EMPIRE VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 13th May 2015
Week 4

Wardell Memorial Dedication Service (Yrs 4-6)

When: Friday 29th May
Where: Wardell Memorial Hall
Times: 9.30am start (TBC)
Transport: Private car

The senior class have been invited to attend a dedication service at the Wardell & District War Memorial Hall unveiling a new cenotaph, memorial plaque & honour board. Cabbage Tree Island & Wardell P.S students will also be in attendance & Empire Vale students will be singing “And They March”.

We would appreciate parent assistance with transport to & from the venue. As our school will be singing on the day, the whole senior class will be required to attend to represent our school at this community event.

If there are any parents with children in other grades that wish to attend, these students may join the group & will also require a permission note.

Times are yet to be confirmed for cars leaving & returning to school, however once the service has finished, cars are to return students to school, thank you.

Further information to be sent home next week.

Please return the attached permission notes by no later than Tuesday 26th May, thank you.

Operation ART!

Congratulations to Jasmine C who has had her artwork selected to participate in The Department of Education’s ‘Operation Art’ program. Her artwork will be part of a touring exhibition of student artworks that travel to regional galleries as well as brighten the walls of children's hospitals.

This is the first year that Empire Vale has participated in this high profile arts program and we are very proud to have Jasmine’s amazing artwork represent our school!

Mrs Rantissi

Public Speaking

Students have been presenting a wonderful variety of speeches this week! A reminder that students should be practicing their speeches at home in preparation for class presentations. Both classes are currently presenting their speeches in class this week & next week.

Finalists selected from each stage will present their speeches at a special assembly or public speaking event at the school, TBA.

Two students from Stage 2 & 3 will also be selected in the near future, (following assessment of their Impromptu speaking skills), to compete in the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition to be held at Alstonville P.S on Monday 15th June.

Biggest Morning Tea, Fri 22/5
Mul-“Tea”-cultural Theme

11am-12:30pm Biggest Morning Tea!

It's time to put the kettle on! Parents & community members are invited to attend Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea at Empire Vale P.S on Friday 22nd May. All proceeds to be donated to the NSW Cancer Council.

The theme this year is Mul-“TEA”-cultural, so please get into the spirit and bring an item for morning tea with a multicultural feel.

Also, we'd like the students to get into the theme and wear something multicultural for the morning tea.

Families are asked to bring a plate of morning tea to share, (possibly a traditional dish from another country?), with a gold coin to participate. Students may bring along their own recess or donate a gold coin to participate in the morning tea.

Free Dental Assessments for Kinder

The Northern NSW Local Health District clinicians will be conducting free dental assessment for kindergarten students on Thursday 4th June at the school.

On the day, a dental/oral health therapist will assess your child’s teeth, and a letter will be sent home with your child to advise you of the result of this assessment.

No treatment will be provided on this day, the assessment is designed to be an introduction to future dental visits.

Thank you to those parents who have already returned their child’s permission, if you have not already done so, please return these by Tuesday 26th May.

PSSA Soccer Gala Day

When: Friday 12th June
Where: Eureka P.S Soccer Oval (TBC)
Times: Leaving 9.30am for a 11.00am start (times & venue TBC)
Transport: Private car

The Empire Vale P. S soccer team will be competing in the PSSA Small School Soccer Knockout Competition for 2015. Students will be competing in 2 games with the winning team advancing into Round 3. Other teams involved include Broadwater, The Pocket & Rosebank.

Information & permission notes are attached & need to returned by no later than Friday 5th June, thank you.

ATTACHMENTS

- PSSA Soccer Knockout Permission (participating students only)
- Wardell Memorial Service Permission (Yrs 4-6)
MUSIC STUDENTS’ CONCERT

Music Students Special Concert

I will be holding a guitar concert where regular music students will present a selection of pieces they are currently preparing for your enjoyment. All parents and friends are welcome to come along and hear Empire Vale’s talented music students.

The performance will be at school on Friday 22nd May commencing at 10.00am.

Mark your diary to come along and support your local musicians! Michael Ward

Senior Excursion Chocolate Fundraiser

All monies for Round 1 of the Senior Excursion Chocolate Fundraiser are to be returned by no later than Tuesday 23rd June. (last week of term 2), thank you.

Expressions of interest will be sent home later in the term for a possible second & final round of chocolate orders, (depending on demand).

School Contributions

Thank you to those families who have already paid their contribution for 2015.

The General School Contribution of $35 per child is paid directly to the school and covers items in use by your child such as text books, pens, pencils, exercise books, sport affiliation fees etc.

Student Pick Up/ Drop Off Procedures

Just a reminder to parents that staff are officially on duty from 8.30am (or when 1st bus arrives) to 3.20pm. As supervision of students occurs between these hours, there is NO SUPERVISION of students outside these hours. Please ensure that students are NOT dropped off prior 8.30am & are picked up BEFORE 3.20pm. Your assistance in this matter would be appreciated, thank you.

PARENT RESPONSES DUE

Wardell Memorial Permission (Yrs 4-6)
DUE – Tues 26th May

Free Dental Assessment (Kindergarten only)
DUE – Tues 26th May

PSSA Soccer Knockout Permission
(participating students only)
DUE – Friday 5th June

Snr excursion chocolate monies
(participating students)
DUE – Tues 23rd June

Up & Coming Events

May

Tuesday 12th – Fri 15th
NAPLAN (Yrs 3 & 5)
Venue: EVPS

Monday 18th
School Assembly
Venue: EVPS

Friday 22nd
Music Students Concert, 10am
(Presented by Michael Ward)
Venue: EVPS

Biggest Morning Tea, 11am
Venue: EVPS

Friday 29th
Wardell Memorial Dedication Service (yrs 4-6)
Venue: Wardell Hall

June

Monday 1st
EVPS Public Speaking Finalists
Venue: EVPS

Monday 4th
Dental Clinic (K/1)
Venue: EVPS
Is your child making friends at school? Kids who get on at school tend to be more engaged in learning. Here are some ideas on how to help your child with social skills:


Mastering spelling

Are you checking your child’s weekly spelling homework? Try talking to your child about how you spell, and what you do when you don’t know how to spell a word. Here’s some advice about how to help your child master spelling.

Find out more:

Alstonville Scouts welcome new Members in 2015!

Come and try FREE for up to 4 weeks before joining!

For Girls and Boys of all ages who love adventure and fun.
For Mums and Dads who want their Kids to learn important life skills in a safe environment.

Joeys Scouts: ages 6 to 8 years, Wednesdays: 5.30 to 6.30pm
Cub Scouts: ages 8 to 11 years, Wednesdays: 6.30 to 8.00pm
Scouts: ages 11 to 15 years, Thursdays: 6.30 to 8.30pm

The Alstonville Scout Hall is located at Gap Road, Alstonville.

To find out more, contact either:
Troy Davis (Group Leader)
Mobile: 0428 582 973

or
Cindy Robinson (Joeys Leader),
Mobile: 0413 454 177

PERMISSION NOTE

Wardell Memorial Dedication Service (Yrs 4-6)
(Friday 29th May 2015)

I give permission for my child/ren……………………………………………………………………………...to participate in the Wardell Memorial Dedication Service at the Wardell Hall on Friday 29th May 2015.
I understand that transport is the responsibility of the parent.

☐ I will be transporting my own child
☐ I have arranged for __________________ to transport my child

Signed ………………………………….. Date ……………………………………………………
Parent/Guardian

Please return permission by no later than Tuesday 26th May, thank you.