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Newsletter



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From The Principal

Welcome back, we have returned from the break with a few exciting updates.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

We have moved! We were fortunate to receive funding from the Department to upgrade our school facilities. The new administration includes a front office, first aid room as well as office for the Principal, Business Manager, Head of Department- Curriculum as well as a reprographics and conference room.

The building was completed during the break and is located at the Kennedy St entrance, the green building (previously known as the Prep room). The administration team moved in a week ago. We are able to support with all queries including late arrivals, early departures, payment/permission forms and mobile phone drop off as well as first aid and medication needs.

We look forward to working with you this term and can be contacted via [0366 Admin@eg.edu.au](mailto:0366_Admin@eg.edu.au) or 3813 5222.

TERM 3 EVENTS

Staff and students have launched into teaching and learning experiences with enthusiasm. The Year 5/6 students and staff enjoyed their camp experience at Maroon Outdoor Education Centre. The camp is an opportunity for students to further develop their leadership and teamwork skills.

On Friday 23 July we celebrated 100 days at school. Our Prep and Year 1 students and staff transformed into 100 year olds! The early years of school (P-2) are a time to set strong foundations, engagement and love of learning. Our goal is to support all students to become confident independent learners. We are proud of our students' achievements this year. Time flies when you're having fun!

Other events this term include our NAIDOC Day celebrations, Book Week, Book Fair, Interschool Basketball competition, Swimming and End of Term Rewards day. We look forward to celebrating with you in the coming weeks. A reminder that Friday 3 September is a Student Free Day. Staff will be engaged in professional learning and school is closed on that day.

TERM 3 STAFFING UPDATES

We welcome **Mrs Martina Noble** to Ipswich West as our new Head of Department – Curriculum. Mrs Noble has a wealth of experience in education and as a curriculum leader, she has settled into the school, meeting with teachers to support their curriculum planning.

Ms Kylie Scott has commenced in Term 3 as a new teacher aide, working in Prep with Mr McCarney and the Prep students. Ms Scott is enjoying her experiences in the classroom and becoming familiar with other students in the playground. She looked spectacular on Friday dressed up as a 100 year old.



SWIMMING PROGRAM

Swimming lessons will occur in the last week of the term, from **Monday 13 September to Friday 17 September 2021**. Lessons are held at Peter McMahon's Swim Factory, which is an indoor facility with heated swimming pools.

The total cost of the swimming lessons is **\$35.00**. All students are invited to attend 5, 30 minute lessons. Payment can be made online and permission forms forwarded to the administration.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY

Thank you to those parents and caregivers who have responded to the School Opinion Survey. ***The School Opinion Survey is open until Friday, 30 July 2021.***



To have your say, check your email for an invitation from the Department of Education titled *School Opinion Survey for parents and caregivers, 2021*. Can't find your invitation? If your family has more than one parent/caregiver, check that they haven't received the invitation and/or check your junk email folder. We look forward to sharing our survey results with you when we receive our school report later this year.

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Principal

**From Martina Noble
Head of Department (Curriculum)**

My name is Martina Noble and I am the new Head of Department-Curriculum at Ipswich West State School. I have had a wonderful start, being welcomed into the school community.

I have been in education for 18 years, teaching across the primary school in a range of schools, from small country schools with 2 teachers to large schools with 40+ teachers. I've worked as classroom teacher, support teacher for various areas, a curriculum leader and Head of Department-Curriculum.

I look forward to further settling into the school as time progresses.

BOOK WEEK 2021

This year's CBCA Book Week theme is "***Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other World***".

Book Week during Week 7, from the 21 to the 27 August. We will prepare special activities to link back to this year's shortlisted books and finish with a bang at the end of the week with our annual dress up parade.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page leading up to the week for more details.

EXCURSIONS

This term classes are involved in incursions and excursions.

Prep, Prep/1, Year 1, Year 2/3, Year 3 and Year 4

The Starlab will be coming to visit these classes.

Year 2

Will be visiting the Laidley Pioneer Village.

Years 5/6L and 5/6T

Students will be involved in Basketball for Interschool Sports.

Swimming

All students will be participating in swimming in Week 10 — **Monday 13 September to Friday 17 September 2021.**

I'm looking forward to a great term.



**From Sumona Dutta
Arts Teacher**

This term in Arts, students will be learning Dance.

They will engage and explore performing, choreographing, and responding to various dances.

Prep, Year 1 and Year 2

- Students will use shapes and objects as inspirations for their performance.

Year 2/3S, Year 3 and Year 4

- Will be creating and responding to dance by examining how dance is used to represent stories.

Year 5/6L and Year 5/6T

- Students will perform, choreograph, and respond to dance using Australian and/or Asian cultures and landscapes as stimulus.

Dance is part of our Arts program and aligned to the Australian Curriculum. Through dance, students learn about and enjoy movement and performing.



**From Perry Jones
PBL Teacher**

END OF TERM POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR REWARD – CARNIVAL

At the end of Term 3 we will be celebrating the excellent behaviour of our students by hosting a Carnival. We have been holding this reward in Term 3 for the last three years and the student feedback has always been extremely positive. All year we have had students asking us, "When is the Carnival Reward?"



For our Carnival Reward, students choose to participate in a variety of fun carnival themed games and activities in order to win prizes. They move around freely with their friends, listen to music, participate in games and have a great time! Only students that demonstrate excellent behaviour throughout the term will be invited to attend the reward. This means **no more than one - Time-away Class, TAP Room or Office Referral in Term 3**. At IWSS we understand that mistakes can occur from time to time. For this reason we offer **up to three perseverance cards each term**. Perseverance cards are awarded to students who have received more than one of the consequences mentioned above, but have worked hard to improve their behaviour throughout the term in order to earn an invitation to the reward. Students are nominated for a perseverance card by their classroom teacher and therefore must consistently demonstrate appropriate behaviour inside and outside of the classroom to be considered.

ADJUSTMENT TO ELIGIBILITY TO ATTEND END OF TERM REWARD

Ipswich West is a school that strives to improve and support all students. In Term 3, the PBL Team is trialling a new system that allows students to attend the end of term reward if they have **less than 2 behaviour incidents throughout the term**. Prior to this, a student was not eligible to attend if they received a Time-away class, a TAP room or an Office Referral. The decision to trial this change has been brought about as part of our continued efforts to cater for all students. We understand that some students need additional support and we work consistently with them to support their choices.

The PBL Team understands that everyone makes mistakes and the important thing is that we grow and learn from them. At the end of the term the PBL Team will meet and analyse the impact that this change has had on the number of students attending our end of term reward. We are a Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) school so it is important that we focus on the 'Positive' whenever possible.

CAMP

I wanted to say a massive thank you to **Miss Tether, Mr Larsen and Miss Gage** for making our Year 5/6 camp possible. These teachers gave up their time to watch, care for and support our Year 5 and 6 students while on camp in Week 1. The students had a fantastic time participating in a range of activities including aquatics, low and high ropes, orienteering, and camp-out. The top three highlights that students have shared with me were aquatics, the giant swing and the food! Students focused on improving their teamwork and resilience throughout their time at camp. The staff and facilities at Maroon Outdoor Education Centre were fantastic as always! Be sure to check out all of the Year 5/6 camp photos on our school Facebook page!

QUEENSLAND FIRE SAFETY VISIT

On **Tuesday 3 August** the team from Ripley Fire and Rescue Station will visit our Prep to Year 1 students to talk to them about fire safety. Students will also be shown the firetruck and be given a demonstration of different parts of the truck including the hose and sirens. This visit was scheduled to take place on our Under Eights Day last term, however was postponed due to the weather conditions. This event is only for students. Photos will be posted to our school Facebook page!

**From Gavin McLeod
Physical Education Teacher**

Welcome back. I hope you had a great holiday and had some great family time. In Physical Education classes this term, students will be learning the following:

Prep

- Manipulative skills, Perceptual Motor Activities, Modified Games and Cultural Games

Years 1 and 2

- Manipulative Skills, Throwing and Catching, Batting skills, Modified Games and Cultural Games

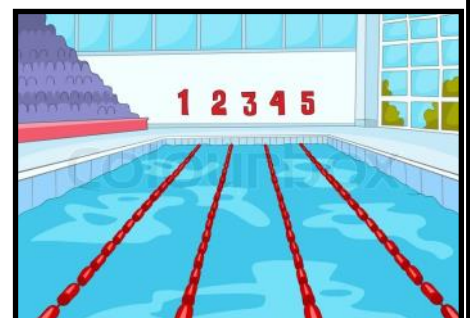
Years 3 and 4

- T-Ball, Soccer, Modified AFL, Tennis skills and Basketball skills

Years 5 and 6

- Softball, Golf, Fitness Activities, Tennis and Soccer

Our school Swimming Carnival will be held in Term 4. More details to come.



**From Tamazine Collins
Japanese Teacher**

This semester in Japanese;

Prep, Year 1 and Year 2

- Participate in a unit called “Who’s in my family?”
- Discuss the different people in their family and explore the language used when talking about people in their family.
- Students will participate in intercultural experiences to notice similarities and differences in the concept of family, group belonging and respect.

Assessment

This will include a speaking test where students will be asked to respond to questions with single words and set phrases to present information about their family.

Year 3 and Year 4

- Participating in a unit called “Out and About”.
- Discuss the different items you can buy at a Japanese convenience store, explore the language used when shopping in Japan and compare different customer service practices in Australia and Japan.

Assessment

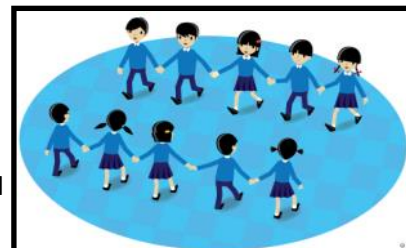
Will include a listening test where students will listen to a shopping conversation and answer questions.

Year 5 and Year 6

- Participate in a unit called “How Do We Play?”
- Discuss traditional Japanese games and toys and play a simple game while speaking in Japanese.

Assessment

Include a speaking test where students will be asked to play a board game with a partner and use simple Japanese phrases while they play.



**From Richard Johnston
Music Teacher**

We will be playing our brand-new ukuleles in Term 3 and Term 4 at Ipswich West.

All classes will have opportunities to build their knowledge of:

- Chord shapes and rhythmic patterns
- Occasional accompaniment from untuned percussion and programmed beats
- Explore new songs in whole class ensembles
- Students will extend their sight reading skills via the ‘Sight, Sing, Step’ program.



**From Parents & Citizens’
Association**

P&C EXECUTIVE UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that Anne Wright has become IWSS P&C Secretary for 2021. Anne has been a member of the P&C in various roles for many years.

TUCKSHOP

Exciting news! **The Tuckshop will be opening in Week 4 (Thursday 5 August 2021)** of this term. Please see attached a copy of the new menu. Updates will be announced via Facebook.

SCHOOL BANKING

Thank you to all who banked with us over the many years. We appreciated all your support.

BOOK FAIR

Book Fair is coming up this term (**18 August 2021**). More information to come as soon as possible.

UNIFORM

Opening hours are **Friday** from **8.00am—9.00am**. Trading will continue to the last day of term (**Friday 17 September 2021**).

Appointments can be made outside of these times. Please contact the School Administration Office on 3813 5222 or 0366_PandC@eq.edu.au and a P&C Executive will contact you to confirm a suitable time. The uniform shop is located in the undercover area, please enter the school from the Omar Street gate.





THE NEW IPSWICH CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

The new Ipswich Children's library has opened in the Nicholas Street Precinct, boasting a beautiful, purpose-designed and built space for children aged 0-12 years to explore, learn and play. They have over 35,000 books just for kids; unique, multi-reality interactive experiences; lots of kids-focused programs and events; hands-on tech adventures and two life sized dinosaurs suspended from the ceiling!

You can park in the undercover parking off Bremer St. There is a lift and stair access available up to ground floor to the library and Tulumur Place. *Lift A or B on any level in best for the library.

FREE MONTHLY WEBINARS FOR DADS

Online sessions for dads, father-figures and families.

Join one of the FREE webinars and get options for being a dad, the relationship with your partner and connecting with your kids. The free webinars will share resources developed for dads on: 7 types of dads; healthy family relationships; bonding with your kids; connecting with other dads; dads at work; PLUS, they will talk about what else is going on for dads in Australia.



Follow this link to book a free session: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=693879&>

*All sessions run from 2pm-3pm via Zoom. A link will be sent shortly before the session commences.

USEFUL COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Organisation	Support Offered	Contact	ebsite
Multicultural Connect Line	Service for people from multi-cultural backgrounds who are affected by COVID 19	1300 079 020 9am-4.30pm Mon-Fri *Interpreters available	www.worldwellnessgroup.org.au/helpline
CAP – FREE Debt Counselling	Free debt counselling	1300 227 000	www.capaust.org
Parentline	Free counselling support for parents and carers	1300 30 1300	www.parentline.com.au
Way Ahead (Covid 19)	Anxiety support groups and Small Steps seminars + more....	1300 794 991 – 9am to 5 pm	https://www.wayahead.org.au/
Kids Helpline	Free confidential 24/7 counselling service for children	1800 55 1800	www.kidshelpline.com.au
Beyond Blue	Free confidential 24/7 counselling service for adults	1300 22 4636	www.beyondblue.org.au

USEFUL APPS

Reach Out Breath

Calming yourself during anxiety / panic attacks:
<https://au.reachout.com/tools-and-apps/reachout-breathe>



Mindshift

Tips and planner to help with depression:
<https://au.reachout.com/tools-and-apps/mindshift>

MindtheBump

A Mindfulness Meditation App to help support parents mental and emotional wellbeing in preparation for having a baby and becoming a new parent – Free from Apple Store/google Play)
<https://au.reachout.com/tools-and-apps/mindshift>



Important Dates



Fri 23 Jul	Permission due for Story Arts (Free) — Cancelled
Tue 27 Jul	Bremer State High School — Parent/Guardian session for Year 7 2022 — 5pm to 6.30pm https://survey.qed.qld.gov.au/surveys/start.aspx?n=a07h2Bw&aid=BnvWsKqr9dGAMpZKRkNT5g2
Fri 30 Jul	NAIDOC Celebrations Permissions & Payments (\$50) due — Interschool Sports Basketball (Years 5 & 6 selected students)
Tue 3 Aug	Queensland Fire Department — Prep/1
Wed 4 Aug	Permission & Payments (\$10) due — Japanese Day of Experience (Year 6)
Fri 6 Aug	Interschool Sport — Basketball (Year 5 and 6 selected students)
Wed 18 Aug	Japanese Day of Experience (Year 6) — Ipswich State High School Book Fair
23-24 Aug	Prep hearing screening
Tue 24 Aug	Permission & Payments (\$10) due — Starlab Education Incursion (Prep to Year 4)
Fri 27 Aug	Premier's Reading Challenge last day Book Week Parade — 9am to 10 am
Mon 30 Aug	Permissions & Payments (\$35) due — Swimming (5 lessons)
Fri 3 Sep	Student Free Day
Tue 7 Sep	Starlab Education Incursion — Prep to Year 4
Fri 10 Sep	Laidley Pioneer Experience — Year 2
13-17 Sep	Swimming Lessons
Fri 17 Sep	End of Term Reward LAST DAY of Term 3

Recurring Events

Assembly	2.00pm Mondays via Microsoft Teams
Uniform Shop	8.30am-9.00am Fridays
Student Council	Tuesdays—first break
Interschool Sport—Basketball	Friday's (6 August to 5 November)
Breakfast Club	8.00am-8.45am Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Japanese Cooking	Mondays, fortnightly
Japanese Club	Wednesdays—second break in Library
Tuckshop	Opens Thursday 5 August 2021

Awards

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK (FOR JULY)

Prep	Cora, Declan, Amethyst-Rose
Prep/1	Zara, Isaac, Isabelle, Charlotte
Year 1	Jack, James
Year 2	Amber-Rose, Emily, Jack Mc, Levi
Year 2/3	Drew, Sarah, Luis
Year 4	Madison, Leila

Congratulations and thank you for helping to make Ipswich West it's best!

Ipswich West State School

Tuckshop Menu – Term 3 2021

HOT FOOD

Pizza BBQ chicken or Hawaiian*	\$3.00
Chicken and gravy roll*	\$3.00
Meatball sub*	\$3.00
Mini sausage roll	\$1.20
Mini pie	\$1.20
Garlic bread small or lrg*	\$1.50/\$3.00
Hot dog tomato or bbq sauce	\$3.00
Hot dog with sauce and cheese	\$3.50
Spaghetti and meatballs*	\$4.50
Chicken fried rice*	\$4.50
Sweet chilli chicken wrap (chicken Lettuce, tomato, sauce)	\$4.00
Chicken goujons bag of 5	\$3.00
BBQ/tomato sauce	\$0.30
Add on a rainbow salad cup	\$1.00

SANDWICHES, SALADS AND WRAPS

Toasties at no extra cost

Jam or vegemite soldiers	\$1.20
Cheese	\$1.50
Cheese and tomato	\$1.80
Egg and lettuce	\$1.80
Ham or chicken and cheese	\$2.50
Hawaiian (ham/chicken, cheese, Pineapple)	\$2.80
Ham/chicken salad wrap	\$4.00
Toasted ham and cheese wrap	\$2.80

Salad consists of lettuce, tomato, carrot, cucumber, cheese, beetroot,

Rainbow salad cup \$2.50
Salad bowl – your choice of protein ham, chicken, egg \$4.00

Sandwiches are made on wholemeal bread unless white bread is requested.
Gluten free bread/wraps available on request
*Denotes items made in house

ICE BLOCKS

To be added in term 4

SUSHI GF

Tuna mayo	\$3.00
Chicken teriyaki	\$3.00
Avocado	\$3.00
Soy sauce (contains gluten)	\$0.20

COLD FOOD

Yummy tummy box (carrot sticks, crackers, cheese, hummus)	\$3.50
Vege sticks and hummus	\$3.00
Apple slinky	\$0.80
Watermelon fries and yoghurt	\$2.00
Vanilla yoghurt and berries	\$2.00
Vanilla yoghurt and peaches	\$2.00

SNACKS (2nd break only)

Plain popcorn*	\$1.00
Choc chip muffin*	\$1.50
Apple cinnamon muffin*	\$1.50
Vanilla custard cup	\$1.50
Jumpys chicken (18g)	\$1.30
Red rock deli honey soy chicken	\$1.70

Drinks (1st and 2nd breaks)

100% juice apple/tropical	\$1.60
milk – chocolate or strawberry	\$2.20
milk plain	\$1.50
soy milk – chocolate/strawberry	\$2.20
soy milk plain	\$1.50
water	\$1.50

HOW TO ORDER:

Label lower half of a paper bag with 1st or 2nd break
Childs name, class and teacher
Food items and \$\$
Enclose money in the bag.
1st and 2nd break orders must be on separate bags.
Additional bags are available from the tuckshop.



Ipswich West State School



Enrol now for 2022

Prep to Year 6

- Small school environment in the heart of Ipswich
- Focusing on age-appropriate learning, aligned to the Australian Curriculum
- Building knowledge, skills and confidence through high quality programs
- Supportive and caring staff



Scan the QR code to view an introductory video



2022 enrolments and expressions of interest now open!



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