SPORT NEWS: Good Luck to Junior De Lima, Cole Hancock, Sebastian Blair, Toby Solomon, Samantha Matthews and Gaby Rogers who will be competing in the zone soccer team in Armidale on Friday. Rugby League representatives are Michael White and Jackson Ellis and they will play in Armidale on Monday.

CAPTAINS REPORT: Last Thursday, Bec Waddell shaved her hair for the ‘Worlds Greatest Shave’. Everyone enjoyed watching Mr Beattie shear/shave it off! Last Tuesday and Friday Year 6 participated in an Aboriginal Hip Hop programme and some of the lower grades were lucky enough to get to dance too! Finally the P&C Easter raffle is running at the moment and if you wish to see those yummy prizes, they are on display in the front office.

FRIDAY’S HIP HOP WORKSHOP

Last Friday, Year 6 students participated in an Aboriginal Hip Hop workshop at the Inverell Town Hall. It was an amazing day out, it was so energetic that we bet everyone’s heartbeat got faster and faster by the minute. We had so much fun and our favourite part of the day was the dance battle. We had spent a lot of time choreographing our dance. We hope everyone had as much fun as we did.

By Maddi Klaack and Shayla Durand
Going to school is important. It makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children.

- Keep your child home only when they are sick.
- Advise the school of any absence.
- Make appointments after school time. Friends are important.
- Show an interest in your child’s friends.
- Invite friends to come and play.
- Encourage your child to play with other children.

Helping your child have a happy day at school is important for you and your child. If you are having difficulties in getting your child to school you should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the problem and ask for help.

The principal may ask a Home School Liaison Officer to contact you for further assistance and advice.

Let’s Celebrate Attendance
Hints and Tips No. 5:

INVERELL PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TONIGHT!!
Please join us and have your say and help in the decision making partnership with the school, so it can be the best place it can be for our kids.

Where: IPS Staffroom
When: Thursday 21st March, 2013 at 6.30pm
WORLDS GREATEST SHAVE

Well done Bec who braved the loss of her hair for a fantastic cause. Over $2400 raised so far!

Thanks to Mr Beattie for his outstanding shearing skills!

A big thankyou to Inverell Public School teachers, students and parents who donated.

A total of $269.00 was raised on the day alone and donations are still coming in.

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Year 2, Year 1, Kindergarten and all Pre-schoolers!
You’re invited ...
Inverell Public School
Easter Hat Parade
Wednesday 27th March
11.30am – 12.30pm in the School Hall
Wear an Easter Hat and join the fun

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UNDERAGE FACEBOOK USERS AT INVERELL PUBLIC SCHOOL
Facebook requires its users to be at least 13 years old before they can create an account. Providing false information to create an account is a violation of the Facebook’s Statement of Rights and Responsibilities. This also includes statements registered on the behalf of under 13 year old children by older parties. Once an account has been disabled users must not create another account without the permission of Facebook. Please be aware that Inverell Public Students under the age of 13 years with a Facebook Account will be deleted.

The entire Facebook agreement can be located at http://www.facebook.com/terms.php
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.

About the Schoolkids Bonus

What is the Schoolkids Bonus?
The Schoolkids Bonus is a payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies.

When does the Schoolkids Bonus start?
The Schoolkids Bonus starts from January 2013.

Who is eligible?
You could receive the Schoolkids Bonus if you have a child in primary or secondary school, or you are a primary or secondary student, and you receive one of the following payments:

- Family Tax Benefit Part A
- Disability Support Pension
- Carer Payment
- Special Benefit
- Education allowances under the Veterans’ Children Education Scheme and Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act Education and Training Scheme. Children in preschool are not eligible.

How much will I receive? If you are eligible, you will receive:

- $410 for each child in primary school (paid in two instalments of $205)
- $820 for each child in secondary school (paid in two instalments of $410).

If you share the care of your children and receive a percentage of Family Tax Benefit Part A allowance, you will receive the same percentage of the Schoolkids Bonus.

To learn more about the Schoolkids Bonus, visit australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus

Year 2 Calypso Crab Dance

Selected Year 2 students will perform the Calypso Crab Dance at the upcoming “Taste of Macintyre” on Friday 22nd March 2013 at 6:30pm

This is a wonderful opportunity to show case our talented students and support a local high school.