

# 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

As a school community we are shocked and saddened by the tragic death of our Year 7 student, Dominic Chen. Dominic and his father were killed in a boating accident on Saturday. Dominic has attended our school since Preschool and has many friends here. He was a very popular and charismatic student - a school leader who loved sport, had a great sense of humour and was a talented artist. Dominic had a very strong sense of social justice and was respected by his peers and looked up to by the younger students. It has been very hard for our Year 7 students - and they are drawing strength from each other, their teachers and their parents. Thank you to the many parents who have contacted me to share their shock and sadness at such a dreadful loss.

- We have created a memory wall for Dominic in the Library - students have written letters and brought flowers as tokens of their affection.
- Everyone is invited to visit and contribute to the memory wall.

- On Monday, at our regular afternoon Assembly we will include a special service for Dominic. This will be suitable for the whole school. The Senior Concert Band will be performing at Assembly: before the end of the term, we will hold a more formal service for our Year 7 students and their parents.

### SPRING FAIR

I look forward to seeing all members of our school community at the Spring Fair this Saturday. Thank you once again to all those who have worked so hard toward its success.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Parents, please consider nominating for one of the two School Council positions. Nominations close on 13th September 2007. Voting will take place on Thursday 20th September at the school office from 8.30 am until 4.00 pm. Any parent can be nominated or nominate someone for this position, however nominees must complete a declaration form in relation to any prior convictions for certain offences. These forms must be received at the school office by 3.00 pm on 13th September. To be eligible to vote, a person must have been registered as a member of the P and C Association on or before 30th August, 2007.

### MUSIC EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Year 6 student, Andrew Haselgrove who has won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Queensland Flute Guild Challenge. Well done Andrew!

*Patricia Neate, Principal*

### INTENTION TO RE-ENROL 2008

To assist with staffing for 2008, all students from Prep - Year 6 have been given an Intention to Re-enrol Form to be completed at home by parents. Forms are to be returned to class teachers by tomorrow, Friday 7th September. Please use a separate form for each student in your family.

### SOUNDS OF SPRING

Just a reminder that the 'Sounds of Spring' with all Ironside's string groups will be performing at 7.00 pm in the school Hall on Thursday 13th September. The evening is planned to finish by 8.30 pm. Hope to see you there.

### FETE PERFORMANCES

All year levels will be performing at the fete.

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**STUDENTS FROM PREP-YEAR 6 ARE TO MEET CLASS TEACHERS NEAR D BLOCK (PREP AND YEAR 1 CLASSROOMS) 10 MINUTES BEFORE THE SCHEDULED TIME FOR THEIR YEAR LEVEL PERFORMANCE. YEAR 7 STUDENTS WILL ASSEMBLE ON THE OVAL NEAR THE HALL.**

#### PROGRAMME:

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|---------|--|
| 2.00 pm | Official Opening   |
| 2.10 pm | Puspanjali - an Indonesian Dance                                 |
| 2.20 pm | Prep Performance in the Hall (Koorie Dreamtime - song and dance) |
| 2.30 pm | Year 3 Performance in the Hall (Emus and Kangaroos - bush dance) |
| 2.40 pm | Year 5 Performance in the Hall (Troika Dance)                    |
| 2.50 pm | Year 6 Performance in the Hall (Skipping to Music)               |
| 3.00 pm | Year 2 Performance in the Hall (Folk Dance)                      |
| 3.10 pm | Year 1 Performance in the Hall (Drovers and Shearers - dance)    |
| 3.20 pm | Year 7 Performance on the oval (Rope Challenge)                  |
| 3.50 pm | Year 4 Performance in the Hall (Recorder Band)                   |

*Janice Ruddick-McGrath, Deputy Principal*

## Year 3 Science Day News...

Today in the morning I was really excited because it was Science Day. The activity that I liked most was making the Goo. I liked it because there was a sort of magic in it. When you tried to squish it fast, it was hard, and when you squished it slowly, it was soft. Mr Stoff also made some bouncy goo, but he chose only four people to take it home. It was also fun making Moo Glue with Mrs Cavu. But when we were making Moo Glue I smell the cup, and it didn't really smell nice, but I still liked making it. Science Day was really interesting. We also got to take some strawberry DNA home that a helper showed us how to take out of a strawberry. We also made toothpaste with Mrs O'Connell. It was quite fun brushing the toothpaste against the egg to see if the toothpaste we made would clean the stained egg.



*Anna*

## Scouts News...

### Bags of Mulch Delivered to your door

The Toowong Milton Taringa Scout Group is having its annual mulch drive and will deliver bags of mulch and fertiliser to your door. For order forms call Christine on 3371 7270 or pick them up at the school office. Delivery on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of September.



## Lost Property News...

With the weather being unusual of late we are starting to gather a large collection of jumpers and other items of clothing in the lost property box located near the Tuckshop. If any student has lost an article of clothing it may pay to have a quick look there.

## West Taylor Bridge Athletics Results 2007 News...

These are the overall points result after correction and checking manually of the District Athletics Carnival. We gave out fairly accurate results to some schools on the day but most people had gone. I have also bought trophies and worked out age champions for each age division except the 9 Year olds who only had one event. The age champion points were worked out on the first 4 places only (1 to 4). There was a tie in one age group only and this was the 12 year old girls. I will order another trophy for Charlotte Caslick and I will give it to her at a later date. I know that age champion trophies were not given out in the past but I feel that we should be about rewarding student effort as well as picking a West Taylor Bridge Team.

### RESULTS:

|        |                            |             |
|--------|----------------------------|-------------|
| First  | Nudgee Junior College      | 238 points. |
| Second | Indooroopilly State School | 174 points. |
| Third  | Ironside State School      | 140 points. |
| Fourth | Brisbane Boys College      | 126 points. |
| Fifth  | Corinda State School       | 94 points   |
| Sixth  | Sherwood State School      | 76 points   |

### AGE CHAMPION WINNERS.

|             |                |           |
|-------------|----------------|-----------|
| 1997 Girls. | Tiffany Chen   | 20 points |
| 1995 Girls. | Stephanie Pyle | 20 points |

## MET West Regional Athletics Carnival News...

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September

| COMPETITOR         | EVENT                        |
|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Ellie Baulch       | Girls 10yr Shot Put          |
| Tiffany Chen       | Girls 10yr 100m, 200m, Relay |
| Claire Dalton      | Girls 11yr High Jump         |
| Ale Orozco         | Girls 9yr 80m                |
| Katia Peden        | Girls 9yr 80m                |
| Stephanie Pyle     | Girls 12yr 200m, Long Jump   |
| Jack Radford-Smith | Boys 10yr Shot Put           |
| Sophie Rasheed     | Girls 10yr 100m, Relay       |
| Georgia Smith      | Girls 12yr Shot Put          |
| Jessica Lehane     | Girls 10yr Relay             |
| Sakurako Kobayashi | Girls 10yr Relay             |

*Sarah Walters, HPE Teacher*

## NAB AFL Auskick News...

Due to the rained out session on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August, our NAB AFL Auskick program will see a double session held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Sessions 7 and 8 (final session Game vs Parents) will take place in a 1½ hour lesson from 3.15 pm - 4.45 pm.

**NB – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 3.15 pm - 4.45 pm (1hr½)**

To confirm on the day whether the session will go ahead due to wet weather please phone AFL Qld on 3844 9378.

### BRAINways EDUCATION:

#### HOLIDAY FESTIVAL OF WORKSHOPS

BRAINY KIDS FUN is a holiday Festival of Workshops presented by BRAINways EDUCATION at Toowong State School.

Enroll now for the 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> September program!

For more information, please visit our website at [www.brainways.com.au](http://www.brainways.com.au) or contact 0433995067.

Please be advised that limited places are available.

## School Dental Program News...

The students enrolled at Ironside State School are currently being offered treatment through the School Dental Program. Dental Consent forms have been issued to every student in every class.

Dental examinations will be carried out in the Dental Van at the Ironside State School. Following this examination, Parents will be notified by mail if any treatment is recommended. If no treatment is recommended students will be issued with a card to advise that an examination has been carried out.

All further treatment will be provided at the Indooroopilly State School Dental Clinic. Parents will be given information on how to access an appointment at this Clinic with the notice of 'treatment recommended'.

The Dental van will mostly be open on Thursdays and Fridays. For any enquiries, when the van is closed, please phone 1300 365 997.

## Swim Club News...

### Swim Club Sign-On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September



Are you interested in Ironside Swim Club?

- Club runs at Ironside State School swimming pool
- Club runs each Friday night (Term 4 and Term 1)
- Club runs from 5:30 pm (registration of new members) till 8:30 pm
- Children are allocated to races based on ability not age
- Children are rewarded for personal improvement
- Barbecue food on sale each Friday night
- Families need not attend every week

Are you interested in early sign-on?

- Early sign-on is Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 5:30 pm to 7:30pm
- Early sign-on is at McDonalds (Coonan St, Indooroopilly)
- Early sign-on earns a thank you treat for each child registered on the night
- ALL customer sales at front-counter between 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm contribute to fund-raising
- sign-on families are not required to purchase food

If you have any questions, contact Bronwyn Shimmin-Clarke ([will\\_do@bigpond.com.au](mailto:will_do@bigpond.com.au)).

## P&C News...

Our next P&C Meeting will be held Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 7.30 pm at McDonalds (Coonan St, Indooroopilly) to coincide with our Swim Club sign on between 5.30 pm and 7.30pm.

Come along and find out details on how successful our Fete was, see what our next P&C funded project is or come for coffee and cake, we would love to see some new faces as well as some regulars. Hope to see you there.

*P&C Committee*

## Tuckshop News...

### Tuckshop Roster - Term 3

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| Mon 10/09 | Sima Hashemifard, Honor Morton                     |
| Tue 11/09 | Rosario San Martin, Catherine Hwang, Theresa Stolz |
| Wed 12/09 | Susan Gibson, Carolyn Biddle, Jenny Land           |
| Thu 13/09 | Libby Bingley, Emily Dickson, Karen Hayden         |

### Homebake Roster - Term 3

|           |                                 |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Mon 10/09 | Genevieve Bruce, Kathy Clarkson |
| Tue 11/09 | Linda Tonge, Theresa Stolz      |
| Wed 12/09 | Nobuko Yano, Sarah Blakeney     |
| Thu 13/09 | Margaret Henderson              |



## Student Relations News...

Recently, in class, Year Four students have reflected upon what they have discovered about life so far and what it means to be People Smart. Here are some of their reflections:

*"I've learnt that I can't buy friendship."*

*"I've learnt that whenever I want to do something very badly and it doesn't work, I never give up."*

*"I've learnt that not everything is going to be perfect."*

*"I've learnt that you should use your courage wherever you go."*

*"I've learnt that you should never stop trying."*

*"I've learnt that when you use your brain, you can be smart enough."*



### PEOPLE SMART

*"To be people smart, you must be cooperative."*

*"People who are people smart, cooperate with others even in hardest of times."*

*"To be people smart, you have to work with others even if you don't like them much."*

*"If you are people smart, you should be tolerant, patient and understanding of others."*

*Liz Woolcock, Student Relations*

## Indooroopilly SHS offers new learning opportunity for 2008...

Students commencing Year 8 in 2008 at Indooroopilly State High School will have the opportunity to be the first students in Queensland to study their core high school curriculum in a Spanish Immersion setting.

Expressions of interest from students wishing to participate in Spanish Immersion in 2008 close on 19th October 2007, with students being interviewed and selected by November 2007.

### Why Spanish Immersion?

After English, Spanish is the fastest growing European language. It is currently the second most spoken language in the world by native speakers. It is also the fourth most spoken language in the world with over 450 million Spanish speakers. Projections for the next half century suggest that Spanish will continue to grow at a faster pace than any other major European language.

In an age where 'English is no longer enough', bilingual students enjoy improved career and travel opportunities. An Immersion setting has proven to be the most successful model for learning a second language. Students in an Immersion program develop a very high level of language proficiency, linguistic skills and intercultural understanding as well as improved study skills, self-discipline and confidence. Immersion students will also benefit from a positive peer network, with strong pastoral care commitment from their Immersion teachers.

Further information and an expression of interest form can be obtained from the Indooroopilly SHS website ([www.indooroopshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.indooroopshs.eq.edu.au)) or by phoning the school on 33278333. Jesus Bergas Paz, Spanish Immersion Program Coordinator, and Jan Hargreaves, Deputy Principal, will be happy to answer any questions parents may have about Spanish Immersion.

## Strings News...

It's nearly the end of Term 3 and to celebrate we have our wonderful Sounds of Spring Concert on next Thursday, 13th September at 7.00 pm in the Hall. It will be a fantastic evening that showcases the music of each String Ensemble. I trust you are all busy practising your parts at home. As we only have one or two rehearsals left, please make sure you arrive on time (7.15 am) and come prepared.

Keep up the Good Work!

*Stacey Bolton, Strings Teacher*



## Library News...

If you love the *Tashi* stories then you'll love the *Tashi* plays performing at Brisbane Powerhouse during the school holidays. Returning by popular demand *Imaginary Theatre* bring to life two more of your favourite *Tashi* stories - *Tashi: Lost in the City*, and *Tashi & The Mountain of White Tigers*. Brisbane Powerhouse is right next door to New Farm Park with its popular children's picnic and play area, and not far from the City Cat terminal making for a wonderful all-round excursion.

For more information go to [www.brisbanepowerhouse.org](http://www.brisbanepowerhouse.org) and click on Powerkidz or call Brisbane Powerhouse on 3358 8600. Early booking is advisable due to popularity.

*Cathy Roche, Teacher/Librarian*

## Penny Biddlestone Tennis Coaching News...

### September Holiday Programmes

#### TOURNAMENTS

- The holiday tournaments are designed to accelerate your child's ability to play matches.
- Children will be placed in a suitable section according to standard and age.
- The aims are to improve technique, court coverage, matchplay skills and reinforce correct court etiquette.
- Modifications are made for those players who have difficulty with their serve.

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|--------------------|---|
| Venue:             | Ironside School Tennis Courts                                   |
| Dates:             | Monday 24th September to Thursday 27th September                |
| Morning Session:   | 8.30 am to 11.30 am. \$105 for four day session (including GST) |
| Afternoon Session: | 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm. \$105 for four day session (including GST)  |

If you wish to attend the above programme please contact:

*Penny Biddlestone 3371 2849*

**Term 3 Excursion Statement Payments should have been finalised by now. A second Statement has now been sent home with your child. If you should have any queries, please call Jill Tait on 3258 3111.**