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Ivanhoe Primary School Newsletter

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From the Principal

Dear School Community Members:

Welcome to the 2017 school year everyone. I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday.

In 2016 I broke a lot of bones in my right foot so was thrilled to get the all clear to drive again the day before Christmas. You don't realise until it happens (at least I didn't) that having aspects of your independence taken away can be so debilitating. Being confined to home, albeit temporarily, gives one a different perspective from which to view the world and reminds me not to take the simple things for granted. We drove the coast roads from Melbourne to Esperance in Western Australia where we spent a couple days marvelling at the blue waters and the incredibly white sands before turning inland and heading home. We actually saw kangaroos on the beaches. 7352 kms providing plenty of time for reflection and planning.



Last year saw our school, along with many others, reviewed by the Department of Education and Training (DE&T) and we will receive a summary report for the community which will be published shortly. The review validates our belief that Ivanhoe Primary School is indeed a great school, with a professional staff and a strong supportive community. I look forward to working with you this year.

The beginning of a school year is exciting for everyone but there can be stress involved in learning new routines, understanding expectations, building new friendships and finding the optimum path to success so I ask you to be overtly positive, supportive and reassuring as your child(ren) begins the year. Say hello to your child's teacher and feel comfortable in the knowledge that we are here in partnership with you to give your child the best opportunities to succeed at school.

FOUNDATION STUDENTS

Our new students began their day with very few tears (mostly moist eyes from new parents). Our newest students looked to have had a marvellous, if not tiring, day as they emerged at 3.30 with certificates for having made it through the day with reassuring smiles for proud parents waiting with phones and cameras to record this special moment.

SCHOOL PICNIC

All school families are invited to the Annual Welcome to IPS School Picnic to be held on the oval on Friday February 10th from 5.45 pm to 8.00 pm. It is a BYO basket supper and provides an excellent opportunity for school families to get together. New families are strongly encouraged to attend. Please mark this event on your calendar. The Parents & Friends Association (PFA) will be selling sausages and drinks should you choose not to bring all your own food. Please remember that teachers and staff are not expected to supervise children at this event and respectfully request you keep an eye on your own children so everyone can enjoy themselves. Looking forward to meeting you there.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION

There are five parent category vacancies and two Department of Education vacancies to be filled. Nomination forms are available from the office. There are two types of parent member category nomination forms – Schedule 5A 'Self Nomination' form or Schedule 5B Nomination form. Schedule B is used when a school parent nominates another school parent.

LOST PROPERTY

Parents are urged to check the lost property area, near the office, as often as possible.

Any unnamed, non school items will be sent to charity.

Unnamed school clothing will be recycled through the Second Uniform Shop.

DIARY

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| February 2 | Strings Information Night. See pg 3 |
| February 6 | Strings program begins |
| February 7 | Chess Club begins |
| February 10 | Annual School Picnic (see you there) |
| February 27 | Meet the Teacher Interviews begin |
| March 29-31 | Grade 4 Camp to Phillip Island |
| March 31 | End of Term 1. 2.30pm dismissal |

The election timeline is as follows:

Tuesday January 31st Notice of Election and call for nominations.

Tuesday February 7th Close of nominations.

Friday February 10th Display list of candidates and distribute ballot papers if required

Friday February 17th Close of ballot 12pm & count votes.

Monday February 20th Declare ballot.

Wednesday February 22nd Meeting of School Council

There are two council meetings per term. Every council member is asked to serve on one of the many sub committees of School Council.

SCHOOL BANKING

We need your help. IPS needs 8 people to spare an hour or so on a Tuesday to be on a rotating roster for School Banking. Please come to a brief meeting at 9am next Tuesday the 7th February in the Print Room at the front of the school.

Since 2012 many students have taken the opportunity to make regular deposits into their very own Dollarmite Commonwealth Bank account. IPS volunteer parents process the deposits on a Tuesday morning in the staffroom located in the main building. We had a small number of parents who processed 2016 bank deposits but further volunteers are needed to spread the workload. It is one hour of your time (9am—10am each Tuesday). No experience necessary. Training provided. Parents wishing to open a student bank account can do so at the Ivanhoe branch of the Commonwealth Bank. Student banking will resume as soon as we have enough volunteers. Parents interested in joining the volunteer team can contact the office or come to the Print Room next Tuesday.

3C asks... “Why do we read?”

Because:

It makes me think and use my imagination - Murphy

It gives me information and I enjoy it - Liam

I enjoy it and it takes my mind off things - Veronica

It helps me relax - Jacob

It helps me improve my spelling and my story ideas - Claudia

I like the artwork on the front covers and the different story lines - Noah

I like reading because it has lots of information - Long

It helps me find out more about history - Eleanor

It is fun - Jason

It helps with research - Ryan

It helps me when I am feeling bored - Elanor

You need to read for almost any job you can get - Alex

SUNSMART

All students must wear a wide brimmed hat in Term 1.

The **‘No Hat No Play’** rule applies this term. Please ensure your child not only has the required hat each day but their name is written clearly on the hat. Baseball type caps are not acceptable Sunsmart headwear. Your assistance in ensuring your child has the correct type of hat will be appreciated.

AMBULANCE COVER

A trip to the hospital in an ambulance is expensive. Parents are strongly advised to take out ambulance cover for all family members.

Mark Kent
Principal



STRINGS INFORMATION NIGHT

7- 7.30 pm in the Music Room Thursday 2nd Feb - **tonight!**

This is a brief information session for any parent who would like to know more about the IPS String Program.

Welcome back to Ivanhoe Primary's exciting music program.

Students have many opportunities to become involved in creative endeavours and musical experiences beyond the classroom program.

I.P.S. Choir—Thursdays 2.40—3.30pm

Choir is open to all students in years 4, 5 & 6. A note has been distributed today. Students need to commit **to a full year of rehearsals and performances**. Our first major performance is The Night of Music at Ivanhoe Girls' Grammar School in May.

I.P.S. Orchestra—Wednesdays 7.50am—8.55am

Strings students in years 4, 5 & 6 perform in this outstanding ensemble.

Grade Two Strings—Mondays and Thursdays—8.20am—9am

Students expressed their interest in learning to play violin and cello in 2016. We begin our group lessons in the Hall next Monday. These children will have their first performance in Education Week in 2nd term.

Grade Three Corelli Strings—Fridays—8.20am—8.55am

These students form their first 'real' orchestra where they read music from books and scores. It is always a very dynamic group. They will also have a performance during Education Week.

Lunch-time Rock Bands

Year sixes have the opportunity to form a mixed (boys and girls) band on **Mondays**. If your child plays an instrument or loves to sing and latest hits they are strongly encouraged to come along.

Concert Events Semester One

Night of Music—May 20th at Ivanhoe Girls' Grammar Performing arts Centre. Further information will be available for concerts including: **Education Week, ANZAC Service, Grade Five and Six Concerts**. There will also be the occasional assembly item.

Friends of Music

With concerts, the school fair, school disco and gala performances we often need parents to assist us with the logistics of running concerts. Remember Elton John has an army of people helping him to perform! If you are interested in joining our email contact list please send us your details. We will inform you of support through the year as required.

Marie Morrow

morrow.marie.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

Liz Bonetti

elizabethabonetti@gmail.com

Orchestra and Choir Uniform

If your child is in Orchestra or Choir you will need the following uniform for the Night of Music gala performance in May. Please don't leave it until the last minute to purchase or borrow a uniform as this will lead to disappointment.

The uniform is:

- Long black pants, slacks or leggings
- Long sleeved white shirt
- Black shoes to complete a professional look.

Donated uniforms available (see Liz)

3 size 10 shirts

1 size 8 black pants

1 size 12-14 black pants

I hope this information will help you to start the year with a song in your heart!

Yours in Music,

Marie Morrow, Anne Murray, Liz Bonetti

SPORTS NEWS

Tomorrow, Friday 3 February Ivanhoe PS plays St John's PS in an away competition of cricket, softball, volleyball and bat tennis.

Those students who are in teams must be at school by 8.45am. The bus fee is \$7.

Good luck to all teams.



Each year in August, schoolkids from across Victoria go to Mt Buller to compete in downhill, cross country and freestyle skiing races. Kids don't have to be expert skiers to participate. IPS is considering entering a team in 2017. Families need to cover their own accommodation, skiing, transport and entrance costs. If your child would like to express interest in participating, please contact Dylan Reilly at dylan.reilly@aapt.net.au

2017 SSV STATE SELECTION TRIALS

Below is important information regarding changes to School Sport Victoria 2017 state selection trials for Football, Soccer (G, B), Netball & Basketball (G, B).



All trials will be conducted by SSV but in 2017 each school is only allowed a maximum of 3 students for each sport to attend these trials. All nominations must be endorsed by the school.

Selection is open to any student turning 10, 11 or 12 in 2017.

Parents and students need to keep in mind that these trials form part of SSV Gifted & Talented program and are not 'come and try' opportunities.

IPS students wishing to trial will need to nominate with me and school trials will be conducted in early 2017. If you would like more information please go online to the SSV WEBSITE (ssv.vic.edu.au). Registration closes on 10 March 2017. If you have any questions please contact me.

Stotty (Inter school Sports coordinator)

CANTEEN NEWS TERM 1 2017

CANTEEN ROSTER

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| Friday February 3 | 9.00—11.30am | NO LUNCHES |
| | 11.30am—1.50pm | NO LUNCHES |
| Monday February 6 | 9.00—11.30am | VACANT |
| | 11.30am—1.50pm | Amanda Haberman |
| Tuesday February 7 | 9.00—11.30am | VACANT |
| | 11.30am—1.50pm | VACANT |
| Wednesday February 8 | 9.00—11.30am | Robin Massey |
| | 11.30am—1.50pm | VACANT |
| Thursday February 9 | 9.00—11.30am | VACANT |
| | 11.30am—1.50pm | VACANT |
| Friday February 10 | 9.00—11.30am | VACANT |
| | 11.30am—1.50pm | VACANT |

Canteen contact number:

9am—2.30pm

0412 348 554

Ring or text

* Outside these hours please leave a message on voicemail. Please include a **clear name and number**.

REGISTER TODAY

www.myschoolconnect.com.au/ivanhoe

Canteen Online Ordering ONLY



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Please think about helping Jenny in the canteen.....even if it is just occasionally. Canteen Manager: Jenny Ross, Ph: 0412-348-554

L.O.L!

What did the pencil sharpener say to the pencil?

Stop going in circles and get to the point!



PRE-LOVED UNIFORMS WANTED

Have your children outgrown their uniforms? Pre-loved items, including jackets, track pants, dresses, polo shirts, school bags, hats would be much appreciated to re-stock our Second Hand Uniform cupboard. Donations can be left at the office. Thank you!

IVANHOE PRIMARY SCHOOL
OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE
24-Hour answering machine service:
9499-5226
Email: iposhc@optusnet.com.au

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE FEES

The fee schedule for each child per session is:

Before School Care - \$13.00.

After School Care - \$16.00

Early Finish:

1.30pm—3.30pm \$16.00.

1.30 pm—6.00 pm \$27.00

Curriculum Day:

Half Day \$27.00. Full Day \$42.00

TRAFFIC MESSAGE

Parents are urged to adhere to the following when using the side streets surrounding Ivanhoe Primary:

- Drive **slowly** and **carefully**, always looking out for pedestrians
- Avoid making a dangerous U Turn in Ailsa Grove (motorists should travel to the end of Ailsa Grove and use the turning circle)
- Remain in your car when parked in the two minute drop off zone
- **Do not double park**—it is incredibly dangerous and holds up traffic trying to move into and down Ailsa Grove.

Cyclists

Parents of students who ride a bicycle to school are asked to reinforce the need for their child to walk with their bicycle in Ailsa Grove. This is a safety rule as there are many pedestrians as well as vehicles turning across the driveway at the end of Ailsa Grove.

ANAPHYLAXIS—SEVERE/LIFE THREATENING FOOD ALLERGY

At Ivanhoe, we have a significant number of students with anaphylaxis (severe/life threatening food allergy).

We ask parents to be aware to the food your child is bringing to school. **Nuts, and foods containing nuts**, are the main culprits. However, **kiwifruit** is another food that has been identified as life threatening.

Our aim is to have a nut-free school, and we ask all families to consider excluding spreads such as peanut butter, Nutella and loose nuts from children's lunches/snacks and save these for at-home treats.

Accordingly, Jenny Ross, our Canteen manager, has a policy of not stocking nut products in our school canteen.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

FOR SALE. Celviano keyboard, in very good condition. It is a keyboard in a black case and has peddles. It comes with a piano stall. We are asking \$500. For futher informaton, please contact

Anna den Hartog, 0432044648.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Items in Community News are subject to space availability. The school does not accept responsibility for any goods or services advertised in this newsletter

Learn music
here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, here at Ivanhoe Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from \$16.20 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 1, 2017.

Interested parents should call Sharon during office hours on 9818 2333 or email sharon@creativemusic.com.au

 Creative Music
www.creativemusic.com.au



Would you like to play the flute? Would you like to have fun learning music? Do you like to be creative and use your imagination while you learn? Come and have a trial lesson!

Marlena Raymond is a past student of Ivanhoe Primary and has played the flute for 18 years. Marlena is passionate about fostering love for music and learning. Her teaching is influenced by the Orff approach, which uses speech, singing, movement and play to engage each child in a successful musical experience.* extensive singing and flute teaching experience with children from kindergarten to VCE. * University of Melbourne graduate in 2012 with a Bachelor of Arts and a Diploma of Music (Flute). * completed Level 1 Orff-Schulwerk studies (a methodology of music education). * associate member at the Australian National Academy of Music in 2006 * currently choreograph and perform with Melbourne based Travel Art Dance Company. * studying postgraduate law at the University of Melbourne. My contact details are 0450 604 206 and marlenamayraymond@gmail.com - please contact me if your child is interested. First lesson free, affordable and negotiable fees.