



Iluka Public School - Newsletter 1

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Dates to Remember

2017

Term 1

Tuesday Feb 7

Primary
Swimming Carnival

Thursday Feb 9

4.00-6.00pm
Family BBQ

Friday Feb 10

Infants Swimming
Carnival

Thursday Feb 16

Small Schools
Swimming Carnival

Friday Feb 24

Say No To Bullying Day

Wednesday June 21

SCHOOL PHOTOS

~ SPECIAL EVENTS ~

P&C AGM Monday 20/03/17

Principal's News

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Carers,
Welcome back to Iluka Public School 2017 school year. I trust you all enjoyed the extra family time over the holidays and that your children are ready for an exciting year ahead. The Iluka teaching team has a wonderful 2017 planned for your children with new programs and exciting opportunities on offer.

Again, it is an honour to be the Principal of our wonderful school. I consider my position one of privilege and take my responsibilities seriously. I will ensure Iluka Public School has enthusiastic, motivated staff who will provide high quality teaching, catering for all students' needs and abilities. I look forward to welcoming again our families over the coming weeks.

On Monday we commenced the year with a whole school assembly to welcome everyone back. Students started the week in their new classes until final student numbers and class organisations can be confirmed against actual returning students. This is a practice that many NSW Department of Education Schools elect to follow to minimise undue organisational disruption to students in the event that changes are required to be made to class structure in response to any unexpected increases or decreases in whole school student enrolments. As of today the classes are as follows;

Class and Teacher Arrangements and student numbers for 2017

Year 6:	17 students
Year 5:	23 students
Year 4:	24 students
Year 3:	14 students
Year 2:	22 students
Year 1:	20 students
Kindergarten:	17 students

Year 5/6:	Mrs Howard
Year 4/5:	Mr Melrose
Year 3/4:	Mrs Cunningham
Year 2:	Mr Jones / Mrs Edwards
Year 1:	Mrs Gardner
Kindergarten:	Miss Essery

In 2017 Miss Anderson will not have a class. She will be working as the Librarian and Release from Face to Face teacher. This means all students will have the opportunity to work with her during the year. During Term 1, Miss Anderson will be organising Health and Personal Development classes during

her time in class. During Term 2 and 3, Miss Anderson will be trialling STEM classes (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) programs across all classes.

Mrs Jess Edwards will again be the Learning and Support Teacher. She will be working part time (2 days per week) in this role. Mrs Edwards will also be taking Year 2 on Fridays. This is at Mr Jones' request so that he can spend quality time at home with his new wife as they await for their new born baby.

Updated Web Site and Facebook

We have updated our website! The address stays the same at ilukapublicschool.com Please take a look. It contains some important dates that have already been planned. Our school also uses Facebook for all of our immediate up to date communications. The school encourages all families in our school to like us on Facebook or to download the webpage as an App.

School Leaders for 2017

Nick Deakin – Captain
Bella Duncombe – Vice Captain
Harvey McEwan – Prefect
Olivia Hinde – Prefect
Taylor Edie – Prefect
Jazmyn Adey – Prefect



School Fees

All students will be required to purchase workbooks in 2017. Costs remain as per 2016 and are as follows:

Kindergarten, Year 4 and 6 - \$60 (DIPL book required)

Years 1, 2, 3 and 5 - \$40 (no DIPL book required)

Workbooks include a DIPL Spelling book, Handwriting, Life Education and a Home Reading Journal. Please note a 10% discount will be given to all families who pay their fees off by the end of Term 1.

Primary Swimming Carnival

The Iluka Public School Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday 7 February at the Maclean Pool for students turning 8 years of age and over. The day will be a mixture of competitive and non-competitive events. A coloured permission note is attached to this newsletter. Students not turning 8 (Kindy and Year 1 and some Year 2) will attend their own swimming carnival Friday 10 February at the Anchorage Caravan Park.

Update your details

Now is the perfect time to update your school details. If you have had a change in contact details please advise the office. It is essential that if an emergency occurs at school, a child's parents / carers can be contacted immediately. Also, requiring an update is any changed information regarding employment status. Schools are now funded by a process that looks at the complexity of the community including family educational and employment status. The higher the level of unemployment and the lower level of education of parent/carer, the more funding the school attracts. If you have become unemployed or have moved from full time to part time, please contact the school. The Department of Education otherwise will use the information from the enrolment form you completed when your child entered Iluka Public School. This information may be up to seven years old and may not accurately reflect your current situation.

Extra Curricular Activities

Scripture - Classes will begin on Monday 13th February for Kindy, Year 1 & Year 2 and Tuesday 14th February for Years 3, 4/5 & 5/6. All students will be attending the 30 minute lesson unless a written note withdrawing them from the class is given to the child's teacher.

Music/Piano Lessons/Singing - Mrs Anne Commerford will be commencing her piano and/or singing lessons this Thursday 2 February 2017. Students or parents interested should see Anne from 12.30pm.

Dance Eisteddfod Practice - We look forward to Mandy returning to Iluka. Mandy will be taking all classes for dance rehearsals. This is in preparation for the Grafton Eisteddfod. Classes start 8th & 9th February and will be held in the afternoon.

Phil Bradmore

Kindy Class News

I wish to extend a big warm welcome to our 2017 Kindergarten students and families.

The Kindergarten students have all settled well and are currently learning class routines, as well as expected classroom behaviours. A big thank you to all parents and carers for your support in getting the Kindergarten students off to such a great start.

Crunch & Sip-Crunch and Sip is a whole school program which promotes the eating of healthy food and takes place during the morning session, at approximately 10:00am each day. Please pack one small serving of fresh fruit or vegetables, as well as a bottle of water. Please cut or peel the fruit/vegetables so that it is easier for your child to eat.

Clothing:

*Your child will need to have in their school bag, on a daily basis, a change of clothing.

*There is a '**No Hat, No Play**' safety rule at Iluka Public School. Please ensure your child has his/her school hat each day, which is clearly labelled with their name and class.

Home Travel - Parents are asked not to wait outside the classroom to pick up students at the end of the day, as this can cause your child and other students to become unsettled and restless when listening to final instructions or when completing lessons. Instead, students will be brought to the 'meeting area' (the brown tables nearest to the entrance to the school) for picking up at the end of the school day. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Friday Assembly-On Friday 10th February, Iluka Public School will be holding its first whole school assembly for 2017. The assembly will commence at 12:15pm and conclude at 1:00pm. Kindergarten students will be performing a class item at this assembly, a song called Mr Clicketty Cane. All parents/carers, family members and community members are most welcome to attend.

Reminders:

*Best Start Kindergarten Assessment in Numeracy commences this week.

*Infants Swimming Carnival is on Friday 10th February at the Iluka Anchorage Caravan Park. Please return your child's permission note by Thursday 9th February.

*Kindergarten's Mad Hatters Tea Party is on Monday 13th February. Please return RSVP slip by Friday 10th February.

***Please label EVERYTHING your child brings to school.**

Lynne



Roster Term 1

Monday
06/02/17

Karla, Cass, Sandy

Friday
10/02/17

Sandy, Mark, Leah S

This weeks donations
KINDY

Karla: 0405 638 768
Cassandra: 0413 044 405



Year 1 Class News

Welcome to Year 1 students and their families. Everyone has settled quickly for what will be an exciting and busy year. Parents, please call in and see me if there is anything you need to discuss or clarify.

Swimming Carnival - The Infants Swimming Carnival will be held at the Anchorage Caravan Park on Friday 10th February. Please refer to the separate permission and return promptly.

Home Reading Program - Home reading has commenced for the year. Getting started early sets your child up for success. At this stage, students have roughly picked up from where they were at the end of last year, but levels will be monitored and updated as necessary. Journals will be checked every Tuesday. I have provided a clear pouch for home readers, but you are welcome to use your own if you wish. However, it is requested that a clear pouch is used to enable book titles to be visible. Thank you for your cooperation.

Supplies - Students in Year 1 may wish to bring along a small pencil case containing some HB lead pencils, an eraser, glue stick and coloured pencils. An old shirt from home would be useful as a paint shirt.

Library Day - Year 1 students will attend library on Tuesdays with Miss Anderson. Please ensure your child has a library bag to enable them to borrow a book from our wonderful library.

Book Fees - Books fees are now due. Please pay \$60 so that your child can begin using their workbooks as soon as possible. Thank you.

Kristy

Year 2 Class News

2017 is here and the school year has begun. I would like to welcome all the Year 2 students and their families. As you may already be aware, I will be the Year 2 teacher for the year. I will be working Monday through to Thursday and Miss Edwards will be on the Year 2 class on Fridays. Once again all classes at IPS will be placing a strong emphasis on home reading. Home reading journals will be handed out to students during this week and they can begin their home reading journey to reach 200 nights.

Swimming Carnival: If your child is turning 8 this year this means they will be participating in the swimming carnival next Tuesday at the Maclean Pool. If your child does not turn 8 this year they will be staying back at school with Mrs Gardner. These students will then participate in the Infants Swimming Carnival at the Anchorage on Friday the 10th of February.

Class Dojo: Throughout the year I will be placing a strong emphasis on communication with parents through the use of Class Dojo. Yesterday I sent home a note with information regarding the use of Class Dojo for our class. If you didn't receive one, please come and see me down in my classroom and I can provide you with the details. The Class Dojo system makes it extremely easy for you to receive important messages for upcoming events, notes that have gone home and even photos and information about each child's work in class. The students will all have their own area within the interactive tool to post pictures of their work and only their connected parents will be able to see it. It will also allow the parents to be instantly informed of your child's behaviour each day within the classroom. I am hoping all parents sign up to this fantastic free online resource.

I hope everyone has a good week and I will chat in further detail about school supplies, homework etc through our Class Dojo.

Mr Jones.

Year 3/4 Class News

Hello everyone and welcome to the year 3/4 class. It was lovely to see such enthusiastic faces on the first day.

Stationaries: Please ensure that your child is equipped each day for learning. They will require a small pencil case with a red pen, lead pencils and a rubber.

Home Reading: Home Readers were sent home yesterday. The aim is for the students to reach 200 nights for the year. Home Readers are to be submitted every Tuesday. At the end of the year the students who attained their goal of 200 nights will receive a surprise off Mr Bradmore.

Library: Library will be with Miss Anderson on Tuesday's. Please ensure they bring a bag in to borrow Library books.

Book Fees - Books fees are now due. Please pay so that your child can begin using their workbooks as soon as possible.

Fruit Break will be at 10.00am. Please send either fruit or vegetable to school with your child.

Class Dojo system: Today I sent home a note with information regarding the use of Class Dojo for our class. The Class Dojo system is a great communication tool it makes it extremely easy for you to receive important messages for upcoming events, notes that have gone home and even photos and information about each child's work in class. The students will all have their own area within the interactive tool to post pictures of their work and only their connected parents will be able to see it. It will also allow the parents to be instantly informed of your child's behaviour each day within the classroom. I am hoping all parents sign up to this fantastic free online resource. I look forward to working with you and your children and truly believe that **involved parents make a real difference**.

I look forward to working with you all.
Have a great week
Bek.

Year 4/5 Class News

Good morning all and a warm welcome back to 2017. It was great to see all the students return fit, fresh and keen to work.

A free **Family BBQ** - Come and Meet the Principal, Teachers, P&C, Tuckshop and Others Night'. This will be held at school in Week 3, Thursday 9 February, 2017. Time 4.00pm to 6.00pm

The **swimming carnival** will be held at the Maclean pool on Tuesday 7th February. Please return the attached permission note as soon as possible.

Home Reading Journals will be handed out this week. They are to be returned each Monday to be checked.

On Wednesdays Mrs Anderson will have the class for **PDHPE**. Please ensure you come properly prepared for the day.

Please send your child to school with the **supplies** necessary to complete lessons. (pencil, pen, rubber, ruler.)

Fruit Break will be at 10.00am. Please send either fruit or vegetable to school with your child.

No hat - No play! Your child needs to bring a hat and if possible a water bottle.

The first **-Whole School Assembly** - will be held on Friday the 10th February. Parents welcome.

Have a great week.
John

Year 5/6 Class News

Welcome back to a fresh new year!

Im really looking forward to working with the senior children this year as well as parents and carers. I hope that everyone had an enjoyable break and feel rejuvenated and ready for a productive 2017.

Class requirements: Stationary needed include: 2 blue and red biros, 2 lead pencils, eraser, ruler, glue stick, coloured pencils and a set of textas. An A4 display folder could also be handy for storing homework and other class work in.

Our first week: will include getting to discuss our holidays, setting some goals for the year, discussion about classroom expectations and the completion of diagnostic testing to set some benchmarks for the year. We will also be working on title pages in our workbooks as well as creating some artistic covers for them.

Home Reading Journals: have been handed out and the children can start their nightly reading with the completion of the journal. It is a positive routine and reinforces what is being done in the classroom. Journals will be collected every second week by me to check how things are going as well as writing a brief comment. If your child has their own novel they are reading that is fine. They will also have the chance to borrow from the library as well as class readers.

Nice to see many happy and enthusiastic faces in our room. They are a great bunch and Im looking forward to a super year. Nice to see the lawns so green around the school. Hope you are coping OK with the high humidity!
Until next week,
Di.

Library

Hello everyone,

Welcome back to the first week of school for 2017. Due to my new role as the School Librarian and RFF Teacher, I will be working with each class on a weekly basis. I am really looking forward to working with all of the students. Library borrowing will commence next week. Students are required to bring a library bag in order to borrow a book. I have Library bags for sale for just \$2 each if you would like to purchase one.

Library Days:

MONDAY:	Year 2 and Kindergarten
TUESDAY:	Year 3/4 and Year 1
WEDNESDAY:	Year 4/5 and Year 5/6

I will be handing out Issue 1 of the Scholastic Book Club to all students this week. If you wish to order from this issue please return the order form and payment to me before February the 17th. You also have the option to order and pay online. Every order that is placed, earns 20% back in rewards for our school. This enables me to purchase new books and resources for the students to use.

Have a great week.
Stacey

School Banking

Welcome back – to Term 1 and a New Year!

Banking will resume this Friday 3rd February; I will collect bank books every Friday morning and return on Monday. If you are interested in starting the school banking program, please contact me and I will organize an application form –a form will be handed out to the new Kinder Class.

Each week a banker deposits they will receive a token – when they have collected 10 tokens they can redeem a reward (this year's theme and rewards are yet to be announced). I will also issue rewards throughout the year for their banking efforts –

Bronze award – 10 deposits
Silver award – 20 deposits
Gold award – 30 deposits
Outstanding Saver – 40 deposits

If you have any questions please contact me –
Thank you
Jess



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COME & TRY SKILLS CLINIC WITH THE N.R.L. GOLD COAST TITANS PLAYERS & DEVELOPMENT STAFF.

WHEN : WEDNESDAY 1ST, FEBRUARY 2017. @ 4PM – 5PM

WHERE : WHERRETT PARK, MACLEAN.

Contact : Kel Menchin NRL GDO
E. kmenchin@nrl.com.au mob. 0407069101

Iluka Netball Club

Registration is now open for the 2017 Netball Season. All previous players should have received an email with a link to the online registration site.

Players Junior & Senior rally your friends together so we can have teams organised well before 25th February.

We will be holding a general meeting on Monday 13th February at 7pm all welcome
Venue: 35 Hammond Street.

Any new players can find the link to registration on our Facebook page or contact a committee member.

Nicola Donsworth - President
0412 106 045

Jodie Page - Treasurer/Registrar
0423 653 640

Tennis

Tennis will re commence @ Iluka School on Thursday 2nd February @ 1pm.

Cost for term is \$80/8 weeks. Racquets are available for use & purchase if required.

Any enquiries please call coach Alan Jurd on mob. 0416016775.



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Parenting *ideas*

Make this year your child's best ever at school

By Michael Grose

A new school year means a fresh start for students. Regardless of your child's performance last year, they start school with a clean slate. A break offers students the chance to begin new habits and adopt new behaviours.

Here are five ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever year at school:

1. Commit to your child going to school every day on time. One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day – and gets there on time. Kids spend more time asleep than at school, so we need to maximise every day to get full value.
2. Help kids start each day well. A good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and some words of encouragement from you will help set a positive tone for a day of learning. This may mean that you adjust your morning routine so that kids have plenty of time get up, eat and get ready for the day.
3. Establish work & study habits. The most successful students are those that develop regular study habits that suit their lifestyle, their study style and their school's expectations. Find out the work expectations from your child's or young person's school and help them establish a work routine that matches.
4. Make sure your child gets enough sleep. Many children and young people are sleep-deprived, which impacts on their wellbeing and their learning. A good night's sleep consolidates learning, as well as assisting future learning. Children need between 10-12 hours of sleep each day, while teens need a minimum of nine hours. Help kids get sufficient sleep by having a regular bedtime and get-up time each day. Have a 45-minute wind-down time each night, and remove screens and mobile phones from bedrooms.
5. Insist kids exercise. The old saying about 'a healthy body and a healthy mind' is so true. Exercise releases the chemicals needed for learning and wellbeing. Yet kids today get less exercise than those of past generations, which is an impediment to learning and mental health. Health professionals recommend a minimum of 60 minutes of exercise per day for kids of all ages. Encourage your child to play sport; promote free and active play and look for ways to make moving part of their daily lives.



To all Parents/ Carers,

Hello and a big welcome back to all our families. This year tuckshop will be opening on Mondays AND Fridays. Please fill out the bottom form with your details if you are able to go on this terms roster or if you have a specific date you would like to help out on please also write this down for us. All the children just absolutely love seeing their family members helping out and we also really appreciate your help. All our volunteers also receive a free lunch and unlimited tea/coffee. Approx times are from 830/9am til around 130pm.

Our school tuckshop relies heavily on donations by our families. Each week we will have a nominated class to be in charge of the donations to be brought in to supply our recess break. These donations can be anything from fruit, yoghurt, jelly cups, salads, cakes, biscuits or slices, celery and carrot sticks, fried rice... the list is endless so anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

Tuckshop Procedures:

Recess - At recess students can make a purchase from the tuckshop by simply lining up at the lines near the tuckshop. The teacher on duty will monitor the tuckshop line and ensure younger students and new students know where to line up.

Lunch - No lunches can be purchased over the counter. Students wishing to place a lunch order may do so at the tuckshop before school. Simply write the students name, class and what they wish to order on a paper lunch bag and place the money inside. Paper lunch bags are available at the tuckshop if required.

Menu - Attached is a copy of the menu.

Our first day open will be on Monday 6th Feb. Class donations will be from KINDERGARTEN class for this week.

Monday Volunteers will be Karla, Cass and Sandy.
Friday volunteers will be Sandy, Mark and Leah S.

Please return the below slip as soon as possible with all your details so we can get a roster done up for the term.

I would love to help volunteer on Mondays / Fridays. (Please circle available day).

My details are Name _____

Phone Number _____

Thankyou and we hope to work with you in the tuckshop soon!

Karla & Cass

Tuckshop Menu

(New) Chicken Drumstick (Honey soy or seasoned) \$1.50 (GF)

(New) Corn on the cob 50c (GF)

Snack size pies 80c

Large sausage Rolls \$2.50

Lasagne \$2.50

Hotdogs with sauce \$2.50

Hawaiian Pizza \$3.00

Chicken & Gravy Roll \$3.00

Chicken burger \$3.50

Salad plate with Chicken or Ham \$3.50 (GF)

Sandwiches (fresh or toasted) a variety of toppings available Ham, Chicken, Salami, Cheese, tomato, egg & lettuce \$2.50

Salad Sandwiches (Chicken & salad or Ham & salad) \$3.50

(sandwiches can now be made GF please request on your order if required)

(New) Wraps (Chicken & salad or ham & salad) \$4.00

Juice Popper \$1.00

Milk Popper \$1.50

Bottled Water \$2.00

(GF) Gluten free option

