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UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday 2.45 – 3.15 p.m.

Friday 8.40 – 9.10 a.m.



Wednesday, March 14, 2018



## THURSDAY, MARCH 29

LAST DAY TERM 1

2.30 P.M. FINISH

Optional Casual Clothes



(gold coin donation to RCH Good Friday Appeal)

Monday, March 19

Tuesday, March 20

Wednesday, March 21

Friday, March 23

Monday, March 26

Thursday, March 29

Monday, April 16

School Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

**Keeping YOUR child safe online** – parent information session 6.30 – 8 p.m.

Scholastic Book Club Issue 2 orders and payment due

National Ride to School Day

Grade Prep – Grade 2 Cross Country

Last day Term 2, **2.30 p.m. finish**

**First day Term 2, 8.50 a.m.**

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Whole School Assembly

Next Monday, March 19 our 2018 Prep students will join our whole school Monday assembly for the first time. We look forward to seeing them every week from now on. The teachers will walk the Prep children to assembly for a few weeks and from Monday, May 7 we will expect the children to come to the assembly area themselves by 8.45 a.m.

Iramoo students sing two verses of our National Anthem at assembly each Monday and we have included the lyrics in this newsletter so that parents can assist their children at home to learn the words of Advance Australia Fair. Civics and citizenship including respect for the flag and for the National Anthem is promoted very strongly in our school *in all year levels*.

#### Student Achievement

Last week the Australian Curriculum Assessment & Reporting Authority (ACARA) MySchool website was updated with the latest data for *every government and non-government school in Australia*. The site can be accessed by any member of the public from anywhere in the world and allows users to see some very detailed information about student achievement in each school.

The data that we focus on most is the growth of our individual students in reading, writing and numeracy and we were absolutely thrilled to see that again this year in the 'student gain' section of MySchool, our student growth is *well above* similar students in similar schools and is at or above the 'all schools' national standard in reading, writing and numeracy. Parents can access the site at <https://www.myschool.edu.au/>

#### Cybersafety

Next Tuesday, March 20 our Grade 4, 5 & 6 students will participate in e-safety sessions presented by Australia's foremost expert in cybersafety and young people, Susan McClean. Susan has conducted extensive research in e-safety and trained in both the USA and UK. She is a much sought after presenter and advisor to schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL as well as state and federal government.

In the evening of March 20, Susan will share her findings about what our children are doing online and what parents need to know to ensure their own children's online safety.

The evening information session for Iramoo parents, guardians and carers will be held at our school from 6.30 to 8 p.m. next Tuesday. If you have not done so already, please complete and return the tear-off slip in this newsletter.

Note that there is no cost for this session and that *no children can be admitted*, as some of the information presented and discussed is explicit.

## 2019 Prep Enrolments

Next week enrolments for 2019 Prep students will be taken in government primary schools throughout Wyndham. If you or any of your friends or neighbours have a child who will be 5 years old before the end of April, 2019, the child is eligible to be enrolled in their closest neighbourhood school. We will accept 2019 Prep enrolments *from within our neighbourhood area only*. With a current enrolment of 770 students, we do not have room for those living outside our 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.

## Student Leadership

Last Wednesday our student sport leaders were acknowledged when our 2018 House Captains were presented with their badges.

This year the badge presenter was *yet another* of our ex-Iramoo students who is currently playing AFL women's football. Congratulations to the House Captains and Vice Captains listed below and thank you to Western Bulldogs player Naomi Ferris for making the presentations.

Congratulations also to ex-Iramoo student Travis Dean who scored a wonderful century for Victoria in last week's thrilling win over N.S.W. in the 2018 Sheffield Shield cricket competition.

<b>Lewis (Green)</b>	<b>Captain</b>	Levanah Solomona, Deacon Culhane
	<b>Vice Captain</b>	Rachael Veal, Jacinta Letson
<b>Freeman (Blue)</b>	<b>Captain</b>	Addison Bishop-Worn, Charli Warren
	<b>Vice Captain</b>	Mikaylah Caracciolo, Elhana Memic
<b>Gaze (Yellow)</b>	<b>Captain</b>	Mata Rurehe, Jorja Leo
	<b>Vice Captain</b>	Samiuela Peauafi, Bayley Rosbergen
<b>Hughes (Red)</b>	<b>Captain</b>	Alex Alkourashi, Skyler Donato
	<b>Vice Captain</b>	Rhys McIntosh, Sophie Miller

## School Photos

Last Thursday Academy Photography took our annual student and staff photos. Thank you very much for sending the children to school looking so neat and tidy in their school uniforms. The photographers have told us to expect a 'turn around' time of approximately 6 weeks for orders.

Grade 6 parents please also note that the photographers will return in the second half year to take the whole year level 'graduation photo' which parents will receive at the end of the year.

## Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal



This week you will receive a family donation envelope for this year's Good Friday Appeal. Please give as generously as possible and return your envelope to school by **Wednesday, March 28**. Your donation will be acknowledged by receipt for your tax purposes. We aim to donate at least \$1,000 to this very worthy cause each year.

## School Sport Victoria / Werribee District Swimming Carnival

The SSV- Werribee District swimming carnival was held on Wednesday, February 28 at the Werribee Outdoor pool where 25 of our best swimmers represented Iramoo and all students should be proud of their efforts. Iramoo finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall including some standout performances particularly by Tayla Johnston in freestyle and Sebastian Downie who won the bronze medal in the District championship race.



## Cross Country

Our Grade 3 – 6 Cross Country was held on Friday, March 9 at Wyndham Vale Reserve. I would like to thank all of the parent helpers who attended the event for their assistance and the encouragement and support they gave to the students.

The students who came in the top 10 for each age group will go on to represent Iramoo PS at the SSV – Werribee District cross-country to be held at Presidents Park on Tuesday, May 1. Congratulations to the top 3 place getters in each race:

### 12/13 Boys

Alexander Alkourashi (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Zach Lane (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Addison Bishop-Worn (3<sup>rd</sup>)

### 12/13 Girls

Mikaylah Caracciolo (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Sandra Farnes (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Taylah Cousins (3<sup>rd</sup>)



### 11 Boys

Tyrese Culhane  
Connor Elliott-Damon  
Cooper Visintin

### 11 Girls

Tiah Olcorn  
Natalie Jerkovic  
Monika Brnada

**10 Boys**

Noa Fonua  
Boston Maxwell  
Bobby Gilmore

**10 Girls**

Polly Tupuhi  
Amber Driscoll  
Fayme Xu

**8/9 Boys**

Damian Caracciolo  
Hudson Johns  
Cooper Bishop-Worn

**8/9 Girls**

Ariahna Buxton-Green  
Krista Gadsden  
Skye McDonall

**Cross Country Prep – Grade 2**

The Iramoo Prep-2 Cross Country will be held on **Monday, March 26** starting at approximately 1.35 p.m. weather permitting. The races will be held around the school oval and will be marshalled by the Grade 6 House Captains. Students are encouraged to wear a t-shirt in their house colours. Children will be notified of their house colours prior to the race. Please ensure that your child wears suitable footwear for running. Families are invited to come along to watch and support the students.

**\*\*Spectators are welcome to take photographs at our school events but must of course be respectful of their use on social or other media, not posting a photo of any child without permission from the child's parent.**

*Moira Findlay*

**START SMART PROGRAM**

This week and last week our Grade 2, 4 and 6 students participated in the Start Smart program. The free workshops were delivered by the Commonwealth Bank and taught our students about financial literacy and how to make wise financial decisions. Students were introduced to characters such as Captain SuperCents and Coach Cash, who represent all the temptations to spend money needlessly.

**PATRICIA VISCUSA, START SMART CO-ORDINATOR**

**NATIONAL RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY**

**Friday, March 23** is National Ride to School Day. This is a nationwide event that encourages all children to ride their bike to school to improve active travel participation. You can help by encouraging your child to join in by riding their bike to school, (items such as skateboards or scooters are not to be ridden on the day). All students taking part in the event will receive a sticker and a fruit cup for their effort. Please note that children in Grades Prep – 2 must be accompanied by an adult when riding.

**ALISTER MURNANE, ACTIVE TRAVEL CO-ORDINATOR**

**CULTURAL DIVERSITY WEEK FROM MARCH 17 – 25, 2018**

Iramoo will be participating in Cultural Diversity Week from **March 17 - 25**. Each class will be participating in various activities and discussions based on this year's topic, **'Proud to Belong'**.

We are encouraging all students and their families to get involved and share a little about their culture. You can help by discussing your background with your child and what makes your culture unique (e.g. foods, customs, celebrations, special skills or experiences you share together as a family).

Please remember that EVERY child has a culture and that Cultural Diversity Week is a time to celebrate all the things that make us different and all the things that make us the same.

There are also many exciting activities happening in and around Melbourne, if you wish to find more information please visit <https://culturaldiversityweek.vic.gov.au>

**EMMA SAUNDERS, CULTURAL DIVERSITY WEEK CO-ORDINATOR**

**CANTEEN ROSTER FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2018**

Monday	Rachael
Tuesday	Catherine, Mia
Wednesday	Lindsey
Thursday	Mandy, Rita
Friday	Joanne, Joyce, Tania

**CANTEEN ROSTER FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2018**

Monday	Rachael
Tuesday	Catherine, Mia
Wednesday	Lindsey
Thursday	Mandy, Rita
Friday	<b>Good Friday (public holiday)</b>





# IRAMOO PRIMARY SCHOOL No. 5152 CYBERSAFETY INFORMATION SESSION



ELDEST CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (please print) GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

I / we will be attending the *Cybersafety* Information Session on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 6.30pm.  
Note: Please list all names of those attending to allow us to arrange a suitable venue and seating on the night.

PARENT/GUARDIAN/CARER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### WERRIBEE SECONDARY COLLEGE INFORMATION EVENING FOR YEAR 7 ENROLMENT IN 2019

WSC will be holding an information evening for parents of prospective students in 2019 and beyond on **Wednesday, March 14, 2018** in the College Recital Centre starting at 7 p.m. Information on our Select Entry Learning Program will also be available. For further information or to book a tour of the College please call the College on ☎ 9741 1822.

### FOUR-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS, 2019



Enrolments open on Tuesday, April 3 and close Friday, June 1, 2018. Applications need to be in as soon as possible. For more information visit [www.wyndham.vic.gov.au](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au) or call Early Education and Care Services on 9742 8147.

## OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM

Australians all let us rejoice,  
For we are young and free;  
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;  
Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in nature's gifts  
Of beauty rich and rare;  
In history's page, let every stage  
Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross,  
We'll toil with hearts and hands;  
To make this commonwealth of ours  
Renowned of all the lands;  
For those who've come across the seas  
We've boundless plains to share;  
With courage let us all combine  
To Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair.