

Iona Public School



Newsletter

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TERM 4 AT A GLANCE

Week 8

Friday 30 th November	Principals' Conference Swimming
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Week 9

Tuesday 4 th December	Zumba
Wednesday 5 th December	P & C Meeting
Friday 7 th December	Swimming Zumba
Sunday 9 th December	Woodville Hall Christmas Party

Week 10

Monday 10 th December	Mr Sheppard away – in Muswellbrook School Musical Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 11 th December	School Music Concert – Guitar, Keyboard, Recorder & Choir Performances 9:30 am
Wednesday 12 th December	School Presentation Night
Thursday 13 th December	Year 6 Leaders Lunch Parent Helper Thank you Afternoon Tea 2:45pm
Friday 14 th December	Choir Greenhills Swimming fun day

Week 11

Monday 17 th December	Art Gallery Excursion Mr Sheppard away in Muswellbrook
Tuesday 18 th December	Year 6 day out
Wednesday 19 th December	School Party Day; Last day of year for children
Thursday 20 th & Friday 21 st December	Staff Development days for teachers

Term 4 Week 8

Thursday 29th November 2012

SCHOOL NEWS

Swimming Tomorrow

School swimming continues tomorrow so please ensure your child has all their swimming gear.

Zumba

Our next Zumba lesson is next Tuesday 4th December with the following (and last) Zumba lesson on Friday 7th December.

Quality Work Folders-reminder

Need to be returned urgently as we need to begin organising them for binding at the end of the year.

Year 6 Fundraiser—Waffle Day

Our Year 6 students had a great day yesterday preparing and selling their waffles as a Year 6 fundraiser. As you can see from the pictures below, it was well received by everyone. They made \$156.70 for their efforts.



Yum—this is so good!!!!



Busy at work

Year 5 Captain's Speeches--results

Our Year 5 students prepared and presented their Captains Speeches today. They all did themselves proud, with the final results being—

Captains for 2013- Charlotte & Emma
Student Council President- Victoria

School Council Report.

At our School Council meeting yesterday we reviewed our surveys (Maths and School Life) in readiness for our Annual School Report and our 2013 school plan. We also discussed—upcoming school events, future planning and our school finances.

School Music Concert

Our guitar, keyboard, recorder and choir students will be presenting a concert on Tuesday 11th December at 9.30 am in our School COLA . We'd love to see as many families and friends as possible supporting our music students.

P&C Raffle

The P & C horse sports raffle is being drawn tomorrow, Friday 30th November, please ensure all raffle tickets are returned.

Mr Sheppard away

Tomorrow, Friday 30th November, I will be away at a Principal's Conference in Maitland. Hopefully, I will learn more about the new restructuring of the Department of Education. I will also be away on Monday 10th December and Monday 17th December as I am on a Principal's Selection panel for Sandy Hollow P.S.

Important Events

School Presentation Night - Wednesday 12th December at 6.30 pm

School Music Concert - Tuesday 11th December at 9.30 am

Mrs Crow Memorial Presentation-report

We held a short assembly on Monday afternoon, dedicating the magnolia tree and plaque which is in the school's front garden in the memory of our former School Administration Manager, Mrs Jill Crow. It was lovely to have her husband Alex, daughter Carla, and grand children Nic and Lexie in attendance. One of our School Captains, Drew, wrote and read a beautiful short speech about her memories of Mrs Crow. We enjoyed an afternoon tea with the family, staff and some families of the school.

Parent Helpers Thankyou Afternoon Tea

On Thursday 13th December, the staff will be hosting a Parent Thankyou afternoon tea from 2.45 pm. Again, we'd love to see as many of you here to celebrate the year with us—we'd like to thank everyone for their assistance throughout the year. It's the community of the school that makes Iona Public School the place that it is.

Choir Performance

Our School Choir will be performing at Greenhills Shopping Centre on Friday morning, 14th December, at 10.30 am. More details will be included in next week's newsletter.

Maitland Rotary Donation

At Tuesday's assembly, Mrs Christine Walmsley, the former Principal of Tenambit P.S. presented us with a \$500 cheque on behalf of the Maitland Rotary Club. There are no particular parameters about how we use this money, however we are investigating the implementation of some playground markings to add to our concrete areas. This was discussed at our Student Council Meeting.



Our School Captains, Drew and Luka, receiving the cheque from Mrs Walmsley on behalf of Maitland Rotary.



1883 School Performance



1883 School Photo

Awards

Merit Awards were presented in:-
K/1

- **Katelin** for neat & colourful work presentation
- **Joel** for a great effort at writing and remembering a poem
- **Eaden** for preparing a terrific poem for news
- **Zac** for making some fantastic Christmas decorations

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- **Gabby** for great work in all areas
- **Asher** for excellence in maths
- **Shyla** for excellence in maths
- **Alison** for great work in literacy

4/5/6

- **Luci B** for working hard in all areas
- **Charlie** for producing excellent writing
- **Raeshel** for improved maths
- **Drew** for excellent test results & speech about Mrs Crow

Peer Nominated Citizenship Award

Mike for being positive and playing nicely

Teacher Nominated Citizenship Award

Charlotte for being a caring and considerate school citizen

Library Award

Will for good manners during storytime

Environmental Award

Sophie for volunteering in groups

Healthy Food Award

Luci C for having good manners and being prepared

Birthdays:-

- Nyah will turn 10 on 4th December



Christmas Hamper:

We need some food for our hamper!

P & C has once again provided a collection basket for contributions to our "Christmas Hamper" which is generally presented to the Salvation Army each year. The basket will be placed in the entry foyer of the Admin area where it will be convenient to receive your most welcome donation .



‘Come and try’ Baseball



Introductory clinic for boys and girls aged 5 to 12 years

- Introductory baseball coaching from accredited coaches
- Opportunity to join your local Newcastle Junior Baseball League club for the coming season

Who's it for?

- Aimed at beginners, the ‘Come and Try’ Baseball clinic will also cater for current players
- The clinic will utilise the Aussie T-Ball initiative, Baseball Australia’s junior entry point program

Date	Venue/Time	Cost	Program number
Monday January 21, 2013	Auston Oval, Dora Street, Morisset (9am-11am)	\$10.00	0061561
Tuesday January 22, 2013	Empire Park, Kilgour Ave Bar Beach (9am-11am)	\$10.00	0061209

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‘Come and try’ - Dance



One-day introductory workshop covering an array of dance styles

- The workshop will cater for students from beginner to advanced and will be grouped appropriately
- Styles including Hip Hop, Jazz Funk, and Contemporary Dance will highlight this one-day workshop

Who's it for?

- Boys and girls aged 4 to 12 who have an interest in learning about dance or want to expand their current skills
- The program is run in conjunction with Beats Dance Studios who have classes at four locations in Newcastle

Date	Monday January 21 2013
Time	10am – 3pm The final hour of the workshop (2pm-3pm) will be a dance display for parents to attend
Venue	Turton Road, Callaghan College-Waratah Campus, Waratah
Cost	\$45.00
Program	0061210

Please bring your own lunch and sufficient drinks for the day

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‘Come and try’ Bowls



Introductory clinics for boys and girls aged 6 to 14 years

- Introductory bowls coaching from accredited coaches
- Opportunity to find out about how to join your local club

Who's it for?

- Boys and girls aged between 6-14 who are interested in bowls or who want to try a fun and challenging new sport
- The clinic will utilise modified games and equipment and be coordinated by a Bowls Australia Community Development Officer
- Aimed at beginners, the ‘Come and Try’ clinic will also cater for current players in the age group

Date	Venue/Time	Cost	Program number
Mon 14 January 2013	East Cessnock Bowling Club (9:30am-11:30am)	\$5.00	61455
Wed 16 January 2013	Toronto Workers Bowling Club (3pm-5pm)	\$5.00	61343

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‘Surf fun safe’ beach day



An “on the beach” program designed for Primary School children 8-13 years.

This Program will cover beach safety and games such as:

- Hazard identification
- Recognising beach signage
- Beach and wave types
- Surf Skills (body board paddling & nipper boards)
- Rescue and survival techniques (using rescue tube)
- Sun protection (slip, slop, slap, wrap)
- Beach games and sports (volleyball, flags)

Date	Friday 25 th January 2013
Time	10am - 2pm
Venue	Nobby's Beach, Newcastle
Program	0061593
Cost	\$15 per child

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CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

FREE ENTRY!

MAITLAND

Saturday December 15th 2012

Featuring:

Andy Allen

Winner of Masterchef 2012

**The Pretty
AMAZING JONO**

**CAROLS SHOW
AMUSEMENTS**

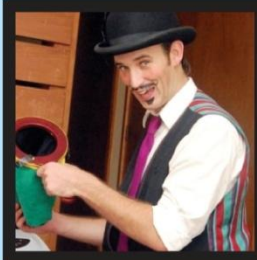
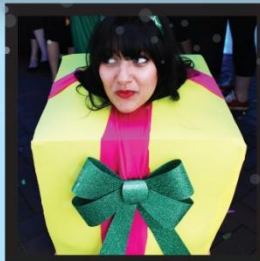
LOCAL ARTISTS

Face Painting

FOOD & GIFT STALLS

ENTERTAINERS

FIREWORKS



NEW BIGGER VENUE:

No1 SPORTSGROUND

James Street Maitland

BYO PICNIC RUG OR CHAIRS

FESTIVAL FROM 3PM - CAROLS FROM 7PM

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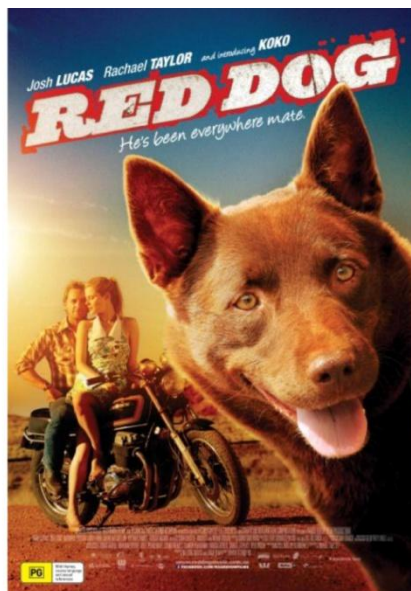


Burton Family



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Maitland City Library presents Summer Night Flicks, free movies for the whole family to enjoy!

Watch Red Dog, a charming tale of Aussie larrikins in the Outback and the dog who brought them all together. Based on a legendary true story, it will have you laughing, crying, and falling in love with the characters, including Red Dog himself! Red Dog stars acclaimed actors Josh Lucas, Rachel Taylor and Noah Taylor.

Enjoy a good laugh with The Muppets, as they come to the big screen for a new generation to enjoy! Comedian Jason Segel from TV series *How I Met Your Mother* co-wrote, produced and stars in the film, described as a love letter to the original Muppets. Can three Muppet fans reunite Kermit and the gang to save the Muppet Theatre from an evil oil baron? Come along and find out!

Event details

The Muppets Screening date: Friday 11 January 2013

Red Dog Screening date: Friday 18 January 2013

Free screenings under the stars at Maitland Gaol

Gates open 6.00 pm, films screened at sunset

Food and drink available for purchase or BYO

Summer Night Flicks is an outdoor event, so bring chairs or a rug to sit on

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