



Friday 28th August, Issue 27, Week 7, Term 3, 2026

LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

What a fantastic array of Book Week dress ups! Thank you to Taresa, Indi and Maaya for hosting 'Book Week'. Students paraded around the assembly area and showed off their costumes. The staff joined in with the fun too. Throughout the day students participated in activities centred on books.



OPTIMISM OWNERSHIP CURIOSITY INCLUSION



The week long Reading Challenge was hotly contested. Students (and teachers) logged how many pages they read throughout the week. Congratulations to **2D** who read the most, with an average of 131.4 pages per student. It was wonderful to see so many students using some of their recess and lunch time reading. The total number of pages read was 10,337,767!



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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.

THE BEAT Lights, Camera, Action!

What a truly spectacular performance the Grade 5 students provided the audience at 'The Beat' on Tuesday and Wednesday night. The expertly choreographed routine by Libby Kennedy, opened the annual Sunraysia State School Showcase. 'Light Years' featured the music of Kylie Minogue and lighting effects to dazzle the crowd. Well done to everyone involved.



LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

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)



Footy Colours Day

Friday 18th September

Noah, Andre, Robert, Gabe



Minute To Win It

Weeks 4-9

Tylah, Hanna, Lucy





LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

PARKING

We have noticed some unsafe and illegal practices on Belar Avenue and 15th Street at pick-up times. We are very concerned about the 'near misses' that have recently occurred, which could have resulted in serious injury.

Our crossing supervisor, Mark, is concerned about the number of cars parked close to the school crossing on 15th Street. Vehicles must remain clear of the crossing by 20 metres in the approach direction and 10 metres past the crossing in the direction of travel. This distance provides children, pedestrians and crossing supervisors with an unobstructed view of oncoming traffic. There are also vehicles stopping on both sides of the road and using the area as a quick pick-up zone. All parents and students must use the supervised crossing to cross 15th Street.

Please obey the NO STANDING zone on 15th Street. The designated Bus Zone must remain clear while buses are present so buses can safely drop off and collect students. Once the bus has departed, families may use the designated Bus Zone for pick-up, provided the zone is clear and it is safe to do so. However, vehicles must not stop or queue behind other cars in the Bus Zone waiting for the bus to leave. Please do not enter or wait in the Bus Zone until the bus has departed. This will help ensure buses can access the zone safely and keep traffic moving.

The concrete pad that has been constructed near the fire tanks on Belar Avenue is a NO PARKING zone. Please do not park in this area, as access is required at all times by emergency services.

We ask all families to please slow down, follow the road rules and be considerate of other families and our students. A few extra minutes of patience can make a significant difference to everyone's safety at pick up time.



HATS

In line with our Sunsmart policy, all students are to wear hats from the 1st September. For the remainder of the term the students will be encouraged to wear their hats. As of the beginning of Term 4, all students must wear their hats.



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.

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.

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 28th 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. This will occur on Thursday 3rd December to Friday 4th December.

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*





One Club. One Team.

IRYMPLE CRICKET CLUB

START DATES

2026/2027 SEASON

GET INVOLVED THIS SEASON!

PLAY • LEARN • MAKE NEW FRIENDS



WOOLWORTHS BLASTERS

Introduction & Skills Based Program Aimed at participants of all abilities from ages 5–9 years old.

THURSDAY THE 15TH OF OCTOBER

(10 WEEK PROGRAM)

J1's

UNDER 10's

J1's (UNDER 10's)

Training starts on

WEDNESDAY THE 23RD OF SEPTEMBER

FROM 5:00–6:15PM

J2's

UNDER 12's

J2's (UNDER 12's)

Training starts on

WEDNESDAY THE 23RD OF SEPTEMBER

FROM 5:00–6:15PM

 **GREAT CLUB**
STRONG COMMUNITY

 **SKILLS FOR LIFE**

 **BUILDING**
TOMORROWS, TOGETHER

JOIN THE IRYMPLE CRICKET CLUB FAMILY!

All players welcome – new and returning!



Please contact
CHRIS BURNS
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NICHOLS POINT 2026-27 JUNIOR CRICKET

Junior Blasters

10 Week Program - Starting Thursday October 8th

4:30pm @ Nichols Point Reserve

\$90 (covers all costs)

J1 & J2 Cricket

Training Thursdays 4:30pm @ Nichols Point Reserve

Starts Thursday September 17th

J1 \$110 | J2 \$120 (covers all costs)

U14 Cricket

Training Tuesdays & Thursdays 4:30pm @ Nichols Point Reserve

Starts Thursday September 17th

\$165 (covers all costs)

U16 Cricket

Training Tuesdays & Thursdays 4:30pm @ Nichols Point Reserve

Starts Thursday September 17th

\$165 (covers all costs)

For further information, contact Junior Co-Ordinator
Paul Bamford on 0407257964

Fees are required to be paid in full during Registration

Option: Pay 50% upfront and monthly installments on Checkout

Fees remained unchanged from the 2025/26 Season



Junior

Rego Link

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what's on

Junior Rangers holiday program





Something Fishy

Have you ever wondered which native fish live in our waterways and which invasive species are causing trouble? Learn how to fish and discover what type of fish you can find in Victoria with Parks Victoria Rangers.

10am to 11am 23/09/26



Wildlife Detectives

Become a Wildlife Detective by learning the secrets of the bush with a Parks Victoria Ranger. Tune your senses to discover who is hiding out of sight, and use clues to find out who was in the park while no one was looking.

10am to 11am 30/09/26

Important Information

- Junior Rangers activities are designed for primary school aged children.
- Group numbers are limited, please book early.
- Each child must be accompanied by a parent/carer over the age of 18 years, who is responsible for their Junior Ranger/s.
- Activities may be rescheduled, changed or cancelled due to adverse weather or for emergency response.
- Attendees must wear sturdy closed-toe shoes and appropriate clothing, such as raincoats or a broad brimmed hat.

Bookings are available from Wednesday 9th of September



Junior Ranger activities are free for all families. Activities take place in parks across Victoria during the school holidays. **Bookings are essential.** Scan to find out more at juniorrangers.vic.gov.au



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

Archer Humphrys

Prep D

Orlando Sergi

1M

Hudson Kelly

1MG

Dallas Caristo

1H

Aaliyah Speed

2M

Gracie Crook

2Z

Alyssa Tan

2D

Olivia Caminiti

3G

Remi Kavanagh

3S

Phoenix Caristo

4R

Molly Carn

4G

River Cordoma

5G

Milan Caristo

5W

Sonny Delorenzo

6S

Sam Panuccio

6H

Mason Anderson

Art

Knox Sheean

PE

Hannah Whitworth

Health

Campbell Dowdy

Cleo Karallis

STEM

Elke Brady

Assistant Principal

Rory McQualter

Principal

Valentine Cordoma

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

AUGUST

Mahalia Scutcheon (24th)

Scarlet Marciano (25th)

Toby Sharman (25th)

Grace Caristo (26th)

Tewoe Ave (26th)

Domenica Cavallo (27th)

Adeline Caminiti (28th)

Luke Thompson (29th)

Campbell Dowdy (30th)





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




You are invited to

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

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




		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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
	Holidays	21	22	23	24	25 GRAND FINAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY	26	27
		28	29	30	1	2	3	4
OCTOBER	1	5 Start of Term 4	6	7	8	9	10	11
	2	12 Grade 5 camp to Ballarat	13	14	15	16	17	18
	3	19	20	21	22 Prep 2027 Information Night	23 PUPIL FREE DAY	24	25
	4	26 Grandparents' Day Art Exhibition	27	28 Grade 6 camp to Roses Gap	29 Grade 3 camp to Lake Cullulleraine	30	31	1
NOVEMBER	5	2	3 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	4	5	6	7	8
	6	9	10 Prep 2027 Transition #1	11	12	13	14	15
	7	16	17 Prep 2027 Transition #2	18	19	20	21	22
	8	23	24 Prep 2027 Transition #3	25	26	27	28	29
DECEMBER	9	30	1 Prep 2027 Transition #4	2	3 Grade 2 Sleepover	4	5	6
	10	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	11	14	15 Grade 6 Graduation	16	17 Last day of 2026 for students	18 End of Term 4 Pupil Free Day	19	20