



Thursday 24th April
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ANZAC CEREMONY

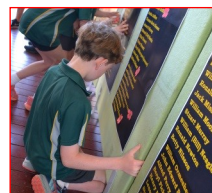
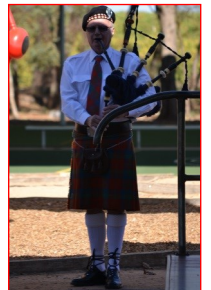
Our ANZAC Day ceremony was held this morning. It was beautiful. Thanks to the Grade 6 students who conducted the ceremony. The School Captains and House Captains spoke beautifully and with the respect that the service required.

A posy of rosemary was placed near the poppy field by Sophia Kuchel and Chloe Porter. This year each student created a poppy that was arranged to represent the fields of poppies that grew at Flanders.

The Grade 2 students sang 'Lest We Forget'. This song captures the emotion of the service beautifully.

At the end of the ceremony, students placed poppies next to the names of relatives who have served our country, on the ISPS Honour Board.

Thanks to Daryl Driscoll who played the bagpipes during the ceremony, RSL President, Paul McDermott (Riley and Zara's grandfather) for speaking about the importance of ANZAC Day and all community members who attended this morning.



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The department respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pays respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.

Year 6 Swimming and Water Safety Program

The Swimming in Schools initiative provides funding to contribute to the cost of delivering quality swimming and water safety education so all students have the opportunity to:

- learn how to swim
- develop lifelong skills in water safety to reduce their risk of drowning and injury

By the end of primary school, it is anticipated that students should be able to demonstrate the knowledge and skills identified in the Victorian Water Safety Certificate. The Certificate is awarded when a student can:

- swim 50m continuously
- perform a survival sequence wearing light clothing
- answer water safety-based questions
- perform non-swimming rescue techniques
- respond to an emergency by demonstrating DRSAB and recovery position.



In response to this program Irymple South Primary School are running an intensive program targeted at all Year 3 to year 6 students delivered by qualified swimming instructors at the Mildura Waves Aquatic Centre.

The Year 6 students intensive program will run from Monday 5th May to Friday 9th May. A permission note has been sent out via XUNO.



Prep 2026 Enrolments

Starting school is an exciting time for children, parents and carers. School tours are conducted by our Principal, Jamie Russell. Tours are approximately 30 minutes and they provide an opportunity to see the school in action. If you would like a tour please call the office.

All information for the 2026 enrolment process can be found on our website.

<https://irymplesouthps.vic.edu.au/enrolment/>

Completed enrolment or application forms can be emailed to the school. irymples.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Camps Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) 2025

The Victorian Government will be providing a CSEF payment to all eligible families to assist with the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Please contact the office to get an application form. The School will need to sight and copy the concession card to ensure that the parent's name and Centrelink Reference Number (CRN) matches the Centrelink database.

School Council Meeting

The next meeting of the School Council will be held on Wednesday 14th May at 6:00pm in the Staff Room.

STUDENT FREE DAY

On Tuesday 10th June, staff will be involved in professional learning. There will be **NO** school for students on this day. 'TheirCare' will be available for bookings on this day.

CONGRATULATIONS MRS MAC!



On the 24th April 1995, Miss Nadine Bishop had her first day at Irymple South Primary School. Now Nadine McWilliams, she has been at our wonderful school for 30 years!



Throughout her time here she has had a variety of teaching roles: classroom teaching, classroom support, Reading Recovery, Environmental Science and she is now our very talented and enthusiastic Music teacher.

There have been many changes at ISPS over the past 30 years from the number of students, buildings and many staff and principals. Nadine is now teaching children of former students and some of her colleagues were also her students. What a wonderful achievement.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep T

Dallas Caristo

Prep C

Mason Caristo

Prep D

Ella Standley

1W

Kayden Siemsen

1S

Zaydon Murphy

1H

Indie Cutts

2M

Henry Oliver

2G

Carter Hammond

2D

Spencer Sharpe

3G

Alessio Costantino

3Z

Tara Johns

4R

Salvatore Zara

4G

Ella Bowen

5G

Levani Panuccio

5B

Ollie Hughes

6S

Rhianna Whitworth

6H

Jax Mulhall

Art

Paddy Mannes

Music

Elizabeth Romeo

PE

Archie Smith

Health

Emilia Graf-Cox

Principal

The Grade2 students

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

APRIL

Nevaeh Walton (21st)

Riley Siemsen (21st)

Bryce Siemsen (21st)

Noah Toala (22nd)

Hunter McQualter (23rd)

Charlie Millard (24th)

Blake Yuill (24th)

Sophia Kuchel (24th)

Riley Ralph (25th)



OPEN EVENINGS 2025

Sunraysia Secondary Colleges will be holding 'Open Evenings' during May. Families are invited to visit our schools to discuss teaching and learning programs, extra-curricular activities and facilities.



Irymple Secondary College	Chaffey Secondary College	Merbein P-10 Secondary College	Red Cliffs Secondary College	Werrimull P-12 School
Karadoc Avenue, Irymple Phone 5024 5407 irymplesc@education.vic.gov.au	261-289 Deakin Ave, Mildura Phone 5023 0538 chaffey.sc@education.vic.gov.au	Commercial Street, Merbein Phone 5025 2501 merbein.p10@education.vic.gov.au	Fitzroy Avenue, Red Cliffs Phone 5024 1522 red.cliffs.sc@education.vic.gov.au	5 McDonald St, Werrimull Phone 5028 1251 werrimull.p12@education.vic.gov.au
Thursday 8th May 6pm – 8pm Please gather in The Quad at 6pm	Tuesday 6th May 6pm – 8pm Presentation 6pm - Gymnasium	Wednesday 7th May 5.30pm – 7.30pm Presentation at 5.30pm - Gym	Wednesday 7th May 5.30pm – 7.30pm Please meet in the Lecture Theatre	Wednesday 7th May 4pm – 5pm Please meet at reception
Authorised by the principals of the participating secondary colleges: Jo McQuinn (Irymple S.C), Jeff Topp (Chaffey S.C), Chris Grimmer (Merbein P-10 College), Justin Matt (Red Cliffs S.C) and Ben Nicholson (Werrimull P-12)				

CHAFFEY
SECONDARY COLLEGE

OPEN NIGHT
TUESDAY 6 MAY
6-8PM

Year 6 students and their families are invited to join us for our 2025 Open Night. The evening will begin with an information session in the gym. Students and their families will then take a guided tour of the college and participate in a range of hands on activities. Light refreshments will be served at our RIPR Cafe. Open Night is an opportunity to tour our facilities and find out about the opportunities available for your children in 2026 and beyond!

RED CLIFFS
SECONDARY COLLEGE

OPEN NIGHT
WEDNESDAY 7th MAY 2025
5.30PM-7.30PM

EVENT SCHEDULE

- 5:30 PM – INFORMATION SESSION [LECTURE THEATRE]**
 - Learn about the programs, opportunities and extra curricular activities on offer at RCSC
 - Understand the enrolment process
 - Meet key staff who will support your child during their transition
 - Gain insight into our extensive transition program
- 6:00 PM – EXPLORE RCSC!**
 - Tour the Year 7 HUB and our specialised learning facilities
 - Meet our friendly staff and student leaders who can answer your questions
 - Participate in the 'Reddy Race' for a chance to win a \$100 uniform voucher!
- 7:00 PM – SPORTS ACADEMY PRESENTATION & GYM TOUR [ACTIVITY CENTRE]**
 - Meet our expert coaches
 - Hear from current student-athletes
 - Learn about the 2026 Sports Academy Program (limited spaces available)

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

FOR ENROLMENT ENQUIRIES, CONTACT:
Jennifer Chatfield – Junior Education & Transition Leader
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RESILIENCE | COMPASSION | SUCCESS | CITIZENSHIP

TERM 2 Community Play Coaching

Red Cliffs Lawn Tennis Club

Mon - 3.30-4pm @\$7 4 & 5 yrs Hot Shots
Mon - 4-4.45pm @\$10 5-12 yrs Hot Shots
Tues – 4-4.45pm @\$10 5+ Hot Shots

Cost: \$10 Per Lesson-Receive free Hot Shots T-Shirt
Rackets available - Learn the fundamentals of tennis in a social fun environment

'TENNIS 4 TEENS'

Monday: 4.45-5.30 pm
Tuesday: 4.45-5.30pm

Cost: \$10 Per Lesson

Improve all your skills/technique to make you a more competitive player in a social tennis environment. To enrol or for more information ph: Lisa Hill 0400 726324
email: lisa.joyhill70@gmail.com Community Play Coach/Coordinator

Glasses for Kids

The 'Glasses for Kids' program will be visiting our school from Tuesday 27th May to Thursday 29th May. This program is available to all students in Prep to Grade 3. Consent forms were handed out to students this week. Please return completed forms by Thursday 1st May.

GLASSES FOR KIDS
IS COMING TO THIS SCHOOL

The Glasses for Kids program will be visiting this school to provide eligible students with **FREE** vision screening, then testing and glasses (as required)

Scan this QR code to find out more on the GFK website

STATE RELIEF | GLASSES FOR KIDS | VICTORIA

A Victorian State Government and State Schools' Relief Initiative
Questions? Please contact the GFK team via info@glassesforkids.com.au

2025

		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
MAY	2	28	29	30	1	2	3	4
	3	5 Grade 6 Swimming	6 Division Cross Country	7	8	9	10	11
	4	12 Grade 5 Swimming	13	14 School Council Meeting	15	16	17	18
	5	19 Grade 3 Swimming	20	21	22	23	24	25
	6	26	27 Glasses for Kids	28	29	30	31	1
JUNE	7	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	8	9 King's Birthday Public Holiday	10 Student Free Day	11	12	13	14	15
	9	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		30	1	2	3	4 End of Term 2	5	6

2025 Dates

Term Dates

Term 2 Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 4th July
Term 3 Monday 21st July – Friday 19th Sept
Term 4 Monday 6th Oct - Friday 19th Dec

Public Holidays

King's Birthday - Monday 9th June
 Grand Final Eve - Friday 26th September
 Cup Day - Tuesday 4th November

School Events

Grade 6 Swimming - Mon 5th to Frid 9th May
 Division Cross Country - Tuesday 6th May
 Grade 5 Swimming - Mon 12th to Fri 16th May
 Grade 3 Swimming - Mon 19th to Fri 23rd May
 Glasses for Kids Program - Tue 27th May to Thu 29th May
 Student Free Day - Tuesday 10th June
 Student Free Day - Monday 3rd November