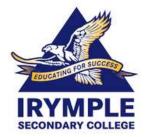
ISC NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS 8AM-4PM MONDAY-FRIDAY



Friday, November 15th, 2024





Principal's Report 15/11/24

Hi everyone,

There has been some great things happening in the last two weeks here at ISC. Thanks goes out to the Wellbeing team for facilitating all of our Year 8 students to participate in the REACH program. Our kids were encouraged to connect positively with each other to create a sense of social belonging, have open conversations and build emotional resilience. Our School Captains led a very respectful Remembrance Day commemoration with the whole school observing a minute of silence in honour of those who served our country. Thanks to Kara, Rachel and the office team who have managed to get all the information packs out to our 2025 Year 7 students this week and completed transition visits to all our feeder primary schools in preparation for orientation day, later this term. Thanks also to Rebecca McClure for organising the Year 10 Market Days. They were very successful days where students were able to put their Business Studies skills into action. Thanks to the Wellbeing team for organising Uncle Willy to deliver an inspiring NAIDOC Day message of respect and inclusiveness.

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, November 19th 12:44pm

(session 4)

1:30-2:30pm

Whole School Assembly

Wednesday, November 20th

Caravan Carnival Day

Thursday, November 21st - Wednesday, November 27th Year 10 Exams

Thursday, November 28th Year 10 Celebration Dinner

Tuesday, 3rd December – Thursday, 5th December Mildura Senior College Orientation Days (Year 10s)

The roadworks on the corner of Karadoc and 15th Street have commenced - parents be aware that traffic flow through the intersection will be restricted for the next two weeks.

Congratulations to two of our ex-students, Kiara Bruton and Billy Toutai, who have been elected Mildura Senior College School Captains, and Kailin Stortz who has been elected Deputy Captain. We wish them all the best for their roles in 2025.

It will be a busy month coming up for both staff and students as we head towards the end of the year. We have Year 10 exams, Year 10 Flying Start (where our Year 10 students get their first taste of life at the Senior College), Orientation day for our incoming year 7 students, our final whole school assembly where we farewell the year 10s. Celebration dinner and Awards Day is also coming up, a great couple of events to celebrate with our community.

Let's finish off the term on a really positive note, be kind to each other. Gregor, Dee and Francis.

IN THE CLASSROOM

During Week 6 our Year 10 Art Students have been hard at work perfecting their Resin designs. Here are some of their amazing results!















IN THE CLASSROOM

In Ms Doolan's Agriculture class the year 8, 9 and 10 students were lucky enough to harvest some crops! These ranged from potatoes, zucchini, radish, beetroots, carrots and beans.







In Week 4, our Year 10 science students took on the task of making the most aerodynamic rocket to fly off into the air. This required attaching fins and a cone to their bottle rockets and 1/3 filling it with water before using the hydropod launcher and a bike pump to pressurise it. The year 10 teachers, led by Mr Barenskie, were a great help in this and some "creative" rockets were released on the day.











MSC ENROLMENT EVENING

Just a reminder that the MSC enrolment evening is on Monday the 25th of November from 3:30pm to 6:00pm. This will occur in the MSC gym and the Senior College require at least one parent and student to attend. If you are unable to attend there is a back up date on Wednesday November 27th. It normally takes around 15 minutes and the students have the opportunity to:

- check and/or change subjects if required (depending on available spaces)
- meet the careers team
- will be given their booklist
- purchase uniform
- learn about SRC, BYOD, Clontarf/STARS, wellbeing, Head Start, TAFE & La Trobe Uni

We acknowledge that this is a very busy time for families but this is an important step in the enrolment process.

Any questions please feel free to message.

Jarrod Kee.

MSC ORIENTATION DAYS





Tuesday 3rd December - Thursday 5th December

Year 11 students commencing in 2025 are invited to attend our Orientation Program to get a taste of what their subjects will be like in 2025.

Students should meet in the Gymnasium at 9am and will receive their timetables during their pathways session during the Orientation Program



During Week 5 our Year 10 Economic and Business Classes put their Business Plans into action and ran a lunchtime stall.

Their aim was to make a profit and provide a good or service not normally available at lunchtime to students and staff.

Over the two days 27 stalls provided pasta, steak sandwiches, HSP, cheeseburgers, loaded potatoes, fast food options, cakes, slices, ice-creams and drinks.

Nearly all the stalls made a profit despite challenges on the Wednesday such as the high temps and power outages. Students really had to think on their feet and make some quick decisions to deal with the situation. A fabulous real life learning opportunity for all involved.

















































WALLACE IS 5!

On October 24th, our beautiful wellbeing dog (Director of Happiness), Wallace, turned 5!

As always, Wal was given numerous treats and pats. We appreciate and love having you around our college community







NAIDOC DAY 2024

On Monday 4th of November Irymple Secondary College had their NAIDOC day which acknowledged and celebrated our people. First **Nations** Elders community come in to open the day with a welcome/acknowledgement and about the importance of NAIDOC day followed by a smoking which was ceremony. At lunch a free sausage sizzle was held with a footy game of all ages and different cultures coming together as one. Also KESOs (Koori education support officers) coming in to get around ISC's NAIDOC day.











CARAVAN CARNIVAL DAY

Have you heard the NEWS? We are having a CARAVAN CARNIVAL DAY to raise funds for the expensive electrical items needed for the Coffee Van.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER 1:30-2:30PM

(Parents / caregivers more than welcome! Just sign in at the front office first)

Some of the activities we will be having are:

- -Decorating Sugar Cookie Caravan Shape Biscuits (this will be a competition in year levels for best decorated Biscuit) held at recess.
- -Hand Ball Competition
- -Face Painting
- -Mega Raffle

Items for sale such as: Jewellery, Resin Products, Plants and Pots, Food items such as: Pop Corn, Hot Chips, Slushies, Zooper Doopers, Cakes and Slices etc...

These are just a few of the ideas and then of course there is the Legendary Sponge Throw where students purchase tickets and get to throw a wet sponge at their 'favourite' teacher. We have quite an extensive list of teachers who have 'willingly' agreed to have a sponge thrown at them.

This is a whole school activity so if there are any students who would like to volunteer to run a stall or help on the day please come and see Ms. Corless and put your name down. I would love to see as many ISC students involved as possible.

To make life easier for the stall holders they will not be handling money, they will be taking tokens as payment instead. There will be a 'bank' where students/parents can exchange money at in order to receive tokens which will be used to purchase goods and participate in the activities. \$1.00 will equal 1 Token.

This should be heaps of fun, who doesn't love a Carnival and it will have minimum impact on learning and maximum impact on fun.

Thanks for your support everyone.

Sally Corless - FLO Cordinator

PATTERNS FOR TEXTILES

If you have any old dressmaking patterns in a back cupboard, we would love to receive them for use in our textiles classes.

Please give to a Textiles teacher or leave in the box in the FLO room. Thank you!



PROTECTING AGAINST MOSQUITO-BORNE DISEASES

Warm and wet weather can result in greater numbers of mosquitoes and increased risk of illnesses from mosquito bites. While the overall risk is low, some mosquitoes carry diseases that make people sick.

The best protection against mosquito-borne illness is to avoid mosquito bites. Families can protect against mosquito bites by:

- covering up as much as possible with long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing
- applying insect repellent that contains picaridin or DEET on exposed skin when leaving home
- limiting outdoor activity if lots of mosquitoes are active.

Families with any health concerns should see their doctor or phone <u>NURSE-ON-CALL</u>: 1300 606 024 (available 24 hours).

Free Japanese encephalitis vaccines

Japanese encephalitis virus is spread to humans through bites from infected mosquitoes and can cause a rare but potentially serious infection of the brain.

Free Japanese encephalitis vaccines are available to protect Victorians at higher risk of the virus.

The Victorian Department of Health encourages eligible people who live or work in high-risk local government areas to get vaccinated.

For more information, including what is considered a high-risk area and eligibility for a free vaccine, refer to the Department of Health's <u>Japanese encephalitis webpage</u>.

Find out more

For more information on protecting against mosquito-borne diseases, families can refer to the following Better Health Channel pages:

- ·Mosquitoes can carry diseases
- ·<u>Protect yourself from mosquito-borne disease</u>, including a handy checklist to help reduce mosquito breeding sites at home and <u>resources translated into other languages</u>.

SCHOOL SAVING BONUS

Parent and carer School Saving Bonus code distribution

The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus – a one-off \$400 support for government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

From Tuesday 26 November 2024, you will receive an email from the Department of Education with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code.

The School Saving Bonus will help families cover the cost of uniforms, textbooks, excursions, activities and more.

If you have multiple children enrolled in Victorian government schools for 2025, you will receive one School Saving Bonus code email per child. These emails might arrive on different days. Please make sure to check your spam/junk email folder.

Parents and carers can use the School Saving Bonus code in store at school-nominated suppliers.

Parents and carers can also choose to access the School Saving Bonus online system, where they can allocate part or all the \$400 bonus to use at school nominated-online suppliers or for school activities.

To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, visit <u>School Saving Bonus | vic.gov.au</u> (www.vic.gov.au). A step-by-step user guide will be available on the webpage on 26 November.

If you have not received your School Saving Bonus code via email by Friday 29 November, please contact the Department of Education by emailing school.saving.bonus@education.vic.gov.au



STUDENT BROADBAND INITIATIVE

The Australian Government's <u>School Student Broadband Initiative</u> is offering a helping hand to 30,000 eligible families with school-aged students across the nation with access to a free NBN internet service. The initiative, designed to enhance educational opportunities and bridge the digital divide, is available to all Victorian families with school aged students.

Key Details:

- Application Deadline: Tuesday, 31 December 2024
- Free Services: Continues until 31 December 2025

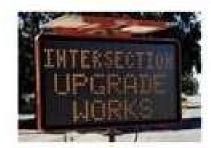
Eligibility Criteria:

For families and carers to qualify, they must:

- Have an active enrolment at school
- Not have an active NBN internet service at home (excluding mobile internet services)
- Live in an area where NBN can be accessed through a standard connection (NBN Co will confirm this)
- Not have had an active nbn connection during the previous 14 days.

For more information please head to the <u>webpage for parents and carers</u>. <u>https://www.vic.gov.au/school-student-broadband-initiative-information-parents-carers</u>









11TH - 30TH OF NOVEMBER 2024

INTERSECTION UPGRADE!



Image courtesy of Sunraysia Dally





TICKETS ON SALE 28th October, 10am

Available from Mildura Arts Centre

Child - \$28 Pension - \$33 Adult - \$38

Don't miss BIGGEST & BEST show EVER! This year is NEXT LEVEL!

"GABBY'S DOLLHOUSE" is going to be a huge hit for kids and Gabby fanatics!

"WISH" is a magical theme that will have you invested start to finish!

"AVATAR" is going to be EPIC and will have you fully immersed and captivated!

You can't beat a classic, and "ALICE IN WONDERLAND" will be a crowd pleaser!

"SQUID GAMES" is dark and eerie, and will find you on the edge of your seat!











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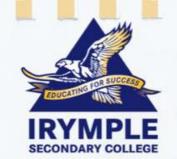




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If your Year 7-9 student is potentially leaving ISC at the end of this year, please advise the front office on 5024 5407.

Although we hate to say goodbye to our students, we ask you notify the school of your intentions sooner rather than later

DOCTORS INSECONDARY SCHOOL PROGRAM

Tuesdays 9.15am - 1.15pm

FREE service

Make an appointment at the school office anytime.

