





Ermington Public School Newsletter



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Week 11 Term 1

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Tuesday 9th April

Wednesday 10th April Thursday 11th April

Years K-2 Easter Hat Parade

K-2 Parent Morning Tea

Oz Opera incursion Scripture Easter Service

3-6 (9:00am - 9:30am)

K-2 (10:00am – 10:30am)

P&C School Disco

• K-2 (4:15pm – 5:15pm)

• 3-6 (5:30pm – 6:30pm)

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 Tuesday 30th April

Staff Development Day (No Students) Students Return for Term 2

Week 2 Term 2

Tuesday 7th May Wednesday 8th May Friday 10th May

Cross Country Mother's Day Stall Mother's Day Breakfast

Week 3 Term 2

Tuesday 14th May Wednesday 15th May Thursday 16th May

NAPLAN - Language Conventions / Writing

NAPLAN - Reading **NAPLAN** – Numeracy

CURRENT NOTES/PAYMENTS

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

Permission note by 1st May

Tuesday 9th April 2019

Maths Olympiad

Permission Note and payment (\$5.00) by Friday 12th April

Epping District Music Festival

Permission Note and payment (\$28.50) by Tuesday 30th April

Year 5 OC 2020 – Intention to apply (Year 4 Students only)

Return EOI ASAP

Scripture Easter Service

EPS Facebook Page

School Fees – All Years

Please Finalise

P&C CURRENT NOTES/PAYMENTS P&C Voluntary Contribution

P&C School Disco

Please finalise

To end the term the classes are revising all of the four expectations. Students have been showing respect by allowing others to learn, listening and communicating with courtesy and being tolerant of others. Students have been responsible by looking after your belongings and taking care of our environment. It is great to see students being in the right place at the right time. Students are enjoying challenging themselves especially in Mathematics and Science based activities.



Principal Report

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



ERMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSIONS

Engaged - Proud - Successful



We can't wait to tell you about our amazing school!

Formal Information Session Wednesday 22nd May @ 5pm in the school library

School Tours Thursday 9th May @ 9:30am Tuesday 25th June @ 2pm Friday 9th August @ 9:30am

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

Student Progress in Term 1 - Wow!

Each week our teachers engage in team meetings and professional learning activities by comparing student work, utilising literacy and numeracy data and outlining individual learning goals for students. Our teachers make professional judgements about student achievement and have identified next steps for learning. It has been wonderful to analyse student progress over this term.







Health

If there are any changes to your child's health needs, please update the office. It is important that the school is aware if your child has asthma, allergies or any medical condition. Please be aware that we do have children at risk of anaphylaxis and we ask that parents are mindful of what is packed for recess and lunch. Many students do have life threatening allergies to nuts. Please reiterate to your child that sharing of food can impact on the health and wellbeing of others.

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020?

From April 30th, applications can be made for Opportunity Class Entry in Year 5. You must apply online at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5

Opportunity classes located in 75 NSW government primary schools cater for Year 5 and Year 6 academically gifted and talented students. These classes help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students and using specialised teaching methods and educational materials at the appropriate level.

Parents normally apply when students are in Year 4. Students who are placed then attend the opportunity class full time in Years 5 and 6 at the primary school with an opportunity class. It is a two-year placement program. In the majority of cases, students who accept a place in an opportunity class will leave their current school to attend the school with an opportunity class. There is no provision to apply for Year 6 placement only.

This week, information has been sent home to all students in Year 4. If you wish to apply, please be aware of deadlines and application procedures. A 12 page document containing information for applying for Opportunity Classes has been sent out via eNews today. This document is also available in the office.

Carpark Safety

It has been brought to my attention that parents are parking in the staff carpark to collect their children. Please be aware that this carpark is only for staff members. There are two Kiss and Ride zones in operation on Winbourne St to support parents in picking up their children.

Thank you

Thank you to our wonderful school community for such a great term. I am very appreciative of all the suggestions received, feedback and willingness for the community to come together to support our students. Thank you to the P&C for your fundraisers this term and ideas for school improvement. I am looking forward to the disco this week and fete on Saturday, 1st June.

Coming together is a beginning. Staying together is progress. Working together is success. (Henry Ford)

I wish our students, families and community a wonderful break and am looking forward to a great Term 2 at Ermington Public School

Ms Jen Riley

Principal

Assistant Principal Report

Combined Scripture Service

This Thursday is our combined Easter Scripture service. The scripture teachers would like to invite parents to come along and attend the service. Years 3-6 will commence at 9:00am and Years K-2 will commence at 10:00am, the service will be approximately be half an hour.

If you do not wish your child to attend the service please return the note sent home and these students will attend non scripture.

Mrs Ennion

K-2 Easter Hat Parade

The students thoroughly enjoyed the Easter Hat Parade today. What a spectacular event and celebration for K-2 after such a great term of learning. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents that attended today's parade and for all of your creative skills with the making of hats. A giant thank you to Belinda Nosworthy and family as well as all of her helpers that put together a great morning tea and raffle.

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter!



































Mrs Narelle MacKenzie and Miss Workman

Stage News

Kindergarten

Congratulations to Kindergarten who have had an incredible first term of school! We are continuing to challenge ourselves in writing. Writing goals are exposed to all children at the commencement of a lesson and they have been self-monitoring to check that all goals have been achieved. We are so proud of the writers that they are becoming! This week we have also been learning about day time and night time and the days of the week. There are no sight words for this week. This week's sounds are 'x' and 'q'. Please read and practise their sounds and sight words each night and remember to





bring reading folders to school every day. Have a wonderful and safe holiday!

Stage 1

Science this week was very hands on for students. Students got to feel the difference between cooked and uncooked spaghetti. Many students complained the cooked spaghetti was sticky on their fingers. To stop the spaghetti from being wasted, it was reused for an artwork based off the poem 'Spaghetti' by Shel Silverstien.





Stage 2

Stage 2 have had a huge first term of 2019. The teachers have really, really enjoyed getting to know the children, what they like and what their goals and motivations for learning are. Lots of testing has been undertaken that has allowed us to best tailor our teaching and learning programs to suit every child's individual needs. The first phase of Quality Teaching Rounds (QTR) was undertaken this week, and we'd like to thank those classes that volunteered. Stage 2 would like to wish our kids and their families a safe a fun-filled break. It is a fantastic time to unwind from the term, spend time with each other, and friends, limit screen time and enjoy the great outdoors.

Stage 3

Well we are finishing Term 1 with a Bang! Last week is brim full of activities. First of all we have Easter Hat parade which is always fun to watch especially some of the dances. On Wednesday Oz Opera will be visiting us to enhance our appreciation of different forms of music. On Friday there will be the House challenge with different relay sports. Hopefully the teachers will field a team to compete against the houses. This will occur directly after morning assembly. At 10.30am on Friday we will be holding an Anzac Assembly hosted by Year 6 with a short dedication to our fallen heroes. And to end the term many will be competing in their first winter PSSA game.

THE GIANT SWING - Year 5 camp by Esther C 5G

It was finally my turn
My body was tinkling all over,
Excited or nervous? I didn't know what to feel.
Before I knew it I was raised up high
My feet were not on the ground...
They were in the SKY!

Every step I got higher my heart froze
In less than a minute I was 12.5m up in the air
All I knew was that if I tugged this rope I would free fall!
Lots of unnecessary questions interrogated my head.
Will I die?
The crowd called out "1, 2, 3!"

I tugged. And I fell. My body froze in silence. There was so much tension in my body I couldn't even scream. But afterwards I was so proud I had gone all the way up.

I had completed THE GIANT SWING!

I felt like a bird swooping down for its meal

The terrifying swing was done by the flick of a wand

In relief I placed my feet on the ground and comforted my friends as they were in they were elevated in the air.

Year 5 Camp by Christopher K - 5G Giant swing Crazy, Awesome Falling, screaming, flipping Fun, Cold, Scary, Mad, The wind rushing past your face Free Fall

Mud world Dirty, Sticky Screaming, Spitting, Throwing Mud, Dirt, Water, Obstacles Welcome to the Mud World! World of mud

Commando
Exciting, Suspense
Laughing, Finding, Screaming
Surprise, Search, Lead, Hide
Prisoners just a metre away
Hide'n'seek

Around the School

Earn and Learn

This year Ermington Public School will be participate in the Woolworths Earn and Learn. Between May 1 and June 25 collect as many stickers as you can. Sticker sheets are available at Woolworths as well as the school office. There will be a collection box out under the COLA from the start of Term 2. Place your completed sticker sheets in the box ready to be counted.



ANZAC CEREMONY

This Friday. 12th April at 10.30am our ANZAC Ceremony will be held in the school hall. Parents are welcome to join us. Year 6 will be presenting a moving dedication. Children who are scouts or Brownies are invited to wear their uniform to take part in the breaking of the flag.



School Sport

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



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 ermps.pandc.fete@gmail.com or phone 0433 577 382.

SCHOOL FETE 2019 - TREASURE STALL

Your Trash is Someone's Treasure

We will be running a Treasure Stall at this year's fete and no doubt there will be bargains to snap up! If you are having a clean out theses Easter School Holidays hold to any items and we can sell them at the Treasure stall. All items must be clean and in working order. NO Electrical Items or clothing due to OHS. Books can also be collected however they have a separate stall. In addition, please collect any plastic bags or newspapers to use at the treasure stall. Drop off dates for all items will be in late May, exact dates and times will be posted in term 2.

If you have any questions or have treasure items to drop off. Please contact me or send me a message via Facebook. Helpers will also be needed on the day to help with the treasure stall. If you can help for a couple of hours on Saturday 1st June please contact me.

Samantha Gray - Treasure Stall Coordinator 0422 582 089

Canteen News

LOW STOCK Due to the school holidays we may be short of some stock this week. Some items may become unavailable on My School Connect towards the end of the week.

Monday 8 April Tuesday 9 April Wednesday

Thursday 11 April Friday 12 April Wendy, Nirmali Ros, Kylie D CLOSED

Kate, Vera, Young (am) Wendy, Cecilia, Cherry Monday 29 April Tuesday 30 April Wednesday

Thursday 2 May Friday 3 May STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Wendy, Julia

CLOSED

Beth, Carol, Xiaomin (12-2) Wendy, Cecilia, Patricia

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Monday 15th April to Friday 26th April





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.

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

