**Principal's Report**

**Deputy Premier of Victoria Visit**
The Deputy Premier and Minister for Education, Mr James Merlino visited the school last Wednesday. Minister Merlino spoke with the year 7 students and engaged them in a lively discussion around what changes they would like to see as a result of the building funding made available to the school. There were many positive suggestions made and our whole student body will continue to be involved in the building planning phase.

**Principal Appointment**
The appointment process for the principal position at Irymple SC has not been completed to date. As a result, I will be staying on in the acting principal role for a further term. The appointment process was discussed with Minister Merlino and regional officials last week and it is anticipated the position will be advertised early next term.

**Junior Country Hockey Championships**
I have been informed that we made an oversight in the previous newsletter’s report on the Junior Country Hockey Championships which a number of our students participated in recently. Apologies to Thomas Nichols who competed along with other students from Irymple SC, and well done on your efforts in making the finals Thomas.

**Mid-year break**
Term 2 has been a full and busy term and I would like to thank students for their effort and overall positive engagement with their learning and extra-curricular activities. I would also like to thank parents for the support you provide to your children and to the school. Extra-curricular activities rely on the effort and goodwill of staff and the full and rich program available at Irymple SC is a testament to their commitment to the students in our care. I hope everyone has a happy and safe holiday break and I look forward to working with you in term 3.

*Mrs Robyn Blackie (Acting Principal) blackie.robyn.m@edumail.vic.gov.au*

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Sunday 21st August**

For a community ride to raise money for the

Mildura Region School Breakfast Partnership (ISC Breakfast Club) & Sunraysia Cancer Resources
Assistant Principal’s Report

Year 7-9 Semester One Reports

The past few weeks staff have been busy finalising assessments and reports. Our semester one reports will be distributed on Thursday 23rd June to all students in Years 7, 8 and 9. We urge students to read over their reports with their parents, and actively plan ahead to implement the suggestions made from their respective subject teachers on areas for improvement in semester 2. Any other queries about reports should be directed to your student’s respective year level coordinator.

Year 10 students

This last week of term has been hectic for our students, completing their exams along with finalising their work experience arrangements. Our Year 10 Snow Trip occurs in the second week of Term 3, and then all Year 10 students are expected to resume schooling on Monday 25th July (Week 3 of Term 3), the day that they will receive their respective semester one reports.

Winter Uniform reminders

We would ask all students and parents to please follow up over the school break checking that the winter uniform is correct and ready for Term 3. We have had some concerns with the length of the girls’ grey skirt and this break between terms is timely for all female students to check the hem length of their skirt if that is the winter uniform option they are wearing.

We have a lovely range of winter uniforms, from the ISC unisex grey tracksuit with the school logo (the only tracksuit that is acceptable as school uniform), grey trousers, jumpers (woollen, fleece, rugby).

Please see the uniform list at the back of each newsletter and review this with your child. A reminder that if your student is wearing a scarf to school, only white or blue is permitted; absolutely no beanies are permitted once a student is at school and school shoes must be black.

If there is hardship, we would ask families to please contact the respective student managers or myself and we will assist with uniform arrangements for your student.

Lowes are our main stockist of school uniform and have a full range on offer, including extensive size options.

Stationery and new electives

With the change over of semester, students will be experiencing many new subjects. It is timely to check exercise books and pens and replenish pencil cases. It is also timely to check that your student’s locker has a padlock to protect their valuables. If any students would like to change an elective, then the process is to follow up with myself, Mrs Anne Symes, and parent approval must be given for any change to be made. Any changes must be made in the first two weeks of the subject having been started.

We’ve had an incredibly busy semester, and I would like to congratulate all students who have actively participated in sporting, academic and other extra curricula opportunities - keep challenging yourself in Semester 2, ensure that you are in a regular homework routine, use the portal to email staff for extra assistance or follow up during the school day, and finally keep making the most of the diverse opportunities on offer at Irymple Secondary College. Wishing everyone a relaxing, safe winter break.

Mrs Anne Symes – Assistant Principal  symes.anne.as@edumail.vic.gov.au
Students of the Month – June 2016

Congratulations to all students nominated for Student of the Month, we had a record number of nominations. The following winners were announced at assembly this week:

**Year 7**
L-R: Laura Bettess, Elijah Riordan, Kira Greig, Cassandra Smeaton

**Year 8**
L-R: Gemma Moiler, Thomas Ralli, Breanna Caminiti, Siann Brookes, Ashleigh Allen

**Year 9:**
L-R: Mathew Calf, Andrew Fava, Tiane D’Amico, Megan Hammond, Sarah Moritz, Claire Watts

**Year 10:**
L-R: Benjamin Miani, Daniel Harberger, Courtney Orwell, Abbey Simpson, Sam Fangaloka
Footy Day
On Friday the 26th May our school helped raise funds for the Salvation Army’s Red Shield Appeal by holding our annual Footy Colours Day.

Students and staff brought gold coin donations and the Salvation Army sold popcorn and fairy floss at lunch and recess.

The footy match was very entertaining with some excellent skills on display.

The total amount of funds raised was $950, which is an outstanding effort. Thank you to all that donated and assisted on the day.

Mrs Carlie Kee & SRC

Sex & The Law
On Monday 20th of June all year 9 students were invited to attend a session on Sex and the Law. Students had a panel of experts explain to them the social and legal costs of relationships, sexting and sexual relationships.

The panel was made up of police liaison officer Guy Fincher, Youth Legal Assistance Lisa Nguyen, our own counsellor Lisa O’Neill and senior school manager Sarah Doolan. Our guests were able to provide students with examples of what was breaking the law and how students can protect themselves. This was all delivered as a scenario based on Romeo and Juliet. Our year 10 students provided the acting skills to entertain the year 9’s and our visitors.

The session was very informative and our students were very attentive. I would like to thank Guy and Lisa who made time to be part of the panel as well as Lisa and Sarah. Also big thanks to Julia our school nurse who organised the event for our year 9 students.

Mrs Kara Taylor, Yr 9 Coordinator taylor.kara.j@edumail.vic.gov.au
SPORT REPORT

State Golf Championships

Year 10 students Tarsha Hawley and Lachie Timms competed in the State Golf Championships which were played at the Churchill Park Golf Course in Melbourne on Monday 23rd May. Both Tarsha and Lachie did not perform as well as they would have liked and their task was made even harder with very difficult conditions on the course. They both carded 96 for the 18 hole stroke event.

Congratulations to both Tarsha and Lachie on qualifying and representing the college at the championships. Thanks also to parents Brad Hawley and Kylie Timms for taking Tarsha and Lachie to the championships.

Interschool Cross Country – Apex Park, 25th May 2016

Our school produced some great individual and team efforts on what turned out to be a very cold day. First over the line overall in the junior 3km section was Lachlan Lloyd in the 15 yrs boys with a terrific time of 10:28. He was followed by Jordan Stainer, just five runners back, winning the 14 yr old boys with a time of 10:50.

Other top 5 place getters are listed below. In the teams section, the girls 15 years team won while the girls 14 years narrowly came second overall.

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Congratulations to all the competitors on how well you performed and how you proudly represented the school.

LMR (Loddon Mallee Region) Cross Country

On Tuesday 31st May, we had 17 of our long distance runners participate in the LMR Cross Country Championships which were held in St Arnaud. 4 students went down with parents while the other 13 went by bus setting off at the ungodly hour of 5:45am.

Conditions were sunny, but cool, and the track was quite hazardous in places which made it difficult for runners to run their best times. All our students still managed and performed well.

The students who participated were:
Year 7 Boys – Coby Mitchell
Year 7 Boys – Paige McLean
Year 8 Boys – Jordan Stainer and Julian Rayner
Year 8 Girls – Chloe Barker, Brooke Hards, Shakara Delcastegne and Louisa Stevens
Year 9 Boys – Lachlan Lloyd, Nicholas Arnold and Angus Cole
Year 9 Girls - Shae Gathercole-Mills, Ashlyn Archer and Claudia Bozzi
Year 10 Boys - Tom Reddy, Shaun Jackson and Locke Thornton
All runners tried their hardest and performed well against some very quick competitors.

The best results for the day were:
Lachlan Lloyd (15 Yrs Boys) – 7th with a time of 11:54 for the 3km.
Tom Reddy (16 Yrs Boys) – 11th with a time of 17:20 for the 5km.
Jordan Stainer (14 Yrs Boys) – 12th with a time of 11:21 for the 3km.

As a result of their performances, Lachlan and Jordan have qualified to represent the college at the State Championships to be held in Melbourne on Thursday July 14th (1st week of term 3).

Thanks to all team members who ran at St Arnaud and to parents Chris Van Dijk and Belinda Gathercole who drove their son and daughter and other team members to St Arnaud to support them and the team.

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Mr Steve Morrish - Sport Coordinator morrish.steven.s@edumail.vic.gov.au

Textiles

Earlier in the term, Senior College textiles and fashion teacher, Melissa Davies, visited our Year 9 textiles students.

Students were shown how to use their environment, colour and feelings to assist with creating storyboards. They then used these as inspiration to design clothing on fashion templates.

Students have also enjoyed extending their machine sewing skills and confidence, creating personalised cross-stitch designs and refashioning t-shirts.

Our year 8 students are competent with their machine sewing skills and have enjoyed making pencil cases and aprons.

Mrs Kerryn Pongraz & Mrs Karen Boyce, Textiles Teachers pongraz.kerryn.m@edumail.vic.gov.au  boyce.karen.l@edumail.vic.gov.au
PATHWAY & CAREERS NEWS

Work Experience – In the first two weeks of Semester 2 all year 10 students will be on work experience and no time-tabled classes will be held for year 10’s. If any student has not organised a placement, they could use this time to find a placement for the next school holidays in September.

Year 9 ‘Try a Trade’ Expo
Early next semester SMGT will be hosting this event at the Deakin Trade Training Centre. All our year 9’s will be participating and learning about the many different pathways into employment that trades and traineeships can provide.

Careers website launch
Next term we will be linking into a new ‘one stop careers shop’ website. On this site, links into everything to do with careers, apprenticeships and university pathways will be in one spot. It also has the capacity to store student resumes, cover letters and much, much more. More information will be in our next newsletter.

Weekly Careers News
Below are the topics from the last 2 weeks. These can be accessed via the ‘Quick Links’ on our ISC website page.

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Mrs Jackie Horkings, Careers/Pathways Coordinator horkings.jackie.j@edumail.vic.gov.au
VET Retail

Year 10 students who have been studying VET Retail are about to complete their qualification. It has been a busy time working through the modules, going on excursions to Fishers and completing 20 hours of work placement.

Students will be presented with their certificates at a graduation ceremony next semester.

*Mrs Carlie Kee and Mrs Kerryn Pongraz, VET Retail Teachers*

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Term 2 in Food Technology

This term in Food Technology, there have been many success stories.

Our year 10s have recently made and decorated black forest cakes and cream puffs with some delicious looking dishes. They have also learnt to use the coffee machine and teams have made hot chocolates for all of the class each week.

Year 9 students have been cutting and baking their gingerbread houses, with construction being finished this week. Creativity abounds as each house takes on its own individuality.

All recipes that have been used, can be found on the school website. Resources>Food Technology

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MRCC Youth Service School Holiday Activity Program

There's still time to book in for MRCC's Youth Service School Holiday Activity Program for young people aged 12 – 16.

Running daily during the holidays, activities include Laserforce, the House of Bounce, a day-trip to Mungo National Park, fishing, basketball, art classes and Ten Pin bowling just to name a few. Some of the activities are free however some do have a cost of $15 which is subsidised by Council.

Registrations are open now and close on Thursday 23 June, with participants urged to get in quick as some activities have limited spaces.

For more information about school holiday activities for 12 to 16 year old students call Council on 03 5018 8100 or check out the program below or online at www.mildura.vic.gov.au/youth

Monday 27 June

Fishing Day
Come fishing with guru John Meeknett. From beginner to professional, John will be able to teach you a few tricks to help you land a good catch. 
Time: 10am to 2pm
Cost: FREE
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Enclosed footwear must be worn, hat, sunscreen and bringing drinking water.

Tuesday 28 June

Cupcakes & Nail Art
Girls come and enjoy a relaxing day baking and decorating your very own cupcakes. You can also enjoy having your nails professionally painted. 
Time: 10am to 2pm
Cost: FREE
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Food container and drinking water.

Wednesday 29 June

Mungo National Park Tour
Learn about Mungo National Park and its ancient heritage from the traditional owners. Bus departs 8:30am SHARP and returning 4:45pm
Cost: $15
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Wears comfortable clothing and enclosed footwear and bring drinking water.

Thursday 30 June

House of Bounce
Back by popular demand, we know you love to jump, bounce, flip, roll and fly through the air. Now you can right here at Mildura's House of Bounce. 
Time: 9am to 2pm
Cost: $15
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Wear comfortable clothing and bring drinking water.
Treats can be purchased from the kiosk.
Participants will be supplied with House of Bounce socks.

Friday 1 July

Arts Day
Come and create an original piece of art using a range of different mediums including, mark making, string art and creating your very own dream catcher. This session will be facilitated by a qualified art teacher.
Time: 9am to 2pm
Cost: FREE
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Wear enclosed footwear and bring drinking water.

Monday 4 July

Basketball Fun Day
Enjoy a fun-filled day of drills, drills and rotational games facilitated by Mildura Heat players. 
Time: 10am to 2pm
Cost: $15
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Wear non-marking sports shoes and comfortable clothing and bring drinking water.

Tuesday 5 July

Movies & Pizza
Spend an relaxing day with friends at the Deakin Cinema Complex followed by a tasty slice or two of pizza! Choose your movie on the day.
Time: 9am to 2pm
Cost: $15
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Treats can be purchased from the candy bar.

Wednesday 6 July

Rugby League - Come Try Day
Rugby league is a game for both boys and girls. If you want to do something different then this activity is for you! Come and spend the day trying new skills with local rugby league instructor Martin O’Rourke. 
Time: 9am to 2pm
Cost: FREE
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Wear comfortable clothing and sports shoes and bring drinking water.

Thursday 7 July

Laserforce
Back by popular demand! Laserforce is much more fun than computer games. Come and step into the real life action at Laserforce. You will play a variety of games over a two hour period. 
Time: 9am to 2pm
Cost: $15
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Wear comfortable clothing and enclosed shoes and bring drinking water.
Treats can be purchased from the kiosk.

Friday 8 July

Golf Range & Ten Pin Bowling
Start the morning off at the Mildura Golf Range hitting baskets of balls followed by some fun filled action at Sunnysia Ten Pin Bowling. 
Time: 9am to 2pm
Cost: FREE
Lunch and snacks provided. 
What to bring: Wear comfortable clothing and shoes and bring drinking water.
Treats can be purchased from the kiosk.
Participants will need to bring their own socks for bowling.

To secure your child's place in activities, full payment must be made when returning the Holiday Action Enrolment Form to either Deakin Avenue, Madlen Avenue or Ouyen Customer Service counter.
**UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPLIERS**

Lowes Mildura are the official supplier of the Irymple Secondary College Uniform. Below is an important reminder of the uniform requirements at the College.

**Boys Uniform**
- **Polo T-Shirt** White or navy with ISC logo.
- **Polo Long sleeve shirt** White or navy with ISC logo.
- **Shorts** Grey with elastic waist
- **School Track pants** Dark grey fleece with ISC logo
- **Trousers** Grey, long with elastic
- **Rugby Top** Wool blend, washable, light blue with dark blue and white stripes with ISC logo.
- **Jumper – Wincheater** Navy crew-neck jumper with ISC logo
- **Jumper – Polar Fleece** Navy polar fleece jumper with logo
- **Socks** White or grey
- **Hat** Navy – wide brim
- **Black Shoes with black or white laces**

**Girls Uniform**
- **Polo T-Shirt** White or navy with ISC logo.
- **Polo Long sleeve shirt** White or navy with ISC logo.
- **Skirt** Grey, straight with zip pocket.
- **Shorts** Grey with elastic waist OR grey, tailored & cuffed
- **Dress** Irymple Secondary College regulation fabric
- **School Track pants** Dark grey fleece with ISC logo
- **Pants** Grey, long stretch fabric
- **Trousers** Grey, long with elastic
- **Rugby Top** Wool blend, washable, light blue with dark blue and white stripes with ISC logo.
- **Jumper – Wool knit** Navy, knitted V-neck with ISC logo
- **Jumper – Wincheater** Navy crew-neck jumper with ISC logo
- **Jumper – Polar Fleece** Navy polar fleece jumper with logo
- **Socks** White or grey
- **Hat** Navy – wide brim
- **Black Shoes with black or white laces**

**Physical Education (PE) Uniform (boys & girls)**
- **T-shirt** - White and Blue with ISC logo
- **Shorts** – Navy, basketball shorts, short or long in length

**PLEASE NOTE:** Hoodies and Beanies are not permitted. Scarves are to be grey, white or navy only.