

INGLEBURN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Week 8 - Term 4 - 2010

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sad Goodbyes

Mr Probert has accepted a transfer to a school very close to his home. I am sure you will agree that his going is an occasion for us all to be very sad; he is an outstanding and exceptionally hard working teacher. I am equally sure that you will congratulate him on a transfer that will cut dramatically the three hours he currently drives each day to and from work. We wish him all the best.

Sadly, Mrs Reithmuller will retire at the end of this year. Lyn is one of the best teacher's aides it has been my pleasure to work with; she manages to do so much around the school without a hint of complaint or fuss; her work with individual students and small groups has been of enormous help to both the students and the teachers. We hope her "long holiday" is all she deserves.

Sandra Mansfield of the <u>Before and After School Care</u> will transfer to Sackville Street at the end of this year. Sandra's friendly nature and kindness to the children she is responsible for will be greatly missed, although we hope to see her return in a few years.

New Teacher

I am extremely pleased to announce that Miss Borg (who taught at this school in 2008) has accepted a permanent teaching position at our school. For those of you who remember Tanya, she is a remarkably

competent teacher and will be a fantastic asset.

Who teaches what in 2011?

Once again I can report that the situation is no better on the class organisation front. It looks likely now that I will not be able to decide on the class organisation until the beginning of next year and I will have to employ at least two temporary teachers for term 1. Luckily I have been able to secure two very good young teachers.

I am in the process of placing an advertisement for a permanent teacher to replace Mr Probert. Due to the limited time available this will not be finalised until early in February.

These are in a sense good problems to be having: we *may* have a 7th class in 2011 (requiring a new teacher) and Miss Morgan will be our Reading Recovery teacher (requiring a teacher to replace her). The school continues to grow slowly and these changes are a result of this growth.

P&C in trouble

On Wednesday night the P&C met for the AGM. Unfortunately only 7 parents attended and these parents after years of dedicated service to our school decided not to run for P&C office for 2011. I congratulate Mrs Wiggins (Treasurer), Mrs Rose (Canteen Manager), and your President, Mrs Collins,

Ms Tanya De Britt and Mrs Jody Curry (Fundraising Committee), Ms Tracy Smith (Uniforms) for all their outstanding work in ensuring all of the children have the benefits of a well resourced learning environment.

As of the end of this year the school will not have a P&C.

This will have a number of ramifications that will affect your children: the first is that without anyone to manage the canteen it is highly unlikely that it will be open regularly next year; the second is that the P&C raises approximately \$10,000 each year for teaching resources for the children; this equates to 50% of the school's discretionary funds (the loss of this money will affect every child in the school); third, the P&C is also the voice of the community – without this voice it will be very difficult for me to make decisions that take into account your opinions.

If you have ever thought about supporting your child's school, your opportunity will be on Wednesday 16th February 2011 at 6:15pm when a meeting will be held to see if the school will or will not have a P&C.

Captains/Vice Captains for 2011

After discussions with the P&C, it has been decided that this year the parents and carers will not be pre-informed about the success or otherwise of their child's running for Captain/Vice Captain. The staff will not be provided with this information either. One parent (of a child not running for office) and I will do the counting and our lips will be sealed until those elected are announced at the Presentation Day.

It is hoped that this will make the process seem less like "secret teacher business" and a lot more exciting.

Whooping Cough is back! See

http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/data/diseases/pertussis.asp

for information

Dates to Remember

1st Dec Wed: Afternoon training for teachers

6th Dec Mon: Year 6 Farewell

8th Dec Wed: Gold Award winner's party

9th Dec Thur: Presentation Day

13th Dec Mon: Student reports handed out 14th Dec Tue: Whole school bowling day

15th Dec Wed: STUDENTS' LAST SCHOOL DAY of 2010

31st Jan Mon: Yr1 to Yr6 Commence School

2nd Feb Wed: All kindergarten children commence classes

Library News

As the term comes to an end, the library is winding down for stock-take and the yearly clean up. All borrowing will stop from this week at which time I will be sending home overdue notices. Also, from Week 9 there will be no home reading. Please try to return all home readers. Don't hesitate to contact me if you are having problems locating library books, I am at school Tuesday to Thursday.

School Banking

Hi Dollarmiters,

In 2011 there will be some new reward items announced, which can be redeemed for 10 tokens each. Alternatively, your child can still collect 30 tokens to redeem for the backpack until the end of Term 2, 2011.

Please note that we will be doing banking on Tuesday not Wednesday in the last week of this term.

Thank you Cathy & Marilyn

2011 Year 3 Student Bus Passes

All students going into Year 3 in 2011 who use bus passes will need to reapply. We will need these applications in the Office by **Friday 3rd December.** Forms can be picked up at the Office.

Uniforms

The end of year is approaching fast, if you want uniforms for the new year, could you please come and see us in the Canteen or place an order ready to be collected in the new year.

The Uniform Shop will be opened on the pupil free day, Friday 28th January between 9am and 11am.

Thanks
Tracy Smith
P&C Uniform Co-ordinator

Carols in the Paddock – Sat. 18th December @ 6pm.

Denham Court Anglican Church (30 Church Rd, Denham Court) is holding a community carols event for the whole family. We will have lots of singing, a puppet show and free refreshments. A great night for the whole family. BYO picnic rug or chair. (Will be held inside if wet). For more information please contact the church office on ph. 9829 2871 or office@dcac.org.au

REDUCED FEES

Bambi Kindergarten is a community based, not-for-profit preschool and is offering a reduced attendance fee of

\$25.00 per day

(9.00am to 3.00pm) for children in their "preschool" year and who will be going to full time school the following year.

Come and visit us at Stevens Road, Ingleburn (off Campbelltown Road) Phone: 9829 1927

INGLEBURN RSL NETBALL Registration Day

Saturday 29/01/11 Saturday 05/02/11

Time: 10am-2pm

At the Ingleburn RSL Club

ALL WELCOME