This term is flying by with the school being as busy as ever. I have been very proud of our students participation in sporting activities and their community representation has been outstanding as always. I was very fortunate to attend the Future Leaders Program with nine of our elected leaders at Lake Keepit this week. It was fantastic to see the individual qualities of the students come to the fore. Their questioning and thinking skills were highlighted during the creation of a school action plan. They also proved to be great communicators and displayed incredible bravery during the outdoor activities that included the Giant Swing.

The school has launched its own Facebook page. It can be found at https://www.facebook.com/inverellpublic. The purpose of this page is to keep you up to date with some of the happenings at school. Inverell Public Community members are invited to make comments and provide feedback to the school. Please read the Rules of Engagement prior to commenting though. We recently sent home a permission to publish note. It is important that this note is returned to school as soon as possible. There have been some very good questions around this note and I thank the parents who asked them. We are happy to discuss concerns you may have.

At the start of the term 4A wrote some wonderful acrostic poems on autumn.

Autumn is when the leaves fall off the trees
Usually Jack Frost comes
Tall trees lose all their leaves
Usually Autumn is fun
Mostly all the leaves have fallen
Nice bright colours

By Hannah Smith

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at assembly this week:
Allee Cross, Anahera Martin, Liam O’Dell, Gracie Fox-McCann, Thomas Pearse Thomas Draycott, Shanley Haines, Laura Murphy, Abby Wilson, Rihanna Breen, Dayne Wilson, Imogen Clark, Allira Smith, Harrison Rohr, Maxwell Hamilton, Tyler Morgan, Cody Spinks, Bella Melvin-Smith, Haydon O’Grady, Indi English, Asher Wilks, Lachlan Kane, Matilda Hamilton, Tiana Ellis, Telia Romer, Reece Gallimore, Matthew Chapman, Annie Dekkers, Taliesha Marlow-Fowler, Bonnie Snaith, Tahrj Lindsay

Principals Awards: Zachary McGregor, Sienna Smith, Asher Rynne, Connor Bailey, Sophie Greentree, Amity Dyke, Elizabeth Rushby, Carmelitta Ritchie, Brodie Snaith, Darrakhi Nean, Chauntaya Leece

Sports Award: Summer Ryder, Javon Gordon, Jay MacDonald, Dustyn Rynne, Deuter Marcalos, Narelle Isaacs-Munro, Anakin Dyke, Lily McCaig, Beudeen Reid, Cadence Rynne, Mahalia Rynne

UP AND COMING
29/5 Debating V RHPS
3/6 Final Installment Lake Ainsworth due
8/6 Public Holiday
10/6 Teddy Bears Picnic
12/6 Regional Cross Country– Coolah
15-19/6 Lake Ainsworth Excursion
22-26/6 NAIDOC Week
IPS School Canteen has been working closely with the “Healthy Kids Association” to improve the structure of the meals on the canteen menu. By doing so the school canteen menu has improved and is now 60% green and 40% amber. Most of the food on the menu is made fresh in the canteen eg: lasagne, sweet and sour noodles and salads. Healthy School meals can lead to better behaved students who are more alert and contribute to the students daily nutritional intake which benefits their growth patterns, eating habits and energy levels. It is important that parents, teachers and students work together to support a whole school approach to building a school culture in which students actively choose nutritious food and a healthy lifestyle.

**Understanding GREEN, AMBER & RED foods**
The NSW Fresh Tastes @ School Guidelines use a system that categorise foods into a colour spectrum ranging from GREEN to AMBER to RED. GREEN foods are encouraged and should ‘Fill the Menu’. AMBER foods should not dominate the menu and should be ‘Selected Carefully’. While RED ‘Occasional’ foods are only allowed in school on two occasions per term. RED sugar sweetened drinks are banned from NSW school canteens.

**Canteen News**
Canteen Reminders
If ordering a drink from the canteen with your lunch, please take your lunch order to the canteen to collect your drink. Drinks will not be delivered in the lunch baskets.

Icy poles and slushies are to be collected second break

**Head Lice**
Please be aware there have been ongoing cases of head lice. Please ensure, if your child is infested, they are treated immediately and thoroughly before returning to school.

**Lake Ainsworth**
A reminder to parents, Lake Ainsworth excursion is only a few weeks away. Final payment due 3/6. Medical notes and outstanding money to be paid ASAP. Parent information night 2/6 at 5.30pm.

**Welcome Mrs Gaias**
IPS would like to welcome Mrs Gaias who is replacing Mrs McKinlay on 2M for the rest of the year.

**Primary Sport**
Primary students have enjoyed their winter sport choices including fitness with Nick King.

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**Teddy Bears’ PICNIC**
Inverell Public School
Wednesday 10th June
10.30am-11.30am
Please send your child with a packed lunch, their favourite Teddy Bear and a smile.