



Calendar

November 15	Kindergarten orientation
November 21	PLAY NIGHT 6pm
November 27	P & C meeting 8.15am
November 29	Jump Rope for Heart
December 4	Presentation Night
December 5	Music Concert

Milk Carton Lids

Miss Parr has kindly asked if parents could please send in milk/juice lids over the next few weeks. She requires them for an art activity in the K-2 classroom in the last weeks of school. Please hand them to your classroom teacher.

Chickens – Christmas Holidays

With the holidays fast approaching we would like to appeal to our community to see if anyone could possibly take the entire chickens 'home for a holiday' over the Christmas break. Obviously, the school will provide you with all the food and grit that you will need. This would be much more time efficient than producing a roster for 6 weeks. Please see Mrs Mahony if you are able to help. Thank you.

Sport PSSA Uniforms

Please return your soccer shirt, shorts and socks by the end of this week.

Leader's Elections

Our Year 5 students will be presenting their leadership speeches on Wednesday 28 November with our elections carried out on the same day. We wish them good luck as they present themselves to the rest of the school.

Bookclub

Orders due by Wednesday 28 November.

Performance Costumes

All students are involved in our end of year play which will be performed on Wednesday 21 November. It would be appreciated if parents could ensure that students have the following costumes:

Monster – black shorts (T-Shirt supplied)

Frankie – school uniform and long white socks

Helga – school winter uniform, long white socks, hair in Princess Laya braids

Irving – school uniform

Bonez group – school clothes, denim/leather jacket, caps/ bandanas

Narrators (Ava, Zoe, Tasmyn, Caleb.P, Sarah & Sierra) – button-up shirt, long pants/skirt and or blazer if you have one.

Mrs Newton – hair in a bun, skirt and top

Mrs Magilicutty – skirt, top (shawl provided)

Mr Klondike – scouts uniform

Reporter – button-up shirt, tie, shorts and a blazer if you have one.

All other students are to wear dark clothing.

We understand this is a busy and expensive time of year so we have tried to limit the costumes to a minimum. Please don't buy without asking if someone could lend a costume to you first.

Parent Helpers Afternoon Tea

To show our appreciation to all parents, grandparents and community members who have supported the school this year we would like to invite you for a special thank you assembly and morning tea on *Thursday 29 November* under the COLA at 9:10am. This will be followed by our 'Jump Rope for Heart' morning, which we would also love you to participate in.

P&C News - Reminder

Our next P&C meeting will be on Tuesday 27 November at 8:15am in the library. Please put this date in your diaries!

Interest Groups

We would like to run interest groups again this term, as we have done in previous years, with your support. The dates will be Thursday 29 November, 6 and 13 December from 1:45-3:00pm. We have surveyed students who have requested the following activities; cooking, macramé/friendship bracelets, woodwork, gardening, card making/ craft, drawing/art activities or computer programming. If any of these, or something similar, are your speciality and you are keen to help could you please contact Mrs Mahony or Mrs Leary ASAP.

Christmas Hamper

P & C has once again provided a collection basket for contributions to our "Christmas Hamper" which is 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.

Recipe Book Fundraiser- Reminder

The P&C are holding one more fundraiser for the year. We would like you to help us create our own Iona PS recipe book. We would like every student to bring in a recipe of their choice which will then be collated with artworks to make the book. These recipes can be handed to each class teacher. It would be appreciated if they could be in by Friday 16 November. The book will be available for sale by the end of the year. Please keep reading the newsletter for further information.

Invoices

Invoices were sent home last week. Please make sure all outstanding monies are paid by Wednesday 28 November. Please see either Mrs Mahony or Mrs Leary if you are having trouble paying school fees.



Lochlan turned 12 on 2 November
Sierra turned 7 on 3 November
Caleb P turned 8 today

SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way

...to be a SunSmart pro!

Test yourself with these SunSmart questions!

- 1: When do I need to use sun protection?
2. How can I be sun safe?
3. How can babies stay safe?



Answers

1. We need to use sun protection whenever the UV is three or above. In most of NSW, this is 11-12 months of the year. Check the SunSmart App every day to be sure.
2. It's simple, just *Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide!*
3. Children under 12 months should be kept out of direct sunlight. Sunscreen is not recommended for children under 6 months. Remember to carry out a sunscreen usage test.

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to www.sunsmartnsw.com.au



Awards Week 4

Merit Awards were presented in:-

K/1/2

Lainey for producing quality independent learning tasks

Caleb P for always being organized for all learning activities

3/4

Anders for helping others with their mathematics

Jason for trying his best in all areas

5/6

Zali for always giving 100% in all that she does

Felix M for excellent thinking and design in STEAM activities

Peer Nominated Citizenship Award

Sofia for helping others when we practice the play

Teacher Nominated Citizenship Award

Katelin for looking out for others in the playground

Environmental Award

Ava for caring for the chickens

Health & Safety Award

Sierra for always returning her icee cup

Sport Award

Sam for big effort at swimming and improvement in getting changed