Principals Report

As we come to the close of the winter term we have an opportunity to remember the range of activities that make our school and education interesting. From academic learning in the classrooms to sporting events such as the Cross Country and team sport competitions. Cultural and creative involvement including the choir and life skills learnt through the kitchen garden and cooking program as well as excursions see students participating in more to challenge themselves. With such a wide range learning we strive to provide a well rounded education for every student. This is possible because of a comprehensive team effort from staff, students, P&C, families and the wider community.

Enjoy the winter break, stay warm!

Robyn

EARLY BIRDS TRANSITION PROGRAM - 2016 KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

Inverell Public School is offering an Early Bird Program in Term 3 and Term 4 2015, to those families who are interested in enrolling in Kindergarten at Inverell Public School for 2016.

The program will run from 12.00-1.00pm fortnightly on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from Week 4, Term 3 and throughout Term 4, 2015. A bus will transport those attending from the respective pre-school/childcare centres from 11.30am and return the children by 1.30pm on these days. Parents may wish, however, to bring their child at 12.00pm and collect them at 1.00pm.

The program will orientate your child to school and to the Kindergarten setting, helping develop social skills, gross and fine motor skills, as well as literacy and numeracy skills that are important for a confident and smooth start to school life.

Please feel free to come and view our school facilities at any time and speak to one of our friendly Kindergarten educators. We would like to offer you assistance in choosing your school and ensuring a sound start for your child. If you have any queries please contact the school on 6722 3072.

Please return the form below to the front office or to Mrs Eleasha Griffin, IPS Early Birds Coordinator.

______________________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Child’s Name: ________________________________________ M/F_______
DOB: ___/___/_____   Siblings at IPS_________________________________
Attends Preschool at: ____________________________________________
Parent/Contact Name: ________________________________
Address: _____________________________________________
Contact Phone No: ____________________________________
Preferred Day – you may select all or any combination
Tuesday       Wednesday       Thursday

My child will be attending Early Birds sessions with their preschool on these days (please circle):  Tuesday       Wednesday       Thursday

UP AND COMING

22-26/6 NAIDOC Week
26/6 Last Day Term Two
26/6 Rewards Day
13/7 Staff Development Day
14/7 Students return for Term 3
16-30/7 Book Fair
29/7 Athletics Carnival
7/8 Zone Athletics
Year 5 and 6 had an exciting week at Lake Ainsworth. The students participated in a range of activities including kayaking, raft building, high rope challenge, rock wall climbing, snorkelling, archery and team building activities. They enjoyed making damper in the camp fire, eating healthy food, and meeting new friends from different schools. Everyone came back extremely exhausted but had a rewarding and fun time.

**NAIDOC WEEK 2015**

NAIDOC Week celebrations are being held at IPS this week. On Monday we launched with a Smoking Ceremony which was followed by an official assembly where students learned about the importance of Aboriginal Culture and we recognised our outstanding Indigenous students. On Wednesday the students made Johnny Cakes and students have been doing interesting activities throughout the week with their class. We’d like to thank Mrs Aitken for her organisation. We’d also like to thank Aunty Beryl, Mrs Jerrard, Scott Griffiths, Colin Isaacs, Shawn Wilson and Mr Boney for their contributions through the week. We’d also like to thank the families and community members who came to support the students.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn**

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for your local school. It’s simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent. Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your local school or at your local Woolworths.

You can then redeem your Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers for valuable education resources for our school.