IPS NEWSLETTER

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards last week:


Principal Awards: Poppy Price, Sam Chappell, Ben Walker, Mikayla Budda-Deen, Haidyn Giles, Indy Gardiner

Sports Awards: Michael Smith

Student who have seen Mrs Stewart with outstanding work: Christine Lewis, Zac Riley, Mark Kennedy, Joshua Doogood, Joe Little

Captains Report: On Thursday 14th February, all the captains and monitors of the school went to badge ceremony and received the badges that we are wearing today. Years 1,2,3 and 5 went to an Environmental talk on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th in our school hall. The kitchen garden in the infants area is starting to grow. It is very exciting!

Primary Sport 3-6: Student have selected their sport for this term. All activities will be held on the school grounds. Please remember hats and water bottles!

Regional Swimming Carnival: Congratulations to Ethan Bower, Jock Hollis, Cole Hancock, Ethan Sue-Fong, Zac Fleming, Michael White, Hunter Hollis, Poppy Price, Jessica Partridge, Naomi Wiedemann for making it to the Regional Carnival. Good luck next Tuesday!

Senior Zone Champions- “The zone swimming carnival was a real success with everyone participating and showing real sportsmanship.” Hunter Hollis

“On Friday I went to the zone carnival. I came 3rd in the 100m freestyle and 1st in the 50m freestyle, 50m backstroke and second in the relay” Cole Hancock

8yr 50m Freestyle Winners
Poppy Price and Jock Hollis

Zone Senior Champions
Hunter Hollis and Cole Hancock

UP AND COMING

28/2 Year 1 and 2 information night in the library 6-7pm.
1/3 Vision Screening for Kindergarten
5/3 Regional Swimming Carnival
5/3 Scripture starts today
8/3 Winter Zone Trials Rugby League, Soccer, Hockey
12,13/03 School Photo’s Family photo envelopes are at the front office

IPS Swimmers and helpers!
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

This year a Community Liaison Officer’s role has been implemented as part of the school’s administration structure. Mrs Shelly Neville will be assisting with the weekly Newsletter, special events that involve the community, submissions for the Inverell Times and following up students’ absences. You may receive a friendly phone call enquiring about your child’s absence and if there is anything the school can do to assist your child’s attendance at school please feel free to discuss this with us. Your child’s teacher and Mrs Amanda Baxter are also great people to contact if your child will be absent from school for any reason. Students’ attendance at school is critical to learning success and it is very important that schools work closely with families to ensure that the best learning opportunities are available to students.

Warm Regards

Robyn Stewart
Principal

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Let’s Celebrate Attendance
Hints and Tips No. 2:
Teaching Good Habits

It is important for parents to make attending school a priority. Allowing children days off for birthdays, to look after younger children, to go shopping, to keep you company or because they were tired from a late night, not only sends the wrong message to your child, it is also against the law.

Children who get used to having days off school for these kinds of reasons develop an attitude that their attendance at school is not very important. This can become a big issue as a child gets older.

Teach your children that being on time is important. Children that are often late to school miss the part of the school day when the teacher explains new activities. The beginning of the day is also when many students are freshest and can concentrate better.

Students that are late on a regular basis may become the target for comment by other students and often as a result isolate themselves from their peers.

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YOU CAN DO IT! Persistence

Persistence means trying hard and not giving up when something feels like it’s too difficult or boring. Positive HOMs that help develop student persistence include:

Believing I Can Do It (Optimism) - thinking that you’re more likely to be successful than to fail.

Giving Effort (Internal Locus of Control for Learning) - thinking that the harder you try, the more successful you will be as well as knowing that success is not caused by external factors (luck, ease of task) but by internal factors (effort).

Working Tough (High Frustration Tolerance) - thinking that in order to be successful in the long-term, you sometimes have to do things that are not easy or fun in the present.

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Canteen Roster

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