Message from the Principal
Dear members of the Ingleburn North Public School community,

Last Thursday night’s P&C meeting was well attended and the buzz of discussion was full of energy. On your behalf, these parents are devoting their time to making this school a better place for every child. So what is the purpose of their hard work and you supporting their efforts? The school needs 40 tablet computers by the end of next year. This technology is VERY important to your child’s learning. The cost of 40 tablets is $35,000. The school budget will be able to kick in a small portion, but the rest will require some serious fund-raising and over the next two years you will be hearing about the P&C’s efforts to do just that!

In this newsletter there are a number of upcoming fund raising events mentioned. Please support your P&C’s efforts!

$$35,000$$

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**Parent Information Session:** Well I have certainly posted some thought provoking statements and questions about education in the past few newsletters. So, if you want to learn about teaching and learning in the modern world, come along to Mr Moseley’s Parent Information Session, something I am now calling **Pedagogy for Parents** – **Tuesday 24th March, 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm.**

**Changes to the INPS Timetable:**
There are many good reasons to change our timetable. 1. The school currently starts at 8.55am – many students arrive at 9am. 2. Many students are up by 6.30am and do not have lunch until 1pm. They are becoming “flat” by midday. 3. Our current lunch time is in the hottest part of the day.

So to overcome these problems the following timetable has been agreed to by the staff and the P&C:

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These changes will not affect parents directly. This timetable will also mean your children will have 5 minutes more learning time per day. The other benefit to this timetable is that our canteen will be able to close at 11.40am, giving our great volunteers an early mark!

*The new timetable will commence on the first day of Term 2.*

**School Camp** will take place in Term 3. As happens every year the camp is firstly open to Year 6 and Year 5 students. This year the camp is to the Bathurst Goldfields and is a one-night-two-day learning experience. Students will be studying all about the famous Australian Gold Rush in class so the camp will be a great way to expand on and cement that learning! The approximate cost for the camp is $240. If you want your child to attend this camp you will need to pay this amount in full per child or make a deposit by Friday the 29th May. My advice is to pay it off in increments – say $10 per week.

After the 29th May the camp will be opened up to our Year 4 students.

Places are limited to the capacity of one bus and students will be accepted on a first come basis. Should there be more students than places available late comers will be placed on a waiting list.
Due to parents volunteering their precious time the canteen will be open every day for the rest of the term.

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.

Thank you,
P & C Fundraising Committee

In the process of introducing the new uniform (which looks fantastic) the old uniform is acceptable and will be phased out in 2015/2016.

"Like" our page to keep updated on:

1. Events happening at the school such as Assemblies, Easter Hat Parades, Cake Days etc;
2. Fundraising Events;
3. Uniform Changes and Updates;
4. Canteen Changes - Menu, New Products, Opening Times;
5. Play Group for parents and carers with children 5 years and under.

All that and more at https://www.facebook.com/ingleburnnorth

Thank you to all those parents who have taken a box/es of chocolates to sell to raise funds for the school.

We still have 6 boxes. If you feel you are able to sell a box of chocolates quickly, please collect a box from the front office.

The money raised from selling the chocolates is due back today. Please sell any remaining chocolates you have and return the money to the office.

Thank you,
P & C Fundraising Committee

As part of a P&C fundraiser, we are asking parents and carers to donate chocolate Easter eggs / bunnies etc for our Easter raffles.

The Easter raffles will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade.

If you are able to donate any chocolate Easter eggs, please drop them into the office in the next few weeks. The Easter Hat Parade is on Thursday 2nd April.

Thanking you in advance for your support.
P&C Committee

The next P & C meeting will be held in Term 2 on Thursday, 7th May in the library at 6:15 p.m. All welcome!
FROM THE OFFICE

Reminder to return the following forms to the office:

- Student Emergency Contact Detail Report (whether there are changes or not)
- Parent information on education and occupation (pink letter)
- Expression of Interest form for Year 7 placement (Year 6 only)

Parent Helpers
All parent helpers now need to have a Working with Children Check (WWCC) available from RMS (old RTA). There is no cost to obtain a volunteer clearance. Please provide the front office with a copy of your clearance once received.

World’s Greatest Shave

Last Thursday we had two brave boys shave their heads in the World’s Greatest Shave fundraiser. The boys raised just over $500 with the mufti day contribution and parent/staff donations. Well done boys!

Thank you also to all those who donated to this wonderful cause on the day and on-line.
Library News

So far this term the students have been learning about how the library functions and settling into routines. The younger students have been learning about how to care for books, while the older students have filled in their reading survey which guides the purchases of the library. If you have any questions concerning your child’s borrowing please feel free to contact me through the office or pop in after school. We have a number of events coming up soon at which I’m looking forward to catching up with everyone.

Premier’s Readers Challenge
The challenge began in February and finishes on the 1st September and requires the children at different age groups to read a certain number of books from the list provided. All children will be participating during library and class time. The children in the K-2 classes will have the books read to them by their class teachers and recorded as a whole group. The 3-6 children will keep their own records during library time. The students will be starting their challenge next term. For more information about the challenge please see: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge/index

Help Needed!!
Each Thursday I am in the library from 2pm-3pm and a number of parents come in to help tidy shelves before school pickup. Everyone is welcome and it is a great way to get involved and meet other parents, have a cuppa and check out a small adult library. It’s also cool in the library and pre-schoolers are welcome too!
If you’re not able to help at this time maybe you could come and help at another time or take books home to cover. Please feel free and come in and have a chat about when you’re able to help.

“There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate’s loot on Treasure Island.” — Walt Disney

Happy Reading
Mrs Wyber

Celebrating Our Diversity

Thursday March 26th
Students come dressed in the national costume of their heritage and bring a gold coin donation to go to the Solomon Islands Charity.

Students will make a patch to go on our Harmony Day wall hanging.

Whole school assembly @ 2:15pm

Parent get-together in library (please bring a small plate of food to share) from 1pm
As you may already know this year is the 100th year anniversary of the Anzacs landing at Gallipoli. Normally our Anzac Day ceremony, 28th April, is an important event on the school calendar and as such this year even more so.

We have a number of preparations that we are asking for parent support and/or help. Firstly we are re-modeling the rose garden and will need some helpers to prepare and plant out the beds for just 1 hour on Tuesdays 17th and 24th March from 3pm to 4pm. No gardening expertise needed!

Secondly 5/6D is performing a play for the ceremony and will need help with costumes and set design.

Finally, on the day, students that have veterans who have passed can place a cross in the garden. Please return attached form. If you are able to assist in any way please contact the office or speak with me directly.

On the Tuesday 28th April our school will hold a community assembly to commemorate ANZAC Day. A number of guests will be joining us for this important occasion and parents are most welcome as well.

It will be held at 11.30 am. Morning tea will be served after the ceremony in the library. Please feel free to come along and join in on this important day. The students are requested to bring a small posy of flowers to place near the flagpole as a tribute during the ceremony.

Also as part of the commemorations children who have a war veteran in their family place a cross and flowers to commemorate their passing. If your family is new to our school and you would like your child to participate in this please return the form below ASAP.

Thank you
Kathy Wyber
Anzac day Coordinator

War Veterans full name________________________
War/s served __________________________
Child/s name ____________________________ Class ________________
Parent contact details _________________________________
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.

**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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**Birthday Cakes**

We love to help celebrate the birthday of students and partake in singing “Happy Birthday” and eating birthday cake that parent’s provide – especially if there are leftovers for the office.

However, as it is difficult to cut a cake into 30 pieces and with safety issues having a knife in the classroom, we ask that parents provide cupcakes (or the like) for easy distribution.

Thank you for your assistance.

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**Nutrition Snippet**

**The simplest way…to make a healthy afternoon tea.**

Try these simple ideas for making snacks that will satisfy the fussiest eater:

- **Homemade hot chips**
  Slice potatoes into thin discs and arrange on a baking tray sprayed lightly with olive oil. Grill until golden, and serve with a small amount of tomato sauce.
- **Bite sized fruit with yoghurt**
  It's a fact - kids are more likely to eat fruit when it is cut up into small pieces. Try serving some diced fruit with some reduced-fat yoghurt. It's a winner.
- **Veggie sticks**
  These are so easy to prepare and make a super healthy afternoon tea. Try cutting up some carrot or celery sticks and serving them with hummus.

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**The simplest way…to make lunch healthy.**

It takes no more time to pack a healthy lunch than an unhealthy one – and lunch boxes are a great time to give your kids fruit and veg!

- **Add veggie sticks**
  - like carrot, capsicum and celery – every day
- **Cut fruit into small pieces, kids are more likely to eat small pieces of food**
- **Squeeze lemon juice over cut apple to prevent it from going brown**
- **Pack a wholegrain sandwich and a reduced-fat yoghurt**
- **Choose water over juice – it’s healthier and cheaper**
- **Always add an ice brick in summer to keep your kids lunch cool**

Remember: pack fruit + veg every day!

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**Health Issues**

We have had a confirmed case of impetigo (commonly known as school sores) at the school. Impetigo occurs in two forms – blistering and crusted.

In blistering impetigo the blisters arise on normal skin and quickly grow in size and number. The blisters rupture and leave moist or glazed areas with a brown crust at the edge. The condition is not usually painful but can be itchy.

Crusted impetigo has a thick soft yellow crust above a moist red area. Crusted impetigo is slower growing and the lesions are usually smaller in size. The condition is also not usually painful but can be itchy.

If you consider your child may have the condition please consult your family doctor for diagnosis and treatment. Treatment is with prescribed antibiotics.

Whilst being treated the sores must be covered by a waterproof dressing to prevent the spread to other school community members.

We have a few cases of head lice (nits) at the school.


If you find any eggs or lice please commence treatment as recommended.

Further information on head lice is available on the NSW Health website (details above) or through the Department’s website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/studenthealth/conditions/headlice/index.php.
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