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Ivanhoe Primary School Newsletter

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From the Principal.

Innovation Week / Wellbeing Week

Firstly Innovation Week

In 2016 we focused on the innovative use of new technologies and spent a lot of time on the tools themselves.

As educators many of us were not as skilled or as confident as we are now so we embarked on a journey with the students on how to best use these technologies to further enhance teaching and learning.

Not surprisingly many of the students quickly outstripped us in their application and in their thinking and on many occasions we, the teachers, became the learner. I'd like to think many of us have now caught up.

Over the last three years the Digital Learning Contribution that we ask for in Term One has proved vital to our development as a 21st Century School.

It has enabled us to pay for a fantastic educational consultant – a teacher herself - Georgina Pazzi - from Edumazing to work with every teacher in every classroom and specialist area in planning programs and using technology to support every learner in developing an innovative mindset. www.ivanhoeps.vic.edu.au ivanhoe.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au T: (03) 9499 1880 | F: (03) 9499 6784 OSHC: (03)9499 5226

Term 4

Mon-Fri 19 th - 23 rd Nov	Innovation Week
Friday 23 rd November	Gr 6 Lawn Bowls
Saturday 24 th November	State election/ Mini Market
Sunday 25 th November	Working Bee (Grade 1 and friends)
Thursday 29 th November	Strings Night 7pm Hall
Friday 30 th November	International Day
Monday 3 rd December	Talent Night Yrs 4- 6 Music room
Wednesday 5 th December	Foundation, Grade 1 & Grade 2 Athletics Carnival
Thursday 6 th December	Night of Democracy 7 pm
Monday 10 th December	Foundation Information Evening 2019 Parents
Tuesday 11 th December	Foundation Orientation session 4
Tuesday 18 th December	Year 6 Graduation 7pm Hall

Over time our focus has moved from the *tools* to the *pedagogy*. This is front and centre to everything we do and focuses our attention on the individual student to provide them with the best possible opportunities to explore, create, experiment and develop.

The Digital Learning Contribution has purchased iPads for junior classes, over 100 new laptops increasing our device to student ratio to 1:2 from Years 1 to 6. Each Learning Space has a smart board and projector. It has enabled the purchase of new furniture that lends itself to different teaching approaches and encourages student collaboration and experimentation.

We have purchased robots, Spheros, and mini computers (that the students are able to pull apart and rebuild).

In addition we have increased the tech support beyond that which is provided to us by the Department of Education & Training. We have upgraded servers and Wi-Fi all to make our infrastructure more robust and provide a stable platform for student learning.

Add to this our new cisco / webex communication platform that will allow us to connect with other schools and students and provide opportunities for educational experiences far beyond our local boundaries.

Imagine our students being able to speak to students in countries they might be researching. Or our students delivering a presentation to other students in China, Italy, Somalia or Arnhem Land. We want to engender in every student the confidence to be curious;

that they feel they have something worthwhile to contribute;

that they are inventors;

that they have the power to innovate and create change.

However, this doesn't happen in a vacuum which is why it is so important to have celebratory weeks that highlight what the students are doing. We are fortunate to be able to provide engaging and inspiring technologies and I thank you for that. Just as importantly we are fortunate to be able to create opportunities for us to come together and celebrate the students' efforts as well as their successes.

Together our job is to inspire learners to develop critical / creative thinking and problem solving skills and to have the courage to adapt to an increasingly global and changing world. We want our students to be able to identify problems **worth solving** and then develop creative solutions and evaluate their impact. In this way they are more likely to discover their passions,

strengths and talents. Moving from a test and task focus to one that values curiosity and powerful learning requires building students capabilities in all areas including those social capabilities that help build strong mental health.(Check out the Wellbeing Week work in this newsletter). In this way the curriculum becomes more personalised and allows students to have greater voice and agency in what they do and to a greater extent drive what they learn. In other words allowing students to have a lot ownership over their journey through school.

Much of what has been on show this week is on the Innovation Website. This is password protected so please check your COMPASS or phone the school office for the details. Thank you to the teachers and staff for making the week a terrific celebration. In particular to Mr O'Callaghan and Ms Crowley for their leadership and organisation.

Out of School Hours Care

The Out of School Hours Care program is licenced to operate a 120 place program. It is not possible to exceed this number as it is regulated by a government authority. What this means is that if you have not booked your place for next year you may be wait listed for a place. Your 2018 booking DOES NOT automatically roll over to 2019. You must contact the program coordinator directly to talk about your options for next year. Please contact Edwina on 9499 5226 to discuss the Out of School Hours care program.

Free Dress day

Tomorrow is the first of two Junior School Council initiatives.

Free Dress Day is optional. It is not a fundraiser.

It is not a costume dress up day so please do not come to school in onesies, panamas or dressed as fairies etc.

Sensible clothing only please!

Children must be able to participate in Physical Education classes.

A School Hat is a must! Clothing must be SunSmart. No sleeveless tops without a t-shirt or adequate cover underneath. Only closed toe shoes to protect little feet. Common sense should guide the choices. If this is unclear please phone the school for advice.

Wellbeing Week

The teaching and learning of health and wellbeing at Ivanhoe Primary School is to enable students to understand themselves and others, and manage their relationships, lives, work and learning more effectively. It involves students learning to recognise and regulate emotions, develop empathy for others and understand relationships, establish and build a framework for positive relationships, work effectively in teams and develop leadership skills, and handle challenging situations constructively. It supports students in becoming creative and confident individuals with a sense of self-worth, self-awareness and personal identity that enables them to manage their emotional and physical wellbeing.

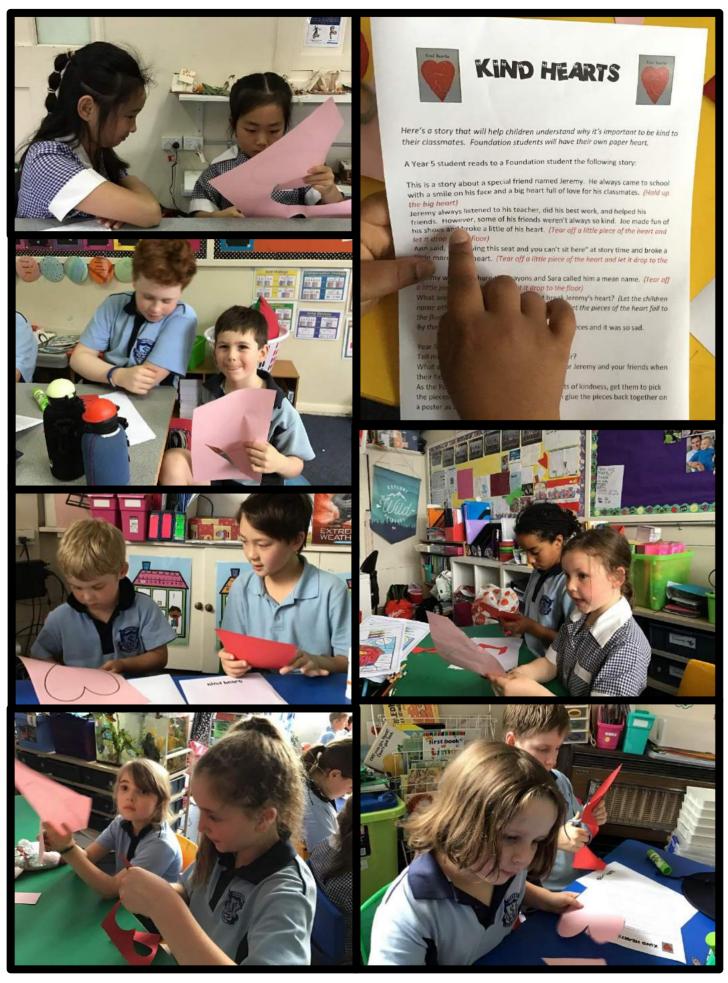
This week classes have focussed on Wellbeing, making a conscious effort to identify and practice good mental health behaviours. Students have been working across classes and ages on activities that encourage them to think about others as well as manage their feelings. Year 5 and Foundation have done some brilliant work which we have highlighted in this week's newsletter.

Thank you to Signora Garzarella for her fantastic work with organising Wellbeing week.



KIND HEARTS

Year 5 students leading an activity with Foundation students about being kind.



KINDNESS

Year 5 students wrote their own poems, rhymes, raps a

LITTLE BO PEEP HAS LOST HER FRIENDS

(tune of Little Bo-Peep) Little Bo-Peep has lost her friends, and doesn't know how to find them. Leave them alone, and they will come home, bringing their kindness behind them! Maddie and Avaa (5K)

NICE NICE FRIEND

(tune of Ice Ice Baby) Nice, nice friend, Nice, nice friend, Niceness grabs a hold of me tightly, Being nice to people, daily and nightly. Will it ever stop? Yo, I hope not! Matilda and (5K)

KINDNESS SONGv

(tune of Another Bites the Dust) Oh, let's go, Another act of kindness, Another act of kindness, Another act gone, another gone, Another act of kindness, Yo, I'm going to be kind to you, Another act of kindness. Are you happy? Are you kind? Another act of kindness. *Tom and Angus (5K)*

Competition for students

- THOUGHTFUL POEM
- THANKFUL HAPPY OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE FRIENDS UNSELFISH GRATEFUL HEARTFELT TRUSTING FUNNY UNDERSTANDING LOVELY Amy (5H)



<u>KINDNESS</u>

To be happy you must follow these very simple rules, Smiling and having fun are your major tools. Be kind to others and to yourself each and every day. If the world was filled with people like you, Reasons for bullies and rudeness would be few. Our purpose in life is to help and be kind for one day, When you act these rules you will blow someone's mind.

Piper and Anastasia (5K)

KIND SUBMARINE

(tune of Yellow Submarine) We all live in a kind submarine, a kind submarine, a kind submarine. We all live in a friendly submarine, a friendly submarine, a friendly submarine. Wouldn't you like to live in a happy submarine, a happy submarine, a happy submarine! Keelan and Kobi (5K)

MY KINDNESS SONG

Dear mum and dad, I have given you this letter so I can show you I poem about kindness, that I did at school-My kindness Poem-Be happy not snappy, everyone should be Be kind don't whine Be keen not mean Be grateful not hateful Have gratitude not attitude It is your choice to be happy and not snappy! *Sylvie (5H)*

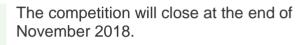
Grey Wolf Award

Congratulations to Leah B who has been awarded the highest cub - scout award called the Grey Wolf. She participated in 4 outdoor activities that included an overnight camp, an activity with the region as well as planning and leading a bush walk for two hours. She also completed five achievement awards which included first aid, artist, swimming, hand craft and nature badge. She completed a resource poster about the scout law that is on display at the scout hall.

Design Competition

Here is an opportunity to be creative and have a voice in the design of a sign for "The Treehouse"

Once you have drawn your design write your name and grade on the back of your work and put it in the box outside the school office.



I will then give all the designs to a graphic artist who will use parts of some of the designs to create the finished which will feature on the exterior of the building.

We have already got a few designs. ©

COMMONWEALTH SCHOOL BANKING

Your child can bank at IPS each Tuesday morning and by doing so, they can earn a silver token. Once ten tokens are earned, your child can then claim a Reward offered by the Commonwealth Bank. New Rewards are released each Term and remain available while stocks last. After claiming your Reward, allow a few weeks for their arrival at school.

SPECIAL OFFER

If you bank this coming Tuesday (27 November 2018), the Banking Volunteers will confirm the number of tokens you currently have. If you have ten or more tokens, then you Can fill out the form to Claim your reward. Have fun with your banking and save for that "special" something.



Breaking News

Congratulations to Ms Mary Mascara on her engagement. We couldn't be more pleased for you. (IPS Staff)

Have a great day.

Mark Kent Principal These are our school values. Talk to your children about them and discuss with them what they mean to you!















Mini Market cake stall item drop off.

You can begin dropping off all your tasty treats for the Mini Market Cake Stall from tomorrow morning (Fri 23 Nov).

Parent volunteers will be in the canteen from **8:30am -10:00** and again from **3:00pm - 4:00pm** to collect your baked goods or sauces.

If you can't drop them off tomorrow, or don't have time to bake anything tonight, you can drop your contributions down at the Cake Stall on Election Day, Saturday 24th November.

See you at the Mini Market!

Working Bee this Sunday.

Last one for the year, so your last chance to come along. Kids welcome (house points for kids who do some jobs). Bring a plate for morning tea. Tasks will include mulching garden beds for summer, cleaning water troughs, Weeding, etc





Our Stars of the Week

Confidence

FC

Xavier M

For showing excellent confidence when using the Blue Bot robots. You were able to connect it to an iPad and worked well with your partner.

FS Charlotte W

For your new found confidence when working independently. What a fantastic attitude you have Charlotte!

2H Sofia A

For sharing her amazing landmark design. How creative you are Sofia!

5H Ethan E

working with your foundation buddy- awesome job.

5K Ben P

For a being a great learner and always willing to take risks.

Music All year one and two performers

Well done for an amazing performance at the Year One and Two Concert during Innovation Week. It was a joyful occasion.

ART Andy C FH

for trying your best to create an amazing multi-media space picture with great detail. Great work!

Persistence

FH

Charlotte H

For the amazing improvements and persistence you are showing with your reading. Keep up the fantastic work Charlotte!

FM Lachlan T

For showing great persistence with your writing. You are working hard at sounding out words and putting your ideas into words. Well done Lachlan!

FS

Leroy S

For your improved focus and persistence during literacy tasks. Keep up the fantastic attitude Leroy!

1D Leo T

For the hard work you have put in to developing your literacy skills in the classroom and at reading recovery. You are amazing!

2L

Alice R

For your amazing persistence when completing the 'Splitting Tree' activity. A doubles superstar!

3HK

Jai S

For his help during Innovation Week with uploading our movies. You are always so helpful and knowledgeable!

4B Nick K

For always giving your best, and not giving up. Well done.

6V Meg H

Applying herself and always working beyond her personal best. Congratulations Meg.

Respect

FH

Diva A

For always being such an amazing friend and being so helpful in the classroom. You always show great getting along skills and respect. Great work Diva!

1H Whole Grade

For the respectful way you have all worked together on all your tasks.

1M Miranda W & Abigail J

For the way you both worked as a team to solve our maths challenge. Well done! Keep it up!!

10 Eli A

For always being such a respectful student. You are kind and helpful and always looking out for others.

2C Evie C

For being such a kind, caring and respectful member of our class. What a wonderful attitude you have!

3M Levi H

For always offering to assist others in 3M! You are a kind and thoughtful member of our class. Thank you Levi!

3U/S Whole Grade

For showing great respect to Imogen and Tom during their time with us.

4J Georgios L

For your amazing listening skills, which you consistently show by maintaining eye contact. This demonstrates a great deal of respect to the person speaking. Congratulations.

4L Jacob C

For being such a lovely helper and friend to others in the classroom! Well done Jacob!

4M Casey C

For the kindness you have shown to others during wellbeing week and all year. You are a thoughtful and caring member of 4M.

5E Anjali P & Kyla F

For always being willing to help your classmates and teachers. You are both really helpful.

PE Marcus V 4B

for always supporting your peers and trying your best during Physical Education! Keep up the good work.

Independence

5KLucy Gfor always being a dedicated learner and taking pride in everything you do.6CHolly CFor your excellent organisation and always completing tasks on time or earlyPELachlan T FMfor being able to achieve a great technique in high jump and helping your class by demonstrating.ItalianNatasha S 3M

Presenting a wonderfully organised poster representing her country of origin in Italian.