



NEWSLETTER

Thursday 4th August, 2016
Week 3, Term 3

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Up and Coming

August

- Friday 5** 4/5D Kitchen Garden
Jump Rope for Heart- Jump Off
- Tuesday 9, 10, 11** Early Birds Transition Program Begins
- Wednesday 10** Zone Athletics Carnival
- Wednesday 15** Craze Dance "Mulan"
- Thursday 18** P&C Meeting 6.30pm
3B Kitchen Garden
- Friday 19** Koala Detection Program
- Monday 22-26** Eisteddfod
- Tuesday 23, 24, 25,** Early Birds Transition Program
UNE Discovery Bus- Year 4-6
- Thursday 25** 3W Kitchen Garden
- Friday 26** Final Payment due Lake Burrendong
- Wednesday 31** Fathers Day Stall

September

- Thursday 1** Fathers Day Stall
- Friday 2** Regional Athletics
- Tuesday 6-8** Early Birds Transition Program
- Monday 19-23** Lake Burrendong Excursion Year 5-6

Spelling Bee

On Tuesday, the Inverell Public School Spelling Bee was held in the hall. Both the junior and senior competitions had audience members on the edge of their seats. The students put a lot of time into practising and it certainly paid off. They correctly spelt many tricky words, including: vindictive, waistcoat, conquer, mercury, dramatic and trampoline.

Thank you to the parents, carers and family members who attended and also to those who couldn't make it, but assisted their children in learning their words. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Charlie Wall and Ben Steinhardt were named the Junior Spelling Bee Champions and Hannah Mills and Takiah Paton, the Senior Champions. These students will be representing our school at the Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Finals in Armidale next month. We have absolutely no doubt that they will do our school proud and we wish them the best of luck.



Fire Ants

5/6C were presented with a \$500.00 cheque from Department of Primary Industries for 3rd placement in a state wide competition. Our prize winning entry was a radio interview that was broadcast on Gem FM last term which addressed the biosecurity threat of Fire Ants. We enjoyed researching this topic and plan to spend the prize money on more science resources for the whole school to enjoy. By Sophie Draycott



Early Birds Program- begins next week!

The program will run from **12.00-1.00pm** fortnightly on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays starting next Tuesday 9th August, for those families who are interested in enrolling in Kindergarten at Inverell Public School for 2017.
Week 4 (9th, 10th, 11th August) Week 6 (23rd, 24th 25th August)
Week 8 (6th, 7th, 8th September)

The program will continue in Term 4, during week 2, 4 and 6. A bus will transport those attending from the respective pre-school/childcare centres from 11.30am and return the children by 1.30pm on these days. Parents may wish, however, to bring their child at 12.00pm and collect them at 1.00pm.

The program will orientate your child to school and to the Kindergarten setting, helping to develop social, emotional, gross and fine motor skills, along with literacy and numeracy based activities that support a confident and smooth start to school life. Please contact the office for further details or return the slip below:

Child's Name _____ M/F _____
DOB ____/____/____ Siblings at IPS _____
Attends Preschool at _____ Parent/Carer _____
Address _____ Ph: _____

Preferred Day (circle all or any combination) Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Principals Note- Education Week

The theme for 2016 Education Week is “ **shared stories, better learning and stronger communities**” and I feel this Education Week provides an opportunity to think about the essential partnership that Inverell Public School enjoys with it's very supportive and interested community.



As much as schools would like to believe that they are the most important elements in a child's learning the fact of the matter is that parents count for more than 50% in a child's learning– some researchers say up to 85%. All researchers agree that when parents are actively involved their child's education, the better children do at school.

Many thanks to all who came to the Education Week Assembly to recognise the achievements of our students and for taking the time to view our open classrooms.

To keep our school growing we value input from families and encourage feedback and ideas about what is working well and suggestions for further improvements so please feel free to contact the school at any time.

Education Week- Class Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at the Education Week assembly yesterday-

KB Ruby Laing

KG Blake Baxter

IT Nate Dennis

Samual Paton

Ruby Rogan

Isabella Bartola

KP Summah Buckland

1M Elijah Vidovic

1C Tayla Hubner

Gus Fuller

Indi English

William Pye

2A Abbie Holland

K-6C Mitchell McColl

1/2W Connor Kingi-Brownleigh

Hailee Hancock

Oliver Thomas

3W Zac Riley

Hunter Pritchard

Toby Price

Zac O'Grady

Henry Ballinger

2B Tenny Boy Jr Pasco

3B Samual Luppino

Sima Vaziri

3/4P Cooper Flemming

5F Keyton Rynne

6O Jared Martin

Olivia Madden

John Bailey

Liam Snaith

Emma Kenndey

Amity Dyke



Book Fair

This years Book Fair was held in association with the Dust Jacket. The children enjoyed shopping and viewing all of the fabulous books, games and resources supplied.

The Dust Jacket has kindly donated a percentage of sales to the school which will be used to purchase valuable resources for the Library and we greatly appreciate their support.



Joe Little and Andrew Wietecki

Recognition of Contribution by Students to School Life and Learning Students

Joe and Andrew are Year Six student who holds the Core Values of Inverell Public School Cooperate, Achieve, Respect and Excel in high regard.

They models this commitment and understanding of the values through:

- being a contributing and considerate team members in all school activities
- quietly and effectively assuming a leadership roles when required
- striving to do their best on the sports field, the playground or the classroom and
- modelling a high standard of conduct to other students at all times

Joe and Andrew are diligent and conscientious students who are always willing to lend a hand and assist other students while employing a cheerful and courteous manner. They contribute in the kitchen garden, breakfast club, sporting activities and assemblies, making a significant contribution to school life.



Meg Fuller and Phil Quartly

Recognition of Contribution by Members of the School Community

I proudly present the Community Engagement Award to Meg Fuller and Phil Quartly, who can be relied upon to be active, cheerful contributors to Inverell Public School events. Both Meg and Phil have been actively involved in working bees, painting, playground restoration and fundraising activities. Our annual Family fun Day Fete has been greatly enhanced with the effort and enthusiasm with which Meg and Phil have displayed – particularly at the cake, craft and art stalls. They can be relied upon to get involved and contribute to making every event a success.

Meg has also been a member of Inverell Public School P&C for several years, accepting the challenging role of Treasurer ensuring that processes and records were correctly and clearly maintained. At meetings Meg's thoughtful and considered opinions enhanced P&C discussions, helping to ensure that all details were considered to achieve the best results for students.

Inverell Public School is most appreciative of the effort that Meg and Phil have contributed and greatly appreciates their commitment as such staunch supporters



Lesley Beattie

Recognition of Contribution to School Life and Learning by a Staff Member

Mrs Lesley Beattie has led an extensive science learning program at Inverell Public School since 2013. Her work has empowered the staff to embrace the Science Curriculum and fostered students' enthusiasm for learning about the world around them. Mrs Beattie established the school's kitchen garden in 2014 designing and implementing the concept of 'garden to plate'. This has resulted in the vegetable garden produce being used each week by our students in hands- on cooking lessons.

The educational perspectives of quality environmental practice to develop understanding of individual responsibility towards looking after the natural environment have been central to Mrs Beattie's work as she maintains a focus on learning for life beyond the school gate. Mrs Beattie organises engaging Science activities, environmental projects, recycling programs and focus days with enthusiasm and expertise. She is a leader in her teaching of the Science Curriculum. Her work continues to build staff and student capacity to value the understanding of science as an important component of 21st Century learning.



National Tree Day

IPS students were very excited to get their hands a little dirty as part of the National Tree Day and the Education Week celebrations.

New fruit tree's were planted to compliment our orchard.



Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to **Sweaney** who were the winning house at the IPS Athletics Carnival held last Friday. Beautiful weather, great sportsmanship and wonderful support from staff and parents helped make the day a success. Well done to the following champions.

Junior Boy: Brodie Snaith R/U Fergus Quartly

Junior Girl: Matilda Oliver R/U Ruby Fuller

11yrs Boy: Lochie Solomon R/U Zac O'Grady

11yr Girls: Poppy Price R/U Indra Renwick-Graham

Senior Boy: Dylan Mutimer R/U Jared Martin

Senior Girl: Jessica Partridge R/U Bindi Maybury-Spicer

A further congratulations to Jessica Partridge who broke the Senior Girls discus record and for also being named Players Player at the State Netball Carnival for the North West team. Well done Jess!

Due to the wet weather this week the Zone Carnival has been postponed to Wednesday 10th August. Good luck to all students competing.



100 Day of Kindergarten

Last Wednesday, Kindergarten students celebrated 100 wonderful days of school. We drew pictures of what we think we will look like in 100 years time. We also showed how clever we are by writing the numbers 1-100!



Premiers Reading Challenge



The Premiers Reading Challenge is once again drawing to a close. Student Reading Records must be completed and handed in by 19 August 2016 to complete the Challenge. These could either be completed online or on the Reading Record Sheet handed out. To complete your child's Reading Record online complete the following. **1:** Go to the PRC website. **2:** Log on using your child's username and password they use on the school computers. **3:** Click on Student Reading Record to enter books by

- Going to the relevant booklist and clicking on the book title you want and then click 'add'. Or
- Type in the title of the book in the box.

4. Log off when you are finished adding books. If you complete your child's record online that is great and I will check them by the 19th of August and validate them.

If you have completed a written record they need to be handed in to Mrs Collins by the 19th August so I can enter them online. Congratulations to those students already finished and entered. Mrs Collins.

Canteen Roster

Friday 5/8	Monday 8/8	Tuesday 9/8	Wednesday 10/8	Thursday 11/8
Olivia Ellis	Help Needed	Help Needed	Olivia Ellis	Gemma