NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Robyn Brooks

CURRICULUM DAYS

There will be NO SCHOOL for students next TUESDAY 20th and WEDNESDAY 21st OCTOBER. The staff will be undertaking professional development on these two days.

Resource Smart Education Awards
Yesterday I attended the Resource Smart Education Awards in Melbourne with our Environmental Team Leaders, Tom Jaensch (5/6S) and Julia Sherry (5/6G). We were finalists in the Primary Student-Led Action Team of the year and received $250 for this achievement. Tom and Julia enjoyed the awards and were very happy to meet the host Kayne Tremills. Julia celebrated her birthday yesterday and Kayne sang ‘Happy Birthday’ to her as well as interacting with both our students throughout the day. We are very grateful to ResourceSmart who funded our flights to Melbourne for this event.

Staffing
Mrs Lucy Dreyer will be commencing Maternity Leave on Friday 13th November. Mrs Aleisha Milne will be replacing Mrs Dreyer for the remainder of the year.

Zone Athletic Championships
Congratulations to all the students who represented our school and Sunraysia at the Athletics in Bendigo on Monday. Well done to Lexi Johnstone who came 1st in the Long Jump and will represent the region in Melbourne. All results can be found further on in the newsletter.

2016 Prep Information Night
We will be holding an information evening for parents of 2016 Prep students on Thursday 29th October from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the MPR. This will be a great chance to ask questions and meet other Prep parents.

Communication
Each Thursday our school newsletter is published and sent home with the youngest child in each family. To receive a digital copy of the newsletter subscribe on the web page http://www.irymplesouthps.vic.edu.au To keep up to date you can also like our Facebook page and download our School App. Both of these are regularly updated with the latest news and information.

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Australian Mathematics Competition

Our certificates for the Australian Maths Competition have finally arrived. The presentation of certificates will occur this Friday (October 16th) at Assembly. Congratulations to the following students:

Grade 3 – Jameson Adams, Samuel Aldamiz, Sosaia Ale, Eddie Andronescu, James Bell, Eva Black, Max Castleman, Taj Flentjar, Jack Keating, Will Kennedy, Cooper Milsom, Emily Murdoch, Meg Neagle, Mackenzie Phelan, Liam Rielley, Jack Thompson.

Grade 4 – Lachlan Adolph, Lily Bruhn, Alicia Dalla Santa, Caitlin D’Amico, Lashaye Farley, Brayden McGregor, Maddie Petrolo, Abby Warn, Joseph Zaccone

Grade 5 – Zali Doolan, Lily Neagle, Maria Petrolo, Nunzio Tabacco

Grade 6 – Lily Adams, Shari Brown, Angus Cooper, Sophie Driscoll, Tom Jaensch, Lily Milsom, Georgina Topp, Chris D’Amico

Day For Daniel

Over the next 5 weeks, our Grades 3-6 students will be undertaking an inquiry unit that focuses on ‘RECOGNISE, REACT, REPORT.’ This a unit of study where the children will be looking at staying safe, both on and off line. The lessons that students are undertaking revolve around an initiative from the Morcombe Foundation, where the parents of Daniel Morcombe (a 13 year old Australian boy who was abducted from the Sunshine Coast in Queensland in December 2003) launched an education program for all primary schools across Australia.

On Friday October 30th, Irymple South Primary School will be participating in ‘A day for Daniel.’ It is about educating children and adults about keeping kids safe through child safety and protection initiatives. It aims to help empower our children to Recognise, React and Report if they feel something is not right. Wear Red and Educate is the theme of the Day for Daniel as we strive to have our school take action to help in Keeping Kids Safe. So although not all year levels are studying the topic, we encourage all students to wear red on Friday October 30th!

Hats

All students are required to wear hats from now on. Please ensure that your child has a school bucket hat to wear when they are outside. If a student does not have a hat they will not be able to play during recess and lunch or participate in PE and Sport sessions. Hats can be purchased at Lowes.

Michael Grose Parenting Tips

Over the next few weeks we will be providing some tips from professionals that can support and guide parenting. This week’s information comes from a leading child development expert named Michael Grose. Michael has a fantastic website with many resources focused on the theme of raising exceptional kids: http://www.parentingideas.com.au/Parents/how-to-parent

There is a large body of research that tells us kids need three things to thrive in this modern changing world of uncertainty. These are:

Confidence, Character & Resilience

They best develop in an environment where parents purposefully adopt principles and techniques that promote these qualities. Nor do these qualities develop independently of each other.

The development of one impacts on the others. When kids develop a greater sense of self-confidence they usually behave better and they are more likely to bounce back from setbacks, particularly social injustices.

Confidence

Confident kids take more learning risks and are likely to challenge themselves more than kids who are low on confidence. They are less likely to place limits on themselves or their achievements.

Character

Character refers to the attitudes and behaviours a child develops that maximise his or her success. Character is about doing what’s right, not what’s easy!

Resilience

Children need to be resilient. They need to be able to bounce back from life’s bigger and smaller setbacks. Resilience is linked with good mental health habits and also with a child’s success.

The Thriving! approach gives parents the tools and strategies you need to bring out these three vital ingredients.

For more information about the Thriving! approach check out the Parentingideas Club – your online parenting manual.

Interschool Sport

Good Luck to the 5/6Boys Basketball, 5/6 Girls Volleyball, 5/6 Girls Basketball, 3/4 Boys and Girls Basketball teams who are playing today. We look forward to hearing how you go!
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Last week we went swimming. The first day we went into groups and got to know the teachers. On Tuesday we learnt about different types of strokes and how to have a good technique. On Wednesday it was a very exciting day it was survival day and we had to swim with PJs on it was harder. Thursday we practised our technique. Friday was the best day the waves went on.

Harry Bottams

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ART

The Art Room has been a very productive place. All students have been creating lots of wonderful pieces of art.

**Mildura Show**
If you are going to the Mildura Show this year, make sure that you visit the Imperials Club Rooms where the Student Art is displayed. All students were given the opportunity to choose a piece of work to enter in the show. I am very proud to have entered 299 pieces of art work. All students were given a note which reminded them of which piece of art work was entered. I am looking forward to going to the show and seeing all our students work on display.

**Water Week Poster Competition**
Last term students in Grades 3-6 created poster for the Water Week Poster Competition. Next Monday (19th October) Leesa Merrett from Lower Murray Water will be announcing the winners of the competition and presenting these students with their awards. These students will be announced in next week’s newsletter.

**McHappy Day**
The Prep students have been busy creating pieces of art to be displayed in both the Deakin Avenue and 15th Street McDonald’s stores on McHappy Day. McHappy Day is this Saturday 17th October. McHappy Day raises money for Ronald McDonald House Charities. This year’s theme is ALL THE COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW and the Prep students have created pieces of Art that reflect this. Prep P’s art work will be on display at the 15th Street McDonald’s whilst Prep R’s art work will be on display at the Deakin Avenue store.
Athletic Championships

The following students represented our school at the Loddon Mallee Regional Athletic Championships in Bendigo on Monday. All students performed well and tried their very best.

Congratulations to Lexi Johnstone who came 1st in the 11 year girls Long Jump. Lexi will now travel to Melbourne to compete in the Victorian State Track and Field Championships in two weeks time.

Other results were:

- **Oskar Faulkhead** 12+ Boys - 800m Long Distance - 4th time - 2:42.15 mins
- **Chace Garraway** 9/10yrs Boys - 100m Sprint - 9th in the final time - 16.29 sec
- **Bailey Anderson** 11 Boys - 200m Sprint - 5th in the final time - 31.62 sec
- **Meg Neagle** 9/10 yrs Girls - 1500m Long Distance Run - 5th time - 6:37.87 mins
- **Ava Zadow** 9/10 yrs Girls - 80m Hurdles - 7th in heat
- **Mckensie Wade** 12+ yrs Girls - Discus - 6th distance - 18.35m
- **Morgan Vadija** 9/10 yrs Girls - Discus - 8th distance - 13.97m
- **Lexi Johnstone** 11 yrs Girls - Long Jump - 1st distance - 3.48m
- **Sophie Driscoll** 12+ yrs Girls - Long Jump - 8th distance - 3.65m
- **Samuel Aldamiz** 9/10 yrs Boys - Long Jump - 12th distance - 2.92m
- **Keenan Wade** 12+ yrs Boys - High Jump - 8th height - 1.25m

Both the 12+ yrs Boys and Girls relay teams made the finals of their races. Both teams came 5th in the final. The boys team consisted of Oskar Faulkhead, Keenan Wade, Sam Hayes and Bailey Anderson. The girls team consisted of Mckensie Wade, Tiah Barone, Ruby Cashin, and Sophie Driscoll.

A big thank you to all the parents who travelled all the way to Bendigo so that their children could compete.
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Irymple South Carnival

Friday 13th November, 2015
6pm—9pm at the School Oval

BBQ tea and Hot Chips by the Lions Club.
Soft drinks and Water will be available to purchase.
Variety of activities for the kids, varying from $2-$5.
Fairy floss, ice-cream and more…..

Please BYO picnic rug, chairs, plates and cutlery.

Let’s come together and celebrate our year at school.

If you have any ideas or contributions please call
Natalee Johnson on 0408 538 356.
TWILIGHT
SESSIONS AT MILDURA ARTS CENTRE
FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER 2015
5PM-8.30PM
Drinks and snacks available from the cafe
Bring some comfy chairs and a picnic rug (but no BYO alcohol)
199 Curleen Avenue, Mildura 3500

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TERM ONE 2015

“Aussie Hoops”
Friday’s From 4:15pm – 5pm
AT THE TOYOTA HOT HOUSE
STARTING BACK 13TH OF OCT 2015

Each New Child receives ● Basketball ● T-Shirt
● Weekly sessions of 45 minutes
For players aged 5 – 8 years
- Sessions designed to introduce players to the fun of
basketball, build confidence and hand-eye co-ordination
in a friendly non-competitive environment

Program starts on Tuesday 13th 2015
@ 4:15pm for 5 & 8 year olds

For more details please phone – (03) 5023 2241