NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL - Robyn Brooks

I hope that you had an enjoyable and restful holidays. Over the holidays there were plenty of things happening at school. The shade sails have been erecting over the playground, the boys toilets have been painted and a new fence has been erected in the back corner of the school. This term will be another busy one with the Athletic Sports, Farmers’ Market, Walk to School and the Grade 4 camp.

Student Achievement
Reports were distributed in the last week of Term 2. we hope you found the report package valuable. The report included:
• The ‘dot’ page which shows where your child is in relation to the AusVels standards
• A reflection from the teacher and your child on their learning
• Comments about programs that have been covered this semester
• Samples of Reading, Writing and Maths
We would appreciate your feedback on the opportunities that we have provided, for you to gain an insight into your child’s learning. A ‘Survey Monkey’ has been set up to collate this feedback. Click on the following link and complete the survey as we would really appreciate your feedback.
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MGHJ7ND
Surveys are to be completed by Friday 1st August.

Prep Enrolments 2015
We are now accepting enrolments for children who will be commencing school as Prep students in 2015. We invite all prospective parents to contact the school for a personalised tour of our wonderful school or call in to the front office to collect an enrolment form. We would like all 2015 Prep enrolments into the office by Friday 15th August.

School Pie Drive
Help raise money for our school by selling pies from MINTERS bakery. An order form is attached to this week’s newsletter. Collect orders from family and friends, if you need an extra order form please ask at the office. Money and orders need to be returned to school by Tuesday 29th July. The pies will be delivered to the school on Thursday 7th August. HAPPY SELLING!

If anyone is available on either the 29th July or the 7th August to help with orders please call Toni Bottams on 0427246441

Athletic Sports
Our Athletic Sports will be held on Wednesday 6th August. Students have started training for the events that they will participate in, during their PE sessions.

Fees
Congratulations to the Rielley Family who were the winners of our $200 fee free draw!
School fees are now overdue. Prompt payment of any outstanding amounts would be greatly appreciated. Eftpos facilities are available at the Office for any payments. Alternatively you can directly deposit into the school bank account. Bank account details are BSB: 063520, Account number 10104523 and use your child’s name as a reference.

Cinema Night
Last term a number of people from the ISPS community viewed the film ‘Blended’ followed by a supper at the Mildura Club. It was a great night and we raised $3000 which will go towards the shade sails for the playground areas.
We would like to thank the following individuals and businesses who donated goods for our raffle; Northern Shoe Store, Klemms Newsagency, Wooden Door, Talking Heads, Irymple Post Office, Fancy Bits, Mocha Meccca, Walnut Pizzas, Lindemans, Je-Hanna The Body Shop, Café 94, Michelle Szeto Norwex, Mildura Chocolate Co.,

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Web: www.irymplesouthps.vic.edu.au
State Cross Country
Today Sam Hayes competed in the State Cross Country Championships in Melbourne. We hope that he ran well and look forward to hearing about how he went.

Students of the Week

Prep R
Makeena Finch
Prep P
Stephanie Ryan-Orchard
1T
Hanna Flentjar
1M
Zac Scott
2J
Akira Szeto
2G
Taj Flentjar
3D
Indi Stephen
3C
Courtney Johnstone
4/5V
Brittany Laskaj
4/5C
Cooper Dalton
5/6O
Jack Chiswell
5/6S
Shari Brown

Art
Lily Bruhn
Science
Lily Droffelaar
P.E.
Samuel Aldamiz
House Captains
Will Forrest
Principal
Lily Droffelaar
Eliza Banks-Purcell

Farmers’ Market
Our Next ISPS Farmers’ Market will be held on Wednesday 13th August from 2:45pm til 4pm. The feature vegetable this time will be ‘Broccoli’. If you have a favourite way of cooking it or a simple recipe that uses broccoli we’d love to hear about it. Any donated produce for the Market Day will gladly be taken. These products can be left in the Staff Room on the morning of the market. If you have any questions about the market you can contact Tammy at school on Tuesdays or Wednesdays or by email warn.tammy.l@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Casual Dress and Activity Day
On the last day of Term 2 the Junior School Council held casual dress day to raise money for Ronald McDonald House. We raised $354! What a wonderful effort.

After recess the Grade 6s organised a variety of indoor activities for all students to enjoy. The students were placed into multi-age groups for these activities. The activities were enjoyed by all those involved. The leaders did an outstanding job with their organisation. They delivered their instructions well and supported all the students who were participating. Our school leaders did an amazing job of running this session. Well done!
This week we have been looking at persuasive texts. In a persuasive text, the author tries to persuade you to think in a certain way and a good persuasive piece can even change your mind about something! We looked at the structure of a persuasive text and we talked about how authors use emotive language to make us believe their point of view.

Next, we tried writing our own persuasive pieces. We started by stating our opinion and then we had to think about how to persuade another person to agree with us by giving reasons to support our opinion. We had to try to convince someone else in the classroom that we were right. Here are some of our persuasive pieces:

- **I think children should play sport because it could get you healthy. If you get healthy you could live for a long time. It can get you fit and you can get stronger. It can make you better at other sports like running races and tennis. Secondly, if you don't play sports you will get as fat as a human blueberry which means you will be very fat! Then the world will be full of fat people. My favourite sport is football because I think it is the sport that people get fit in the most and also it is fun.**
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- **I think that dogs are better than cats. Dogs are better than cats because dogs last longer than cats. Dogs can help you get fit by running around with you. Dogs have a lot of energy.**
  - Kiara

- **I think that cats are better than dogs. Firstly, I think cats are cute and cuddly. They don’t lick your nose. Secondly cats do not need you in the day. You can sleep with them at night. Thirdly they can walk themselves.**
  - Danica

- **I think Richmond are better than Hawthorn because Richmond kick more goals. Yellow and black is better than yellow and brown. Richmond kick better and they run faster. They can do better hand balls than Hawthorn.**
  - Ned

Did we manage to persuade you ....?
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**JUNE**
- Shari Brown (30th)

**JULY**
- Hannah Elms (1st)
- Lachie Allan (2nd)
- Meg Neagle (3rd)
- Grace Zaccone (4th)
- Danica Bradshaw (5th)
- Eva Black (5th)

**Charlie Puleio (7th)**
- Ashton Wade (8th)
- William Lay (10th)
- Sosaia Ale (12th)
- Hugo Garraway (14th)
- Jasmine Ash (15th)
- Mackenzie Phelan (15th)
- Archie Thompson (16th)
- Ava Miller (17th)
- Jayah Waylen (19th)

**Lego club is on this Saturday from 10:30 to 11:30 am at 'Life Skills on Pine' 110 Pine Ave Mildura. All Welcome**

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**Now taking Prep Enrolments for 2015**

**Irymple South Primary School**

Contact the school for a tour and enrolment pack

www.irymplesouthps.vic.edu.au

**Prep Enrolments due Friday 15th August 2014**

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