



## UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday 2.45 – 3.15 p.m.  
Friday 8.40 – 9.10 a.m.

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

Monday, April 24	School Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
Monday, May 1 – Wednesday, May 3	<b>Grade 4 Camp</b> (Camp 1 – 4CP & 4SF), Maldon Victorian Blue Light Camp
Monday, May 8 – Wednesday, May 10	<b>Grade 4 Camp</b> (Camp 2 – 4AM & 4KB), Maldon Victorian Blue Light Camp
Monday, May 8 – Friday, May 12	<b>Grade 6 Camp</b> , 'The Briars', Mt Martha
Friday, May 12	Mother's Day Stall

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Welcome and Welcome Back

Welcome to families who are new to our school and welcome back to Term 2 to all students and staff.

#### Thank you

On Friday, March 31, we pledged a total of \$2,183.30 to this year's Royal Children's Hospital Appeal. Our donation target has always been \$1,000 so thank you very, very much for your generosity in doubling the target this year. Very special thank you also to the small group of civic-minded Grade 6 children who organised a cupcake stall and raised \$183.30 for the appeal.

#### Grade 2 and 4 Swimming

Yesterday we had almost all of our Grade 2 and 4 children begin their intensive swimming program. The program consists of eight lessons and will conclude on Friday, April 28.

Our Grade 3, 5 & 6 students' swimming program will be held during Term 3.

#### Facilities Upgrade

During the school holidays we have had plumbers begin the work on the major upgrade of our children's toilets. Most of the plumbing works have been completed and we are particularly impressed with the new user friendly and environmentally friendly 'push taps'.

Workmen will install new electric hand driers, exhaust fans, lighting and soap dispensers during this term (outside of school hours). During the next school holiday break the 'cosmetic' work including new flooring, partitions, laminate and painting will be completed.

#### Staffing

- Today is the last working day at our school for Mrs Sarah Faranda before the birth of her first child. We wish Mr & Mrs Faranda all the very best as they prepare for the big day. Mr Ian Stokes will be teaching Grade 4SF for the rest of this year.
- Yesterday we welcomed Mrs Tenille Cisternas to our staff. Mrs Cisternas will be teaching classes at our school when our staff are on leave or attending professional development sessions.
- Our Assistant Principal, Ms Nella Cascone will be working two days each week for the foreseeable future. If you need to meet with Ms Cascone, she will be available each Tuesday and Friday. Any matters related to student welfare or wellbeing can also be referred to our Leading Teacher/Student Welfare Co-ordinator Mrs Karyn Henwood.

#### Seeing Eye Dogs Australia Update

- Last week we received an update from the SEDA trainer of Wyann, the black Labrador/Golden Retriever cross puppy that we raised last year. Yannie is making good progress and is now almost half way through her official training. From this point on the training becomes very challenging so we have our fingers crossed that Yannie is up to the task and might become our second 'graduate'.
- On Good Friday the vision-impaired lady who is lucky enough to have our first puppy Farrow came to Melbourne from her home in N.S.W for a visit. I was really excited to see Farrow again and I think that she was just as excited to see me. Farrow is a wonderful working dog who has brought new independence to her handler's life and everyone at Iramoo can be very proud of her.
- SEDA is currently running a competition to choose a puppy photo for the 2018 Vision Australia calendar and one of the little puppies that we had in our office for a couple of days is one of the finalists. If you are a Facebook user, please visit the **Seeing Eye Dogs Australia** page, **'like'** little Bronte in the tulips and encourage your friends to do the same.



### School Uniform

As the weather becomes cooler and our children change from wearing summer uniform to warmer winter uniform items, I would like to remind parents that children are encouraged to put on their jackets/coats before going outside to play on colder days but these are not worn inside the classrooms.

*Our classrooms are very well heated*, in fact I believe that they often a bit too warm.

Please make sure that your child does not wear any non-uniform items over his/her uniform. If you feel that the weather is especially cold, he/she may wear additional items *beneath* their uniform provided they cannot be seen.

### Mother's Day Stall

We currently have an enthusiastic group of parents working together to prepare items for our children to purchase at our Mother's Day stall on **Friday, May 12**.

There will be a variety of presents for children to choose from, most will cost \$5 but there will also be items for \$2, \$3 up to \$10 *BUT*, there can be no stall without 'helpers' to sell the gifts. If you can help on the stall on Friday, May 12, please complete the tear-off slip in this newsletter and return it to school by **Wednesday, April 26**.



In previous years the people who have helped on the stall have really enjoyed the day – the company of other parents and the fantastic looks on the children's faces as they choose something special for their 'someone special'. Even if you haven't been involved with our school much at this stage, I'm sure that you would enjoy this experience and you will be made very welcome. No experience or special skills required.

Please note that Grade 6 students will have their Mother's Day stall on **Friday, May 5**, as they will be away on camp on May 12.

### Curriculum News

A reminder to all parents that next week you will receive a Grade Level Newsletter prepared by teachers to inform you about the curriculum and any special activities that your children will be involved in this term. These newsletters also contain helpful tips for parents to support their children's learning at home and I encourage all parents to take a few minutes to read over the Grade Level Newsletter each term.

*Moira Findlay*

### CANTEEN ROSTER FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2017

Monday	Rachael, Allison
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>ANZAC DAY (public holiday)</b>
Wednesday	Rae, Mia
Thursday	Lindsey, Alma
Friday	Joanne, Joyce, Tania, Chantelle



### CANTEEN ROSTER FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MAY 1, 2017

Monday	Rachael, Allison
Tuesday	Catherine, Sifa
Wednesday	Rae, Mia
Thursday	Lindsey, Alma
Friday	Joanne, Joyce, Tania, Chantelle

### COMMUNITY NEWS

**Seasons for Growth Program** is an 8 session program held Thursday afternoons 4.30pm – 5.30pm. The aim of the program is to assist children to come to terms with changes in their lives following the death of a parent or close relative, friend, the separation or divorce of parents, moving of house, school or country, or any major loss. An Information session for parents/guardians will be held in The Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St, Werribee, on **Thursday, April 27, 2017** at 7.30pm. Registration forms will be offered at the information session and the cost of the program is \$20. The program will commence on **Thursday, May 4 2017**. For further information or to register your attendance for the information session contact St. Andrew's Parish Office on 9741 4144.



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Please return to school by Wednesday, April 26, 2017



## IRAMOO PRIMARY SCHOOL No. 5152

**MOTHER'S DAY STALL  
OFFER OF HELP  
FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2017**



CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick the time(s) that suit you best

8.45 – 11 a.m.

11 – 1 p.m.

1 – 3 p.m.

whole day

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ 

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