



Iluka Public School Newsletter 27

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Education Director Visit

Iluka Public School is truly an exceptional learning environment and I am proud to be the Principal. Last Thursday, Mr David Robsen, our new Education Director from Newcastle visited our school and commented on the special quality and wonderful tone that exists here. The students' behaviour, manners and caring nature were certainly noted on that day.

This caring nature was exemplified on Monday as Suz Monin from QUOTA presented Year 3 student Riley Swan with an award for his act of kindness towards another students in our playground. Well done Riley!



Open Day

Open day was fantastic! Open Day offers the community a chance to witness what and how our students are learning. Iluka Public School was proud to welcome parents and friends who took advantage to visit. Large numbers enjoyed time in the classroom to look through the students' books. This was combined with a Whole School Assembly during which the Mayor presented our school with a special "Waterwise" certificate and our award winning choir showcased their talents. The book fair was also a huge success and it was great to see so many families looking at the titles together. The large numbers of parents and friends highlighted that not only are our students excited to show off their work, but families are equally excited and proud to visit. Again, as the Principal I admire the parents who are extremely supportive, proactive and work together to ensure our students have the very best resources and opportunities possible.



Book Week

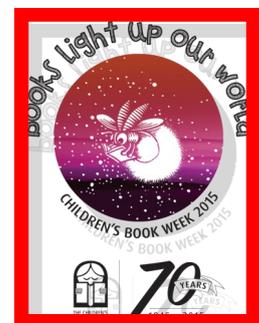
This week the school celebrates 'Book Week'. The theme this year is "Books Light up Our World". All students from Kinder to Year 6 have been invited to attend our wonderful town library on Wednesday 26 August. Students will be read a book from those nominated by the Children's Book Council as the 'Book of the Year' and to explore our town library. Permission notes have gone out and must be returned on Wednesday.

Please use this week as a chance to again support your child with their home reading. It is very rewarding.

Week Seven

This week many of our students are involved in a range of activities. Our dance troupe is performing at the Saraton Theatre on Wednesday night as part of the Small Schools Big Impact Concert. Thank you to the parents/carers helping with the transport and to Mandy for her clever and entertaining choreography. I know the troupe (boys and girls) have given up their lunch times to practice and are looking forward to performing.

Also, our girl's netball team is very busy. Today they are playing in Maclean for the Daily



Wednesday 26 August

Book Week @ town library

Small Schools Big Impact concert @ Saraton Theatre Grafton

Thursday 27 August

PSSA Netball

Monday 31 August

Canteen Meeting @ 2.15pm

Thursday 3 September

Kindergarten Parent Information Night

Friday 4 September

Touch Football Gala Day

Tuesday 8 September

Life Education Van

Thursday 10 September

Rugby Union Gala Day

Thursday 17 September

School Concert

Term 4 Events

18-22 October

Canberra Excursion

9-12 November

Cascade Excursion

Canteen Duty

Monday 31 August

Kylie, Dom, Kelly and Jasmin

Examiner Shield. On Thursday, the girls play in Round 6 of the PSSA knockout competition. We welcome Pottsville Public School who will be here to play our team commencing at 12 o'clock. Thankyou to Mrs Cunningham on preparing our team for these big games. **STOP THE PRESS!!!** The girls were victorious today in Maclean and won this year's Daily Examiner Shield—congratulations!



On Friday, we wish five of our athletes all the best as they compete in the North Coast Athletics Carnival. To make this carnival is a wonderful achievement. Good luck to Amelia (Shotput), Ned (100m, 800m), James (100m), Emily (800m, discus) and Grace (800m).

NAPLAN Results

Today students in Years 3 and 5 are taking home their NAPLAN results. Our school will analyse these results to utilise this data for future planning. If you have any concerns, please contact me.

Professional Learning

Iluka Public School is committed to ensuring that its teachers are involved in a process of continual learning and attending quality professional learning opportunities. On Saturday, the majority of staff attended "The Seven Steps to Successful Writing" course held in Yamba. I thank them for giving up a day of their weekend. It is pleasing to see that our students continually receive the very best teaching possible.



Father's Day

Finally, a huge thank you to the P & C, Aleisha McEwen and Lisa Cok for organising a handmade gift and a gift stall in time for Father's Day. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to ensure that their "Dad" or role figure has something special to receive. The Father's Day stall will be held on Tuesday 1 September. Each class will visit the stall throughout the morning and there will be a variety of items on sale from \$1-\$5.



Kindergarten Enrolments

If you have a child eligible to start Kindergarten in 2016, or have relatives or know someone who has, please contact the school office to obtain the relevant enrolment forms.

Have a great week

Phil Bradmore

Kinder Class News

Open Day-It was wonderful to see so many parents, family members and community members attend our Open Day celebration. The kindergarten students were so excited to have you visit their classroom and to attend the book fair. Thank you so much for your support.

Writers Inservice-As I tell my students, you can always learn something new. Well our writers inservice course in Yamba on Saturday proved that for me. I came away with an array of ideas that I can implement into my classroom writing lessons.

Spelling-Our spelling list for this week - **father, for, from.**

Mathematics-This term the Kindergarten students are participating in our class devised program called **G.R.A.S.P.** (Getting Right Addition and Subtraction Problems). The students work with a partner on a weekly basis, to develop strategies which aid the quick recall of facts relating to addition and subtraction sums.



Reminders:

***Town library visit this Wednesday.** Please ensure all white permission notes are returned by Wednesday.

***Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopter** colouring in competitions are due this Friday.

Lynne

1/2 Class News

Open Day - Thank you to the many parents, grandparents, carers and friends who attended Open Day last Friday. The students were so proud to show their work and share with you what they do all day at school. Also, thank you for supporting the Book Fair. It was a huge success and children have some cheap but great books to read.

Professional Learning - I attended a course in Yamba on Saturday and gained some ideas to encourage students to produce really interesting and engaging pieces of writing. I look forward to implementing these ideas in the classroom and seeing the creativity come to life in the students' work.

Library Visit - We will be visiting the town library this Wednesday to celebrate Book Week. Students will walk to and from the library and must return their permission note to attend this **free** excursion.

Have a wonderful week.

Kristy



2/3 Class News

Thanks to all parents and carers for attending the Open Day last Friday. Ms Anderson will return to class next week. Meanwhile students are working on their 4 times tables this week and homework and home reading journals are due on Friday. We will be rehearsing our concert items after lunch times this week. Please remember your child's Bookweek note so they can attend the library on Wednesday. Year 3 NAPLAN results will be sent home today.



3/4 Class News

Open Day- Thank you to all the parents, carers, grandparents and friends that attended the Open Day last Friday. The children were beaming. It was wonderful to see how proud they were of themselves and their school.

Homework: Revision/spelling sheets were sent home yesterday. The students are also reminded to bring in a stick with them on Thursday. We are making spears as props for our concert item.

Excursion: Town library visit this Wednesday. Please ensure all white permission notes are returned by Wednesday.

NAPLAN: NAPLAN results will be sent home with your child today. Any queries please do not hesitate to come in and see me.

Professional Development: Over the weekend I attended a writing seminar in Yamba. Once again I am looking forward to incorporating the new concepts into my teaching.



4/5 Class News

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, carers and friends who attended the **Open Day** last Friday. The students were delighted to display their work and show you what they do at school. Thanks also for supporting the **Book Fair**. It was a huge success.

The students will be walking to the **Town Library** this Wednesday so please ensure the children have returned their permission slip.

Students need to have started their '**Government**' research project so as not to leave it to the last minute. It is due back at school on the 11th September. If the students are having any difficulties they are welcome to seek assistance from the teachers.

Best wishes to all students participating in the '**Big Impact Concert**' tomorrow in Grafton and in the **North Coast Regional Athletics Carnival** in Lismore this Friday.

Homework is being sent out and collected each week. I encourage all students to make an effort in completing and returning this work as it is relevant to current school work.

NAPLAN results will be sent home with the students today. Please feel free to contact me if there are any queries. In order to confirm bookings, accommodation and catering, the school needs to have final numbers for the **Canberra Excursion** by the end of week nine. Please look to this matter so as not to miss this exceptional opportunity for your child.

Enjoy the week. John



5/6 Class News

Thank You: for coming along to our open day last Friday. The children really enjoy sharing their work with you. If you couldn't make it on the day, feel free to pop in before school some time. You are always welcome.

Sport: some of the children have a lot of sport on this week in which they are representing the school at. Early nights, good food and plenty of water will help. If they are missing class work I always encourage them to catch up the set text book work (for their own benefit).

Book Week: we head down to the town library tomorrow for a visit. Notes need to be in tomorrow.

Big Impact Concert: best wishes to the children attending this evening in Grafton tomorrow.

The writing course I attended on Saturday was very beneficial. Lots of great ideas to try out with the class. Enjoy the rain, Di.



Library / Technology News

This year's book sale was a great success and we raised just over \$550 for our school. We appreciate everyone's contribution to the book sale whether it was big or small as every cent counts towards new resources for our school and the students.

On Saturday I attended the 7 Steps to Writing Workshop held at Yamba. The course gave me some great insight into new ways to get students excited to write and to allow them to be more creative with the writing they produce. Yesterday I introduced the first step in the program "Sizzling Starts" to my Year 4 students and they really enjoyed it. This consists of 5 different topics/scenarios they have to write about and they have 1 minute for each topic to write an exciting start to their story. They will do this everyday for 2 weeks for 5 minutes each day. And then at the end of each week they will choose their top 5 favourite starts to their story and then continue writing their story based around these sizzling starts.



A great new resource that I have started to introduce to lessons is called Kahoot, which is a free web based program. It allows teachers to create a bank of questions and then students connect to the game from another device and compete with other students in real time. The students work in groups to answer the questions presented and doing so stimulates collaboration and social learning. Furthermore the students love it and it engages the heart, hand and mind for deeper pedagogical impact. We call this connected learning. My first kahoot I created was a cyber safety questionnaire that all the students excelled in. I plan to get the students to begin creating their own questions around particular topics they are studying.

Life Education Van

Happy Healthy Harold and The Life Education Van will be visiting our school on the 8th, 9th & 10th September.

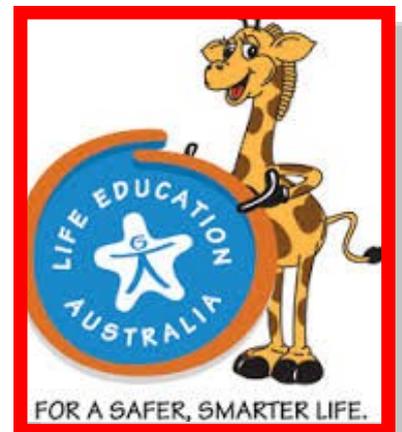
The program addresses many of the components and objectives within the NSW PDHPE curriculum, such as healthy eating, benefits of physical activity, medicines, peer pressure, body systems, cyber-safety, friendships, decision making and consequences of cigarette and alcohol use (upper grades only). Sessions are age

specific and sequential with written and electronic resources provided to support both students and teachers during follow up lessons in the classroom.

A visit to the mobile Life Education Van facilitates the development of students' knowledge and skills in the PDHPE area of the curriculum. The duration of the session in the van will be 1 hour for younger students and 1.5 hours for older classes.

COST = \$5 per student. This has been heavily subsidised by the school. This includes a life education session, workbook to use in the classroom and a sticker. The program is linked to the PDHPE syllabus.

A permission note accompanies today's newsletter. Please return to class teachers.



Northern Rivers Zone Athletics

We wish **James Everson, Ned Haddrell, Emily Seviar, Grace Donsworth and Amelia Kennedy** all the best at North Coast Regional Athletics Carnival in Lismore this Friday. They will be not only representing Iluka Public School but also the Northern Rivers Zone. Please make sure you take your NR Zone singlet along or purchase one on the day. Have a great day and good luck!

Banking News

The Cosmic Light Beam Torch has been removed from the rewards options as the batteries within the torch are easily removed and a choking hazard for young children. The Commonwealth Bank is asking for all of these torches to be thrown out. If your child redeemed their tokens for one of these torches, ten token will be credited to their account. Thank you, Jess Edie.

Canteen

We are looking to improve our menu. As of next week, chicken nuggets will no longer be available. Any suggestions for healthier alternatives will be received with much appreciation. Please remember our meeting next week on Monday 31 August @ 2.15pm to discuss canteen improvements. All welcome, Kelly.

Canteen Roster

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| MONDAY 31 AUGUST | Kylie Kerr, Dom Horne, Kelly Clarke, Jasmin Everson | Year 3/4 to donate home made goodies |
| MONDAY 7 SEPTEMBER | Gladys Hunt, Jess Edie, Karen Carlon, Vicki van Kraay | Year 4/5 to donate home made goodies |
| MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER | Gladys Hunt, Danielle Bryant, Bec Dunn, Lisa Hogan | Year 5/6 to donate home made goodies |



PRIMARY SCHOOL MIXED COMPETITION 2015 - 2016

STARTS : 14th OCTOBER 2015
Played 4th Term 2015 and 1st Term 2016

WHEN : Wednesdays 5.00pm
WHERE : Angourie Road Sports Fields

COST : \$30 per child

Older Teams to be made up of Year 4, 5 & 6 Kids
Younger Teams to be made up of Year 1, 2, 3 & 4 Kids
(Year 4 and Year 1 Kids can play up or down depending on ability)
Kindergarten Kids and Year 1 Kids form small teams to grow basic skills while playing an informal game.

Each team requires a parent to organise the team on the day and be on the field to ref the game.

For more information call Tim Ryan : 6646 2525
or visit us on Facebook – Yamba Touch Football



Register Teams by Private message on facebook or to Tim Ryan

ILUKA BOARDRIDERS CLUB

Weekly Club Meat Raffles 5-7pm Saturdays Sedgers
3/9 Disco/Date Night Fundraiser
6-8pm Iluka Community Hall \$5 per child ages 5-16
Marrakas & The Laneway Cafe are presenting a special Menu, donating \$5 per Diner back to the club. Booking Essential. Book your table at The Laneway via Siberia
6/9 Club Contest & Surf Day with Angourie Boardriders
Men's heats start 8am sharp
Kids development coaching
Free Sausage for participating kids Beach Breakfast available from 8am

HARWOOD CRICKET CLUB

SIGN ON DAY

Date: 5th September 2015

Where: Harwood Hotel

Time: 11am-2pm

Cost: \$65

All Enquiries: TIME 0408 660 110

Players of all ages welcome

LOWER CLARENCE LITTLE ATHLETICS

Come and give Little Athletics a go!

When: Monday 14th September

Time: 3:45pm – 5:00pm

Where: Maclean High School (park in TAFE carpark)

For more information please call /email or facebook:



Email: lowerclarencelittleathletics@gmail.com

FB: Lower Clarence Little Athletics

Audrey: 6646 8081 or 0402 335 628

Cathy: 6645 3996 or 0416 201 103

BCU SPRING HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP 2015



The 2015 Spring BCU Holiday Sports Camp is on this September. Loads of fun activities & prizes to be won: including a brand new tennis racquet & bank accounts from our sponsor partner BCU (Banana Coast Credit Union). Full canteen facilities available including hot chips, scallops, toasted sandwiches, drinks & slushies of course & more. As well as the famous sausage sizzle on the Wednesday. Tennis "Zumba" returns with Ms Sahnti & the tennis dance competition. Also the big indoor soccer match will be on this camp as well.

When: Mon 21st, Tues 22nd & Wed 23rd Sept.
Where: LCTA Tennis Courts Cnr Union & McLachlan Sts Maclean
Time: 9:30am-1:30 pm
Cost: \$100 (Day rate \$40)

BUS PICK UP AVAILABLE FROM ILUKA SCHOOL @ 8.30AM DAILY.COST \$5/DAY. ANY QUERIES PH ALAN 0416016775

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SPRING HOLIDAY CAMP 2015 RETURN SLIP

Please circle one of the following categories: Ages from 4 yrs & up.

- K – Grade 2 2. Grade 3 - 5 3. Grade 6 & UP**

Photographs YES or NO

Complete and return permission slip with payment by Friday 18th Sept

Name: _____ **DOB:** _____
Email: _____
Mob: _____

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