NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Robyn Brooks

STAFFING FOR 2016

Next year we welcome Miss Kerryn Corponi, Mr Brock Riches and Miss Lauren Hepworth to our school. Lauren is coming to us from Werrimul PS, Brock joins us after teaching for 6 years at Montpelier PS (Geelong) and Kerryn has recently completed her studies at LaTrobe University Mildura.

Class teachers for 2016 will be:
- Prep C: Miss Kerryn Corponi
- Prep P: Miss Donna Piscioneri
- Grade 1T: Miss Katelyn Thompson
- Grade 1F: Miss Bonnie Foreman
- Grade 2J: Miss Maddy Jones
- Grade 2R: Mrs Marie Roccisano
- Grade 3D: Mrs Renay Drendel–Arthur
- Grade 3C: Mrs Carmel Casale
- Grade 4V: Mrs Brooke Vadija
- Grade 4R: Mr Brock Riches
- Grade 5/6H: Miss Lauren Hepworth
- Grade 5/6S: Mr Tim Smith
- Grade 5/6G: Ms Sarah Gladman

Our part time teaching staff will provide a variety of support and specialist programs. Our specialist and support teachers in 2016 are:
- Mrs Aleisha Milne: Support Programs
- Mrs Sharon Branson: P.E.
- Mrs Nadine McWilliams: Student Welfare/Literacy Intervention/PSD (Programs for students with disabilities)
- Mrs Sue Rowland: P-2 Literacy/Numeracy Coach
- Mrs Emma Lord: Art
- Mrs Kate Cardew: Science and Performing Arts
- Mrs Tammy Warn: Grade 3C/Support Programs
- Mrs Renee Giddings: Grade 4V/Support Programs

Our Education Support staff for 2016 are:
- Business Manager: Ms Sharon Welsh
- Admin/Support: Ms Penni Williams
- Integration Aide: Mrs Kerri Retallick

Aleisha Milne and Kerri Retallick will both be commencing maternity leave during Term 1 2016.

I would like to acknowledge the dedication, professionalism and excellent work ethic from all the staff at Irymple South. We are extremely lucky to have such an outstanding staff who really do work as a team and always have the students and school as a whole at the heart of all they do.

Students will be notified of their teachers and classes for 2016 in the last week of school.
School Council met last night to determine the fee structure and to further discuss the implementation of the BYOD program at Irymple South. You will find the fee structure for 2016 attached as approved by School Council.

Enclosed today you will also find further information regarding the BYOD program: including options for purchase, lease and flexi rent through a JB HiFi portal set up for Irymple South PS and answers to frequently asked questions. Policies for BYOD program and the Acceptable Use Agreement have been formulated and will be sent home at a later date.

End of 2015 and Start of 2016

The end of Term 4 is coming closer. The school year ends on Friday 18th of December at 1:30pm. There will be NO buses available. All students are expected to attend school until this date. In the final week of school a number of activities are planned to celebrate the hard work that has been done throughout the year.

The Grade 6 Graduation presentation is one of these. On Monday 14th December the whole school will get together to celebrate the achievements and successes of many of our students. All families are invited to attend, have dinner and celebrate a fantastic year of learning completed by all of our students.

School resumes in 2015 on Thursday 28th January, for students. Teachers commence on Wednesday 27th January and will be involved in professional learning on this day.

All students will commence on Thursday 28th January 2016.

Reports

Student reports are being written at the moment. These will be distributed on Thursday 17th December. All students will receive a hard copy of their report which will include their academic level of achievement, their level of achievement in relation to our core values, teacher and student reflections, annotated work samples, teacher comments and an overview of the specialist programs that the students have participated in.

2015 Family Celebration Dinner

On Monday 14th December the whole school will get together to celebrate the achievements and successes of many of our students. This will include the Grade 6 Graduation, Award Presentations and Formal Announcements of 2016 School and House Captains. All families are invited to attend, have dinner and celebrate a fantastic year of learning completed by all of our students.

Grade 6 Dinner & Disco

Each year the Grade 6 students have a celebratory dinner and disco at school in the Multi Purpose Room. This year the dinner and disco will be held on Tuesday 8th December. Thanks to the wonderful parents who organise the evening and prepare the meals.

Ballet

On Wednesday 2nd December the Prep and Grade 1 students will be attending the Mildura and District Ballet Guilds performance of ‘Mulan’ at the Arts Centre.

Prep Transition

Yesterday our new Preps for 2016 came to school for their second transition day. They focused on numeracy which included counting and playing a number game with a Prep buddy.

Choir

The Choir have been practising during their lunch hour on Wednesdays and Fridays. They will be performing at the Irymple Carols by Candlelight on Sunday 6th December.

Grade 6 2016 T-Shirts

Next year’s Grade 6 class have taken home a note about their Grade 6 2016 t-shirt order. The students are in the process of designing the shirt. Sample sizes are available at the office. The t-shirts will be $35 each. Orders and payment need to be finalised by Friday 11th December. T-shirts will be available for collection on the first day of school next year.

Prep Excursion and Tea

The Preps went on their excursion on Tuesday. They visited the Airport, Library, Police Station and Water Park. They played some games when they got back to school. For dinner they made their own wraps and sat together to eat. It was a fantastic day.

Concert DVD

If your concert DVD isn’t working properly, please write down on paper what exactly is happening, bring it to the office and we will give you a new one.

Art Exhibition

On Monday our annual Art Exhibition will be opened at 10:50am by Rhian Birnie. Rhian is a former student of ISPS and an accomplished artist who recently had her artwork exhibited at the Art Vault.

The Art Exhibition will be open every morning and afternoon and is a showcase of art that the students have created throughout the year.

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School Council

The next meeting of the School Council will be on MONDAY 7th December at 6:00pm in the Staffroom.
My favourite part of the day was going to see the policeman, because we had partners and we learnt that they have pink cells at the police station for the bad people.

Eliza

I had a great day because we went swimming at the water park and it was fun going on the bus.

Jaxon

I had fun running around at school and playing games.

Dawson

I really liked it when we went to the water park because I got to play with my friends. It was a fun day!

Zoe H

It was my favourite day ever! I loved going to the police station because we got to find out what they do and all the things they use.

Annabelle

I really liked the library because we got to read cool books and make a crocodile.

Eadie C

I liked the water park because we swam in the water and had fun with our friends.

Alessio

My favourite place was the water park because I got wet and it was lots of fun.

Max B

I liked going to the water park because it was my favourite and I got to get wet in our school clothes.

Max W

I loved going to the police station because the policeman showed us cool things and they told us about what policeman do.

Jarome

It was an excellent day! The water park was lots of fun because there was lots of water.

Emma
Celebrating our Asian Focus

Our school will be celebrating the Chinese language and cultural learning that has been undertaken in our Prep-6 classes. All our students will collaborate with their Chinese learning teachers through Skype and we are formally inviting all parents or special friends to come and be involved in the interactive learning. This will be a great opportunity to see how students are involved in some balanced learning through 21st century development. Each student has brought home an individual invitation that will outline the learning that will take place. Please arrive approximately 15 minutes earlier than the time listed below. This time indicates the start of the Skype session.

Friday 27th November 11:30am Prep P (please note change of date)
Monday 30th November 12:15pm 5/6S and 5/6G
Monday 30th November 12:45pm 4/5C and 4V
Monday 30th November 2:30pm 3C and 3D
Friday 4th December 11:30am Prep R
Friday 4th December 12:10pm 1T and 1F
Friday 4th December 12:45pm 2D and 2J

ART EXHIBITION

Come along and take a look at the students’ wonderful art work at our annual Art Exhibition. There are drawings, paintings, collages, 3D construction and many other works of art to look at.

Official opening on Monday 30th November at 10:50am

By Rhian Birnie

Open from 8:30-9:00am & 3:15-4:00pm each day

Monday 30th November to Friday 4th December
2015 End of Year
Family Celebration Dinner

You are invited to our end of year celebrations!

On Monday 14th December, at 6:00pm, we will be celebrating the end of the 2015 school year.

The evening will include:
- Grade 6 Graduation Speeches
- Grade 6 Dance
- Award Presentation
- Buddy Presentation
- Formal announcement of 2016 School Captains
- Formal announcement of 2016 House Captains

Bring your own picnic dinner or purchase dinner from the Enjoy Wine Catering stall.
(A percentage of food sales will go towards our school.)

Soft drinks and water will be available for purchase.
Bring your own chairs and or picnic rugs.

All members of the school community are invited to attend.

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| Monday December 14th  | GRADUATION
School Captains officially announced by Robyn Brooks (Principal) and Sebastian Tabacco (School Council President).
House Captains are officially announced by 2015 Grade 6 House Captains. |
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### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**Prep R**
- Aydin Alic
- Alessio Mammone

**Prep P**
- Ned Berry
- Sam Tassone
- Francis Boulton
- Makeena Finch
- Zac Scott
- Elana Howard
- 2D
- Oscar Brighton
- Ruben Carmichael

**3C**
- Samuel Aldamiz
- Blake Sullivan

**3D**
- Harry Smith
- Will Hayes

**4V**
- Sienna Maiorana

**4/5C**
- Declan Fisher

**5/6G**
- Bethany Hartwig
- Ruby Cashin

**5/6S**
- Mia Andronescu
- Jaye Surgey

**ART**
- Samuel Aldamiz

**PE**
- Rory Ryder-Ford

**PRIDE**
- Eric Woulfe
- Abby Sawyer-Snell

**HOUSE CAPTAINS**
- Rueban Shirnack
- Tom Jaensch

**SCHOOL CAPTAINS**
- Maria Petrolo

**PRINCIPAL**
- Olivia Tassone
- Harvey Pardon
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LIBRARY BOOKS

Please start hunting under beds and in bookcases for misplaced Library Books and take home books. We have many books missing and we would appreciate books being returned as soon as possible. We will be beginning our stocktake shortly.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOVEMBER
Lars Castleman (24th)
Cooper Waylen (24th)
Shelby Winzler (27th)
Oscar Brighton (28th)
Katie Tschirpig (29th)

R.I. Christmas Break-Up

All children who participate in Religious Instruction are invited to the Christmas Break-up on Monday, December 7th at 12.30pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. Parents and grandparents are most welcome to attend. Could all students attending please bring a plate to share for lunch.

Thank you
Di Eagle and Mrs Puku

LIBRARY BOOKS

Social Stories™ are structured stories which are used to explain social situations to children with autism and learning delays. They also help children learn socially appropriate behaviour and responses.

Social Stories™ might be less effective for children with poor comprehension skills. For this reason Family Time Australia have developed Social Stories™ that are appropriate for majority of ages and skill level of the child.

People with autism or learning delays can often misunderstand or don’t pick up on social cues such as body language, facial expressions, gestures and eye contact. Social Stories™ were developed as an intervention for children to learn how they should behave in social settings by explicitly pointing out details about situations and appropriate actions and responses to these situations. These details help children pick up on cues they would normally overlook.

Social Stories™ are also a great way for teaching typically developing children appropriate behavior and can be used in kindergartens, schools and group settings.


CHRISTMAS FAMILY NIGHT

Thursday 10th December 6–8pm

Bring the family along for a great night of fun

• Santa’s little helper workshops
• Gift wrapping service
• Meet Santa in store
• Light refreshments will be provided

Term Dates 2016

First day of school for 2016 will be Thursday January 28th.

Term 1  28th January - 24th March
Term 2  11th April - 24th June
Term 3  11th July - 16th September
Term 4  3rd October - 20th December
Dear Parents,

It is quite unbelievable that 2016 is upon us already.

The school’s Programs and Requisites charges as set by School Council have been outlined in the table over the page. The fees are structured into the following components:

1. Classroom Requisites (Essential Items) - $90
2. Camps, Excursions, Incursions and Activities (Optional Items) – Varying for each grade
3. Voluntary – Parent Choice
4. ICT levy for those students who will be using the school owned technology - $75

We have endeavoured to keep these costs to a minimum as we introduce a BYOD program. A more detailed overview of the fees can be seen in the table over the page. Please note, families who receive CSEF payments (Camps, Sports, Excursion Funding) can utilise the money to pay for any camp, sporting event or excursion. In 2015 this was a payment to the school of $125.

All families are asked to make their payment by Friday March 18th. The following payment options are available:

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If you are choosing a payment plan you need to contact our Business manager, Sharon Welsh by Friday March 18th, to discuss the plan you would like to follow eg. Weekly deposits, term payments etc. This will remain confidential.

Kind regards,

Robyn Brooks – Principal
Sebastian Tabacco – School Council President

Responsibility - Acceptance - Respect - Honesty - Cooperation - Resilience
1. **CLASSROOM REQUISITES (Essential):** All work books, diaries, reading bags and writing materials such as pens, pencils, erasers, glue sticks, rulers, highlighters, colouring pencils etc. It also includes document wallets, display books, plastic pockets etc.  
   *This will be set at $90 per student.*

2. **CAMPS, EXCURSIONS, INCURSIONS AND ACTIVITIES (Optional):**

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3. **VOLUNTARY:** A voluntary contribution can also be made to the school towards the building project of our new assembly area:  
   - $25  
   - $50  
   - $100  
   - Other Amount  
   Please see Robyn Brooks, Ben Milsom or Sharon Welsh if you would like to discuss further.

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4. ICT LEVY

There will be a $75 ICT levy for students who do not opt to bring their own iPad. The school will provide a device for use when applicable.

PLEASE NOTE:
Students selected for sport representative teams and additional activities will incur extra costs relating to the specific event.

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BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) Program at ISPS in 2016

At Irymple South we are striving to support and prepare our students for the world in which they live. We believe that the use of technology enriches and supports the learning that currently takes place. Our school’s focus has been on providing quality teaching and learning and ensuring best results for all students. We will continue in our quest for the highest quality teaching and learning at our school. Our teachers have undertaken extensive professional reading, research and investigation into teaching and learning that gives them the skills to equip our students for their future. The use of technologies is integral to our 21st century lives and we believe that we have a deep understanding of how we can use technologies effectively to support the current teaching and learning practices we have in place. Although the Victorian Education department strongly endorses the use of technology there is no funding allocations to schools for the provisions and purchase of devices. The department has developed policies around the introduction of BYOD programs for schools to enable the ongoing use of technology within teaching and learning programs for students. School Council has endorsed and supported the introduction of a BYOD program in 2016. The BYOD program is an Education Department initiative that is currently operating in many schools around the state. The BYOD program is not compulsory. The school will provide access to technology for all students.

In 2016 the Irymple South PS staff will be participating in the professional learning program “New Pedagogies for Deep Learning”. This program will:

- identify, build and share models of new pedagogical practice
- identify precise and deliberate use of digital technologies to accelerate learning
- build our resource bank of deep learning

Current Program 2015

Each student in grades 3 to 6 has access to a netbook, that is between 2 – 6 years old. Grade 2s have a class set of netbooks that are 3-5 years old to share between the 2 classes. Two class sets of iPad, between 2 and 4 years old are shared across the Prep/one and 5/6 classes. Technology has been supplied for student use for the past 5 year without a payment levy from families. The current devices are now becoming outdated, broken and unusable in some instances.

Options for ICT in 2016

- Bring Your Own iPad
- Levy payment for use of school devices

Why iPads?

- Instant on/faster to load/long battery life
- Applications are affordable and creative
- Best tablet apps for education
- User friendly
- Personalised device
- Has good camera, video and multimedia creation
What device do I need/buy?
Already own:
   An iPad 2 or more recent. The iPad should have camera/video capacity.
To purchase:

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Do I need to purchase any accessories?
   All iPads will require a sturdy cover for protection
   We recommend cover for accidental breakages/damage

Where do I purchase my device?
   Students can use iPads that you currently own – iPad 2 and more recent are compatible
   You may purchase or lease a device at any provider
   You can Buy, lease or flexirent through JB Hi Fi Irymple South Primary School Portal

JB Hi Fi Irymple South Primary School Portal
JB Hi Fi currently operate school portals for many schools across the state for the purchase of devices for school use.
The Irymple South Primary School JB Hi Fi Portal is now open for our school community to purchase; lease or flexirent iPads at discounted educational rates.

Access to this portal is:  https://www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/
School Access Code is:  ISP2016

Key Dates:
1. To receive your iPad before Christmas, you must purchase by 10th December 2015
2. To receive your iPad before school recommences on January 28th, you must purchase by 10/1/16
3. You can purchase your iPad at a time and date that is convenient to you.
4. The portal will remain active throughout 2016 for future purchases.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is BYOD?

BYOD is a program whereby students will be able to bring a personal device to school to use as their primary technological device. The school will provide the ability to connect compatible devices to a filtered Internet service.

What will be provided by the school?

The school will provide access to a filtered Wi-Fi Internet service.

Who pays for the technology brought to school?

These devices will be purchased by and remain the property of the family.

Will there be a permission form that needs to be signed before a student brings their own device to school?

Yes, parents will need to sign the BYOD agreement before students can use the device within the school.

How will theft, loss or damage of a personally owned device be handled in the school?

Students, Parents and Teachers are all responsible in some way. Each case will be dealt with separately, as students, parents and teachers should be fully aware of the school’s acceptable use policy and iPad Care Agreement. Theft will be dealt with by the school and police.

Will I need to have Internet access at home?

No. It would be helpful, however, to have some form of Internet access (wired or wireless) in order for a child to make full use of school resources from home, as well as the multitude of resources available on the World Wide Web. But, it is not required in order for a child to use a personal computing device at school. In addition, there are many providers of free Wi-Fi in the community that students could use to access the Internet outside of school hour. Please be aware that these connections do not provide access to a filtered Internet experience as experienced on the school's network.

Will the wireless access be filtered?

The wireless Internet access available to students will be filtered in the same way that access is managed at present. If students connect using their 3G or 4G connection then this will bypass the filtering. This is not covered by the BYOD policy.

Will there be technical assistance provided to access the wireless network or to assist with the use of BYOD devices?

Students will be expected to know how to connect their devices. Teachers will be available to support, along with our school ICT technicians.
Will students be able to recharge devices during the school day?
Students should not have the expectation that they will be able to charge devices at school.

Can my child keep their iPad at school?
Yes, your child can. The school will provide a lockable station but you will need to provide the charger for your child’s iPad remaining at school.

Will students be able to record teachers or classmates (audio or video)?
No. Students are not allowed to make records of their teacher of fellow students unless it is part of a class project and permission has been granted.

Will students be able to use their devices before or after school? During lunch?
Students will not be able to use their iPad during recess or lunch, unless they are supervised by a teacher and the purpose is educational. No ‘games’ will be accessed during class time unless they have an educational focus.

Does the school provide insurance for damage, loss or theft?
No. We do however recommend taking out insurance to cover these eventualities.

Can students use another student’s device?
No. The device that is owned by the student is to be only used by the student.

How will students be able to print?
Students cannot print to school printers.

As a parent, am I required to add additional software to my child’s technology tool?
All applications will be pushed out to parents/students through our central system and costs will be covered by the school.

How will these devices be used in the classroom?
Students will use their devices for a variety of activities which will vary from class to class. Activities may include (but are not limited to): complete in class activities, collaborate in real time, research for projects, and access websites with curriculum-related content, and keep track of classroom assignments, and record journal entries and other approved instructional activities.

I don’t have an electronic communication device that my child can bring to school. Will my child be penalised or miss out on instruction?
No. It is not mandatory for students to bring a device, even if they do own one.

How will screen-time be managed?
Teachers will ensure that screen-time will not be overused. This will be closely monitored by all teaching staff to ensure the wellbeing of all our students.

Will the technology replace teaching?
Not at all. Technology will be used as an accelerator to support current teaching and learning practices.