge Easter Hamper
- 2nd Prize - Large Easter Hamper
- 3rd Prize - Medium Easter Hamper



Also, keep those Easter Egg donations coming in for the Easter raffle. Please make sure that all donations are nut free. You can put your donation in the Easter box in your child class room. Last day to donate will be Friday, 5th April.

Uniform Shop Opening Times – Term 1

- Wednesday 3rd April (5:30pm - 6:30pm)
- Tuesday 9th April (8:30am - 9:15am)

**OPENING
HOURS**

Online orders can still be placed if you are unable to attend these times. All online orders will be sent to the classroom teacher and given to the student once processed.

This service is run by our wonderful parent volunteers and if you are able to help out once a month/term, please contact the school office and they will forward your details to the Uniform Shop Committee.



School Fete

As you may know the 2019 Fete is fast approaching. We still need folks to coordinate the following stalls. Coordinating involves a bit of prep work before the day and then running the stall on the day of the Fete.

1. **BBQ** - Coordinating involves finding volunteers to help you, purchasing the buns/bread, meat, sauces and storing them in the cooler room before the day. The volunteers should run the stall on the day but you could help and coordinate.
2. **Cafe and Cake stall** - Coordinating involves finding volunteers to help you, purchasing the milk and sugar etc before the day. Setting up tables in the hall. Coffee is made by a barista and cakes come from the cakes stall. The volunteers should run the stall on the day but you could help and coordinate.
3. **Fish 'n' Chips and Potato on a Stick!** - Coordinating involves finding volunteers to help you, purchasing the potatoes, cheese and spices and storing them in the cooler room before the day. The volunteers should run the stall on the day but you could help and coordinate.

The P&C will guide you through the process coordinating the stall, including how to run hand books from the previous year. It does not take much time to be a coordinator. Attending about 2 meeting before hand, a few hours on the week before the fete and the Fete day. Its also great fun! We need as many K-2 parents as possible to take part in this year's Fete.

If you would like to participate please email ermgs.pandc.fete@gmail.com or phone 0433 577 382.

CANTEEN ONLINE ORDERING – go to www.myschoolconnect.com.au Cut-off for orders are 9am on the day of delivery.

SUSHI Please note that the cut-off time for ordering sushi online is 8:15am on Friday. This is so we can work out how many we have left to sell over the counter at 8:30.

For School24 users who still have credit in School24 (*Canteen onl+y*). There are still a lot of parents who have credit left in School24, but have not requested for it to be transferred over to My School Connect. Once you have your new account you must email

Wendy (Canteen Manager) wlarocca@optusnet.com.au to have your funds transferred.

PSSA students - if ordering online, please order using the PSSA Friday lunch menu. If your child doesn't attend PSSA, please don't use the PSSA menu, just order through the ordinary lunch menu. PSSA is for students in 3-6 who leave the school early to play against other schools. PSSA students are not allowed to order hot food for lunch.

Canteen Roster

Monday 1 April	Jinny, Rachel	Monday 8 April	Wendy, Nirmali
Tuesday 2 April	Wendy, Nirmali	Tuesday 9 April	Ros, Alison R
Wednesday	CLOSED	Wednesday	CLOSED
Thursday 4 April	Beth, Carol	Thursday 11 April	Kate, Vera, Young (am)
Friday 5 April	Wendy, Cecilia, Patricia	Friday 12 April	Wendy, Cecilia, Kylie D

Live Life Well @ School
R-E-D-U-C-E RECREATIONAL SCREEN TIME!
And increase outdoor green time!

‘Research shows that time spent outdoors, especially interacting with nature, can lower stress and anxiety, improve mood, increase perceived wellbeing, and improve concentration and attention.’

Search ‘Outdoor Play’ at www.mindmatters.edu.au

NSW Health Northern Sydney Local Health District

Live Life Well @ School
HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES
Pack the five food groups!

Include all five food groups into your child's lunchbox and water as the best drink!

Breads & Cereals: Wholegrain bread, pasta, noodles, wrap or crisp bread.

Vegetables: Carrot, capsicum or celery sticks, salad on a sandwich.

Meat & Alternatives: These provide protein. Try cooked lean beef or lamb, skinless chicken or turkey, egg, legumes or hummus.

Dairy: These provide protein and calcium. Try a slice of cheese, yoghurt or milk.

Fruit: Serve in a fun and creative way. Try fruit skewers or fresh cut up fruit in a container ready to eat.

Provided by Cancer Council NSW

More tips and recipes: healthylunchbox.com.au

NSW Health Northern Sydney Local Health District

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.

Coffee and Prayer

Coffee and Prayer is a friendly group of Christian parents who get together twice per Term to pray for our school. The next meeting is at **Ros's place** at **7:45pm** on **Wednesday, 3rd April**. Please give Linda a call for more info: 0412 481 859.



Tennis Camp - Ryde Tennis Academy

Skills Development, Match Play, Drills, Games and Prizes. Camp – Mon 15th April – Thurs 18th April - 9am – 1pm. Cost: \$140 (4 days) – \$50 deposit, \$40 (single day) - Children aged 5-16 years. Meadowbank Park tennis courts. For more information, please call Ray Brennan on 0418 168 868



Let's We Forget

City of Ryde

ANZAC DAY

Commemoration Service

ANZAC Park, West Ryde
Thursday 25 April, 9.00 – 10.00am

All members of the public are welcome.

The ceremony will be followed by morning tea at Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club.



ANZAC DAY

DAWN SERVICE

Wednesday 25th April 2018

3.00am Parramatta RSL Club opens
4.00am Participants assemble in front of the Club
4.12am Wreath laying
4.15am March commences
4.30am Dawn service commences at Prince Alfred Square
5.45am Breakfast served in the Auditorium at the Club

