



Ermo's News Term 1 - Week 5



What a start to 2025!

The school term so far has been filled with exciting events. We've welcomed 57 Kindergarten students, a new opportunity class of 30 students, and several new faces to Ermington Public School. Watching them transition into our school so quickly and smoothly is a testament to the wonderful students we already have here at Ermington, who have embraced them all so warmly.

I would also like to take this opportunity to commend our parents and carers. Starting a new school year and re-establishing routines is never an easy task, but you've all made this transition seamless. We currently have 467 students who are engaged, proud, and feeling successful.

This year has also seen the launch of our Kitchen Garden project, which all students will experience throughout the year. Harvesting vegetables, planting new seedlings, maintaining gardens, establishing new ones, and cooking are all part of this exciting program led by Miss Karlie. Aligning with the Science syllabus, I've heard fantastic feedback from both students and teachers. You may have cooking assistants at home soon!

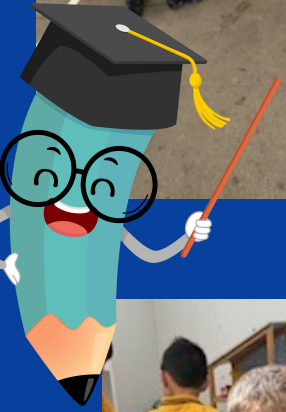
Our swimming carnival was a huge success this year. Mr. Talevski did an impeccable job organising the day. Every student participated in an event, whether it was a competitive race, a 25-metre race, or an activity on the grass. Congratulations to all students for their encouragement, perseverance, participation, and exemplary behaviour. A special congratulations to Angela and Ocean for breaking some long-standing records.

In the past few weeks, we've also had the Best Start Assessments, Year 5's Welcome Day, the NRMA Road Safety Program, and a K-6 Assembly. It's been a pleasure to see students' work and witness our wonderful teachers in action.

Well done to everyone, I am looking forward to a great 2025.

Narelle MacKenzie
R/ Principal





Friends

SCHOOL TIME



CAMP





Swimming Carnival 2025



Congratulations to all students on their beautiful behaviour on the day. There was so much excitement around the pool with a couple of records being broken. Everyone should be proud for doing their best.

Junior Champions



Junior Runner Up Champions



11 yr Champions



11 yr Runner Up Champions



Senior Champions



Senior Runner Up Champions





SCHOOL VISION^{PAW}



At Ermington Public School, we believe that every student, every teacher and every leader should be committed to **ongoing growth and improvement** by drawing upon the school values of **engaged, proud, successful learners**. This will be achieved through a school ethos that fosters **high expectations, strong collaboration and evidence-based pedagogy**. The strong learning and wellbeing culture of Ermington Public School will continue to excel and champion **perseverance, resilience and strength** as exemplified through the motto:
Virtus in Arduis – there is virtue in hard work.

ENGAGED - PROUD - SUCCESSFUL





A boom gate has been installed for staff access for the entry and exit to the Winbourne street car park. The car park is for staff only and **it is NOT to be used for pedestrian access.**

We ask for your continued support with this. The students participated in the NRMA Road Safety program last week and we will continue to promote safety round our roads and driveways.

Walking through the car park is an unsafe practise and **NOT** a part of the safety program. The school will be monitoring this closely to ensure children's safety. Thank you for your cooperation

We are all responsible for our kids safety

SAFETY FIRST

SYDNEY NORTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORT



Between Monday 17th to Thursday 20th February 2025, I was picked to represent the Sydney North Area team in the NSW PSSA Girls Cricket Championships, which was held at Tuggerah.

I played 2 games of cricket per day, with each game having 50 overs. Sydney North was in Pool B.

My main role in the team was being Sydney North's opening bowler, which meant bowling to the other team's best batters. I did get to bat in a couple of games.

On the morning of day 1 we played North Coast and batted first getting 0/165. We then bowled and got North Coast 9/59. In this game I got my first wicket, bowling a batter out!

Afternoon of day 1 we played the Sydney North Invitational team and bowled first. The other team got 9/53 then my team got 1/57 to win. I got another wicket, bowling a batter out.

Day 2 morning we played MacKillop who were one of the strong teams in our Pool. We batted first and unfortunately lost early wickets being 3/14 then 4/29. I got to bat in this game with our team getting 9/107. In my first over I got an opening batter out LBW. MacKillop all out 10/50.

After day 2 we played South Coast. We bowled first with South Coast all out 10/49. Our team got the runs needed with 2/52.

On the morning of day 3 we played Polding and batted first. My team made 1/130 before having to bowl. With a great bunch of bowlers in my team, Polding were all out 10/20. I was involved in a run out.

After 3 days of 30-degree temperature and a lot of cricket, we welcomed the bye in the afternoon on day 3, so we could rest.

Day 4 morning we played Sydney East, and had 4 friends on that other team! Sydney East batted first getting all out 10/25. I was involved in a run out. With rain coming over, our coach instructed us to go out to bat, hit the ball hard and fast because the game was called off early. I batted in this game and watched my partner hit the winning runs.

After 6 games Sydney North was undefeated and top of Pool B! We had made it to the grand final. Unfortunately, rain came down and the umpires called the grand final off. In the meantime, my team had a great time under the tent singing, laughing, chatting, and just having fun. Our team was therefore declared the winner at the presentation. The last time Sydney North girls won was in 2018. Sydney North was lucky enough to get 4 players into the NSW State team.

I am truly very appreciative of the opportunity I got to play in this Sydney North team. I loved playing cricket, but also made lifelong friends and memories from this experience that I simply cannot put into words. Thank you to Mrs Mackenzie, Mr Talevski, Mr Clark for the daily messages of encouragement to my mum, but also to my class who sent me a wonderful video of support on the last day!

By Hannah T

SYDNEY NORTH



17/2/2025 - 20/2/2025

SYDNEY NORTH



17/2/2025 - 20/2/2025

Parent Calendar

Keep up to date with all the events at school. This feature is available on the school bytes app.



Click here for quick access to the calendar



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NAPLAN

This year, NAPLAN will take place from **Wednesday 12 to Monday 24 March**.

Students in Years 3 and 5 are expected to participate in four NAPLAN tests:

- writing
- reading
- conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- numeracy

All schools in NSW complete NAPLAN online. However, Year 3 students do the writing test on paper. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the format of the tests before the NAPLAN test window opens.

Please ensure your child has headphones/earphones with a standard audio jack by Monday 10 March. Spare headphones will be available throughout the testing period.

Below is the NAPLAN schedule. There will be opportunities for your child to complete any missed assessments if they are absent from school (within the assessment window). Please contact the school, should you have any questions or concerns.

Click here for [Additional NAPLAN information for parents and carers](#)

Miss Lam
NAPLAN Coordinator

2025 NAPLAN Timetable					
Week 7 WC - 10/3	Monday (10/3)	Tuesday (11/3)	Wednesday (12/3)	Thursday (13/3)	Friday (14/3)
9am - 10am	NAPLAN Preparation only. NO tests permitted		All Y3 classes (Paper) 5BK Writing	Year 3 Writing Catch up 5BK Reading	3K Reading (Tech) 3SQ Reading (Lib)
10am - 11am			5S Writing	5J and 5T Reading	3R Reading (Tech)
Recess					
11:30 - 12:30			5J and 5T Writing	5S Reading	Year 5 Reading Catch up
12:30-1:20				Year 5 Writing Catch-up	
Week 8 WC - 17/3	Monday (17/3)	Tuesday (18/3)	Wednesday (19/3)	Thursday (20/3)	Friday (21/3)
9am - 10am	5S CoL	3K CoL	5S Numeracy	3R Numeracy	Year 3 Numeracy catch up
10am - 11am	5BK CoL	3SQ CoL	5BK Numeracy	3K Numeracy	Year 3 and 5 catch up
Recess					
11:30 - 12:30	5J and 5T CoL	3R CoL	5J and 5T Numeracy	3SQ Numeracy	
12:30-1:20	Year 3 Reading catch up	Year 5 CoL Catch up	Year 3 CoL catch up	Year 5 Numeracy catch up	

TUNING IN TO KIDS-ONLINE

Connecting with your kids through emotionally intelligent parenting.



Emotional intelligence isn't rocket science. It's a set of skills that can be learnt.

People who are emotionally intelligent have better life outcomes. And kids who grow up with emotionally intelligent parents are happier and healthier. Tuning in to Kids teaches you how to help your children grow their emotional intelligence.

Build skills to support your child:

- Understand their emotions
- Communicate in a way that builds relationships
- Relate better with others when emotions run high
- Identify and accept their feelings and build self-care and problem-solving skills.

Free online program for families .

Where: Online, via Zoom

When: Weekly, 27th February – 3rd April, 6-8pm

Cost: Free

REGISTER: Email Sally or register
<https://forms.office.com/r/1mV6KLzx2Q>



Contact:
Sally Hodges
e: sallyho@ransw.org.au

Road Safety around EPS

We all need to work together to keep our children safe. The busiest times for traffic is 30 minutes before and after school. Students are always learning about the importance of road safety. There are some parents not following the basic road rules. Council Rangers and Local police often patrol the area frequently. We ask that parents continue to obey the road rules around the school to ensure that all student and families remain safe. Fines apply.



School is back! Here are some safety tips for travelling to and from school.

Safety tips for drop-off and pick-up in the school zone

ALWAYS...

- Remember the 40km/h speed limit.
- Park safely and legally, even if it means walking further to school.
- Be aware of pedestrians on or near crossings.
- Be mindful that every pedestrian deserves to be safe.

NEVER...

- Call your children across the road. Go to them and help them cross.
- Double park, stop on a footpath, or crossing.
- Do a U-turn or three-point turn in school zones.
- Speed in a school zone. You never know when a pedestrian may step out suddenly.

DON'T FORGET

- The **No Parking** zone is there for everyone to utilise. Don't overstay the limit of two minutes and if it is full when you arrive, do not queue. Drive around the block if need be, until a space is available.



Term 1, 2025

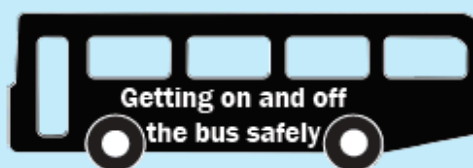


Walking or cycling to school in 2025

Walking or cycling to school provides more than just physical benefits.

Congestion, parking and other distractions make the school run stressful for all. Walking or cycling to school is a great way to release stress, interact with your child, and teach them life skills and independence.

- Identify safe crossing locations.
- Discuss how to spot dangers such as vehicles exiting driveways.
- Show children how to be aware of their surroundings.



STOP! One step back from the kerb.

LOOK! For traffic to your right, left and right again.

LISTEN! For the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK! Whether it is safe to cross.

Teach your child to keep turning their head in both directions to look and listen for traffic as they cross the road.



 **City of Ryde**

Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child - they will learn from you!

Parking and traffic rules in school zones

You need to take extra care when driving and parking in school zones. Make sure that you and your child understand the road rules. If you break the traffic rules in a school zone you are putting not only your child, but other children at risk. The parking and traffic rules around our schools are there to protect your children. If you break the rules you will be fined. **Please choose safety over convenience.**

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE TO IMPORTANT SAFETY TRAFFIC RULES

ZONE	WHAT DOES IT MEAN?	WHY IS IT THERE?	PENALTY	DEMERIT POINTS*
	You cannot stop in a NO STOPPING zone for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space). 	Keeps clear sight lines between drivers and children / pedestrians.	EXCEEDS \$410 	(School Zone) 2 
	You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a max. of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. If no spaces are available you cannot queue on the road way or in any other zones while waiting for a space. You will need to drive away and park elsewhere, only returning when there is space to pull up.	Provides a safe place for children / pedestrian set down and pick up.	EXCEEDS \$227 	(School Zone) 2 
	You must not stop or park in a BUS ZONE for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus. If times are shown on the sign, you are not allowed to stop during those times.	Provides a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.	EXCEEDS \$410 	(School Zone) 2 
	You must not stop on or within 20 metres before a PEDESTRIAN CROSSING or 10 metres after a crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.	So drivers can clearly see pedestrians on the crossing.	EXCEEDS \$544 	(School Zone) 2 
	DOUBLE PARKING You must not stop on the road adjacent to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.	Double parking blocks visibility and forces other cars to go around you.	EXCEEDS \$410 	(School Zone) 2 
	You must not stop on any FOOTPATH or NATURE STRIP , or even a DRIVEWAY crossing a footpath or nature strip for any reason.	You could easily run over a child or force pedestrians onto the road to get around you.	EXCEEDS \$410 	(School Zone) 2 

Please note: The above information is current as of 1 January 2025. Penalties set by NSW State Government and reviewed on 1 July each year.



NSW Police Force

 City of Ryde

JOIN OUR TEAM

WE NEED YOUR HELP

TREASURER POSITION

ERMINGTON PS P&C



EMAIL: ERMPS.PANDC.PRESIDENT@GMAIL.COM

The Ermington Public School Parents and Citizens' Association (EPS P&C) is a group of engaged and passionate parents, carers, teachers, and community members who work together to enhance the life of our school, with the aim of ensuring the best educational and community outcomes. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month during school terms to make decisions and to organise various activities and fundraisers.

If you would like to join us in supporting your child's time at EPS, our first meeting for 2025 will be on Wednesday 5th March from 7:30pm. Click on the following link to join the online meeting: **[P&C Online Meeting](#)**

To become a voting member, simply donate a minimum of 50c to the General Fund then email the secretary at ermeps.pandc.secretary@gmail.com

- Account Name: Ermington Public School General Purpose
- BSB: 032000
- Account Number: 992640)

KINDERGARTEN

Our Kindergarten students have had an exciting start to their school journey! Over the past few weeks, they have been busy settling into their new routines, making new friends, and exploring their classrooms. From learning to write their names to enjoying storytime, counting numbers and creative play, they are already showing great enthusiasm for learning. We are so proud of how well they have adjusted and can't wait to see them grow throughout the year!



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STAGE 1

What a fantastic start to the year Stage 1 has had! They are settling in beautifully to their new classes.

The students had a great time at the World of Maths incursion, working together to solve problems and challenging themselves.



In class they have been kept busy learning how to retell stories, learn to give and follow directions, create outstanding artworks and build their social skills to just have fun. Looking forward to how much more they will grow and flourish this year.



STAGE 2

What a start to 2025! Students have settled in beautifully in their new classes and are ready for another year. Stage 2 have engaged in so many wonderful activities, going full-steam ahead with their learning.



Backflips Against Bullying



World of Maths Incursion



'All About Me' posters are due Monday 3rd of March. Students will present these to their class over the next couple of weeks.



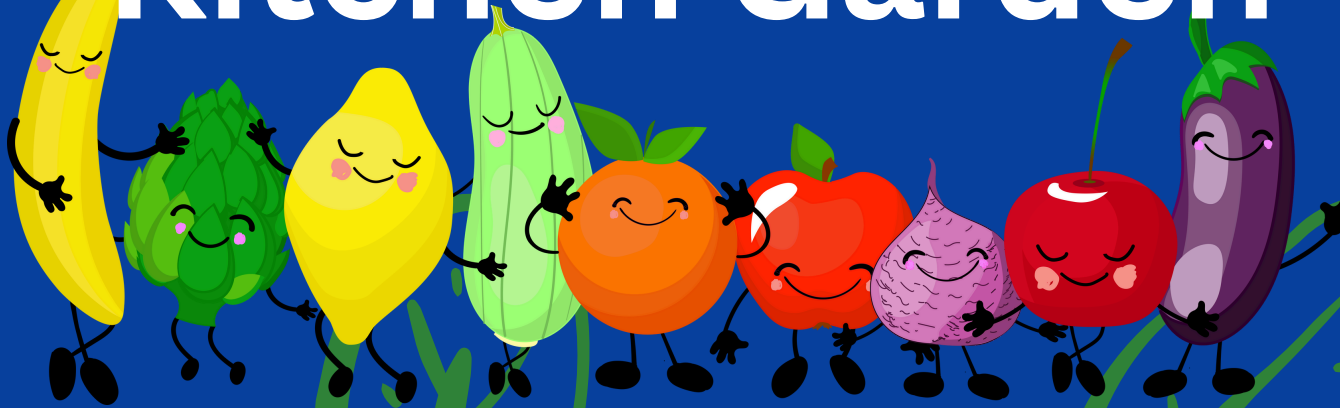
NRMA Road Safety Program



Kitchen Garden has started! Students are out in our school garden using fresh ingredients to cook nutritious and delicious food. They even made their own pasta sauce. Who knows, Ermington might have the next junior Masterchef!



Kitchen Garden



This year we are very lucky to welcome a Kitchen Garden program to EPS! Kitchen Garden is a chance for students to learn all about how to plant, care for, grow and harvest fruit, herbs and vegetables sustainably and use what they grow to cook nourishing recipes. This program will be run by Ms Karlie from Penrith Lakes Environmental Education Centre and will involve lots of hands-on, real life learning experiences out in the garden and in our school kitchen. Students will engage in one-hour cooking and gardening lessons each week learning a range of life skills, including sustainability, healthy eating, critical thinking, communication, problem solving and teamwork skills. We can't wait to see what they grow and cook this year!



STAGE 3

Stage 3 have jumped straight into 2025 with lots of fun activities and incursions!

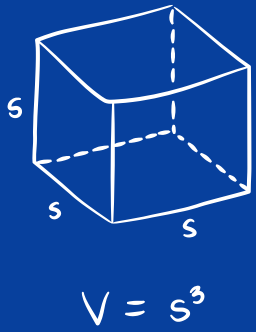
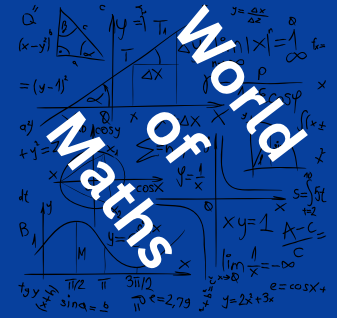


It has been wonderful to see our Year 5 students strengthen existing friendships and form exciting new ones at the Year 5 Welcome Day and at Year 5 Camp.

Our Year 6 students have begun to demonstrate excellent leadership skills by thoughtfully looking after their kindy buddies. Our prefects, house captains and library monitors have also embraced their new roles beautifully.

Year 6 parents, please see the information on our Year 6 to Year 7 Parent Information evening, also in this edition of the newsletter. All Year 6 parents are invited to attend.





5BK and 6X students play "human bingo" to get to know each other!





ERMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

invites you to attend the

YEAR 6 TO 7 PARENT INFO EVENING

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$



**THURSDAY
27 FEB**

**4:30PM-5:00PM
SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**Information night about the enrolment process Year 6 for Year 7 2026
Find out what to expect and have a chance to ask questions.**

**Online Enrolments will open Monday, 3 March 2025
Link will be forwarded closer to open day**

LIBRARY



Atlas is a community of young people who treasure discovery, curiosity and creativity.

This junior membership program is FREE for all young people aged 5 to 15 years in NSW (and beyond)!

Why join Atlas?

- Become part of a community of curious kids
- Receive a welcome pack of goodies posted to your front door, anywhere in NSW
- Attend members-only special events at the Library and online
- Access a safe online space with activities to keep you engaged for hours
- Participate in our online after-school clubs

To find out more visit the Atlas website: atlas.sl.nsw.gov.au

Do you love writing, reading or making art?



ART CLUB

Ideal for budding primary school-aged artists, who want to try new ideas and get excited about the stories behind the paintings at the Library. Led by Andrea, our fabulous art educator, it's highly interactive and fun.



YOUNG WRITERS CLUB

The perfect way to find inspiration, share ideas and get stuck into writing with Alicia and Susan. There will be lots of fun, fabulous writing tips and the opportunity to connect with real-life authors and other inspiring people!



BOOK LOVERS CLUB

A community for enthusiastic young readers! In each session we invite a special guest author, illustrator or book-loving expert to share a list of their favourite books and join our members for an online discussion group.

To find out more visit the Atlas website: atlas.nsw.gov.au



The State Library of NSW has a fantastic free program for students who love to join an Art Club, Book Club or Writers Club... all for **FREE!**

visit atlas.sl.nsw.gov.au

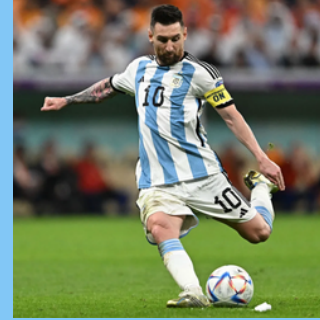
What do these great athletes have to do with reading and the library?



Like these athletes, we don't become great overnight, we have to practise the skills that improve our reading.

This year we are building our reading muscles in the library!

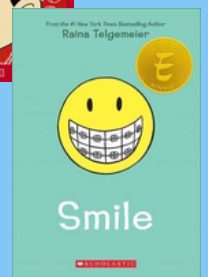
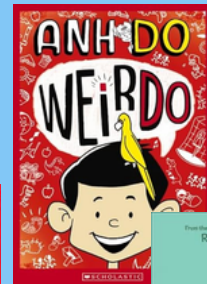
LIBRARY



How can you help?



Remind your
child to pack
their library bag



Talk to them about what they like
to read for pleasure and encourage
them to read, relax and enjoy it.

Encourage them to complete
the Premier's Reading
Challenge if they are in yrs 3-6

According to the Australian Council of Educational Research, reading for
enjoyment has been shown to be positively associated with enhanced academic
performance at school and enhanced mental health.

Uniform Shop

OPENING TIMES - Every Thursday morning 8:45-9:15.

NEW POLO SHIRTS - We are out of stock of most sizes in long and short sleeve polo shirts. We will be getting a large stock shipment at the end of term 1 and will have plenty of stock from then. You are welcome to place an order now and our volunteers will fill your order asap but please be aware this will likely not be until the very end of term 1. We apologise for the delay and appreciate your patience while we roll out our new uniform items.

COMING SOON...We will have a new long sleeve sport polo arriving at the end of term in time for the cooler seasons. This is an optional item for families who wish to have some extra warmth during winter. We will let you know as soon as it arrives and open orders on My School Connect.

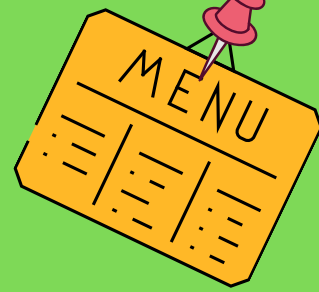
NEW UNIFORM: We have had a very large uptake of our new uniform and our students are looking fantastic and much brighter. Remember that the new academic polo must be worn with grey, There are unisex shorts and trousers, girls fitted trousers, skirts and culottes. These polos should not be worn with the sport skort or shorts. The new skirts have been a popular edition for the girls. The skirts have an inbuilt elastic adjuster, we advise going up a size and using the elastic adjuster as this creates a more comfortable elastic back which can be pulled on and off.

SECONDHAND: The uniform shop has a large amount of secondhand items, particularly zip jackets. If you are unable to come into the shop, please email epsuniformshop@gmail.com and let us know what items you need. We can check stock and send secondhand items to the classroom with an invoice that you can pay via bank transfer or cash to the office. Dresses \$15, all other items \$5.

School Canteen

The school canteen is open everyday except Wednesdays. Orders can be placed online through My School Connect or over the counter with cash by 9am.

Please Note: we are unable to accommodate any large notes as payment options.



CANTEEN MENU

RECESS

TOASTIES

1/2 toasted sandwich

- Baked Beans \$1.20
- Cheese \$1.20
- Cheese & Tomato \$1.40
- Ham & Cheese \$1.60
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato \$1.80
- Spaghetti \$1.20
- Hash Brown \$1.20
- Garlic Bread \$1.20
- GogoGarlic bread (large) \$2.00



DRINKS

- Bottle Water \$2.00
- Chill J (100% fruit Juice) \$2.50
- Juice \$2.00
 - Apple
 - Apple/Blackcurrant
 - Paradise Punch
- Milk
 - Plain \$2.00
 - Chocolate \$3.00
 - Strawberry \$3.00
- Up & Go \$3.00
- Hot Chocolate \$3.50



SNACKS

- Banana Bread \$1.50
- Chunkies Cookies \$1.20
- Crackers & Cheese (Order Only) \$1.50
- Crispy Fruits \$1.80
 - Apple
 - Mango
 - Pineapple
 - Strawberry
- Frozen Pineapple \$0.50
- Fruit Cup \$1.20
- Fruit (seasonal) per piece \$1.50
- Grain Waves Sour Cream & Chives \$1.80
- Popcorn \$2.00
 - Chicken
 - Saucy BBQ
- Potato Chips \$1.80
- Vege Sticks
 - Carrot \$1.00
 - Cucumber \$1.50



per piece



SUSHI

- Chicken Schnitzel & Avocado \$4.80
- Chicken Teriyaki & Avocado
- Chicken Teriyaki & Cucumber
- Tuna & Avocado
- Tuna & Cucumber
- Baby Avocado
- Baby Tuna \$4.30
 - without Avocado/Cucumber



FRIDAYS ONLY

Online order by 8:30am or cash by 9am

COLD LUNCHES

white or brown bread or white roll

Sandwich Roll

- Cheese \$2.50 \$2.80
- Chicken breast \$3.50 \$3.80
- Ham \$3.00 \$3.30
- Ham & Cheese \$3.50 \$3.80
- Honey \$2.40
- Jam \$2.40
- Salad \$4.00 \$4.30
- Tuna \$3.50 \$3.80
- Vegete \$2.40 \$2.50



Extras - add to sandwich or roll from above

- Salad \$1.80
 - Carrot/cucumber/tomato/lettuce
- Tasty Cheese \$0.50
- Lettuce or carrot (each) \$0.50
- Tomato or cucumber (each) \$0.50

HOT LUNCHES

- Chicken Burger with Salad and May \$5.50
- Chicken Burger - no Salad \$4.50
- Chicken Pattie \$3.20
- Corn-Cob \$1.50
- Gogo Garlic Bread \$2.00
- Garlic Bread \$1.20
- Lasagne \$5.50
- Butter Chicken with Rice - GF \$6.50
- Macaroni Cheese \$5.50
- Noodles \$3.00
 - Chicken or Oriental
- Pie (Beef) \$4.50
- Pizza Single - Ham & Cheese \$4.00
- Pizza Slab \$4.50
 - BBQ Chicken or Cheese
- Spaghetti Bolognese \$5.50
- Sauce Packet - Tomato or BBQ \$0.50
- Bamboo spoon or fork (without an order) \$0.30



PSSA on Fridays - NO Hot Food Orders

ICE BLOCKS

Sold only at Lunch time in first 40 minutes

- Bulla Ice cream Tub \$2.00
- Frozen Juice Cup \$1.00
 - Blackcurrant
- Moosie \$2.00
 - Chocolate/Blue Moon
- Juicies Tubes \$2.00
 - Lemonade/Tropical/Wildberry
- Qulsh Fruit Stick \$1.00
- Ice Mony \$1.00
- Snap Stix \$1.00
- Frozen Pineapple Juice Cup \$0.50
 - (cash only - when stock permits)



ORDER NOW





[Lets dive back into February and see what's happening in March at OOSH](#)

During the month of February at the centre, we had Term 1 commence and welcomed everyone back after the holidays.

We welcomed our new kindergarten children as well as some new children who have moved to Ermington. The children seemed excited to come back to OOSH and very quickly have established normal routines.

During morning and afternoon sessions, the older children have been taking initiative with the Kindy's, assisting them with understanding how OOSH runs and offering them opportunities to play. The new children have additionally settled in very well with the existing children helping out to ensure people feel comfortable and safe.

During care periods, we have observed new friendships developing as well as positive interactions with all children during the first few weeks of Term.

Highlighted activities for this month included paper aeroplanes, cubby houses, Oosh kitchen, handball, drawing, board games and playground. The children have highly favoured group games after 5pm such as tag on the playground. We have also recently bought new toys such as mini sporting game board games and kitchen toys which have been favourites for the month as well.

If your child attended the recent summer vacation care, please use the link to fill out a feedback survey. All responses are analysed and used to create the following vacation care periods programs.

Autumn Vacation care program will be available Week 6 of Term and bookings will open 21st of March 2025 at 6pm and close 4th of April 6pm.

After School Programs at Ermington Public School

Hire of School Facilities – 2025 – Term 1



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HALL	BAND-TSA Hall 7:30am -3:30pm Waihape Workouts Hall 3:00-4:00pm Kids fitness program Yoga – Courtney Hall 6:30-7:30pm	ART ON CANVAS 4 KIDS Hall 3:00-4:15pm	HARRIMAN DANCE AEROBICS FITNESS School teams 3:00-4:30pm Hall 4:30-8:00pm	HARRIMAN DANCE AEROBICS FITNESS Hall 3:00 – 6:30pm During term only	7 Strikes Martial Arts Hall 4:00-7:00pm
CLASSROOMS & OVAL	Peiji Chinese Language Library 3:00-5:00pm	SYDNEY ACADEMY OF CHESS Reading Room Yrs K-6 1:10-2:00pm	Peiji Chinese Language Library 3:00-5:00pm Sports X – Basketball 3-4pm Codecamp – A block (both rooms) 3:00-4:30pm Young Engineers E block 3:00-4:30pm OOSH – J BLOCK COMPUTER ROOM 4:00-5:00PM	Einstein Kidz Abacus – K block 3:00pm-4:00pm Sports X – Oval Football (Soccer) 3:00-4:00pm OOSH – J BLOCK COMPUTER ROOM 4-5PM	Peiji Chinese Language Library 3:00pm – 5:00pm Einstein Kidz Abacus – K Block Public Speaking 3:00-4:00pm

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DAY	LOCATION	NEW STUDENTS AGE 5-8	NEW STUDENTS AGE 8+
M	Penrith South Public School	4:00-4:45PM	4:45-5:30PM
T	Jasper Road Public School, Baulkham Hills	4:00-4:45PM	4:45-5:30PM
W	Kings Langley Public School	4:00-4:45PM	4:45-5:30PM
T	Wentworthville Community Centre	4:00-4:45PM	4:45-5:30PM
F	Ermington Public School	4:00-4:45PM	4:45-5:30PM
F	Metella Rd Public School, Toongabbie	4:15-5:00PM	5:00-5:45PM
SA	Epping Heights Public School	9:00-9:45AM	9:45-10:30AM
SA	Beresford Road Public School, Greystanes	9:00-9:45AM	9:45-10:30AM
SA	Glendenning Public School	9:00-9:45AM	9:45-10:30AM
SU	Samuel Gilbert Public School, Castle Hill	9:00-9:45AM	9:45-10:30AM
SU	Truscott St Public School, North Ryde	9:00-9:45AM	9:45-10:30AM

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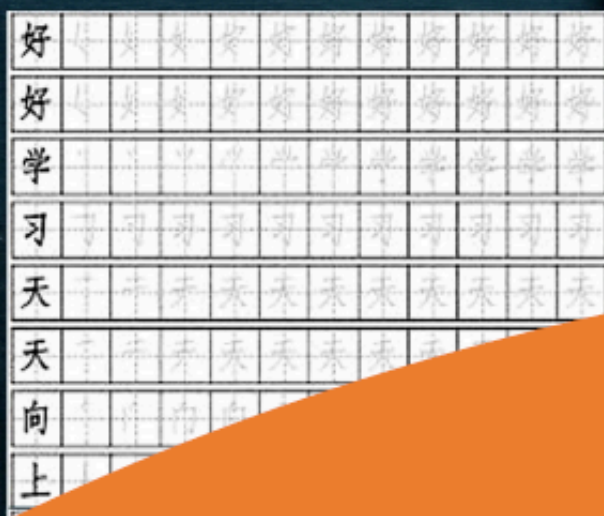
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AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

MONDAYS



TIME | 3 PM - 3:45 PM

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- E.L.S Hall Park, North Ryde - 14, 15, 16 April 2025
- Nolan Reserve, North Manly - 14, 15, 16 April 2025
- Macquarie University, North Ryde - 22, 23, 24 April 2025
- Sydney Academy of Sport Narrabeen - 22, 23, 24 April 2025
- Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre, Ryde - 14, 15, 16 April 2025

“
It was overall very positive and the kids made great connections with coaching staff and other participants
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Inner West School Holiday Cartooning Program

Tuesday April 22nd

- **Theme:** Colourful, Hawaiian & Tropical. Prizes for best dressed.
- **Draw:** A tropical island.
- **Draw:** Cute manga animals.
- **Play:** The game 'Charge'.
- **Coral reef:** Draw sea life.
- **Enjoy:** Decorate & eat cup cakes.
- **Squishies:** Play the squishy game.
- **Draw:** Cartoon birds.
- **Play:** Cartoon celebrity heads.
- **Draw:** A frog, snake & a turtle.
- **Make:** A tower with marshmallows & spaghetti.
- **Competition:** Build with Lego™ for prizes. (Long Day)
- **Play:** Chocolate egg hunt. Bring a bag. (Long Day)
- **Competition:** Design candy. Win USA candy! (Long Day)



Wednesday April 23rd

- **Theme:** PJ's. Prizes for best dressed. Bring your teddy bear.
- **Draw:** Australian animals.
- **Explore:** The enchanted park.
- **Draw:** Spongebob™.
- **Flour fight:** Join in the fun.
- **Slime:** Make oobleck slime!
- **Play:** Shaving cream battle.
- **Treasure:** Find the treasure & golden ticket jackpot by working out the Kingdom secret code.
- **Science experiments:** With crazy Professor Kuffleblah.
- **Enjoy:** Kit Kat™ challenge. Guess the flavours blind folded.
- **Pokémon™:** Draw them & bring your cards to trade.
- **Design:** T-Shirts - we'll provide these. (Long Day)
- **Make:** Glass jar sand art & build a match stick tower. (Long Day)
- **Competition:** Taylor Swift singing & dancing. Win Tay Tay posters. (Long Day)



Thursday April 24th

- **Theme:** Sparkles, Tay Tay & gaming. Prizes for best dressed.
- **Competition:** Design & win a watch.
- **Kids on wheels:** Bring your scooters.
- **Make:** Clay mini food.
- **Draw:** Garfield™ & Odie.
- **Draw:** Mario™ & Toad™.
- **Play:** Human O's & X's.
- **Enjoy:** Hit & miss jelly.
- **Draw:** Farm animals.
- **Play:** The Pinata game.
- **Make:** Rainbow biscuits.
- **Crowning ceremony:** Everyone in the Kingdom is awarded with a crown to decorate.
- **Make:** Friendship bracelets. (Long Day)
- **Face painting:** Be creative. (Long Day)
- **Make-over:** Get your hair coloured & styled & nails painted. (Long Day)



Thursday (night) 6pm - 9pm

- **Theme:** Black-dark clothes.
- **Enjoy:** Sushi & Margherita pizzas.
- **Nerf gun disco:** Bring your kit.
- **Play:** The custard game.
- **Play:** Indiana Jones™ game.
- **Play:** Murder in the dark!
- **Play:** Sock wrestling Nerf gun style.
- **Draw:** Dragons, Among Us™ & Minecraft™.



Friday April 25th Market Day - BEST day of the week!

- **Theme:** All things Japanese. Prizes for best dressed.
- **Draw:** One Piece™.
- **Draw:** Sonic™ & Yoshi™.
- **Draw:** Kawaii cute insects.
- **Draw:** Hello Kitty™.
- **Draw:** Anime & Manga.
- **Draw:** Gudetama™.
- **Draw:** Cartoon fruit & veggies.
- **Bubbles:** Have fun making giant bubbles.
- **Pocky Sticks™:** Guess the flavour blind folded.
- **Waterfight:** Bring in your waterguns.
- **Kingdom Markets:** Everyone needs to prepare a shop for Market Day. Buy & sell using Kingdom money. We'll also give you \$100 Kingdom dollars.
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