Congratulations to the following students who received an award at assembly this week:
Charlotte Stewart, Chloe Hamel, Bayley Brien-Parr, Claire Gleeson, Jasmin Richards, Louis Grebert, Chloe Gordon, Jaxon McCarthy, Mia Donnelly, Damon Martin

Principal Award: Whitney Melvin-Smith, Isabella Pomfrett, Annie Dekkers, Kaja Robinson, Katie Mills

Sports Award: Chloe Donnelly, Jacob Ellis, Jacob Phillips

Students who have been to see Mrs Stewart with outstanding work: Kyle Fermor, Cody Doogood, Chase Townsend, Bryden Whitbread, Colleen Lewis, Tristan Ellis, Dakota Reid, Tara Jayaguhan, Charlie Wall, Caleb Squire, Jayden Honner

Captains Report: Good work to the debaters who competed on Friday 16th against Ross Hill. They were victorious and all had fun. They will now travel to Tenterfield for round 2. Over the weekend Rose Duncan, Brooke and Sophie McWhirter, Bonnie Brodie and Liam Snaith competed in the cattle clinic. Rose was awarded 2nd place, Bonnie 3rd, Brodie 4th and Sophie gained 1st in parading. They received many ribbons in other events.

ATTENDANCE: WHAT SORT OF START IS YOUR CHILD GETTING??

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Just a little doesn’t seem like much but......... Did you know your child’s best learning time is the start of the school day? That’s when every minute counts the most.... SCHOOL STARTS AT 9.15am!

Please ensure you let the school know if your child will be absent from school.

Please call the school on 67223072, send a note in to your child’s class teacher or let them know verbally.

There are some simple yet effective tips that parents can follow to ensure their child has a happy day at school.

Make sure your child has had a good night sleep. Make sure you and your child get up early enough to
- have breakfast       - get lunch ready
- pack a school bag    - get dressed

Be organised – help your child pack bags and have homework and sports gear ready for the next day. Be involved with your school
- meet with your child’s teacher and talk regularly - Offer your support and help
- Read notes from school and reply on time         - Listen to your child read.
- Phone the school if you want information         - Show an interest in homework

UP AND COMING

23/5 Zone Cross Country
28/5 Premiers Debating Challenge Round 2 at Tenterfield
29/5 School Cup Netball– Complex
9/6 Public Holiday
13/6 Regional Cross Country– Coolah
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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IPS Canteen is now offering a range of gluten free food -

- Lasagne $4.00
- Spaghetti Bolognaise $4.00
- Macaroni Cheese $2.50
- Noodles with Sweet and Sour Sauce $3.50 (Thursday only)

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**SPOTLIGHT ON 2J**

What have 2J learnt this week???

This term 2J has been studying the text ‘Lion and the Mouse’ as a part of our English unit.

During this week the students in 2J participated in various activities based around our book.

We read in pairs, drafted and published an information report on lions and mice as well as completed a drama lesson where students were to mime the actions of these animals.

2J were very excited to hear Ms Coughlin had a beautiful baby boy last Sunday!

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**Premiers Debating Challenge**

Last Friday Inverell Public School Swans versed Ross Hill Public School Opals in the first round of the Premiers Debating Challenge. The topic was “Education—should boys and girls attend separate schools”. IPS Swans debated for the negative and in a close debate were winners. First speaker was Mia Clayton, second speaker Holly Perkuhn, third speaker Freya Grice and Rose Duncan as the team advisor. Miranda Hodges was chairperson for the day and Zara Wynter-Kenny held the timekeeping position. Well done girls! Next week they compete against Sir Henry Parks School in Tenterfield in the second round. Good Luck.