Class programs are now well underway. Teachers have spent the first few weeks establishing routines in their classrooms and identifying each child’s learning needs. If you feel you need to talk to your child’s teacher about any aspect of their education please feel free to make a time to do this.

Parent/Student/Teacher Meetings
We will be holding meetings involving students, parents and teachers on Monday March 15th & Tuesday March 16th, 3.45 – 6.45. This will be a time for student, parent and teacher to discuss your child’s learning. To make a time with your child’s teacher you will need to come into the office between 8.00am – 5.00pm to choose a time. Class sheets will be displayed in the front foyer of the office from Monday March 1st until Thursday morning March 11th.

School Council Elections
The School Council election process has commenced. Nominations are called for the 4 parent positions vacant on School Council. Nomination forms are available from the school office and need to be returned by Friday 12th March. We have four school council positions to fill. The following members of School Council have completed their term:

Parent Category
Mrs Fiona Gerstenmeyer
Mr Mark Luitjes
Mr Geoffrey Allen

DEECD Category
Mrs Jill Carrodus
Mr Ben Milsom

Mark Luitjes has indicated that he will not be seeking re-election as his youngest child has now left Irymple South and has moved onto Secondary School. On behalf of the whole school community I would like to thank Mark for his valuable contributions to School Council. All Government Schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within centrally provided guidelines.

Building Update
Grades 3/4C & 4/5S moved out of their classrooms on Monday and will be working temporarily in the new improved Multi-purpose room. The multi-purpose room was ready for the move just moments before the two grades moved in! There are still a few little finishing touches needed on the Multi-purpose room which should be completed by the end of the week.

The old classrooms were removed by crane yesterday much to the amazement of many of the children who watched on.

Our new classrooms will arrive next Tuesday and should be ready to move into within a week. Thank you to Miss Congress, Mr Smith and their classes who have patiently moved all their gear and are continuing to work beautifully under unusual circumstances, it will be all worth it in the end.

Major fundraiser
This term our major fundraiser is an Easter Egg and Hot Cross Bun Drive. We will be using the proceeds of this fundraiser to purchase recyclable calico.
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note/coin bags for all families to use when sending money and notes back to school.

Parent Helper Program
We are in need of interested parents and friends to volunteer to work with students in our school who require additional support in the classroom. These volunteers will work with students on a regular basis through one-on-one interaction, or within a classroom environment as directed by the teacher.

Thank you
A big thank you to the parents who helped Penni clean out the multi purpose room last Friday: Stuart Putland, Helen Anderson, Heather Young, Mohini Barrett and Kristie Aunger. Thanks also to Sonia Forrest, Tania Elms and Joyce Piscioneri for helping Mrs Vadlja clean out the Maths shed yesterday. It was a great help!

Writers In Residence
We have been fortunate to receive a grant from the CASS foundation for a Writers In Residence program. Author, Paul Stafford will be working with our grades 3-6 students next week from Monday – Thursday. We are looking forward to a stimulating week with Paul!

Tennis
On Tuesday Ryan Samaras, Connor Lavery, Campbell Vadlja and Joel Minter played in the Sunraysia Primary Schools Tennis Championships. Ryan made it to the grand final and he came second so Ryan is going to Swan Hill. Connor made it to 4th place and he is an emergency. The other two people played good but they didn’t get to Swan Hill. Ryan Samaras, 5/6P

Swimming
Congratulations to Caitlin Scott, 4/SS, who has been selected to be in the Sunraysia District Swim Team, to compete at the Inter-District Championships in Melbourne this weekend. Good luck and we wish you all the best for the weekend.

Prep & 1 BBQ Tea
A BBQ tea is to be held for parents and children in Prep and Grade 1. This is a great opportunity to meet other families of Prep and Grade 1 children. The evening will start at 5:30pm and finish at about 7:00pm. Please return the note and money (already sent out) by tomorrow, as we need numbers for ordering purposes.

Happy Birthday
February
Tommy McGlashan (26th)
Eve Kellett (26th)
Jody Rayner (26th)
Patrick McWilliams (27th)
Phyllis Tabacco (27th)

UP, UP, and away!

Community News

Message From Your Local Police.
Police are urging residents to become more security-conscious and never take the “it’ll never happen to me” approach when it comes to home burglaries.

Police are asking residents to adopt a routine of always securing their homes, especially doors and windows and to report any suspicious activity to the police immediately on 000.

Residents should consider installing a good quality security door for extra protection and sensor-operated lighting as a deterrent. Sheds and garages should be kept locked when not in use and trees and shrubs could be trimmed to eliminate blind spots and reduce areas where burglars may conceal themselves.

Often just taking a few simple precautions can be all that it takes to prevent yourself from becoming a victim of a burglary.

IRYMPE GIRL GUIDES
Inviting all girls aged 7-11 years old to come and have fun and adventures. Meet new people and develop great friendships. Why not bring a friend along as well?

Monday nights from 4:00 to 6:00pm.
Further information phone Kaye Page on 50236157

Imperials Junior Football and Netball Club Registration
Imperials Junior Football and Netball Club will hold their registration day
• on Friday March 12th
• at 6pm
• at the club rooms, No. 1 Oval, in Eleventh Street,
• for all age groups – Under 10’s, to Under 16’s for football, and Under 11’s to under 15’s for netball.

There will be a sausage sizzle afterwards.

IRYMPE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER, ISSUE 4

UP, UP, and away!

Grade 3/4C and 4/5S are working in the Multi Purpose room until their new classroom arrives.

IRYMPE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER, ISSUE 4
This week in Science Grade 1 have been looking at spiders. They have learnt about their two body parts, eight legs and eight eyes! They used their playdough to make spiders.

Liam Aunger brought in his spiny leaf insects for us to look at. Cody Marley and Jody Rayner also brought theirs in to visit.

Thank you to Kellee Weir for contacting the Science book labels.

The Juniors classes have been looking at primary colours. The grade 1’s made some fantastic primary colour collages. The Preps used their creative drawing skills to decorate their chair bags. Hats and other small items will be stored in their chair bags. Awesome effort Preps. They look cool!

What is your favourite colour?

- Light blue. It is my favourite because the sky is light blue. Ruby Cashin, 1E
- Pink. It is my favourite because my grandma always buys me pink jackets. Jordan Stephen, 2/3D
- Gold. It is my favourite because it is pretty and a nice colour. Morgan Andrews, 5/6P
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Student Awards

To be presented on Friday 26th February

Prep R
- Jesse Orsini, 1E
- Tommy McGlashan, 1M
- Patrick Pearce Davis, 2C
- Raven Kirkpatrick, 2/3D

1E
- Robyn Brooks

3/4C
- Robyn Brooks

5/6P
- Zach Gove
- Callan Was
- Eric Putland
- Principal

Donny Mammone
- Lily Neagle

Lilly Bate
- Kayla Adams
- Eric Putland
- Isabella Bennett
- Art

Madison Harwood

For

Gold. It is my favourite because it is pretty and a nice colour.
In 2C we have been developing our Classroom Norms.

We decided that in order for everyone to be able to learn, do their best, stay safe and happy, we all need to:

1. Make good choices
2. Respect others and property
3. Share things
4. Be thoughtful to others
5. Have fun

Respect others and property means:
- Care for everyone
- Sharing
- Looking after sports equipment
- Speaking nicely to people
- Looking after our school environment
- Being nice to others
- Listening to others

Making good choices means:
- Moving when someone is annoying you.
- Sitting in a good learning spot.
- Not talking when the teacher is telling us something.
- Do our best work.
- Try and ignore people who are doing the wrong thing.

Share things means:
- Let people play with your toys.
- Use your manners.
- Include others in games and activities.
- Don’t leave people out.
- Share school property.

Be thoughtful to others means:
- Share things
- Speak nicely to others
- Don’t leave anyone out of games
- Respect other people
- Think about others’ feelings
- Do nice things for others
- Help people if they’re hurt

Have fun means:
- Play nicely
- Don’t boss people
- Include people
- Smile
- Be happy
- Help others to be happy
- Enjoy your work and play