

IRONSIDE STATE SCHOOL

Our Vision: Ironside State School is a learner-centred community committed to excellence in education.



A Message from the Principal:

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Dear Parents

THANK YOU IRONSIDE FAMILIES

Thank you so much to all our Ironside families for your incredible generosity in our fund-raising gold coin trail on Tuesday. We raised a total of \$1209, which we'll pass on to Connor's mother, Mrs Rattray to help with her medical costs in her battle with breast cancer. If anyone forgot to bring a coin or would like to donate more money, please note that the contribution tin will be kept in the office foyer until the end of next week.

NSW OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to the following students who have all won University of New South Wales medals for achieving the highest mark in their year level for a particular subject: The students were presented with their medals at a special ceremony last week.

- *Justin Goldizen* *Computer Skills* *Year 7*
- *Andrew Haselgrove* *Computer Skills* *Year 6*
- *Lara Matthews* *Computer Skills* *Year 5*
- *Duncan Nicol* *Science* *Year 6*
- *Margie Dixon* *English* *Year 7*

YEAR 7 MATHS INVESTIGATIONS

Congratulations to the Year 7 students who shared the results of their Maths Investigations on Wednesday. The students have been working on their particular investigation for the past seven weeks. They have researched and compared prices of a range of goods and services including insurance, mobile phone deals, the costs of pets, holidays, fuel and building and or/ purchasing houses. This is a wonderful example of students using maths procedures and problem solving strategies for real life purposes. Well done students and thanks so much to all the parents who attended the showcase.

STUDENT ILLNESS

We have had several students referred to sick bay this week and most of them were sent home with flu symptoms. Parents can you please keep your children at home if they are unwell.

YEAR 7 GRADUATION MEETING

Members of this committee and any Year 7 parent please note that our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 27 November at 9am in the staff room.

Patricia Neate, Principal

COMMUNITY CONCERT AND MORNING TEA

The Senior Instrumental and Choral Music groups will be hosting a Pre-Christmas Community Concert and Morning Tea at Ironside in the Hall on Monday 26th November commencing at 10.00 am. As this is a special event for the Year 7 students who are in the Choral and Instrumental Music Programmes, the students have received a letter requesting that they invite grandparents, relatives, elderly neighbours or friends to the concert. If you do not have a child in Year 7 but you know of a relative or an elderly member of the community who would like to attend, please contact me by 3.00pm Friday 23 November, either by e-mail or telephone as they are most welcome to attend. We would like to have as many guests as possible at this special end of year event. A reminder that students must wear their performance uniform for the concert and to bring their school uniform to school to change into after the concert. A Christmas hat, tinsel, reindeer ears etc can be added for a special effect.

FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

A wonderful evening of music and song will be held on the oval on Thursday 6th December commencing at 7.00 pm. If it is raining, the event will be held in the Hall.

YEARS 1, 2 AND 3 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

You are invited to attend the Years 1, 2 and 3 Swimming Carnival here at Ironside on Wednesday 5 December. The programme times are as follows:

Year One 9.00am – 10.30am

Year Two 11.15am – 12.45pm

Year Three 1.30pm – 2.55pm

All students will participate in three events. There are no trophies or medals awarded. Each student will receive a certificate to take home. Please do not contact the office to find out the exact time that your child will be swimming as this carnival is a non-competitive carnival with students swimming in their ability groups. It is a fun day for the students.

WRITERS' WORKSHOP

Congratulations to the thirty Years 2, 3 and 4 students and the thirty-seven Years 5, 6 and 7 students who were selected to participate in the Writers' Workshops this term. A celebration of the two days will be held in the Hall on Thursday 29 November from 5.30pm – 6.30pm. All participants are invited to attend this special event with members of their family.

Janice Ruddick-McGrath, Deputy Principal

PARENT NEWSLETTER - E SUBSCRIBE

With the updating of the school's website, it is now possible to subscribe via email for a PDF copy of the Parent Newsletter. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity please go to the school's webpage at www.ironsidess.eq.edu.au and use the Contact the Administrator link in the top right-hand menu and submit the online form provided.

SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHS

Ironside Sport Photos are now available in the library for viewing. An order form is also available for parents and students who wish to order any off these photos directly from SilverRose.

Adam Knights, Deputy Principal

P&C News:

Our next P&C Meeting will be held Tuesday the 27th of November 7.00 pm in the Staffroom, it is the last meeting for the year. Come and see what our next P&C funded project is. Our projects happen as a result of the fundraising contributions from our families, come along hear the ideas and you may just meet some new people. We have a new 7.00 pm start time. We would love to see some new faces as well as some regulars. Come along and have a drink with the P&C executives. All welcome. Hope to see you there.

P&C Committee

Important Dates for 2008

Thursday 24 January	Pupil Free Day
	Uniform Shop Open 2pm-6pm
Friday 25 January	Pupil Free Day
Monday 28 January	Australia Day - Public Holiday
Tuesday 29 January	School Commences
21 - 24 March	Easter Holidays
5 - 13 April	School Holidays
Monday 14 April	Pupil Free Day

Library News:

End of year Christmas BookFair coming.
Week 8, 26 November – 30 November



We are excited to once again offer great books, at discounted prices, to our students and parents.

Each class will have the chance to visit BookFair during school. While browsing through the BookFair, the students fill out a *wish list* – a list of books that they would like to buy.

We try to keep this list down to two reading/information books and only one activity/game pack. Parents are under no obligation to purchase any items from the children's wish list.

The fair is open from 8.00am until 5.00pm and late night Wednesday 28th - until 7:30 p.m.

*The BookFair accepts cash, Visa, Mastercard and cheques (please make out to The BookWarehouse),
Thankyou, Cath Roche, Teacher Librarian*



HPE News:

2007 SWIMMING CARNIVAL INFORMATION

Monday 3 December

Years 4 & 5 (students born 1998, 1997)

9:00am	10,50,25m freestyle heats	> 50m freestyle finals
	10,50,25m breaststroke heats	> 50m breaststroke finals
11:20am	10,50,25m backstroke heats	> 50m backstroke finals
	50,25m butterfly heats	> 50m butterfly finals
1:50pm	Relays Year 4	Girls 4 x 25m freestyle Boys 4 x 25m freestyle
	Year 5	Girls 4 x 25m freestyle Boys 4 x 25m freestyle
2.30	100m freestyle heats (Years 6 & 7students)	

Tuesday 4 December

Years 6 & 7 (students born 1996, 1995, 1994)

9:00am	100m freestyle finals	
	10,50,25m freestyle heats	>50m freestyle finals
	10,50,25m breaststroke heats	>50m breaststroke finals
11:20am	10,50,25m backstroke heats	>50m backstroke finals
	50,25m butterfly heats	>50m butterfly finals
1:50pm	Relays Year 6	Girls 4 x 25m freestyle Boys 4 x 25m freestyle
	Year 7	Girls 4 x 25m freestyle Boys 4 x 25m freestyle

2:30pm Presentations

Wednesday 5 December

9:00am – 10:30am	Year 1
11:15am – 12:45pm	Year 2
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Year 3

Music News:



The end of school is upon us and the Senior String students are very busy preparing for the Community Christmas Concert on Monday 26 November. Please remember your instruments, music and performance uniform.

There is only two weeks until the Festival of Carols and ALL string students are involved this year. Please make sure you are practising your carols and Christmas songs. It is going to be a fantastic night of music!
Stacey Bolton, Strings Teacher

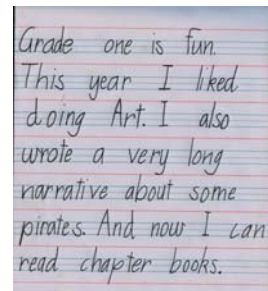
Community Christmas Concert Monday 26 November 10:00am
All Year 7 and selected year 6 students from Senior Band are involved in our Community Concert next Monday at 10:00am. We will have a special rehearsal in the hall at 8:30 am Monday. Students are required to wear their performance uniform with a little added "Christmas Spirit".

Our program will be as follows:

*Hark The Herald Angels Sing, Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer
Silent Night, Angels We Have Heard on High
Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree*

Hope to see many of you there.
Leonie Stiller, Brass Teacher

Year One News:



By Alexander Bruce 123L

Shop News:

INDOOROOPILLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL INDORO TOUR

A community of forward thinkers▶▶

Monday 26 November 1.30pm – 3.00pm

- Receive information
- Opportunity to talk with students and teachers
- See and tour our school in action



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ELECTION DAY CAKE STALL

Saturday 24th November at Ironside State School

Delicious homemade cakes, biscuits, slices, tea/coffee and treats will be available for purchase from 8.00am.

All goodies proudly baked by the St.Thomas Riverview Kindergarten families and staff.

Book Pack Collection Day Wednesday 28 November

To help facilitate the recording of students who have ordered book packs, they need to be collected class by class on Wednesday, 28th of November.

No Packs will be handed to parents before school on this day, however parents may need to help their children carry them home in the afternoon. Book Sales after 5th December will be by cash or cheque only

- **NO CREDIT CARDS**

The Book Pack Committee

The Uniform Shop will close on Thursday 6 December. It will open for one day in the last week of school holidays Thursday 24 of January between 2.00pm – 6.00pm and then open for the first day of Term Tuesday 29 of January from 8.15am.

As the Tuckshop closes Thursday 6th of December some food items may run short in the last week. **NO FOOD WILL BE SOLD DURING THE LAST WEEK OF TERM.** All IOU's will need to be finalised by Thursday 29th November.

If you would like to become a volunteer next year for either the Tuckshop or the uniform shop could you please see Jane Wurth. Thank you.

Tuckshop Roster - Term 4

Mon 26/11	Amanda Teo, Maria Clark, Melissa Morrison
Tue 27/11	Miho Scott, Sizuko Yamamoto
Wed 28/11	Hera Mason, Rosario San Martin, Miranda Dunning
Thu 29/11	Emily Dickson, Lisa Thomas, Libby Bingley

Homebake Roster - Term 4

Mon 26/11	Anne Riachi, Angela Smith
Tue 27/11	Marg Rackemann, Graham Baxter
Wed 28/11	Hera Mason
Thu 29/11	Julie Creagh

