



INVERELL PUBLIC SCHOOL

"Living and Learning Together"

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Principals Report by Mr Gadd (Relieving Principal)

Welcome back for Term 2. It was great wandering around the school this week hearing about students' restful and fun school holidays. I was even more pleased to see that children have returned refreshed and are prepared to get back to the task of learning. There are some significant events taking place this term, including NAPLAN testing for Year 3 and Year 5 students, reports at the end of the term as well as the engaging learning that will be taking place in each and every classroom every day. Staff enjoyed professional learning activities on Monday that harnessed the principles of "Play is the Way" to teach children about their emotions and looked at how we can all become the masters of our emotions. This is referred to as Emotional Intelligence and features heavily in our school mission statement. I have been referring to the work of Wilson McCaskill in talking to students, staff and parents over the past few months and have received very positive feedback about its implementation. If you would like to look further into these topics, go to the website, www.playistheway.com.au and look at the videos and ideas for parents. I am looking forward to seeing students participating in these activities on a daily basis. I would appreciate hearing from any parents willing to provide feedback on this initiative.

There has been some concerns raised about the implementation of a new uniform. Please rest assured that we are merely conducting a review of the uniform as it currently stands. We are currently exploring options for possible modifications, however we will not be changing any aspect of our uniform until the appropriate channels of consultation have taken place. This includes talking to our school community and local businesses involved. Once a decision about the uniform has been made, the transition process will take place over two years. Our local businesses have plenty of stock and are offering items at a reduced rate.

ANZAC Day March

ANZAC Day is this Saturday, 25th of April. Our school will be participating in the Inverell Street March at 10.15am and the Commemorative Service held at the Inverell Memorial Pool at 11am. The students will need to assemble outside the Inverell Art Gallery in Evans Street at 9:45am. Teachers will meet the students and accompany them on the march and during the service. Students will need to be in full summer uniform including black shoes and red sun safe hat. Your child can be collected from the front of the pool at the conclusion of the service. As we remember 100 years since the landing at Gallipoli, your child's participation would be very much appreciated.

Legacy Luncheon

On Sunday, April 19, Mrs Aitken and Mr Gadd were accompanied by our school captains Shakira and Jacob at the Legacy Lunch. Our captains represented our school with pride. Listening to the messages of support from legates who demonstrate the value of being community minded.



UP AND COMING

- 24/4 Cross Country
- 24/4 ANZAC Day Ceremony
- 25/5 ANZAC Day
- 29/4 Leaders Badge Ceremony
- 5,6/5 GRIP Leadership, Moree
- 6/5 3rd Instalment due Lake Ainsworth
- 6, 7/5 Mothers Day Stall
- 7/5 Zone Cross Country- Ashford

CANTEEN ROSTER– Winter menu has started!

Friday 24/4	Monday 27/4	Tuesday 28/4	Wednesday 29/4	Thursday 30/4
Ellen Dekkers	Olivia Ellis	Delilah Williams	Mardie Hall	Delilah Williams

Working Bee

On behalf of the P&C we would like to extend a HUGE thank you to all the parents and community members who helped improve our playground during the school holidays.

Thank you to Bunnings for donating items for Early Intervention, Inverell Shire Council for donating cement tunnels, Phil Paton for bringing his bobcat and the Beattie family for their time and dinosaur rocks. Thanks also to John Rosberg, Ben Chaffey, Ben Campbell, Brian and Ally Campbell, Jamie Riley, Kevin and Kerry Campbell, Oliver family, Quartly family, Ballinger family, Griffin family, O'Sullivan family, Stephen Gadd and Luke Sue-Fong.

Our new digging patch and sandpit around the primary equipment, checkers and chess boards, handball courts, music board, tactile boards and water feature are truly appreciated.

Thank you to the P&C for funding these projects.



Cross Country

The School Cross Country will be tomorrow Friday 24th April on the bottom field commencing with Year 2 at 12.30pm. Don't forget to bring your hat, water bottle and joggers.

All parents and carers welcome to cheer on our runners.



Easter Raffle Winners

Congratulations to our Easter raffle winners which was drawn on the last day of Term 1.

1st prize D Vidler, 2nd prize K Rynne and 3rd prize W McLachlan.

Thank you to everyone who bought and sold tickets.



SCHOOL FEES

We are very lucky in Australia to be able to receive a quality education at an incredibly low cost. This week accounts have been posted home for your child's school fees which are very minimal in covering the actual cost of educating our children but do provide extra funds to meet the needs not covered in our allocated budget. This year your school fee contribution will be used to purchase new resources for our school. We thank those parents who have already paid and appreciate



Winter Uniform

Boys– Grey Pants, red/white school shirt, red jumper with school emblem/ school jacket with school emblem, grey socks, black shoes

Girls– Red tartan pants or skirt, white shirt, red jumper with school emblem/ school jacket with school emblem, white socks, black shoes
Winter pants are available from Kaspers Embroidery for \$36.00 and the winter tartan fabric is available from Welcome Back Fabric Barn.