Irymple Secondary College

Parent Teacher Interviews
Wed 9th Sept
4:00pm – 7:00pm
Bookings open 4th Sept - Students Welcome!

TERM 3
Thurs 3rd Sept – Interschool Athletics
Fri 4th Sept – Term 3 Reports issued & PT Interviews open online
Wed 9th Sept – Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 18th Sept – Spring Carnival & Term 3 concludes 2.30pm

TERM 4
Thurs 1st Oct – Full Dress Rehearsal Alice in Wonderland
Mon 5th Oct – Term 4 Commences
Wed 28th & Thurs 29th Oct – Alice In Wonderland Jnr
Tues 3rd Nov – Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Thurs 12th & Fri 13th Nov – Pathways to PE Trip
Mon 16th – Thurs 19th Nov – Yr 9 Surf Camp
Wed 25th Nov – MSC Enrolment Night 3.30 – 6.30pm
Thurs 3rd Dec – Graduation Dinner
Tues 8th & Wed 9th Dec – Yr 10 MSC Orientation Day
Tues 15th Dec – Awards Night
Fri 18th Dec – Term 4 concludes 2.30pm

Principal's Report
Farewell
Due to family reasons I will be on leave for Term 4. It is then my intention to retire at the start of next year. As such my association with Irymple Secondary College will finish at the end of this Term.

It has been a privilege to be Principal of this wonderful school for the last four and a half years. I want to thank all of the staff, students and families that have supported me so much during this time. I am particularly grateful to our Assistant Principal, Mrs Anne Symes, for her support, encouragement and wisdom.

China Exchange
Months of preparation are drawing to a close for our 10 Year 10 students and 3 teachers who will be leaving for China on Thursday 10th September. They will be joining students and teachers from Red Cliffs Secondary College and Merbein P-10 on a 15 day adventure that includes 8 days in Dali with hosts from our sister school as well as the terracotta warriors in Xian and the Great Wall of China near Beijing. The participating students are Brooke Hammond, Laura Gathercole, Bronte Stone, Emma Ash, Marianne Fiorillo, Kyle Milner, Meg Ryan, Emily Williams, Mimi Barbary and Leah Geering. They will be accompanied by Mr Kee and Ms Douglas. Mr Costello will be going as the Principal representative for the three schools.

The BEAT 2015
Our school was represented by 29 students at this year’s BEAT performance. This is a showcase of the best in the performing arts from local primary and secondary schools. Congratulations to all students on your wonderful performances.

- Year 10 Dance Group – excellent effort to revive their Disturbia routine from last year at very short notice.
- Brooklyn Trigg and Isabel Wheatley – both Year 7 for their entertaining duologue.
- School Choir – who provided a real highlight with their performance of Fix You.

Mr Garry Costello – Principal

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Mr Hung's Travelling Science Show

Last Wednesday 26th August Mr Hung took his “Science Show” to Irymple Primary School. He was very capably assisted by a group of talented Year 9 Science students.

For one hour Mr Hung and his assistants educated and entertained Grades 5 and 6 students with a range of experiments and demonstrations.

I know his efforts were very much appreciated by the students and staff at Irymple Primary School.

Mr Garry Costello – Principal
Assistant Principal’s Report

Farewell to Principal, Garry Costello

Garry has been the Principal of Irymple Secondary College for the past 4 years and in that time has been a wonderful advocate for our school’s sporting program, performing arts program and developed our sister school’s relationship with Xiaguan No1 Middle School in Dali, Yunnan Province, in China.

His approachability, compassion and commitment for doing what’s right for our school and its students will be an ongoing legacy that he leaves that has shaped the culture of our school community. On behalf of the staff of Irymple Secondary College, I would like to formally wish Garry all the best whilst he is on leave in Term 4 and takes retirement at the start of 2016 and thank him for the ongoing support he has offered myself and all the staff at ISC during his tenure.

Course Information Evening

This was held on Wednesday 2nd September. All students in Year 8 and Year 9 have now received their Course Handbooks, along with subject counselling, and careers counselling opportunities about subject selections for 2016. A big thank you to all staff who have supported our students over the last week in providing information about subjects and career pathways choices. Any students or parents who would like further careers guidance are directed to make contact with Mrs Jackie Horkings, Careers Adviser, who is based in the Careers Department in the ISC Library. Could all course selections sheets please be returned to the Front Office by 7th September. This includes BYOD forms, and any VSL, VCE or VET forms.

Final reminder about Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

This will be held next Wednesday 9th September. Reports will be distributed at the end of this week and we would ask parents and guardians to make their online bookings early. Our office staff are also willing to assist with making bookings for any families who are encountering difficulties with this process.

I would also like to wish our staff, Jarrod Kee, Kate Douglas and Garry Costello, along with our Yr 10 students a wonderful exchange trip to China over the next few weeks.

Mrs Anne Symes - Assistant Principal

CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund)

Schools are able to accept and process CSEF application forms up until the 18th September 2015. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) will run over four years and provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. $225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. Payments will go directly to the school and be tied to the student.

Eligible parents can apply for this fund now (even if the camp for the current year has been) and it can be carried over to the following year or until it is used for these activities. Funds not used before the Student leaves ISC have the option of either being transferred onto the Senior College or carry over for younger siblings.

For enquires regarding Eligibility please contact the General Office – 03 5024 5407
Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher interviews will be held on **Wednesday, 9th of September** from **4.00pm – 7.00pm**.

Interview timeslots of 10 minutes will be open for booking from Friday, 4th of September and are made via the Parent Portal. Students are welcome to attend with their parents/guardians.

Please contact the General Office on 03 5024 5407 if you require any assistance with bookings.

For the location of teachers please visit the Parents tab on our website [www.irysec.vic.edu.au](http://www.irysec.vic.edu.au)

**TO BOOK PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

1. Login to the Parent Portal (login screen pictured) at [psportal.irysec.vic.edu.au](http://psportal.irysec.vic.edu.au) or use the Parent Portal link on the College Website. You should have already received your unique username and password. Please contact the General Office on 50245407 if you require assistance.

2. Select the Parent Teacher Interviews tab from the left hand menu.

3. Your child’s teachers should automatically be visible. Select the interview times you would like for individual interviews from the drop down menu.

4. Confirmed bookings should now be visible at the top of the page, under the heading ‘Confirmed Bookings’. You can check your bookings at any time by logging in to the Parent Portal.
FLO $20 Boss Project

As part of the FLO Certificate II in General Education Course the Year 9 students are learning how to become entrepreneurs and starting up their own businesses.

Each student has had to complete 7 online modules to learn about things such as how to write up a business plan, budget accordingly, target a captive audience (customers), create online surveys, promote their product, reflect on overall business plan and idea, graph profit and loss results, etc.

In addition to the students learning about business models it has also been an excellent opportunity for the students to work cohesively together as a group and learn about the importance of cooperation and problem solving strategies.

The students were each given a start-up amount of $20 from the NAB. They elected to pool their money together in two groups to create their business idea. One group has worked with Ms Corless and the other with Mrs Boyce. The business runs over a two week block. Upon completion of the activity the students pay back their $20 plus $1 interest to the NAB. Any profits made are kept by the students to be used in the FLO program.

Mrs Boyce’s group will be running a sausage sizzle on Thursday the 3rd and Tuesday the 8th of September. Ms Corless’s group will be selling lolly bags and soft drinks on Friday 4th and Wednesday 9th September. The businesses will be operating at lunch time and be positioned between C2 and the Library.

Sausages are $2.00 each or $2.50 with onion. Lolly Bags are $1.00 and Soft Drink $1.50.

Bottom left & Middle: Khadeja Mapapalangi, Brodie Vilcu and Lareese Haase preparing the Lolly Bags for their business.
Bottom Right: Callie Cochrane, Bianca Moore, Brodie Vilcu and Max Stanier cooking the sausages for the sausage sizzle.

Ms Sally Corless - FLO Teacher
Performing Arts Report: The Beat

Three stellar performances by 28 of our finest performing art students from Dance, Choir and Drama attended this year’s Beat Variety Concert, at the Mildura Art Centre on the 26th and 27th August.

The Beat was hosted by the Mildura Senior College and boasted a number of variety acts from all Primary and Secondary Colleges in Mildura and surrounds.

Our girls participated in all three shows which included two evening and one matinee. Olivia Caminiti was the only Year 9 student invited to participate as part of the Senior College crew line up.

Isabel Wheatley and Brooklyn Trigg amazed audiences with their rendition in a drama duologue, titled ‘Hollywood Beauties.’ The Year 10 girls performed their Disturbia dance routine and the Choir, under the expert guidance of Bianca Deckert, sang their Eisteddfod winning performance to perfection.

Look out for our next school performances which includes;

- The Disney musical Alice in Wonderland on the 27th and 28th October 2015.
- The Year 10 exam performance of, ‘Ladies Pirates of the Caribbean’ 24th November
- Christmas performance on the 2nd December.

Wonderland Wanderings

A reminder that ALL cast need to make sure they are at ALL rehearsals; both on a Tuesday and a Thursday after school. Great job to those who do attend every rehearsal regularly.

We will also be scheduling some rehearsals in the holidays and on Sundays as the performance draws closer.

All cast need to make sure they bring in their costume and make-up supplies as soon as possible. If you have mislaid the letter outlining the requirements, please see Ms Davies asap.

Tickets for Alice In Wonderland, will go on sale after the September school holidays.

Ms Noeleen Davis - Performing Arts Coordinator
Year 9 Arts Camp

On the 5th of August 29 Year 9 students, along with Miss Corless, Mrs Davis and Mr Symons, left for the Melbourne Arts Camp.

Once we arrived and settled into the Space Hotel. We walked down to Federation Square and had a look down a couple of laneways full of amazing graffiti. After that we went shopping at the MYER emporium and down the street. We then rushed back to the hotel to get ready for the Lion King. Everyone dressed up nice for the performance. The Regent Theatre was absolutely beautiful and the Lion King blew us away. Some people even cried!

On the second day we visited the State Library to do a calligraphy writing workshop. The library was breathtaking on the inside. After that we had lunch, then went inside the Ian Potter National Art Gallery. It featured many Australian artworks and they were all outstanding! We then hopped on a tram and visited the RMIT University for a short time before going shopping. After an hour of shopping we all headed back to the hotel to get ready for Bounce. We bounced around for an hour or so and then made our way to a Pizza restaurant at Lygon Street in Carlton.

On the last day we visited Circus Oz, which was really fun. After challenging ourselves to walk a tightrope, swing from a trapeze or try juggling, everyone came out with an experience like no other. Shortly after we visited the DFO for lunch and more shopping and made our way back to Irymple, arriving at 8pm.

The Arts Camp was a fantastic experience and we would recommend it to everyone.

Ellen Abbott & Tegan Harris

Year 10 Snow Camp

During week two of Term 3, 39 students and 6 staff headed to Bright, where we stayed for 4 nights. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday we travelled to Falls Creek, for most of us it was our first time seeing snow and learning how to ski. Over these couple of days we developed our skiing abilities and although there were many stacks and falls, fortunately not one student was injured, “notice we said student”.

The majority of students quickly advanced to the intermediate slopes and we were extremely fortunate to have two days of great weather conditions, apart from Wednesday when there were blizzard like conditions. This made it difficult to ski, however it was a good experience skiing with low visibility.

In the morning for 2-3 hours we participated in lessons, taught by experienced ski instructors. After lunch, we had free time to ski and the teachers helped conquer new slopes if we thought we were up to the challenge.

Overall, it was an unforgettable experience and loads of fun. We highly recommend the snow camp to everyone and we can assure you it is the best camp we have ever been on.

Aliza Benchmo, Phoebe Train, Brooke Graham, Claudia Onorato & Jazmine Hall
Spring Carnival – Friday 18th September

Spring carnival is an annual event run by the students for the students. It is a fun filled day with plenty of activities to participate in and plenty of food and drinks to be consumed. This is a fund-raiser for our Student Representative Council with money raised going back into the school.

Food & Drink stalls operating on the day include Hot Chips, Ice Cream Sundaes, Mexican Food Van, Activity Stalls include Lazer Force, Photo Booth, Pop the Balloon, Horizontal Bungee, etc.

- This day is a Casual Dress day for students – **NO THONGS OR SINGLET TOPS**
- Tokens are 50c each and purchased from the Bank. Students with $5.00 & $10.00 notes will be served first by the bank.
- Students MUST stay in the Carnival area. The front oval, basketball courts, playground and all school buildings and corridors are ‘Out of Bounds’ – Teachers will be patrolling the school.
- Students MAY sit at the tables behind the canteen and seating along D & E Wing but should NOT leave their rubbish behind.
- A clean-up will be occurring at the end of the day.
- Students MAY NOT leave the School Grounds until dismissed at 2.30pm, buses will be leaving the College at this time.

**SUMMARY of the DAY**

9.00am: Form Group  
9.10am: Stall Set up  
9.45am: Bank Opens  
10.00am: Stalls open  
12.45pm: Stalls close & pack up  
1.15pm: Spring Idol  
2.20pm: Assembly & rolls taken  
2.30pm: Dismiss

On behalf of the Student Representative Council, we would like you to enjoy this day. Have a safe and happy holiday.

*Student Representative Council*
Pathways to PE News

During the last month our Year 10 Pathways to PE students have been volunteering their time to help organise athletics carnivals for some of our local Primary Schools. On these days they have been learning how to organise events and taken active roles in the running and supervision of individual events.

The students have done a great job and have received very positive feedback from both Nichols Point and Irymple Primary Schools.

Pathways to PE is a year ten elective where students gain hands on experience in preparation for following a pathway into the physical industries.

Tarlia Couzner, Alannah Snart, Sarah Schurr and Natasha Watkins take some students through their paces

Mr Gregor Allan - Pathways to PE Teacher

WEREWOLF POEM
When there is a full moon
Evil is awoken
Running around
Eating people
What is it?
Of course it’s a werewolf
Long hair
Vicious fangs and claws
Eventually the night must end
Sleep will come til I turn again

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

**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
- **Trousers**  Grey, long stretch fabric
- **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 – Windcheater**  Navy crew-neck jumper with ISC logo
- **Jumper – Polar Fleece**  Navy polar fleece jumper with logo
- **Tights**  Navy, 70 denier
- **Socks**  White or grey
- **Hat**  Navy – wide brim
- **Black Shoes with black or white laces**

**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 – Windcheater**  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*

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**The Athlete’s Foot**

For every pair of school shoes or runners purchased from the Athlete’s Foot $5.00 goes to the school to be put towards sporting equipment. This offer is open to students and parents who purchase shoes from The Athlete’s Foot. If you’re in the market for a new pair of shoes, please consider purchasing them from The Athlete’s Foot and let the shop assistant know that you are from ISC. We thank you for your support.