

IRONSIDE STATE SCHOOL

Vision for Learning and Teaching: We are a quality learning community committed to academic and personal growth.



A Message from the Principal:

Dear Parents

This week our Newsletter is full of congratulations to our students. Thanks and congratulations to all of you for your behaviour, courtesy and enthusiasm throughout the term.

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to our Aussie of the month for April, Year 4 student, Nicholas Ridley. Nicholas was acknowledged for his citizenship qualities at this week's Assembly. He is always kind and thoughtful, looks after new students and is honest and responsible. Well done Nicholas!



SPELLATHON

Thanks to all the members of our Ironside community who worked so hard in raising \$19, 638 for this year's Spellathon. This is truly an outstanding amount and will be put towards our playground and grounds enhancement.

A sincere thank you to parent, Karen Hartmann who spent many, many hours organising the Spellathon and counting the money. Thank you to P and C treasurer, Mr Malcolm Badgery who presented the students with their book vouchers and prizes.

YEAR 7 LEADERS

Congratulations to the 16 Year 7 students who were awarded their Leadership badges at this week's Assembly. These students have shown initiative and determination in being the first to have fulfilled the criteria required to earn the badge. They are to be congratulated on being excellent role models. Thanks to School Council member, Mrs Denise Nicol who congratulated the students at Assembly. Congratulations are also extended to the two students who designed the School Leader Badges, Dominic Chin and Primal Hapugoda.

YEAR 5/6 PEER LEADERS

Congratulations to the Year 5/6 Peer Leaders. These students have been selected by their teachers to be role models for Term 2. They have demonstrated leadership qualities of responsibility, reliability and being kind and thoughtful to their peers. The students were presented with their badges at this week's Assembly.

STAFF CHANGE

Best wishes to Year 3 teacher, Mr Steve Perkins who will take leave until November to care for his family and welcome Mr Andrew Stoff who will take over 3C in Mr Perkins' absence.

HOLIDAYS

As the Term draws to an end I would like to congratulate the children on a wonderful term's work. It is truly amazing to see the progress of children and how much they have learnt in ten weeks. This is particularly obvious with our youngsters in Prep and Year One. Thanks and congratulations to our hard-working Ironside staff who, no doubt are looking forward to a well-earned rest. Finally to the Ironside parents – thank you for your support throughout the term - for your voluntary help, your support of our teachers and your outstanding efforts to make our school a wonderful learning environment for the children.

Patricia Neate, Principal

EASTER HAT PARADE

The Prep, Years 1, 2 and 3 Easter Hat Parade will be held in the Hall commencing at 2.00 pm on Thursday 5 April. The Chamber Orchestra and the Junior Choir will be performing at the parade. You are welcome to join us for an afternoon of colour and song.

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OVERSEAS AND AUSTRALIAN FAMILY NETWORK

The Network is currently planning for the International Breakfast to be held on Friday 1 June commencing at 7.30 am here at Ironside. The next planning meeting will be held in the staffroom on Tuesday 1st May. If you would like to assist on the day, please contact me on 3258 3111 or come to the meeting. Detailed information about this special event will be distributed to all families early in Term 2.

PREP/YEAR ONE WORKING BEE

Thank you to the twelve parents who have volunteered to help at the working bee here at Ironside on Saturday 28 April in the morning. I still require a Project Manager to assist on the day. If you are available to be the Project Manager, please contact me on 3258 3111. Also, if you would still like to assist and have not returned your form, please contact me or return the form to your child's teacher. I will be contacting the working bee parents at the start of Term 2.

WALKING WHEELING WEDNESDAY

During Term 1, I have been collecting data from all of the classes each Wednesday. The data shows the number of students who walk, bus, car pool or cycle to school. The Term 1 winning class is 6/7F with a special congratulations to 1A and 5C. Congratulations to all classes for a great effort! Term 2 data will be collected each Tuesday and will include both coming to school and going home from school. The title for Tuesday's collection will be announced at the start of Term 2.

ANZAC SERVICE AT IRONSIDE

Ironside's commemorative service will be held here in the School Hall on Tuesday 24 April commencing at 9.30 am. You are cordially invited to attend. Our guest speaker will be Flight Lieutenant Laura Fahey from the Amberley Airbase.

Janice Ruddick-McGrath, Deputy Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In Term 2 the religious education program will recommence on Friday April 27. If you require any information as to the program offered please contact Mr Knights at the office.

Adam Knights, Deputy Principal

2007 YEAR 7 CHARITY

On Tuesday we held a free dress day to raise money for our Year 7 charity NHACAP—a school in East Africa. We raised a fantastic total of \$830.00. Thank you to everybody who contributed. This money will help them to purchase resources and hire new teachers.

Nicholas Salmon and Reuben Heim, Year 7

Excursions and Activities for Term 1
Payments need to be finalised before the end of
term, Thursday 5th April.
If you should have any queries, please call Jill
Tait on 3258 3111 Thank you

Chess Club News...

Next term Chess Club will be on Monday morning at 7:45 am starting in Week 2.

Senior Band News...

Congratulations to all of the Grade 5 woodwind, brass and percussion students who participated in their Junior Band Workshop today. They worked with special music tutors and instrumental staff learning many new skills on their instruments and as an ensemble. Students also performed in their first concert. Well done to all students involved!!

WestCent Music Camp - Congratulations to all students who auditioned. All students performed well and did their school proud. We had many students selected to attend both Advanced and Honours Camp and we wish them good luck in June when they attend camp.

Amy Walduck, Woodwind Teacher

Strings News...

CONGRATULATIONS to the all members of the Intermediate String Orchestra for their wonderful performance on Friday. Thank you to all parents and classes who came and attended our Informal Concert.

CONGRATULATIONS to all Senior String Orchestra members who performed on Assembly on Monday for your wonderful performance. Also congratulations to the following string students who were chosen for student leaders – Michelle Woods, Nicholas Salmon, Jack Gregan and Emma Nicola. There will be NO Senior String Orchestra rehearsal on Thursday Morning instead there will be a Chamber Rehearsal in preparation for the Easter Bunny Hat Parade. Don't forget to bring your Easter hats!!!! Lessons will be as normal until 12.45 pm – there will be NO afternoon lessons.

Happy Easter, Mrs Dinnis

HPE News...

CROSS COUNTRY

As was mentioned in last week's Newsletter the Ironside Cross Country for students in Years 4 -7 will be held on Thursday 26th April, at Robertson Park, Taringa. (Beside Indooroopilly State High School). It is a great opportunity for students to be a part of outdoor physical activity and all are encouraged to participate and to set their own pace - run/jog/walk. Approximate distances will be:

Year 4 - 1.5km

Year 5 – 2 km

Year 6 – 3 km

Year 7 – 3 km

Further information plus a permission note will be sent home with students in Week 1 of next Term.

YEARS 1 AND 2 SWIMMING AND PERCEPTUAL MOTOR

On behalf of the students and teachers I would like to express our appreciation to all those parents who have assisted at the Year 1 and 2 swimming lessons this term and also with the perceptual motor sessions on a Tuesday. The students experience many positive benefits from your contribution. Thank you.

Kim Donaldson HPE Teacher Prep - 4

FREE TAEKWONDO TRY OUT CLASSES

Every Monday and Thursday evening in the Hall.
All welcome and no fitness needed to try out.
Ph: 32636557 or email: enquiry@pitkd.com for details.

CHALLENGED BY YOUR GIFTED CHILD?

A new Triple P – Positive Parenting Program, tailored to the needs of gifted and talented children and their parents has been developed. It is offered free of charge to parents of gifted and talented children aged between 3 and 10 years.
Contact: Alina Morawska, UQ 3365 7304, alina@psy.uq.edu.au or contact Amanda Cooper on 3258 3111.

Meals On Wheels...

Last week 3B helped the "Meals on Wheels" program by making 38 Easter baskets. After the baskets were made, each of the students donated fifty cents to a dollar to buy the Easter eggs. Then four people from our class put shredded cellophane and an egg into each of the baskets, as it was now ready to be sent to them. The basket will be delivered to the elderly this week as a special Easter surprise.

By Liam Plosker & Elizabeth Dunning



P & C News...

SPELLATHON

A big Thanks to all the families who have supported the Spellathon. We have raised \$ 19, 638.79. 529 children brought in a donation for the Spellathon, this is a huge effort.

Here are the winners.

Prep	Tom Campbell	\$66	Prep 1
Yr 1	Byron Patapan	\$338	1B
Yr 2	Kyle Euscher	\$120	2B
Yr 3	Alexander Patapan	\$409	3A
Yr 4	Sarah Dunning	\$200	4D
Yr 5	Victoria Patapan	\$435	5C
Yr 6	Nicoletta Tancred	\$189.65	6C
Yr 7	Jack Gregan	\$500	7B

The two Prep classes tied for the most 100% in a class and they will be enjoying ice-blocks later in the week. A big thank-you to Tanya for all her help.

Karen Hartmann, P&C

MOTHERS DAY STALL

Our annual Mothers Day Stall will be held early in Term 2 so please start buying or making some items to be sold at the stall. Some ideas are: Gourmet Teas and coffee, Nail polishes and lipsticks, wrapped soaps and wash cloths, tea towels, mugs and chocolates, body lotions, pens and notepads, jewellery. It would be really appreciated if the items could be wrapped in cellophane with an indication as to prices attached. There will be a prize for the class with the most items donated.

Library News...

Thank you for supporting our Easter Bookfair. The Library will receive around \$2500 in commission. Have a Happy 'Reading' Easter break.

Cathy Roche, Librarian

Tuckshop News...

Term Two Menu attached to this Newsletter, ordering instructions are printed on the back. Please note:

- + Nachos changes to baked potato.
- + Some price changes in sandwich/rolls/salad box lines.
- + No iceblocks to be ordered on paper bags. Your child needs to buy this item over the counter at lunch.

Tuckshop Roster - Week 1, Term 2

Mon 16/04 Pupil Free Day

Tue 17/04 Gabby Elliot, Marg Rackemann, Peter Henderson

Wed 18/04 Jenny Nicol, Clara Cadavid, Christine Tod

Thu 19/04 Masae Yoshikawa, Rie Ojima

Homebake Roster - Week 1, Term 2

Mon 16/04 Pupil Free day

Tue 17/04 Jennie Baxter

Wed 18/04 Chris Rackemann, Mary Burrell

Thu 19/04 Inta Comino





Milk

Tuckshop News

The tuckshop volunteers do an amazing job through out the year preparing morning tea and lunch for our children and school staff. To assist them with this could you please fill in your child's tuckshop bag as below?

Childs Name	
1 Chicken Sushi	2.20
1 Chocolate Milk	<u>1.90</u>
	4.10
Thankyou	Class