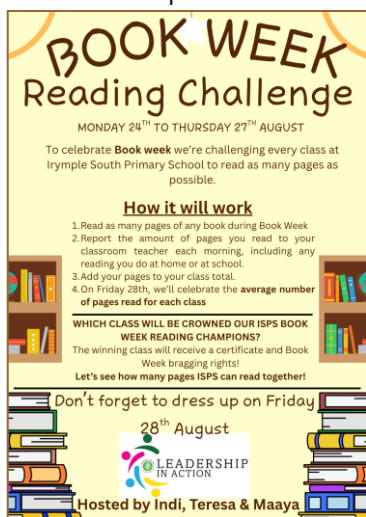


Friday 21st August, Issue 26, Week 6, Term 3, 2026

LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

Next Friday our LiA team of Indi, Taresa and Maaya have organised 'Book Day'. They are inviting all students and staff to come dressed as their favourite book character. There will be a parade of after assembly. Throughout the day students will be involved in activities focussed on books! Indi, Taresa and Maaya have also put out a 'Reading Challenge'. They are challenging every class to read as many pages as possible. Information on the challenge has been posted on Seesaw.



BOOK WEEK
Reading Challenge

MONDAY 24TH TO THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST

To celebrate **Book week** we're challenging every class at Irymple South Primary School to read as many pages as possible.

How it will work

1. Read as many pages of any book during Book Week
2. Report the amount of pages you read to your classroom teacher each morning, including any reading you do at home or at school.
3. Add your pages to your class total.
4. On Friday 28th, we'll celebrate the **average number of pages read for each class**

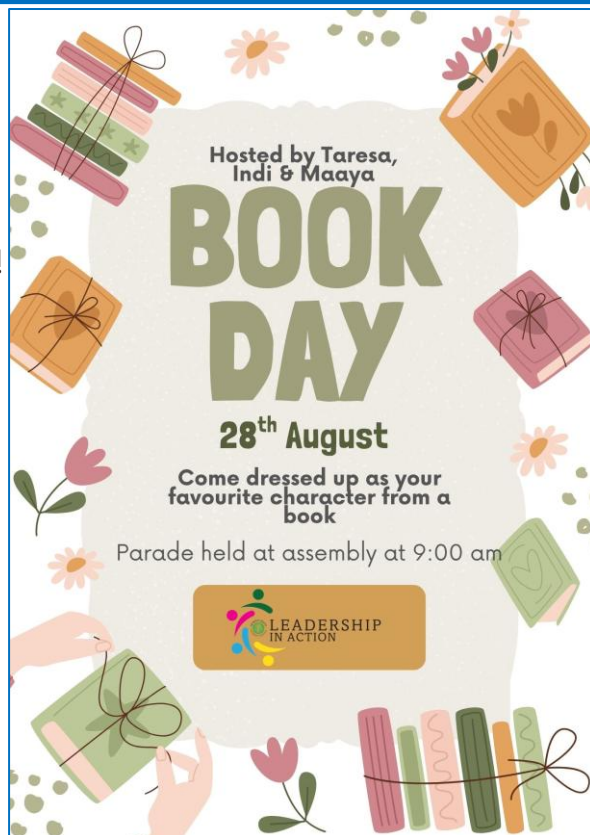
WHICH CLASS WILL BE CROWNED OUR ISPS BOOK WEEK READING CHAMPIONS?

The winning class will receive a certificate and Book Week bragging rights!

Let's see how many pages ISPS can read together!

Don't forget to dress up on Friday 28th August

LEADERSHIP IN ACTION
Hosted by Indi, Teresa & Maaya



Hosted by Taresa, Indi & Maaya

BOOK DAY

28th August

Come dressed up as your favourite character from a book

Parade held at assembly at 9:00 am

LEADERSHIP IN ACTION



THE BEAT

Our Grade 5 students are performing in 'The Beat' next week. 'The Beat' is a local state school spectacular showcasing a variety of performing arts. The students will perform in both night shows (Tuesday 25th & Wednesday 26th August), NOT the matinee. Tickets are available from the [Mildura Arts Centre](https://www.milduraartscentre.com.au). The students are very excited and ready to perform. They will be doing a dress rehearsal on Monday in preparation for the two night performances.



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OPTIMISM OWNERSHIP CURIOSITY INCLUSION

We have an exciting term ahead with projects organised by our Grade 6 leaders. Grade 6 students take great pride in organising and running their events and the rest of the school thoroughly enjoy taking part



Party Games
Lunchtime Activity

- Limbo
- Musical chairs
- Bobs and statues
- Chicken noodle soup
- Corners
- Dancing

- Week 4: Grade 1
- Week 5: Grade 2
- Week 6: Grade 3
- Week 7: Grade 5/6
- Week 8: Grade 4
- Week 9: Buddies

FRIDAYS WEEK 4 - 9
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
1:30pm
Run by Ariana, Harper and Charlotte

Party Games

Ariana, Charlotte,
Harper
(Lunchtime Activity)



Book Day Dress Up Day
Friday 28th August
Indi, Maya, Taresa



Minute To Win It
Weeks 4-9
Tylah, Hanna, Lucy



Footy Colours Day
Friday 18th September
Noah, Andre, Robert, Gabe



PARTY GAMES

Thanks to Ariana, Harper and Charlotte for organising and running their LiA project, 'Party Games' at lunchtime on Thursdays. The Grade 1s, 2s and 3s have had a blast playing the games. Keep up the great work!



BUDDIES

The Prep students have been writing information texts about emus. Today they shared their wonderful writing with their buddies and created some emu artwork together!



MINI OLYMPICS

After our very successful Athletics Sports a number of our students qualified to represent our school at the Mini Olympics. 40 students will travel to the Aerodrome Ovals to compete against students from across Sunraysia on Tuesday 1st September. Each student can only compete in 2 events and students were consulted on the events that they qualified for and chose to compete in. Students have been training at lunchtimes with Sharon Branson and many are also training at home! We wish them all the best.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CARERS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Carer Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies, as well as to celebrate the things we are doing well.

The Parent / Carer Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 17 August to Friday 18 September 2026**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes approximately **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

Check XUNO for details on how to access and complete the survey.

SCHOOL REVIEW

Planning for the next four years

Every Victorian government school participates in a School Review approximately every four years. The review is led by an independent reviewer and provides an opportunity to reflect on the school's progress against the goals and targets outlined in its School Strategic Plan. The review examines a wide range of evidence, including student achievement, wellbeing, engagement, leadership and teaching practices, to identify what the school is doing well and where further improvement is possible. The outcomes of the review help shape the priorities, goals and targets for the next four year School Strategic Plan.

For Irymple South Primary School, this review is an opportunity to celebrate the significant achievements of our students, staff and wider school community, while also identifying the next steps in our journey of continuous improvement.

We have met with the review panel and discussed the review process, examine key evidence. Our formal review will take place on Wednesday 1st September. It will involve input from all stakeholders, students, parents, staff and leadership. We look forward to sharing the outcomes of the review once the process has been completed.

GROUNDS UPDATE

We wish to provide a brief update regarding a maintenance issue affecting our septic system and an area of our school oval.

Excess groundwater around our RELN drainage system is currently causing the septic tanks to fill more rapidly than usual. In the short term, this has been managed through regular pumping of the excess water while we work with the Department of Education and our maintenance providers to address the underlying issue.

The oval has been temporarily fenced as a precautionary measure. The fencing is simply to restrict access to the potentially affected area while this work is undertaken.

The school toilets remain accessible and operational, and there is no change to normal school operations at this stage. When entering and moving around the school, please avoid the fenced area.

CAMPS PROGRAM

Our camp program commenced this week, with the Grade 4s trip to Echuca. The program is intended to give the students a broad range of experiences on which to build knowledge about our own local area and the greater area in proximity to Mildura. We aim to provide a sequential program that provides students with the opportunities to develop independence and resilience.

Grade 6 Camp

The students will be going to Roses Gap, this year on their camp. They will leave on Wednesday 29th October and return on Friday 30th October

Grade 5 Camp

The students will be going to Ballarat, this year on their camp. They will leave Monday 12th October and return on Wednesday 14th October

Grade 3 Camp

The students will be going to Lake Cullulleraine. The camp will be from Thursday 29th to Friday 30th October

Grade 2 Excursion and Sleepover

Grade 2 students will be sleeping over at school on a Thursday night. They will participate in a variety of out of school activities during the day on the Friday. A date will be confirmed in Term 4.

Grade 1 Excursion and Dinner

Grade 1 students will participate in an end of year excursion and dinner at school at a date to be confirmed in Term 4.

Prep Excursion and Dinner

Prep students will participate in an end of year excursion and dinner at school at a date to be confirmed in Term 4.

Classroom teachers will send out more detailed information about each camp.

Payments for all camps can be made now using the following payment option.

**Direct Deposit*

Irymple South Primary School

BSB: 063520 (Commonwealth Bank)

ACC NO: 10104523

***Please put your child's surname as a reference*

**If you receive CSEF, you can use this to pay for the camps*

**you can also use your School Savings Bonus (SSB), just contact the office*



You are invited to
GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Monday 26th October
9:00am to 11:30am



PREP 2027

Information Night

Thursday 22nd October
6:00pm – 7:00pm

Transition Days

Tuesday 10th November
9:00–11:00am or 11:30–1:30pm

Tuesday 17th November
9:00–11:00am or 11:30–1:30pm

Tuesday 24th November
9:00am – 12:30pm

Tuesday 1st December
9:00am – 12:30pm



ELT
ELECTRIC LIGHT THEATRE

INFORMATION NIGHT

MONDAY THE 31ST OF AUGUST

STARTING AT 6:30

MADEC
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
133-137 MADDEN AVE, MILDURA

OPEN TO AGES 10 – 25
SING. DANCE. ACT. SHINE.
YOUR STAGE AWAITS.

**COME ALONG, MEET THE TEAM
AND FIND OUT MORE!**

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep T

Max Sellens

Prep D

Samuel Caminiti

Prep C

Ayman Alic

1M

Emmie Duncan

1MG

Xander Connors

1H

Samuel McShane

2M

Halle Caristo

2Z

Alfie Callow

2D

Zaydon Murphy

3G

Emily Millard

3S

Domenica Cavallo

4R

Jimmy Jeffers

4G

Alex Loxton

Taylan Alic

5G

Jay Holland

5W

Ruby Oliver

6S

Ariana Karallis

6H

Maddi Yuill

Art

Matilda Logan

PE

Samuel McShane

Health

Ruby Bamford

Harry Shawcross

Assistant Principal

Hazel Warden

Principal

Charlie Lampard

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

AUGUST

Antonio Medici (17th)

Max Smith (17th)

Billie Hamence (18th)

Julian Costa (18th)

Lilla Kee (20th)

Jack Kimerlis (20th)

Dante Costa (21st)

Rosalie Holding (21st)

Jagger Barnes (22nd)

Rocky Cavallo (22nd)



DATES TO REMEMBER

Term Dates

Term 3 Mon 13th July – Fri 18th Sept

Term 4 Mon 5th Oct - Fri 18th Dec

Public Holidays

Grand Final Eve - Friday 25th September

Cup Day - Tuesday 3rd November

School Events

Professional Practice Day – Fri 23rd October

Grandparents Day – Monday 26th October

Grade 6 Graduation – Tuesday 15th December

Student Free Day – Friday 18th December

2026

		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
AUGUST	7	24	25 'The Beat' Grade 5 @ MAC	26 Prep C Learning Conferences 'The Beat' Grade 5 @ MAC	27 3G Learning Conferences	28 LiA Book Week Dress Up Day	29	30
SEPTEMBER	8	31	1 Mini Olympics	2 School Review	3	4 School Review	5	6 Father's Day
	9	7	8	9 School Council Meeting	10	11	12	13
	10	14	15	16	17	18 LiA Footy Colours Day End of Term 3 2:15pm	19	20