



Welcome to Ironside State School

School Hours

School Commences	9:00am (first bell at 8.55am)
First Break	10:50am – 11:30am
Second Break	1:00pm – 1:30pm (Years 3-6); 1:30pm – 2:00pm(Prep – Year 2)
School Finishes	3:00pm

An outside of school hours program (ICASAG) operates before and after school providing high quality childcare. Telephone contact details for ICASAG are: **3870 9849** or **0417 002 935**.

Students who arrive at school before 8:55am, and are not booked into ICASAG, are required to remain seated in a designated waiting area until the first bell rings:

- Prep – Year 2: under G Block and near D Block
- Year 3 & 4: under J Block
- Year 5 & 6: Library basement

Formal supervision in these waiting areas begins at 8:30am. The school Library also opens from 8:30 – 8:55am. Students who arrive at school after 9:15am need to collect a late pass from the Administration Office. Students must be collected from school by 3.15pm or booked into after-school care.

Parking - Drop Off and Pick Up

Parking around Ironside State School is very limited. “Stop Drop Go” zones are located at each of the three entrances to the school on Hawken Drive, Central Avenue and Ironside Street. “Stop Drop Go” zones operate between 7:00 – 9:00am and 2:00 – 4:00pm. Drivers must observe the two minute time frame and only stop in the zone for as long as it takes to get the children into or out of the car. Drivers must not leave their vehicle in these designated areas during the enforcement times.

Lunches

The first 10 minutes of each break time are designated eating times. Students can choose to bring their own food from home or order their meal from the school tuckshop (information below). Please note: there are no heating or cooling facilities available in classrooms for meals brought from home. Students’ lunch-boxes and water bottles should be clearly labelled with their name and class.

Tuckshop

The tuckshop, “Fresh Bites”, is open 8.30am – 2.00pm, Monday to Friday. Orders can be placed online at <https://tuckshop.schoolshoponline.net.au/ironside/index.aspx>. Please consider volunteering at the tuckshop, volunteers are always needed.

Uniforms

The school’s Uniform Shop is located beside the Tuckshop and open on Wednesdays from 1.30 – 3.30pm and Fridays 8.30 – 10.30am. Items can also be purchased online at <https://schoolshoponline.net.au/ironside/index.aspx> to be delivered to classrooms each Wednesday. Uniform items, especially hats and jackets, should be labelled with the student’s full name.

Booklists

Booklists for each year level are available online. Books and stationery requirements can be purchased at St Lucia News (open 7 days per week), 217 Hawken Drive, St Lucia, (ph: 3870 9244) or email stlucianews@bigpond.com.

Website



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The school website is www.ironsidess.eq.edu.au. All parent newsletters, current events and classroom information is available on the school website.

Newsletter

Ironsides publishes a school newsletter every week during the school term. The newsletter is uploaded on to our school website www.ironsidess.eq.edu.au. If you would like to receive the Newsletter via email please email Elizabeth Graff-Valizadeh on egraff4@eq.edu.au.

Requirement to Notify Change of Address:

Parents must notify the school of any change of address within 14 days of any change. Any failure to notify the school of a change in address of the student's principal place of residence will be considered in determining eligibility for ongoing enrolment. Siblings of current students are not eligible for automatic enrolment if the sibling's principal place of residence is not within the school's catchment area.

Absence from School

Telephone the **Absentee Line** on **3258 3160** or send an email to studentabsence@ironside.eq.edu.au if your child is absent. If a student needs to take a planned absence of more than 10 consecutive school days, then parents need to complete an *Application for Exemption Form* and submit it to the School Administration Office.

Contacts

Your child's Class Teacher is the first point of contact. Class Teachers can be contacted via email or by telephoning the Administration Office on **3258 3111**. Contact details of the school Leadership Team are below:

Principal	Damian Johnson	djohn137@eq.edu.au
Deputy Principal Prep – Year 2	Janice Ruddick	jrudd10@eq.edu.au
Deputy Principal Years 3 - 4	Larissa Vecchio	lvecc1@eq.edu.au
Deputy Principal Years 5 - 6	Jennifer Bairstow	jbair51@eq.edu.au

Formal reporting

Formal communication with parents about their child's progress occurs each term.

- Term 1 and Term 3 – end of term parent-teacher interviews
- Term 2 and Term 4 – end of semester student Report Cards issued

Parents wishing to talk about their child's progress are asked to make an appointment with their Class Teacher at a mutually convenient time.

Assembly

Parents and Carers are welcome to attend School Assembly, held on Mondays 2:15 – 2:45pm in the Hall.

Parents' & Citizens' Association (P&C)

The Parents' & Citizens' Association is a group of parents and interested community members who work in partnership with school staff to build a stronger school community – for the benefit of all students. The P&C hold general meetings in the Staffroom at 6:30pm on the last Tuesday of every month during school terms.

Overseas and Australian Family Network and EAL/D Parent Group

To ensure parents as well as students are included in the school community, the school regularly convenes the Overseas and Australian Family Network to offer first language support to parents. Meetings are advertised in the school newsletter. The EAL/D Parent Group meets every Friday from 9am to 10.30am in the EAL/D room for an informal social morning tea and information session. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.