



IRRAWANG PUBLIC SCHOOL

An Innovative, Vibrant and Diverse Learning Community

Term 3, Week 4, 12 August 2016



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,

Education week

The theme this year is 'Shared stories, better learning, and stronger communities'. Our school, Irrawang Public, is at the heart and soul of local communities and it was great to see so many faces coming along to our assembly. It is yet another fantastic way we celebrate our successes here at IPS. We have so many wonderful staff, students, parents and community members all working together to make this school GREAT!

Well done to all the award winners from the classrooms and to our Port Stephens Network winners too.

Irrawang Public School Awards

Class	Name	Reason
KV	Em-Jay Butler	Her motivation and application towards learning
KR	Steven Donnelly	Being a conscientious and caring class member
1M	Aneika Trappel	Commitment towards her learning
1T	Grace Edmonds	Making progress in her reading
2E	Alexander Pankhurst-Smith	Trying his best in all areas
2T	Evelynn Adams	Outstanding effort in all areas of her learning
K-6C	Damian Ballard	Commitment to learning
2-6B	Louise Warren	Outstanding improvement in all areas of Literacy and Numeracy
3-6M	Jordan Patten	Improvement in all areas of his education
3-6J	Shae Johns	Outstanding commitment to numeracy and literacy
3-4G	Sam Burns	Enthusiasm and improvement in Maths
3-4I	Nicholas Hilzinger-Geise	Bringing a positive attitude and insight to his learning
4-5E	Jack Warner-Coles	Consistent effort in all learning activities
5-6P	Jayne Bertram	Consistent effort and citizenship
5-6F	Shane Bennett	Outstanding effort and achievement
PRE	Kairon Woodford	Always being a great role model and enthusiastic learner
Library	Jack Edgerton	Excellent improvement in Library research and presentation skills

School Calendar 2016 TERM 3



16/8 - Zone Athletics-Field
16/8 - Morning Tea 9:30-10:30
16/8 - Kindergarten Excursion
17/8 - PSSA Boys Basketball
19/8 - Zone Athletics- Track
18/8 - Morning Tea 9:30-10:30

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SAFETY

RESPONSIBILITY

LEARNING

RESPECT

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

Port Stephens Network Awards

Name:	Reason
Michael Nguyen	Excellence in academic achievements
Tia Hocroft	Leadership and contribution to the school core values
Miss Renee Guiffre	Excellence in teaching and leadership in creative and performing arts
Miss Amy Twyford	Excellence in teaching and community engagement
Mrs Kaylene Turner	Ability to promote the school in the wider community and excellence in student and staff welfare
Mrs Toni Carroll	Exemplary performance as an SLSO and demonstrated initiative to support student learning
Mrs Louise Vogt	Positive support and promotion of the school
Mrs Vanessa Blanch	Ongoing commitment and support for students through the Kids Hope program.
Mr Adam Edwards and Mr Craig Manhood	Developing and engaging students in meaningful practices from seed to the table.

Showcase

Last week I was lucky enough to witness my first ever SHOWCASE! Such an impressive night. Our students were absolutely outstanding both in performance on the stage and behaviour behind the scenes. Special thanks to Miss Martin, Miss Guiffre, Miss Tamsett, Mrs Edgerton and Miss Turner for all their efforts leading up to the magnificent night.

NCCD – Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

Irrawang Public School has completed and submitted data for the NCCD, which is compulsory in schools in Australia.

The NCCD is an annual collection of data that counts the number of school students with a disability and the level of reasonable educational adjustment they are provided with.

The national data collection counts students who have been identified by a school team as receiving an adjustment to address a disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA).

Personal details such as student names or other identifying information will not be provided to local or federal education authorities.

Further information can be found at www.education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability

Sincerely,
Stacy Mathieson
Principal



AARON BLABEY WAS HERE !



ASSEMBLY ROSTER TERM 3 & 4 2016

Term 3	Class
Week 2	2T
Week 4	3-4I
Week 6	KV
Week 8	KR
Week 10	1M
Term 4	Class
Week 2	3-6J
Week 4	Preschool
Week 6	4-5E
Week 8	Special Ed
Week 10	YEAR 6

At Irrawang Public School & Community we are
safe, responsible learners who show respect in all settings!

(IPS Staff, School Community, Students, Parents)

‘SHRINK OUR PROBLEMS’

When we have a problem, we can choose to make it shrink or make it bigger!

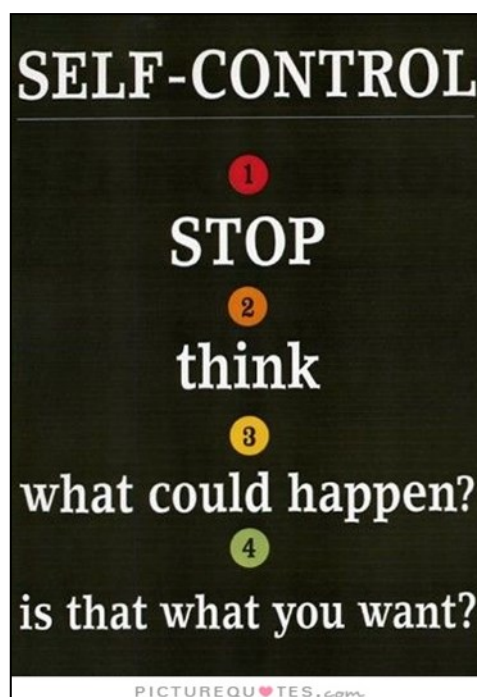
The actions we choose will decide!

When we choose actions that make problems bigger, they can be harder to fix and can make us feel bad for a long time.

When we choose actions to make problems smaller, they are easier to fix and ignore.

All we need is “SELF-CONTROL”!

With self-control we are able to manage how we feel so that we can make choices that will help us.





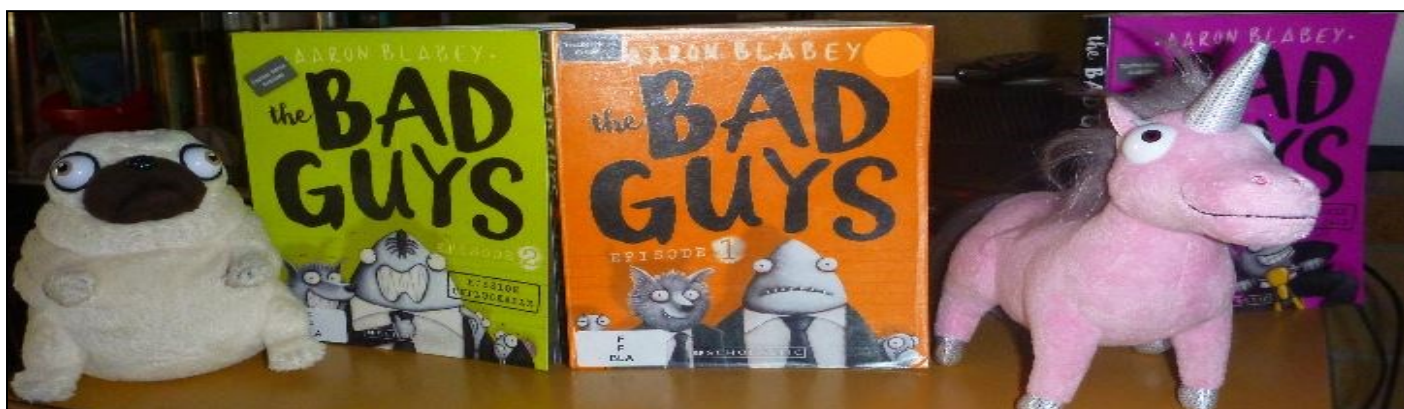
Book Character parade ... Please join us for the parade on **Wednesday, 24th August at 9am in the school hall.** All students are invited to come to school dressed as a book character of significance to them, or as their favourite character connected with this year's theme *Australia: Story Country*. Please remember, you do not need to go to any expense for outfits! Often the simplest are the most effective and the most comfortable to stay in for the day.

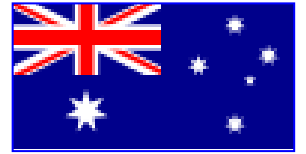
Book Fair ... will be open following the Book Parade on

Wednesday 24th August until 3.15pm, and again on Thursday, 25th August 8.30am -3.15pm.

Each student will bring home a Wish List, noting some books they have previewed on Tuesday, 23rd August. These books will be available to purchase on Wednesday after the Book Character Parade. If a particular title is popular and stock runs out, an order can be placed for it. Scholastic sends a good variety of books for the Fair, starting at very reasonable prices; along with posters, pens, rubbers, sharpeners etc. Parents, carers, grandparents, aunties and uncles are all invited to come along to the Book Parade and Fair to support their child/children. It is one of the highlights of the year at our Library! Please see Miss Berry in the Library with any questions regarding Book Week 2016.

AARON BLABEY WAS HERE!







WHO AM I—Family



There is no winner of our guessing competition in the "Who am I – Family?" feature of the Newsletter.

The correct answer was Mrs Fuller or the Fuller family.

Melissa Beasley
Community Liaison Officer



5 Things you don't know about me- Staff



1. I have been a teacher for 25 years.
2. I have been at IPS for 14 years.
3. I have 4 children aged 22, 20, 12 & 10
4. I grew up in Sydney
5. I was born on the day we started using dollars and cents in Australia.

Who is this staff member?

Please write your answer on the tear off slip at the bottom of the page. Place in the foyer at the office by the morning of Friday week 5 (19th Aug).

The winner is the first correct answer drawn out of the box which will be published in the newsletter Week 6 (26th August).

Good luck!

Melissa Beasley
Community Liaison Officer

Guessing Competition Answer.



Name:

Class:

Answer:



Canteen Volunteers Needed



Providing nutritious food in our canteen is a vital step in helping kids set up healthy routines and habits for life. Our canteen is run with the help of a network of volunteers from our school community working together.

If you can spare any time to join our network and help prepare and serve food at our canteen, we would very much appreciate a hand. Its easy and fun work with On-the-job training and you can dedicate as much or as little time as you like. Our time is from 8:15am-12.30pm if you are available. All volunteers' efforts are rewarded with a healthy lunch and as much tea and coffee as you can drink.

Just fill in the volunteers slip below and email or send it back to school. If you have any queries please feel free to contact me via phone, email or drop in to the canteen for a chat.

Many thanks,

Phyllipa Elvidge
Canteen Supervisor

49872403
ipsandc@hotmail.com

Canteen Volunteer

This information is kept confidential and secure unless otherwise noted.

Volunteer Name: _____ Best Contact Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Child(s) Name: _____ Class: _____

Day(s) Available to Volunteer:

- ☐ Monday
☐ Tuesday
☐ Wednesday
☐ Thursday
☐ Friday

Frequency you would like to volunteer:

- ☐ Once a week
☐ Once a fortnight
☐ Once a month
☐ Once a term
☐ Other: _____

Any Special request, such as being rostered with friends or particular dates etc:

Extra copies available from the Office or Canteen.

SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES:

WHAT DO THESE SIGNS MEAN?



You **CAN**
STOP HERE
FOR 2 MINUTES
ONLY

- You can drop your child off here but you must either stay in the car or within 3 metres of the car.
- Mobility sticker permit holders may stop for up to 5 mins.



You **CANNOT**
STOP HERE

- You cannot drop your child off here.
- Medical or other emergency stopping only is permitted.



You **CANNOT**
STOP HERE
unless driving a bus

- Children cannot be dropped here unless they are arriving by bus.

Hours of operation may apply to some signs. This means that the restrictions apply for those times only.

For more information contact Port Stephens Council's Road Safety Officer
Telephone 4980 0201
A road safety initiative of Port Stephens Council



Dear Family and Friends,

You are invited to join me for
Morning Tea in the
Drop In Room on
Tuesday 16th August, 2016
Thursday 18th August, 2016
at 9.30 to 10.30am.

This is an opportunity for us to have
a chat about how we can make our
great school even better.

I would love to hear your views
with regards to the special ways
we celebrate our students successes
and any ideas you have to share.
Hope to see you there.

Kaylene Turner
SLSO Preschool

The Zone Athletics

Track day is now on the reserve day

Friday August 19. Same place and
time.



Join us for a
Vietnamese Cooking Class
and Lunch

Learn how to cook healthy authentic and tasty dishes
using fresh ingredients and get your taste buds buzzing.

The facilitator, Mai Huynh, learnt how to make traditional
Vietnamese meals from her mother, grandmother, aunts and
friends. By combining staple foods with the tantalizing flavours
of garlic, chilli, limes and fresh herbs you can create delicious
meals your family will love.

When: Tuesday 13th September
Time: 9:30 -12:30
Where: Thou- Walla Family Centre, Irrawang Public School, Raymond
Terrace
Cost: Free and all participants receive copies of the recipes
Register your place by calling Anne Hills mobile 0437 459598 / 49215503
or leave your details with Gina at Thou- Walla

communities for children
raymond terrace & karuah

everyone's family

The Family Action Centre
THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

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CANTEEN NEWS:

Canteen is now open 8:30am-2:15pm **every day**.

Could you please try to have the correct money as Canteen doesn't carry change.

We appreciate your help.



eat well be active.



CERTIFICATE IV IN EDUCATION SUPPORT (CHC40213) PART QUALIFICATION

at Thou-Walla Family Centre

This selection of units is perfect if you are interested in finding out more about education and school settings. You'll gain skills and knowledge to provide assistance and support to teachers, and facilitate learning with greater independence.

These are the nationally recognised units covered:

- CHCEDV001** Work with diverse people
- CHCEDS021** Assist in facilitation of student learning
- CHCEPR001** Develop and maintain networks and collaborative partnerships
- HITWHS001** Participate in workplace health and safety

Jobs in this sector may include Teacher's Aide, Literacy Worker, Education Support Worker and Support Worker (children with disabilities).

Pathways to the full qualification are available.

ABOUT BCA NATIONAL

Founded in 1996, we are a multi-award-winning Registered Training Organisation (RTO) that puts student goals first. One of Australia's most trusted training organisations*, we have almost 20 years of experience delivering quality education to communities across Australia.

With expert industry trainers, personal support, work experience programs and flexible delivery, we help high-school leavers to make their first career step and adult learners gain employment, get a promotion or switch careers.

ABOUT SMART AND SKILLED (AN INITIATIVE OF THE NSW GOVERNMENT)

This training is subsidised by the NSW Government. Smart and Skilled is a reform of the NSW Vocational Education and Training (VET) system. It's helping people in NSW get the skills they need to find a job and advance their careers.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
To be eligible, individuals must:

- Be 15 years old or over
- No longer be at school
- Be living or working in NSW
- Be an AU / NZ citizen, AU permanent resident or AU humanitarian visa holder

WHAT TO BRING

You will need to bring two forms of ID to confirm your eligibility. Please bring one document from each of these lists***.

Proof of Citizenship

- AU or NZ Passport
- AU or NZ Birth Certificate
- Certificate of Evidence of Residency Status (CERS)
- Permanent Residency label in foreign passport
- Humanitarian visa label in foreign passport

AND Proof of Address

- NSW driver's license
- Bank Statement
- NSW photo card
- Utility bill

*** Please note that one of these documents must be photo ID

INFORMATION AND ENROLMENT SESSION:

LOCATION: Thou-Walla Family Centre,
in the grounds of Irrawang Public School,
Green Street, Raymond Terrace NSW 2324
DATE: Monday August 22nd
TIME: 9.30am



BENEFITS
Taster units from
nationally recognised
qualifications



TIME FRAME
One Term
(8-12 weeks)



DELIVERY METHOD
Face to face classes, one
session per fortnight
during term time.



STUDENT SUPPORT
Expert trainers and
personal support
from your Training
Coordinator



PRE REQUISITES
Access to email



COURSE FEES
Fully subsidised for
eligible students*,
all learning resources
provided



PATHWAYS
Full Certificate IV
in Education Support
(CHC40213)



STUDY WORKSHOPS
To help you stay
on top of assignments

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

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Nicola.Lloyd@bcanational.com
Rachel Wilson,
Rachel.Wilson@bcanational.com
02 9555 4188



**BCA National
TRAINING GROUP**

RTO ID # 91758

* Eligibility criteria applies

** Approved delegate of the Australian Skills Quality Authority asqa.gov.au/vet-registration/delegations/delegations.html



Parents not Partners

This is a six-session program for separated parents in conflict over their children. It is designed to improve emotional and developmental outcomes for children in separated families by:

- raising parents' awareness of the impact on their children of the ongoing conflict in their family
- providing them with knowledge, tips and strategies to be able to focus on their children rather than on their issues or conflicts with the other parent

Parents will learn:

- ways to better regulate their emotions and to self-care
- ways to help their children manage their emotions
- to recognise the effects of ongoing, mismanaged conflict on children
- skills to better manage conflict with the other parent
- to reorient interactions with their child's other parent to be respectful and cooperative
- to recognise and differentiate between their own and their children's individual needs
- skills to communicate effectively with the other parent
- to reflect on their behaviour and make changes where needed

Dates: Thursdays, 20 October – 24 November 2016

Time: 10:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: Thou Walla

Contact Carmel at Interrelate – 0455 085 244 or
Gina at Thou Walla – 4987 4666 or 0400 431 657

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relationship experts since 1926

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for
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IRRAWANG HIGH SCHOOL

SPRING FAIR!

Saturday September 3rd

10am-3pm

Come along and join in
All the fun of the fair!

All in a good cause...

TO RAISE MONEY TO
AIR CONDITION
OUR SCHOOL HALL!



Raymond Terrace Athletics Centre

Registration days for the 2016 / 2017 season

At Raymond Terrace Athletics Centre, Kangaroo Street, Raymond Terrace

On Saturday August 13, 20 and 27 from 10am to 1pm

Registrations fully paid by August 27 will receive a discount

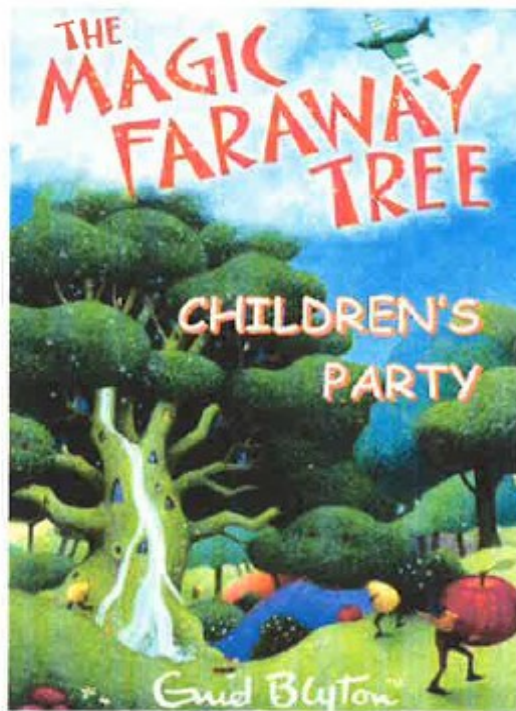
Registrations are also accepted throughout the season

**A "Come & Try" morning will be held on Saturday Sept 3rd from 9am
for anyone interested in trying athletics.**

Competition begins Saturday September 10th

www.raymondterraceathletics.com.au

Enquiries: Deidre 0418 962 185



SATURDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2016

5pm - 8.30pm

@ STOCKADE HILL HERITAGE PARK EAST MAITLAND
(in Rotunda area)

Everyone welcome, we provide sausage
sizzle, fairy bread and fruit.

Entertainment by magician

JOEL HOWLETT

Jumping castle - Various games.

Entry fee : \$5 Adults - \$3 Children

Bring picnic blanket, torch, dress up as a magical
character or super hero

Ring Greg 0408493084 for more information

An old fashion family picnic by:



Dad's Group cont...

Looking at fathering...a most important
job.

Max from Family Support Newcastle, invites dads, and men
who have a role in raising children, to the term 3 workshop.
Each group session is unique.

Topics usually include:

- Healthy & Resilient Relationships
- Looking after yourself and your child
- The joys and struggles of a 21st century Dad
- Dealing with strong emotions
- Boundaries & discipline

When: Wednesday 7th of September

Time: 10-2pm Where: Thou-Walla

**FREE CHILDREN'S GROUP AVAILABLE
ON PREMISES. Lunch provided.**

To make a booking or for further inquiries,
Please call Gina on 4987 4666





Irrawang Public School

Safety Responsibility Learning Respect

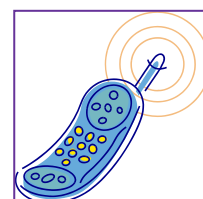


**HAS YOUR CHILD ENROLLED FOR SCHOOL
NEXT YEAR?**

**WILL YOUR CHILD BE STARTING
KINDERGARTEN OR PRESCHOOL NEXT
YEAR?**

**ENROL NOW FOR THE BEST START TO
YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION!!!**

ENQUIRE NOW!



Please ask at the office or phone 02 4987 2403

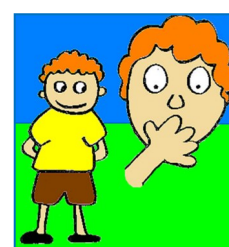
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CAUTION:

Please remember that if you are putting photos from school events on your personal Facebook page that other children should not be in the photos unless you have permission from their parents or carers.



IRRAWANG AUSSIE 5





Irrawang Public School: Absentee Note

Student Name: _____

Class: _____

Date/s of absence/s _____

Reason for leave:

*Sick _____

*Other Reason _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Relationship to student: _____

*****Please return with your child to class teacher. Thankyou*****



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Who: _____

Caught You!

Name: _____

Reason: _____

 ☐ Following instructions
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☐ Waiting patiently
☐ Being kind to others
☐ Being safe

Using your Aussie 5!

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