Message from the Principal

Dear members of the Ingleburn North Public School community,

Welcome back to the start of Term 3. I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable break. This term will be very busy, with a number of programs and events already planned.

Stage 3 students are looking forward to their 3 day camp to Canberra and the snow this week. They have 3 busy days planned with many educational experiences, along with fun at the snow. This will be a wonderful learning experience for all involved.

Dance Fever has returned to the school this term, offering a quality dance program for all students K – 6. Please return permission notes and money by Friday to ensure your child’s participation in this program.

Education Week will be celebrated between the 28th July – 1st August (Week 3). We will be holding our Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 30th July and parents and grandparents are welcome to attend. Thursday 31st July will be our G-Day, where we are inviting all grandparents, godparents, great parents, friends and relatives to attend our Open Day and assembly. Each class will be demonstrating learning in mathematics before our BBQ lunch. The assembly will showcase items from KM, K/1L and 3C. We hope many families will be able to join us on these days.

JULY

Wed 23 – Fri 25th  Stage 3 Camp to Canberra
Tues 29th  ICAS English Competition
Wed 30th  Athletics Carnival
Wed 30th  Academic Challenge –Sarah Redfern HS
Wed 30th  Camp Australia and P & C Meetings
Thurs 31st  G-Day (Education Week Open Day)
Year 6 toy sale $1 and BBQ lunch
Thurs 31st  Assembly

AUGUST

Fri 1st  NED Show K - 6
Wed 6th  Line of Coins – Year 6 Fundraiser
Tues 12th  ICAS – Maths Competition
Thurs 14th  Zone Athletics Carnival
Thurs 14th  Assembly
Fri 15th  Zone Athletics Carnival
Mon 18 – Fri 22nd  Book Week
Tues 19th  Mufti – Storybook characters
Wed 20th  Author visit – Michael Salmon
Wed 20th  Dad’s Reading Afternoon
Tues 26th  Book Fair
Thurs 28th  Assembly

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Insuring your children at school is smart! A number of years ago at INPS two children running flat out from opposite directions collided. One poor child suffered depressed fractures of the nose and eye socket. Four operations later over a period of two years the family was left with a bill for many thousands of dollars. To avoid such costs I suggest VERY STRONGLY that you insure your child through our P&C for only $5 per year!

Voluntary Contributions are a very important part of the INPS budget. This money is used to buy the latest and the best educational resources we can find for your children. Sadly, only 41% of families have made the voluntary contribution this year. So that we can continue to provide high quality educational resources to your children, in 2015 INPS will no longer provide free stationary and exercise books. We will make up resource packs and sell them at not for profit prices. Of course, you may choose to purchase these items yourself from Big W, etc. A note will go home at the end of 2014 listing the items in the different resource packs and their costs (the packs will differ depending on the age of your child).

Embroidery service - Winter is the time for losing jackets! Don’t waste your money on replacing lost clothes! The maximum cost per item of uniform embroidered is $3. They look great and at last, no more lost clothing!

Car Park – please do not park after the fenced area near the pedestrian crossing as the buses are having difficulty turning around. Please be aware that buses have right of way when using the car park in the morning and afternoon. A reminder that students are not permitted to enter the car park without adult supervision.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE FACILITIES

Camp Australia will be taking over the before and after school care facilities on 25th August, 2014.

Camp Australia will be addressing the school to outline their company and service they will be providing (i.e. where they currently operate Out of School Hours (“OOSH) services, hours of operation, fee structure etc.). Their aim is to ensure a smooth transition and no disruption to facilities currently in place at Ingleburn North Public School.

The presentation will be at 5.30 p.m. in the library on Wednesday 30th July, 2014.

THE SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER ORDER OF PHOTOS

The following photos are on display in the front office and may be ordered by completing a re-order envelope which can be obtained from the school office:

* Captains
* House Captains
* Year 6
* Year 6 (fun)

Orders must be received at the office by Friday 15th August. Photos are $14.00 each, $26.00 for 2, $36.00 for 3, $44.00 for 4 or $50.00 for 5. This discount is only available per family order.

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER)

This week students from our school will be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.
Third term is always an exciting term for the library with our focus on **Children’s Book Week** being celebrated in Week 6, 18th – 22nd of August. Continuing in our school’s traditions the following events will be held Weeks 6 & 7.

- Tuesday 19th August ~ Come as your **Favourite Book Character Mufti**, whole school Scavenger Hunt and Book Swap
- Wednesday 20th August ~ **Dads’ Reading Afternoon (K-2)** and author visit from Michael Salmon
- Tuesday 26th August ~ **Book Fair**

As well as these celebrations each class will be reading the children’s shortlist books and enjoying craft activities throughout the term in library sessions. Please watch this space for more information over the coming weeks.

**Dads’ Reading Afternoon**

As part of the children’s Book Week celebrations we will again be holding our Dads’ reading afternoon in the k-2 rooms. It will be on **Wednesday 20th August** at 2:15 pm. We would love to see lots of dads, uncles, older brothers or grandads along to read to a small group of children. Please fill out and return the form if you are able to attend.

I am able to attend the Dads’ Reading Afternoon on Wednesday the 20th August from 2:15pm onwards.

Name_________________________________________ContactDetails____________________________________

Child/ren’s Name: _______________________________________________ Class: ____________

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**Peer Support Program**

For the fifth year now we have been participating in the highly successful program of Peer support.

The whole school participates in Peer Support for 30 minutes each week. Two Peer Leaders facilitate a small group of 6 younger students, who work together through a number of structured activities with each teacher supervising 3 groups in their classroom.

We are working on a module called “Promoting Harmony” helping the students to define individual and community values, build relationships and improve decision making skills. The module runs for 8 sessions. Our first session enables the children to get to know everyone in the group, agreeing on how they will work well together and interact cooperatively with others. They will also begin to think about what is a value and something they value themselves.

We encourage you to talk to your children about Peer Support every week as it will help to reinforce the concepts learned in each session.

If you have any questions about this program please contact our Peer Support coordinator through the office on 9605 2459.

Mrs Wyber – Peer Support Coordinator

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**Tissues**

The cough and cold season has arrived. We need to bulk up our stock of tissues for the winter.

It would be appreciated if families would pop a box into their shopping trolley next time you are shopping to build up our supply. Boxes can be sent to the office.

Thank you in anticipation.

Office staff

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**School Banking**

Wednesday is school banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit to the front office before 9:00 a.m.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a school banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Ingleburn North Public School.

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**P&C NEWS**

**Canteen**

We are in urgent need for volunteers for the canteen for Term 3. If we do not receive new volunteers, the canteen will be closed on days it cannot be manned.

A wonderful way to be part of the school community is through volunteering. We currently have some amazing volunteers in our canteen to ensure we maintain a full-time canteen for our students. However, the canteen is in desperate need for some new volunteers. No experience necessary. If you are able to donate any of your precious time, please contact the canteen or office staff. Your children also gain a sense of pride when their parent helps at the school.

Term 3 roster is up so we need volunteers to keep the canteen open every day.

New Autumn & Winter menu now available.

New to the menu: noodle cup soup, hot cakes and barbecue chicken pizza.

Also new to the canteen menu - hot dogs $2.50

Lunch Wallets are available $9.00.

Colours: Pink, Blue, Green, Red, Purple, Yellow and Grey.

Many thanks

Andre Yusuf - P&C President

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**P & C Meeting**

The next P & C meeting will be held on Wednesday, 30th July in the library at 6:15 p.m.

All welcome!

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**Student Medical Insurance**

Have you paid your $5 to the P&C to ensure your child is covered for medical expenses for accidents incurred on school premises or on school-related activities.
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Friendship volunteers needed

Do you have an hour a week to be a mate? Compeer friendship volunteers provide social support to people in their local community who are isolated because of difficulties with their mental health. Go for a walk, visit a local museum or catch up for a cuppa. Your friendship can make a big difference to your new friend’s self-esteem and quality of life, and help reduce the stigma and isolation associated with mental illness. Training and ongoing support is provided. Volunteers aged 30 – 75 currently needed. Phone 4627 9180 email compeermacarthur@svdpwgong.org.au or visit the website www.compeer.org.au for more information.