



NEWSLETTER

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UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Tuesday 2.45 – 3.15 p.m.

Friday 8.40 – 9.10 a.m.

Wednesday, December 20, 2017

SCHOOL HOURS - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2017 8.30 A.M. – 12.30 P.M.

UNIFORM SHOP ADDITIONAL OPENING HOURS 2018

Monday, January 29 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, January 30 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Friday, February 2 8:40 – 9:10 a.m.

2018

Monday, January 29

First day for staff (pupil free day)

Tuesday, January 30

Pupil Free Day

Wednesday, January 31

First day Term 1 for Grades 1 – 6, 8:50 a.m. start

Thursday, February 1

First day for Preps



THE IRAMOO COMMUNITY EXTENDS ITS HELPING HANDS

Please bring your donations to the office before

9.00 a.m. Friday, December 22, 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

'Helping Hands' Casual Clothes Day

In order to collect even more donations for our Iramoo Helping Hands Christmas Appeal, children are invited to come to school out of uniform on **FRIDAY** (perhaps wear 'Christmas' clothes?) and donate a gold coin or a *new, unwrapped* toy or one (or more) non-perishable grocery items.

All of these donations will go to assist local Wyndham families in need and we thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity to our appeal once again this year.

Student Performances

- In our gym on Monday evening, families and friends gathered to farewell our 2017 Grade 6 students and were thoroughly entertained at the same time. Thanks to all of the staff who assisted on the evening and those who helped prepare the students for their items.

At our Grade 6 farewell, our community also celebrated the awarding of 3 transition scholarships to Werribee Secondary College. The recipients this year were Myat Doh Htoo, Fayzan Abdul Sathar and our school captain Joshua Bowen.

We were very pleased to welcome Ms Joanne Ryan, the federal Member of Parliament for the seat of Lalor to our Grade 6 farewell. Ms Ryan presented the Julia Gillard Award for civics and citizenship to our School vice-captain Caleb Kennedy.

The Tim Pallas award for student resilience was presented to Courtney Coad. Courtney has endeavoured to continually improve her learning behaviours throughout the year and has been remarkably resilient in all areas of her schooling.

Mr Steve Warner, Principal of Manor Lakes College presented the award for the highest performing student in the selection process for the first year of the MLC Year 7 Advanced Learning Program to our school vice-captain Ashleigh Furphy. Mr Warner also presented the award for the highest performing student in the MLC Elite AFL Program to our other school vice-captain Caleb Kennedy.

This year we also had two special transition / encouragement awards presented by generous community members David and Christine McKenna. The awards of \$500 each to be used towards Year 7 education

expenses were presented to Gabby Vakaloloma and our school captain Megan Pini.

Congratulations to all of these students and to their families who are no doubt very proud of them.

- Yesterday at least 200 family members gathered in our gym to enjoy our Grade 1 students performing in their annual Christmas Concert. The children performed very well and the audience clearly enjoyed the performance. Thank you very much to Mrs Waldron, Mr Packham and all of the staff who helped prepare the children and their costumes.
- This afternoon our Prep children performed their Christmas concert for their families and I am certain that it would be equally as well received by the audience as the Grade 1 concert was yesterday. Special thanks to Mrs Waldron and Mr Packham for assisting the Prep teachers and students in preparing for today's performance.

Staffing

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to some of our very highly regarded teaching staff this week. Mr Luke Dennerley and his wife will be living in NSW in 2018 and he has been appointed to a school close to where they will be living. We wish Mr & Mrs Dennerley well and hope that they may eventually return to our community after their time in NSW.

Mrs Alice Warburton, Mrs Emma Waldron and Ms Michelle Dorais have each been successful in obtaining teaching positions much closer to where they live. We are sorry to lose them but wish them all the very best in their new roles.

We have been very pleased to appoint Mrs Erica Clark, Mrs Lisa Altin, Mr Thomas Poole and Ms Emily Leonard to our teaching staff for the 2018 school year.

We are very pleased also to welcome back Mrs Sarah Faranda, Mrs Lorelle Chapman, Mrs Jamee Montebruno, Mrs Christie Griffiths, Mrs Rebecca Heenan and Mrs Rebecca Barclay. These teachers have all been on family leave and will be returning to work at our school on a part time basis in 2018.

We are also incredibly fortunate to have appointed our own full time speech pathologist to our staff. Ms Georgia Sunjo has worked with us part time as a sub-contractor and has done a really excellent job in her work with our students. We are extremely pleased to now have Ms Sunjo as a permanent member of our Iramoo team.

A full list of 2018 staffing is included in this newsletter.

2018 Planning

You are invited to meet your child's new teacher on the afternoon/evening of **Monday, February 12, 2018.**

This is to enable any parent who has particular information that may be of benefit for the teacher to know, to make an appointment and pass this information on.

Please note that *we do not expect every* parent to avail themselves of this option, only those whose children may have concerns such as medication/medical, social or emotional problems. Parents should not assume that because they provided the information to their child's 2017 teacher, that the 2018 teacher will automatically receive the same information. Please do not leave important issues such as this to chance, *make sure* your child's teacher knows any significant matters that may help him/her to assist your child – *tell* the teacher yourself.

Further details of these February 12 parent/teacher information sharing appointments will be provided when your child starts school next year but *please put the date in your diary now.*

Swimming Program, 2018

Swimming lessons next year will be conducted from **Tuesday, April 17 to Friday, April 27** for children in **Grades 2 & 4** and from **Tuesday, July 17 to Thursday, July 26** for children in **Grades 3, 5 & 6.**

Lessons will be held at the **AquaPulse Swim Centre, Derrimut Road, Hoppers Crossing** and costs include transport, pool admission and the services of qualified swimming instructors for eight lessons.

Approximate cost of the swimming program is **\$75** per child. The cost of the program is subsidised by the Department of Education & Training and may vary according to the number of participants and current health care card holders will receive a 50% discount.

MONSTER Christmas Raffle

A monstrous thank you to everyone who has bought and sold tickets in our MONSTER CHRISTMAS RAFFLE this year and a big thank you to the parents who organised the prizes and tickets. The raffle will be drawn tomorrow and winners notified by telephone.



Carols on the Green Thank You

Thank you also to the following families for their generosity in donating soft drinks or bottled water for our Carols on the Green this year.

Ross	Miller	Finlayson	Bharaj	Zilm	Strzelczyk	
Hadlow	Wah	Taylor	Mindha	Patea	Driscoll	Howell

Thank You

As our 2017 school year draws to a close, I would once again like to thank *all members of our school community* – students, staff and parents for their support and hard work throughout the year.

I wish all of our exiting Grade 6 students all the very best in their transition to secondary college, with a very special 'farewell' to those families whose youngest child is now in Grade 6. Although your family may no longer have a child enrolled at Iramoo, you will always remain part of our very special 'Red and Blue Family'.

I wish all of our families a happy festive season and request your support in being good neighbours to our school and reporting any potential unsafe or destructive behaviour in our school grounds during the vacation

period. Please *do not hesitate* to **call the police on ☎ 000** and the Department of Education and Training Office of Emergency Management on ☎ **9589 6266**.
Moira Findlay

CANTEEN

- A reminder to all families that there are no more lunch orders after **tomorrow (Thursday, December 21.)** Our canteen will then be closed for the rest of this year.
- **There are some lunch order change envelopes still waiting to be picked up from the school office.**
LISA STUMPO, CANTEEN MANAGER

FRIENDS OF IRAMOO THANK YOU

We would like to thank the following companies and families for their donations towards our Monster Christmas Raffle this year:

Wyndham Cache, Bacchus Marsh Coaches, Phoenix Hotel, The Park Hotel, Arrows Plus, Bunnings, Genesis, Commercial Hotel, Italian Sports Club of Werribee, AGS Prints, Freedom Networks Design, Bozo's Fruit, Jubilee Lake Holiday Park, Camp Australia, WynCity, Corio Waste Management, Chris Bowen, Books & Gifts Direct, CBA School Banking, Nestle, Di Caprio's Family Restaurant, Racecourse Hotel, Zart Art, Mark Gabell & Associates, Jo & Steve Rush.

JASMINE ALLEN, FRIENDS OF IRAMOO



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SCHOOL ORGANISATION – FEBRUARY, 2018

Principal

Moira Findlay

Assistant Principals

Accountability & Resources
Welfare & Wellbeing
Curriculum & Assessment
Teaching & Learning

Ray Burrell
Nella Cascone
Patricia Viscusa
Raquel Tweedley
Hasan Muhammad
Janet Wyatt
Sandra Cameron
Gail Dawson
Sue Gannon

I.T. Manager

Bursar

Clerical Assistants

Library Technician

Specialist and Support Teachers

Education Consultant
Info. & Communication Tech.
Diversity & Inclusion
Numeracy Co-ordinator & Coach
Student Welfare Co-ordinator
Grade 5 & 6 Learning Improvement Co-ordinator
Grade 3 & 4 Learning Improvement Co-ordinator
Grade Prep – 2 Learning Improvement Co-ordinator
Learning Specialist (Literacy)
Literacy Coach
Numeracy Intervention Co-ordinator
Numeracy Intervention
Numeracy Intervention
Numeracy Intervention & Support
Literacy Intervention
Literacy Support (Grade 5 & 6)
Literacy Support (Grade 5 & 6)
Literacy Intervention & ICT
Literacy Intervention & ICT
ICT
Visual Arts
Visual Arts

Kelvin Bottrell
Peter Mills
Samantha Thornton
Simon Little
Karyn Henwood
Graham Byworth
Shane Lambert
Alisha Jessop
Kristen Boyd
Susan Brownrigg (0.5)
Dijana Pateras (0.5)
Alicia MacPherson (0.4)
Lorelle Chapman (0.4)
Simon Dundas (0.6)
Stephanie Binnion (0.6)
Christie Griffiths (0.4)
Rebecca Heenan (0.4)
Enza Posterino
Cara Fonua (0.6)
Rebecca Barclay (0.4)
Michelle Antonio
Charlotte Chambers (0.4)

Phys. Ed.
Phys. Ed.
Performing Arts
Performing Arts & ICT
Science
Spanish Language
Replacement Teacher

Brad Hodges
Jamee Montebruno (0.4)
Greg Packham
Sarah Faranda (0.4)
Keryn Lowe (0.4)
Stephanie Arenas (0.6)
April Anaplotis

Education Support Staff:

Debbie Batty
Kelli Bishop-Worn
Suzan Crittenden
Christine Knight
Nonoe Kunoo (M.E.A.)
Helen McKinnon
Leanne Maxwell
Michele Moore
Kari Olcorn
Linda Stojcevski
Deb Webb (First Aid)
Georgia Sunjo
Mim Kirkman (0.6)
Mathew Deeming (0.6)
Shane Hamilton
Lisa Tovey
Luke Compston, Alistair Longley
Steve Rush, Joanne Rush
Lisa Stumpo, Helen Hill

Speech Pathologist
Psychologist
School Chaplain / Welfare Worker
Attendance Officer
I.C.T. Support

Maintenance & Cleaning
Canteen

PREP

0LM *Laura Meehan*
0KB *Kirby Bebend*
0AN An Nguyen
0ES Emma Saunders
0TC Tenille Cisternas

GRADE 2

2BA *Amy Brooks*
2DS *Deb Sharrock*
2DW Doug Wicking
2ML Morgan Lewis
2LA Lisa Altin
2EC Erica Clark

GRADE 4

4CP *Cheryl Pantelidis*
4DE *Deanne Elliott*
4AM Alister Murnane
4AL Andrew Lishman
4IS Ian Stokes

GRADE 6

6CG *Cynthia Giuffrida*
6AB Alistair Burrell
6LE Lauren Ewen

GRADE 1

1JZ *Jordan Zukan*
1EH *Elise Hultgren*
1ND Nellie Driscoll
1MM Mitchell Miller
1EL Emily Leonard

GRADE 3

3AP *Ashley Patterson*
3TK Tamara King
3EB Emma Bright
3TP Thomas Poole

GRADE 5

5CJ *Jodie Cartwright*
5DM Mark Downie
5CC Caitlin Clancy
5LM Liesel McGregor

Bold type indicates school leadership position, *italics* indicates team/area leader or assistant leader