



NEWSLETTER



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UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday

2.45 – 3.15 p.m.

Friday

8.40 – 9.10 a.m.



Wednesday, March 6, 2019

Monday, March 11

Tuesday, March 12

Thursday, March 14

Monday, March 18 – Friday, March 22

Friday, March 22

Monday, March 25

Tuesday, March 26

Labour Day (Public Holiday)

Prep 2020 School tour, 2 p.m.

Prep 2020 School tour, 9.30 a.m.

Prep 2020 Enrolment Week

National Ride2School Day

School Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Keep Your Children Safe Online

(Hoppers Crossing Secondary College, 7 p.m.)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School Council

At the close of nominations on February 28, we had received five nominations for our four parent vacancies on School Council. An election will be held and ballot papers distributed today. Please follow the instructions on the ballot paper to vote for up to four (4) parents and ensure that your vote is returned to school by 4 p.m. on Thursday, March 14.

Office bearers for our 2019 School Council will be decided at our Annual General Meeting on Monday, March 25.

Student Leadership

At our school assembly on Monday this week we were very pleased to welcome Ms Joanne Ryan, Federal Member of Parliament for our seat of Lalor to present badges and certificates to our student leaders for 2019. Ms Ryan acknowledged our school captains, vice captains, junior school council members and flag monitors. The parents who attended assembly looked very proud of their children and we congratulate each one on being selected for such important roles.

Grade Level Expenses

Printed below is a table with the *approximate* expenses that Iramoo parents can expect during the school year. This information is to assist families with their annual budgeting but does not include items such as special lunches, private music lessons, school photos etc. Parents holding a health care card current as of January 29 are also eligible for the state government Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) of \$125 per child and can use this towards many of the items listed here.

Year Level	Books & Requisites	Kids & Fruit 4 terms x \$15	Excursions/ Visits/ Sports	1:1 iPad 'co-payment'	Cultural Experience (Performing Arts)	Swimming Years 2 - 6	Inter House Athletics Carnival	Camp
P/1	\$120*	\$60	\$40		\$7			
2	\$120*	\$60	\$40		\$7	\$75*	\$6	
3	\$120*	\$60	\$40		\$7	\$75*	\$6	
4	\$120*	\$60	\$40	\$250	\$7	\$75*	\$6	\$230
5	\$120*	\$60	\$80	\$100	\$7	\$75*	\$6	
6	\$120*	\$60	\$80	\$50	\$7	\$75*	\$6	\$350

*indicates that the cost of these items will be reduced for holders of current health care cards.

- One additional expense that the parents of Year 6 students will have near the end of the year is the 'graduation pack' containing a whole group photo, electronic yearbook, certificate, 2 tickets for the farewell evening and a commemorative gift. The approximate cost of this pack will be \$25 per student.
- Current Year 5 parents can expect to pay approximately \$90 in November for their child's special Year 6 uniforms.
- I would *highly recommend* that those parents who have not already done so, open a school banking

account for children as early as possible to ensure that the increase in school expenses from Year 4 (computer *and* camp) onwards can be more easily met and also to teach the children the advantage of saving for 'known expenses'. Accounts can be opened at any branch of the Commonwealth Bank and deposits are accepted at school each Wednesday morning. Other banks offer similar accounts for children to develop skills in financial literacy.

- Our school is quite unique in that we do not have school 'fees' as such but we do rely heavily on the support of parents and extended families, friends, neighbours etc. for our fundraising activities which are conducted regularly throughout the year. Our fundraising activities planned so far this year include a Mother's Day stall in May, Roll-A-Thon in June, Father's Day Stall in September and our Christmas raffle in November/December.

Prep Students

- As our 103 Prep students are now attending school full time, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people who have supported the children in making such an incredibly successful transition to school. Thank you to all of the staff who helped with the Prep transition program in Term 4 last year. Thanks also to our wonderful Prep teaching team this year. Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents etc. who have prepared the children for school so well and a special congratulations to the children themselves for their co-operation and enthusiasm.
- Enrolments for 2020 Prep students will be taken at all government schools in Wyndham from **Monday, March 18**. If you or any of your friends or neighbours have a child who will be 5 years old before the **end of April, 2020**, the child is eligible to be enrolled in school. Please pass this information on to any person you know who has a child approaching school age.

At Iramoo, we can only accept 2020 Prep enrolments from within our neighbourhood area. We do not have room for students living outside our designated neighbourhood area and it is for this reason that all enrolments must be accompanied by either:

Contract of sale/title document/rates notice (for home owners)

OR

Rental agreement provided by a real estate agent (for tenants)

OR

Any *current* Centrelink related document e.g. health care card

OR

A *current* document from the Australian Taxation Office

AND

One other *current* piece of evidence such as driving licence or utilities bill.

Please note that documents must be originals or certified copies.

Staying Safe Online Parent Information Session

In March last year our school hosted a number of cyber safety sessions for students and parents. The sessions were presented by very well known and highly regarded cyber safety expert Ms Susan McLean.

On Tuesday, March 26 Ms McLean will again be presenting enormously valuable information for parents at Hoppers Crossing Secondary College. If you want to know how best to keep your child(ren) safe online and have not heard Ms McLean speak, I *highly recommend* you attend the session at Hoppers Crossing Secondary College, 2 Fraser Street, Hoppers Crossing. Please register your interest at <http://bit.do/MCLEAN>

Playground hours

Our school play equipment is out of bounds for all children between 3 and 3.30 every afternoon. We have fantastic play equipment at Iramoo and understand that the children really enjoy playing on it but at the end of the school day it is essential that our staff can identify any child who has not been collected. This is impossible to do when we have lots of children on our equipment.

Parents who would like to supervise their pre-schoolers while they play on our equipment can do so *any time before 3 p.m.* and parents who especially want their children to play on our equipment after school are welcome to bring them back and supervise them while they play after 3.30 p.m.



'Not Negotiable' social skills

Thank you very much to all of the families who have been reinforcing our top Ten Not Negotiable Social Skills at home. Please do not hesitate to contact our office if you would like a laminated copy of the skills to display at home. This week all classes have been reinforcing:

- Where appropriate use 'Please', 'Thank you' and/or 'Excuse me'.
- No put-downs. Be positive or be quiet.

Next week we will be focussing on:

- Don't take or touch people's property without permission, including online accounts and passwords
- Behave safely and keep your feet and hands to yourself.

Student Wellbeing

We regularly have concerned parents who report some very dangerous driver behaviour on the roads around our school before and after school. Parents who have concerns about the driving and parking (and even deliberate littering) around our school should report their concerns directly to the Wyndham City Council on ☎ 9742 0777 so that the council can send their officers out to investigate (and issue fines if required). More importantly, please drive carefully around our school; drive as though the next child who runs out on the road will be *your child*.

Working With Children Check

We require any parent/carer/guardian or other community member who volunteers to help our students has a current Working With Children Check.

The application process is simple, can be completed online at www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au lodged at any post office and is free for volunteers. If you hold a current WWCC, please provide a copy of your card to our office staff.

School Sport Victoria, Werribee District Swimming Carnival

Last Wednesday 27 of our strongest swimmers represented our school in the annual SSVWD swimming carnival. Every report I have had from staff and parents who attended was extremely positive not only about the way our students swam but the wonderful way they supported each other to do their very best. I was especially pleased to hear from two of the parents who attended that the Iramoo staff were really wonderful with our children throughout the day in the way they managed, supervised and cared for our students.

As well as having a really wonderful day, our children performed extremely well in their events and Iramoo PS was placed a very close second amongst the ten schools competing in the carnival. This is the best result our school has had in more than 20 years. We now have 14 children who have qualified to represent the Wyndham Division in the next level of School Sport Victoria competition. Our previous highest number was 3.

Congratulations to every child who took part in the SSVWD carnival last week and especially to those listed below who have qualified for the Division finals on Thursday, March 14.

Tayla Johnston 4ND – Breaststroke, Freestyle	Olivia Riches 4LM – Freestyle, Backstroke
Arisa Clewer 4LM – Relay	Lucinda Masters-Van Andel 5NK – Relay
Nicole Currie 6AB – Backstroke	Amber Driscoll 6AB – Backstroke
Mason Eichler 3DS – Breaststroke, Relay	Cooper Bishop-Worn 4AL - Relay
Archie Showler 4EB – Freestyle, Backstroke, Relay	Lincoln Bricknell 5DM – Relay
Mathew Mai 5MD – Breaststroke, Medley Relay	Joshua McIntosh 5MD – Medley Relay
Noa Fonua 5NK – Backstroke, Medley Relay	Riley Gatt 6CC – Medley Relay

Moira Findlay

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019

Monday Labour Day (Public Holiday)

Tuesday Catherine, Shara

Wednesday Lindsey, Kylie

Thursday Mia, Rita, Jess

Friday Joanne, Joyce, Rae

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019

Monday Rachael

Tuesday Catherine, Shara

Wednesday Lindsey, Kylie

Thursday Mia, Rita, Jess

Friday Joanne, Joyce, Rae



COMMUNITY NOTICES

WYNDHAMVALE PHARMACY, 127 BALLAN ROAD, WYNDHAMVALE ☎9742 4111

Generous contributors to Iramoo Primary School student health/welfare. Please support this local business whenever you have the need for a pharmacy and don't forget to mention that you are from Iramoo Primary School.



INFORMATION EVENING FOR YEAR 7 ENROLMENT IN 2020

Werribee Secondary College will be holding an Information Night for parents of prospective students in 2020 and beyond on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 in the College Recital Centre starting at 7.00 p.m.

Information on our Select Entry Learning Program will be available. Contact us on 9741 1822 for further information or to book a tour of the College.

RHAPSODY SCHOOL OF BALLET

We are now open and holding ballet classes on Tuesday and Friday afternoons at Iramoo Community Centre. FREE TRIAL for all students of Iramoo Primary School! Contact Cristelle on ☎ 0433 872 263 or rhapsodyschoolofballet@gmail.com to arrange your free trial. Find us on Facebook and Instagram.



'we make kids smile'

Iramoo BEFORE School Care / AFTER School Care Program

Hours are 7 - 8.45 a.m. and 3 - 6 p.m.

For more information contact Fran on ☎ 9731 0554, 0434 610 133 or

☎ 1300 105 343 or www.campastralia.com.au



IRAMOO PRIMARY SCHOOL



PREP 2020 ENROLMENTS

A neighbourhood school with an outstanding record of academic and sporting achievement currently offering:

- *An exemplary kinder/prep transition program with preschool children attending school regularly during fourth term*
- *Straight grades throughout the school with no composite classes*
- *Specialist facilities and programs in Information & Communication Technology, Performing Arts, Physical Education/Sport, Art/Craft, Library, Science and Spanish language*
- *Extension and Intervention programs in Literacy & Numeracy*
- *Modern playground facilities to promote healthy and active socialisation between children*
- *Professionally run Before School and After School Care programs*
- *No 'fees' – a books/requisites charge of only \$120 per child per year in a stimulating and caring environment, will be accepting enrolments for*



2020 PREPS

from within our neighbourhood area



FROM

MONDAY, MARCH 18 – FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2019

Bring:

- The child's birth certificate
- Immunisation History Statement
- Two documents for proof of the child's permanent residential address**, either:
 - Contract of sale/title document/rates notice (for home owners)
 - OR**
 - Rental agreement provided by a real estate agent (for tenants)
 - OR**
 - Any *current* Centrelink related document e.g. health care card
 - OR**
 - A *current* document from the Australian Taxation Office
 - AND**
 - One other *current* piece of evidence such as driving licence or utilities bill.

Please note that documents must be original or certified copies

Interested parents may 'tour' the school on one of the following dates:

- Tuesday, March 12 at 2.00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 14 at 9.30 a.m.

**Statutory declarations will not be accepted and no enrolment will proceed without the required documentation.

For further information please contact the school on ☎ 9741 2803.