



END OF TERM 1

Thursday 2nd April is the final day of Term 1. School will be dismissed at 2:15pm. Busses will **NOT** run at the earlier time, so please organise alternative arrangements for your child/ren.

Heidi, Evelyn and Zoe will be hosting the first LiA project of the year. They are holding a 'Crazy Hair Day'. Teachers and students are encouraged to

make their hair **CRAZY** It will also be a casual dress day, **no** gold coin donation is required.

There will be a whole school parade in the assembly area at 9:10am.

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CRAZY

Hair Day

Teachers and students to come dressed with the craziest hair possible. This will be a casual dress day. No gold coin required!

WHEN Thursday, 2nd April
(LAST DAY OF TERM 1)

WHERE Whole School Parade at 9.10am in the assembly area!

There will be certificates for the craziest hair in each classroom!

Organised by Heidi, Evelyn and Zoe

Need Ideas?

- Pipcleaners
- Hairspray
- Wigs
- Mohawks

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to our School Cross Country Champions, Chloe Chiswell and Flint Foliaki and the Year Level Champions (listed later in the newsletter). Trophies and certificates will be presented at Monday's morning assembly. Thanks to our House Captains for leading their houses. They showed great leadership by encouraging and supporting their team. Also, thank you to Paul Bamford and the year 12 Senior College students for helping out and supporting our students to compete. A final thank you to our oath readers; Heidi Wilmann, David Piscioneri and Sharon Branson.



Congratulations to **Campbell** for being the **2026 Cross Country Champions**

House placings for the Cross Country are:

- 1st Campbell**
- 2nd McCracken**
- 3rd Dewry**
- 4th Newton**



OPTIMISM OWNERSHIP CURIOSITY INCLUSION

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS 2026

Chloe

**SCHOOL CHAMPION
GRADE 5 CHAMPION**



Flint

**SCHOOL CHAMPION
GRADE 5 CHAMPION**



Layla

Prep Champion



Morgan

Prep Champion



Frankie

Gr 1 Champion



Harvey

Gr 1 Champion



Indi

Gr 2 Champion



Alfie

Gr 2 Champion



Billie

Gr 3 Champion



River

Gr 3 Champion



Mila

Gr 4 Champion



Joey

Gr 4 Champion



Indi

Gr 6 Champion



Malachy

Gr 6 Champion

CROSS COUNTRY 2026

A great effort was shown by all students. Well done to all the year level champions and school champions.

Thank you to all parents and family members for coming and cheering the students and to all our staff, Paul Bamford and the Senior College students in assisting in the running of the Cross Country. Winning House for the day was **Campbell** very closely followed by **McCracken**, with **Dewry** and **Newton** taking out third and fourth places.

School Champions

Chloe Chiswell

Flint Foliaki



Prep

- 1st Layla Mee (2mins 44 sec)
- 2nd Bobbie Callow
- 3rd Evie Trimbonias



Prep

- 1st Morgan Corponi (2mins 28 sec)
- 2nd Levi Keating
- 3rd Samuel Caminiti



Grade 1

- 1st Frankie Winderlich (2mins 27 sec)
- 2nd Grace Lamattina
- 3rd Maya Caminiti



Grade 1

- 1st Harvey Johnson (2mins 24 sec)
- 2nd Dallas Caristo
- 3rd Noah Williams



Grade 2

- 1st Indi Lampard (5 min 12 sec)
- 2nd Mila Englefield
- 3rd Haylee Arnold



Grade 2

- 1st Alfie Callow (4 min 55 sec)
- 2nd Brodie Callaway
- 3rd Jack Jeffers



Grade 3

- 1st Billie Hamence (8 min 00 sec)
- 2nd Hannah Whitworth
- 3rd Everly Tiedemann



Grade 3

- 1st River Jary (6 min 53 sec)
- 2nd Reuben Dowdy
- 3rd Phoenix Caristo



Grade 4

- 1st Mila Byron (7 min 58 sec)
- 2nd Aria Lampard
- 3rd Molly Carn



Grade 4

- 1st Joey Pardo (6 min 42 sec)
- 2nd Alessio Costantino
- 3rd Jimmy Jeffers



Grade 5

- 1st Chloe Chiswell (9 min 50 sec)
- 2nd Elke Brady
- 3rd Ruby O'Connor



Grade 5

- 1st Flint Foliaki (9 min 05 sec)
- 2nd Max McQualter
- 3rd Christos Stamatian



Grade 6

- 1st Indi Gibson (10 min 38 sec)
- 2nd Maaya Piscioneri
- 3rd Hanna Meulemans



Grade 6

- 1st Malachy Pyke (9 min 10 sec)
- 2nd Harry Shawcross
- 3rd Brodie Holland



MOSQUITOES

Protecting against mosquito-borne diseases

Warm and wet weather can result in greater numbers of mosquitoes and an increased risk of illness from mosquito bites. While the overall risk is currently low, some mosquitoes may be carrying diseases that make people sick.

The best protection against mosquito-borne illness is to avoid mosquito bites.



Families can protect against mosquito bites by:

- covering up as much as possible with long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing
- applying insect repellent that contains picaridin or DEET on exposed skin when outdoors
- limiting outdoor activity if lots of mosquitoes are active

Outdoor areas will be treated during the Easter holidays with a thin insecticide spray to reduce mosquito activity on the school site. This work will be undertaken by an experienced professional.

Insect repellent is available in all classrooms; if you would like your child to use this repellent before going out to play, please discuss this with them. Alternatively, if you don't want your child to use the repellent at school notify their teacher.



LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

The first project for 2026 is being organised by Heidi, Evelyn and Zoe. Crazy Hair Day is happening on the last day of Term 1, Thursday 2nd April.

At Irymple South Primary School, our Grades 5 and 6 students are engaged in developing their leadership skills through our Leadership in Action Program.

Throughout the year, our Grade 6 students develop personal leadership goals, use success criteria to track growth, engage with a mentor and use their learning to transfer to a project that enhances the school, local or global community.

The students have chosen their projects. There are some wonderful projects that we can't wait to experience.

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ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

Our ANZAC Ceremony will be held on Friday the 24th April (Week 1, Term 2) at 10:30am. Our Grade 2 students will sing 'Lest We Forget' and our Grade 6 students will host the ceremony. Once again, we will have our ISPS Memorial Wall on display. Our wall recognises students' family members who have served our country. If you have added a name to the Memorial Wall in the past, it will be included again this year. If you would like to add a name, please email Emma.Lord@education.vic.gov.au with the name, the war they served in and the student's name by the end of Term 1, Thursday 2nd April.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MARCH

Olivia Caminiti (24th)
Sammy Meulemans (24th)
Cory Phillips-Savage (25th)
Domenico Puleio (29th)



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep T

Rory Purves-Millis

Prep D

Thea Caristo

Prep C

Elias Alvanos

1M

Audrey Hamence

1MG

Matilda Logan

1H

Olivia Featherston

2M

Juilan Kourdis

2Z

Alfie Callow

2D

Haylee Arnold
Savannah Hall

3G

Lilla Kee
Molly McKinley

3S

Graycen Gange
Madison Humphrys

4R

Molly Carn
Stella McGregor

4G

Noah Toala

5G

Brooklyn Kiel

5W

Cory Phillips-Savage
Max McQualter

6S

Cody Edwards
Eliza Sleep

6H

Harry Shawcross

Art

Emilia Graf-Cox

PE

Max McQualter

Health

Lacey Webster
Bobby Williams

STEM

Kaden Plewinski

Food Tech

Lario-Milan Piscioneri

Assistant Principal

Morgan Corponi
Harry Shawcross

Principal

Blake Bate
Rosalie Holding

2027 PREP ENROLMENTS

We are beginning to plan for our 2027 Prep cohort and would appreciate the support of our current families. If you have a child who will be starting Prep in 2027, please contact the school office to let us know. This information helps us with early planning and ensures we can provide a smooth and well-prepared start for all students. Thank you for your assistance.

CIRCUS SPECTACULAR

Libby Kennedy has been teaching the students in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2, Dance this term. The students have enjoyed moving to music and learning dance moves. On Wednesday 1st April, they will show off their moves in the Irymple South 'Circus Spectacular'! Parents are invited to come along and watch their amazing performance. The students involved have brought home a ticket for family members to attend the show.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

This week we had our first School Council meeting with our 2026 school councillors. We would like to welcome our new parent representatives David Williams and Aaron Voyce and staff representative Steven Sellens. We also elected our office bearers.

President: Simon Gee

Vice President: Stacey Solomon

Minute Taker: Lauren Hepworth

Finance Sub Committee: Simon Gee, Jamie Russell, Matt Gray and Sharon Welsh

Convenor of the Finance Sub Committee: Simon Gee

2026 School Council Member: Emily Bamford, Marc Bowen, Erin O'Connor, Carly Gange, Simon Gee, Todd George, Brian Gray, Matt Gray, Lauren Hepworth, Emma Lord, Elizabeth Marwood, Shanae Rose, Jamie Russell, Steven Sellens, Stacey Solomon, Aaron Voyce and David Williams.

CSEF 2026

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. New applicants should contact the office for an application form. If you applied in 2025 and your circumstances have not changed, you do not need to reapply. Please check with the office and read the flyer further on in the newsletter for more information. The annual CSEF amount per students is \$400.



srs Benetook Farm

EASTER MARKET

FREE ENTRY FOR ALL

SAT 28 MAR 2026
10 AM - 1 PM

Get a selfie with Easter Bunny

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2026

WED 15th - THU 16th APRIL
10am - 2pm at Nichols Point Reserve

All Skill Levels Welcome to Attend

JUNIOR AGES 5 - 12

Two day program learning skills through fun games

BBQ Lunch on Thursday
Please bring a packed lunch on Wednesday and a named water bottle to both days

\$70 PER CHILD

Includes: NPFC Tshirt, soccer ball, sports bag LMW drink bottle & Domino's voucher & BBQ lunch.

For more information contact:
Ollie on 0417 309 394 - marketing@nicholspointsc.com.au
www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1549879

ALL GIRLS GROUPS AVAILABLE

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED

PLAY.AFL/HOLIDAYPROGRAMS

MILDURA AFL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

TUESDAY 7th APRIL | 9AM-3PM
MILDURA SPORTING PRECINCT
BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 4-12
\$55 PER PERSON - INCLUDES A FOOTY!

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GOOD CLEAN FUN

PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

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MILDURA SPORTING PRECINCT

FRIDAYS 6/3 to 27/3
Time: 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Auskick: 4-12 years old
Cost: \$55 for 4 week program
* \$55 Discount for 12 Community Auskick

REGISTER

IRYMPLE BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATIONS OPEN ONLINE - OR WANT MORE INFORMATION OR NEED HELP REGISTER? COME DOWN TO MILDURA TOYOTA HOT HOUSE, 8TH STREET.

Meet & Register Day Miniball 2026

For the LOVE of the game

IRYMPLE BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS

MINIBALL

TERMS 2 3 4

Terms 2-4

For more information, Contact Stephanie
0408 893 596 - ibminiball@gmail.com

		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
APRIL	10	30	31	1 Prep to 2 Circus Spectacular 2:30pm	2 End of Term 1 2:15pm	3 GOOD FRIDAY	4	5 EASTER SUNDAY
		6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	1	20 Term 2 starts	21	22	23	24 ANZAC Day Ceremony 10:30am	25 ANZAC DAY	26
MAY	2	27	28	29	30	1	2	3
	3	4	5	6 School Council Meeting	7	8	9	10 Mother's Day
	4	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	5	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	6	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	JUNE	7	1	2	3	4	5 Student Free Day	6

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term Dates

- Term 1 Thu 29th Jan – Thu 2nd April
- Term 2 Mon 20th April – Fri 26th June
- Term 3 Mon 13th July – Fri 18th Sept
- Term 4 Mon 5th Oct - Fri 18th Dec

Public Holidays

- Good Friday - Friday 3rd April
- Easter Monday - Monday 6th April
- Anzac Day - Saturday 25th April
- King's Birthday - Monday 8th June
- Grand Final Eve - Friday 25th September

Cup Day - Tuesday 3rd November

School Events

- ANZAC Ceremony – Friday 24th April 10:30am
- Student Free Day – Friday 5th June
- Learning Conferences – Wed 29th July
- Professional Practice Day – Fri 23rd October
- Grandparents Day – Monday 26th October
- Student Free Day – Friday 18th December