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As another year draws to a close I would like to say a big thank you to all of you for your continued and valued support of Irymple South Primary School. Our school community is very special and I am constantly reminded of how lucky we all are to be a part of it.

Graduation
Our graduation evening was a huge success. We are very proud of our grade 6 students who are graduating this year. We thank them all for the contributions they have made to our school and wish them all the best in the years to come. A big thank you to Mr Ben Milsom who worked tirelessly to ensure the night was a huge success. Thank you to the sponsors of our awards. We had many generous offers for sponsorship and we thank you all for your generosity.

Congratulations to the recipients of our annual Grade 6 school awards:

Adam Bennett  – Citizenship award sponsored by Irymple/Red Cliffs RSL
Bradley Leersen  – Citizenship & Environmental award sponsored by the Stenbrook Family
Eric Pulland  – Academic Award sponsored by Rick Kelly
Joshua Symes  – Academic Award sponsored by the Samaras Family
Kiah Morish  – Sporting and Leadership Award sponsored by Mow Me Down Lawns and Grades, the Vadlja Family
Kelly Rayner  – Sporting Award sponsored by Todd Kelly
Isabella Bennett  – Role Model Award of a bike sponsored by Ride to School
Lachlan Rowett  – Role Model Award of a bike sponsored by Ride to School

2011
Teachers all officially return on Tuesday February 1st and they will be engaged in professional learning from Tuesday February 1st to Thursday February 3rd.
Students in all classes will commence school on Friday February 4th at 9:00am.
**Goal Post Vandalism**

Unfortunately one of the goal posts has been pulled down. Ms Brooks and I suspect teenagers kicking the football on the back oval are smoking and have either put their butts out there, or have pulled a stupid prank. If you see anyone in the yard after school, please report them to Ms Brooks at the front office.

**Vandals are not wanted, so keep them out of our yard!**

Charley Cooper, 5/6M

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**TALENT QUEST**

It was wonderful so many wonderful acts performed on our new stage on Tuesday morning. We had a variety of performances from class songs, dance and gymnastic routines, to singing and instrument playing. All students who took part need to be congratulated for their enthusiasm.

Congratulations to the winners;
Grades Prep R 1E & 1M: Tom McGlashan
Grades 2C, 2/3D & 3/4C: Phyllis Tabacco
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Ben Milsom

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Charley Cooper
Sarah Garlick
Campbell Vadlja

**Goodbye**

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Thankyou

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**SCHOOL START BONUS**

Parents and carers of children starting Prep or Year 7 in 2011 will receive a $300 voucher for the Victorian Government’s School Start Bonus by the end of Term 4, 2010.

You will be issued with a voucher by the school your child is enrolled to attend in 2011. If your contact details or circumstances have changed since enrolment please advise your child’s future school.

For more information visit www.education.vic.gov.au or phone 1800 809 834 (free call)

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**YMCA Ballarat**

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**Summer Vacation Care**

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**Summer Vacation Care 10th January – 3rd February 2011**

**SUMMER VACATION CARE VENUES**

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For further information please visit www.ballarat.ymca.org.au or contact YMCA Receptions 33 252 800

YMCA Ballarat provides a wide range of developmentally appropriate activities and care services for participants as well as the activities and experiences scheduled in the Vacation Care Program.

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**Farmer’s market**

This week we’ve got some eggs, cucumbers and PLENTY of Worm Whizz—a bargain at $2 for 3 litres!

There’s also bunches of fresh herbs to add to your cooking.

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ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE—THE LAST ONE FOR 2010!

Wow! It’s amazing to look back over 2010 and see just how much we’ve achieved both inside and outside of the classroom in regards to reducing, reusing and recycling! Our vegie gardens have produced lots of yummy vegies, our chooks are thriving and giving us a steady stream of eggs and our worms have multiplied—along with the amount of Worm Whizz produced!!

Thank you to all of the students, staff and valued parents who have helped in any way during the year. Our school looks amazing, and it is so rewarding to see all of our new native plants and trees thriving.

Yesterday, the Environmental Leaders had an unusual ‘Break-up Party’—we came to school dressed in our gardening clothes and had a huge working bee! Horse poo was shovelled, straw was raked and bins were washed and sorted. After all of the hard work, a yummy lunch was supplied along with some cakes and ice-creams as a special treat.

Congratulations to all of our Environmental Leaders for 2010—it has been great fun working with you, and I’m sure you have learned a lot about caring for our school and the environment. You will be presented with your Environmental Leader certificates at Friday’s assembly.

A very big ‘Thank you’ to the Petrolo family for donating lots of pumpkins for our worm farms, and to the Dalla Santa family for donating pumpkins and horse poo! Thanks to Inger Scott for helping out with the working bee.

Thanks again,
Amber Morgan
Environmental Co-ordinator

FREE COMMUNITY BBQ

Final opportunity to vote for your top priorities for the inclusion in the Irymple Community Plan

Date: Wednesday 15th December
Where: Irymple Leisure Centre
Time: 5.30pm
For another purpose RSVP to demo@ihnetwork.com

FREE FACE PAINTING & SANTA FOR THE KIDS!!

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Irymple South Primary School PRESENTS

“A NIGHT AMONGST THE VINES”

FRIDAY MARCH 25TH 2011

Irymple South Primary School is currently planning a major fundraiser for 2011.

The funds raised on the night will go towards the school’s new fence.

We are proposing a dinner with drinks, a band and a Goods and Services Auction. Organisation is currently underway!

We are therefore seeking Goods and Services from families and the wider community.

Please contact Ben Milsom a.s.a.p.
Grade 5/6 - Room 2

More details to follow in 2011!

Happy Birthday

Locke Thornton (19th)
Frankie Zaccone (20th)
Mr Smith (21st)
Eliza Burford (22nd)
Darcy Coppola (26th)
Connor Jung (27th)
Emma Hogan (30th)
Liam Aunger (31st)

Newsletter Advertising 2011
Newsletter advertising for 2011 (ie. Business cards on the back of the newsletter) will now be $80 for 6 months or $150 for 12 months. Anyone interested in securing a place on the back page of our newsletter should bring in a business card and give it to the office staff.