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NEWSLETTER
Irymple South Primary School
December 5th, 2013
Issue 39, Week 9, Term 4

WALK TO SCHOOL
What a fantastic month November was for physical activity. Every Friday morning we had our House Captains tallying laps of people walking around our track. This was a great lead in to the final Friday in November where we walked from the Irymple Shops. We had a massive response with over 230 people joining in and forming a walking school bus along the 3km trek to school. We then finished with a healthy breakfast which everyone enjoyed. Thanks to everyone who joined in or volunteered their time to help with the breakfast.

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP
We are extremely concerned about the safety of the students at the end of the day. As our school community grows the congestion at pick up time also increases. We are particularly concerned about the Belar Avenue exit. Students will only exit through the gate that goes into the playground, NOT the staff car park gate. If you park on the other side of Belar Avenue, you need to collect your child from the school side of the road. It is far too dangerous for the students to be negotiating this crossing on their own. Please also be careful when pulling into the space left by the buses on 15th Street.

DRESS UP DAY
On Tuesday we held a Dress Up day and Fun Lunch. Students dressed up as their favourite book, movie or TV character. We held a parade where we could see all the fantastic costumes that the students and teachers wore. After recess the students made reindeer lollipop holders, icy pole stick characters and participated in fun games. Thanks to the parents who organised and cooked the wonderful BBQ lunch.

2013 FAMILY CELEBRATION DINNER
On Monday 16th 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.

REPORTS
Study reports are being written at the moment. These will be distributed on Thursday 19th 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 and comments and an overview of the specialist programs that the students have participated in. The Ultranet will also provide comments about your child’s ongoing learning and a copy of their academic level of achievement.

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 Monday 9th December. Notes have gone home to those involved and these need to be returned as soon as possible. Thanks to the wonderful parents who organise the evening and prepare the meals.

GRADE 6 2014 T-SHIRTS
The current Grade 5s are in the process of designing their Grade 6 t-shirts for 2014. Order forms for the shirts have gone home. Miss O’Connor has sample shirts for the students to try on.

END OF YEAR ARRANGEMENTS
The school year is quickly coming to an end. School will finish for students on Friday December 20th at 2.15pm.

On Thursday December 19th all students will
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2013 End of Year Family celebration Dinner

You are invited to our end of year celebrations!

On Monday 16th December, at 6:00pm, we will be celebrating the end of the 2013 school year.

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

Bring your own picnic dinner or purchase dinner from the Enjoy Wine Catering stall. 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.
MULTICULTURAL DAY

Last Wednesday our Year Six Leadership Team went to Irymple Secondary College for a multicultural day, organised by the Year 9 Alpine School attendants. We participate in cultural activities such as Greek cooking, African music and Aboriginal dot painting. It was a great day where we had lots of fun whilst experiencing many different cultures.

Olivia

Last Wednesday the Year 6 leaders went to Irymple Secondary College to learn about multicultural beliefs. Throughout the day we got to learn traditional dancing, we learnt how to cook like they do in Greece and we played traditional womball. It was a very great day learning different cultures.

Tera

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

At Irymple South Primary School we value the benefits of Student Leadership. Next year we will be having 4 School Captains and 8 House Captains. The process and timeline for the selection of the School Captains and House Captains is outlined in the following table.

- **Thursday November 28th**: All students receive this overview.
- **Monday December 2nd**: Class time to work on School Captain and House Captain Speeches
- **By Friday December 6th**: Students wanting to run for School Captain need to let Mr. Milsom know before the end of the day. A self-nomination form is available at any time from Mr. Milsom.
- **Monday December 9th**: School Captain speeches to be undertaken straight after Assembly. All parents/carers are invited to listen. These speeches will be directed at Grades 4-6 students. Voting takes place.
- **Tuesday December 10th**: Successful School Captains will be notified. All applicants will be made aware of the winners.
- **By Thursday December 12th**: Those students wanting to run for House Captain need to let Mr. Milsom know before the end of the day. A self-nomination form is available at any time from Mr. Milsom.
- **Friday December 13th**: 2014 School Captains announced at Student Assembly. House Captain speeches will be undertaken after Student Assembly. These speeches are aimed at Grade 2-6. Voting takes place. Successful House Captains will be notified. All applicants will be made aware of the winners.
- **Monday December 16th**: GRADUATION 2014 School Captains officially announced by Robyn Brooks (Principal)
- **2014 House Captains officially announced by 2013 Grade 6 House Captains.**

HOT SHOTS TENNIS

Yes they have finally arrived! The MLC Hot Shots Tennis packs are here. In Term 3 children were offered the chance to log on to the MLC website where they were eligible to claim a free t-shirt. The children that did so will be bringing home their t-shirt today. All other children that participated in the MLC Hot Shot Tennis program in schools will receive a participation pack.

CHOIR

Our carollers performed at the Irymple Carols by Candlelight on Sunday night. They did an outstanding job in front of a large crowd. On Tuesday 17th December the choir will be going ‘On Tour’ singing at a number of nursing homes.

R.I. Christmas Break-Up

All children who participate in Religious Instruction are invited to the Christmas Break-up on Monday, December 9th 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 and drinks will be provided.

Students of the Week

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Thanks to everyone who came along and viewed the Art Exhibition. It was great to see so many students proudly showing their art work to their family. All students will be bringing home their art smock next week. Please ensure that they are washed and ready again to protect clothing from the mess in 2014!

Do not forget to go to the Alfred Deakin Centre to view the Christmas Tree Spectacular. The Grade 2s and 3s created salt dough decorations for our tree this year.

ART with Mrs Lord

with Mrs Casale

with Mrs Lord

with Mrs Vadlja

with Mrs O’Flanagan

with Mrs Curran

with Mrs Newman

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My highlight for this year was getting to meet the 1992 Melbourne cup winner, Sub zero. It was great getting to meet him because it was quite out of the ordinary to have a horse at our school.
By Hannah E

My highlight was the lightning premierships. This is because we made it to the third round in softball and we had two great coaches, Terri Zaccone and Shanhan Barrott.
By Braydon A

My favourite thing this year was when Mrs Lynch announced she was having a baby. I liked this because it was exciting and something new.
By Eliza B.

My highlight this year was going to Bendigo to run 500m. It was great fun because I came 6th overall.
By Eve K

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By Georgia T

My favourite part of the year was learning about Indonesia. It was fun to design brochures and write a discussion.
By Chloe W

A highlight for 2013 for me was being able to complete my brochure. It is a highlight because it was fun and I learnt about Indonesian culture, housing and finance.
By Shari B

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By Tom J

A highlight I have had this year is when we did pop art in art. I like the colourful colours. It was great fun!
By Tiah B

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By Alliah R

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By Jack B

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4/5F Highlights from 2013!!!

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A highlight for me was designing a theme park in maths. We got to decide what attractions we wanted as well as needed supplies. Then we worked out how much money we would charge and drew our entries. It was so much fun.
By Lily A

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By Claudia C

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