Iona Public School Newsletter Term 4 Week 7



Learning Together in Harmony

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Calendar

26 Nov	P&C Meeting 8:15am
27 Nov	Book Club orders due in
27 Nov	Solar Car Challenge
29 Nov	Year 5 Leaders Speeches
2 Dec	K-2 Tocal excursion
12 Dec	Music Concert 9:30am
12 Dec	Presentation Night 6pm
16 Dec	Year 6 Day Out
18 Dec	Students Last Day

P&C News - Reminder

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

Leader's Elections- Reminder

Our Year 5 students will be presenting their leadership speeches THIS Friday 29 November at 9:15am with our elections carried out on the same day. We wish them good luck as they present themselves to the rest of the school. As is tradition at Iona we will announce the new leaders for 2020 at 3:00pm on Friday afternoon at afternoon assembly.

Uniform Order

All orders and payment due by Wednesday 27 November.

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.

Class Party Day

Our joint class Christmas party this year will be held on the last day of school for students, Wednesday 18 December. This is NOT an out of uniform day as we are having class presentations in the morning. We are going to order a range of pizzas (students will be surveyed to find their favourites. Please see Mrs Mahony if your child won't eat pizza). Each child will also be given some soft drink and an ice block. We are asking each student who will be present on the last day of school to bring in \$8 to cover the cost of the party by Monday 9 December. For catering purposes, could you please let the staff know if your child will not be attending that day.

Calling all superheroes

Some of our students will be creating films using green screen technology during interest group sessions in the next three weeks. If you have any superhero action figures that you could lend us for the three weeks we would be very grateful. We will make every effort to ensure no superhero is harmed during filming and that your superhero is returned to you with all super powers intact. Please send superheroes to school, clearly labelled with your child's name, by this Wednesday. Thank you. Ms Hartigan.



Chickens

A huge thank you to Bob and Rhonda who have offered to look after the chickens over the Christmas break.

Swimming Carnival Friday 7 February 2020-Reminder

Glen William PS will be running the Small School Swimming Carnival next year. The date has been set for Friday 7 February 2020. They have asked all students attending (those turning 8 and above in 2020) to complete the form that has been sent home with each child so they can begin their organisation. Please return this note to our office by Friday 6 December.

Class News

<u>K-1</u>

We have immensely enjoyed our news presentations based around our Personal and Family Histories unit. Thank you for trusting us with your special items and stories! Next week we will consolidate our history knowledge with a visit to the Tocal Homestead.

Our school recycling system is going through some big changes! K-2 are researching and presenting their findings to Iona PS on the correct use of each coloured bin. If all school become careful recyclers the impact on our environment would be huge.







2-3

Today we welcome a special guest to our classroom, Mrs Barbara Gow, who is a descendant of a member of the First Fleet. She will enrich our history unit by sharing family stories of her relative and giving us a unique insight into life of Australia's first European settlers. In maths this week, students will start exploring position. We will all be using language such as right, left, above, below and centre to identify and describe positions and the Year 3 students will begin to look at the compass points of north, east, south and west. Students will also continue to work on their Roald Dahl animations. Much of the ground work has been done, with some groups almost ready to start filming, bringing to life their favourite scenes from Roald Dahl's marvellous books. We are certainly on track to be entertaining you with our finished products before the end of term.

4-5-6

What a huge sporting week we had last week! Cricket on Thursday and Swimming on Friday. 3/4/5/6 displayed lovely manners and even though it was hot, tried their very best. This week we will be revising suffixes and working on our Procedures. In Maths we will be working on Volume and Capacity.

Solar Cars

Twelve students will represent Iona Public School at the Hunter Valley Electric Vehicle Festival at Cameron Park Raceway on Wednesday. The students have been working hard to build and wire their solar cars and are eager to put them to the test in the Solar Sprint Race and the Solar Pursuit Race. The two races are very different - one on a straight track and the other on an oval track - and it has proven a real challenge to engineer a car that will perform well in both events. The problem solving required to build and wire these cars is very impressive and we all have our fingers crossed that our students' efforts are rewarded on the day. We wish the following students the best of luck as they prepare to compete in the event: Zoe, Duke, Caleb P, Max, Eliza, Anders, Riley, Dimo, Nathan, Zali, Keeley and Mia.

Cricket

Our students from Years 3-6 had an absolute ball at the Small Schools Cricket Blast Day at Raymond Terrace on Wednesday. Iona PS was joined by Glen William, Millers Forest and Hinton Public Schools for the fun day organised by Cricket NSW. Our students should all be congratulated for the way they integrated with the other students, and showed wonderful sportsmanship, to form and compete in mixed teams. In hot conditions, the students batted, bowled and fielded in three separate games with many superstars emerging. Our batters impressed by hitting many sixes and fours, catches were taken in the field and bowlers frequently found the stumps. Feedback from the students suggests we will be participating in this day again next year! NOTE: More photos can be viewed on the school Facebook page.







Merit Awards were presented in:-

K/1

Edison for presenting a well-researched news topic.

Anaston for presenting a well-researched news topic.

Layla for interest in library tasks.

2/3

Max for his interest in library tasks.

Aliyah for commitment to improving her spelling. **Russell** for excellent effort with his writing.

4/5/6

Felix for being a friendly and kind student at cricket.

Mia for taking pride in her work.

Fang-Chiao for his interest in library tasks.

Peer Nominated Award

Ava for participating enthusiastically in all school activities.

Teacher Nominated Award

Harry H for showing kindness and encouragement to younger students.

Environmental Award

Sierra for being a responsible school citizen & picking up icy cups without being asked.

Health and Safety

Felix for ensuring he always wears his hat.

Sports Award

David for trying his very best at cricket



David turned 11 on 23 Sep
Zali turned 12 on 24 Sep
Will turned 8 on 3 Oct
Keeley turned 12 on 6 Oct
Grace turned 10 on 9 Oct
Tasmyn turned 11 on 13 Oct
Spike turned 6 on 31 Oct
Sierra turned 8 on 3 Nov
Caleb P turned 9 on 12 Nov
Anders turned 10 on 21 Nov
Eleanor turned 6 on 24 Nov
Duke turns 10 today-25 Nov!

Student Invoices

Student invoices are being sent home today listing any outstanding amounts. Please make sure all accounts are finalised by Friday 29 November. Please see Mrs Leary if having difficulty paying.



Overdue Music Fees

Dear Parents

Music fees are now overdue, please pay immediately.

If there is a problem please see Mrs Bithrey



Mango & Cherry Fundraiser – For Rural Fire Brigade

To make life easy for everyone we have set up a Mango Fundraiser page on our website. https://sallyandpatrick.com.au/offers/mango-fundraiser-2019

You will be able to place an order for the mangoes or cherries, pay and then we will deliver to your school the mangoes/cherries on Thursday 5th December.

Thank you so much for helping us raise dollars for the Rural Fire service.

Any questions just call Sally on 0438 323669 or Patrick on 0438 323679.



A Tray of Mangoes

A Tray of mangoes will contain between 14-25 Mangoes. The more mangoes the smaller the fruit. Fewer mangoes mean larger fruit. Either way, they will be Delicious Kensington Pride Mangoes.



\$20.00 each

1kg box of Cherries

Fresh, delicious Cherries.

IONA PUBLIC SCHOOL - UNIFORM ORDER 2019/2020

CODE	ITEM	Colour (circle)	SIZE	SIZE	PRICE	QUANTITY
52205	Short sleeve sky polo	Sky blue	3-16		\$12.50	
5220LS	Long sleeve sky polo	Sky blue	3-16		14.00	
3886BP	Box pleat Short	Navy	4-16		22.00	
G386SK	Skort	Navy Red	4-16		17.00	
4310SL	Track pant	Navy Red	3-16		17.00	
5270ZS	Rugby short	Navy	3-16		12.50	
5310JK	Jacket fleecy zip	Navy Red	3-16		20.00	
5310LR	Jacket hood Fleecy zip	Navy Red	3-16		24.00	
5880JK	Polar fleece Jacket	Navy Red	4-16		22.00	
5880VE	Polar fleece Vest	Navy Red	4-16		16.00	
5963DC	Dry Jacket lined in polar fleece	Navy Red	4-16		35.00	
PSW	Box Pleated Tunic	Navy	4–10		40.00	
TOTAL	-	-	-		\$	

HATS SPORT SHIRTS & SPORT SHORT MAY RE DURCHASED FROM THE OF	

CASH, CHQ (PAYABLE TO IONA PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C) OR

DIRECT DEPOSIT - BSB 062 813 Account Number 0090 4129 Ref (name)

CHILDS NAME:	
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