



INGLEBURN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'THE BUGLE'

Week 10 – Term 4 – 2010

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last edition of the newsletter for 2010.

Presentation Day

What a wonderful event! The behaviour of our students was extraordinary, especially so given the humidity. The event ran very smoothly thanks to Miss Attard's organisational prowess and I think you would agree that all of our award winners were very deserving. Of course we would like all of our students to be winners, but the reality is that that is not possible. Perhaps those who missed out will try that little bit harder next year.

Unfortunately with the silly season upon us there was not time for the staff to discuss whether a number of later recipients of Gold Level should receive the School Medal. This has now been rectified.

First, apologies for not recognising these people at the Presentation Day Ceremony, and now, congratulations to the following recipients of the School Medal:

Jaymi Lee King
Montanna Rebolledo
Connor Bachen
Billy Miller
Stephanie Wilk
Grace Grimsley

School Medal 2011

To prevent the above situation from occurring next year and also to ensure that everyone is clear about the selection criteria, please take note of the following:

To be awarded the School Medal in 2011 students *must reach Gold Level before Monday of Week 7, Term 4, and consistently adhere to all of the following.*

1. Show complete respect for all adults at the school and on excursions
2. Show respect to their peers and resolve conflicts sensibly
3. Adhere to all class, playground and school rules
4. Display the qualities of good citizenship
5. Wear the correct school uniform with pride
6. Try their best academically
7. Display good sportsmanship
8. Attend school regularly, having no unexplained absences and only occasionally being late for school

Year 6 Farewell

Thanks to Mr Probert's organisation and a number of wonderful parent volunteers (Maxine Rose, Tanya De Britt and Catherine Morabito – sorry if I left someone off the list). Once again (although I never get sick of saying this) the Year 6 and Year 5 students who attended were just wonderfully well behaved. They made the night such an enjoyable one for themselves and the teachers. Our Year 6 will be sadly missed.

Ethics Classes

The State Government has made a change to the Education Act which allows for the teaching of ethics classes to Year 5 and Year 6 students who do not attend scripture. A letter attached calls on those people interested to apply to be trained as teachers of ethics on a volunteer basis.

Ethics is the ancient philosophical pursuit of balancing conflicting concerns when making a decision. Such questions may be as simple as: *My friend Bob asked if I would go to his birthday party, but Bill has already asked me to go to his birthday party. What should I do?* They may be broader questions such as: *Should Australia use nuclear power?*

For more information go to:

<http://www.primaryethics.com.au/>

Classes for 2011

Although this could change, at present, the classes will be the following next year: K/1, K/1, 1/2, 3/4, 4/6 and 5/6. The 4/6 may strike some parents as unusual, but the two year 4 classes will be as close to identical as possible in academic ability and such a mix is actually easier for the teacher than say a 4/5/6 – a class we had at INPS a few years ago.

Once again, thank you for your support this year – because of our combined efforts the school just keeps on getting better!

I hope you all have a safe and happy Christmas.

Brett Moseley
Principal

INGLEBURN RSL NETBALL **Registration Day**

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

Time: 10am-2pm

At the Ingleburn RSL Club

ALL WELCOME

Dates to Remember

13th Dec Mon: Student reports handed out

14th Dec Tue: Whole school bowling day

Afternoon Talent Show

Year 6 Arch 2.45pm

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

School Banking

Please note that we will be doing banking tomorrow not Wednesday this week.

Thank you
Cathy & Marilyn

Uniforms

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

Canteen

CLEARANCE OF STOCK SPECIALS

This Tuesday and Wednesday, all items in the canteen will be sold at a reduced price.

Canteen News

I would like to take this opportunity to say a HUGE "THANK YOU" to all the volunteers and helpers of the INPS Canteen.

I am proud to say that we only had about 2 days this year where we had to close unexpectedly due to illness/unexpected commitments where we were unable to get someone to cover that day. It was only in

Term 4 that we were closed on Mondays. That shows the amazing support and dedication we have with our Mums and Friends to keep the canteen running smoothly.

To name a few of our cherished and special people: Jeannie, our Wednesday volunteer who doesn't even have any children at the school, Anitha who diligently stood beside Jeannie on Wednesdays, Melissa for her dedication to making Tuesday her day, Sally our amazing all rounder who does days, covers days, does shopping, helps catering and is always there being a great support. Sharyn, who agreed to do the days where Gala Day coincided with the canteen. This allowed our mums of older students to be free to go help at the Gala Days and watch their children play. Charmaine, our volunteer and shopper/supplier of the canteen every week, Natalie, Lisa, Maha, Jenny our President and volunteer/caterer/organiser, Tracey our Treasurer, helper and great support, Denisse, Tanya our fundraiser and caterer and Nora for organising the Coles Donation Scheme which helped supply the fruit in the canteen and raise the profit we received.

I now also ask with desperation that you support us again in Term 1, 2011. We need you to help us keep this great canteen school fundraiser going. I have always said that if every Mum could just spend one day in the canteen a term, we would be able to open every day and maybe even have 2 people on Thursday/Friday which seem to be our busiest days. The roster is in the canteen now, if you would like to drop in and put your name down on a day that suits you, it really would be greatly appreciated.

We are also trying to find a Canteen Manager for 2011. I unfortunately am no longer able to do this full time due to work commitments, but will gladly guide, support and be there 24/7 for anyone who may be willing to give it a go. It's not that tough a job, just a bigger version of your kitchen at home. It is also a great way to get to know some of the lovely people and families we have here at our school.

At times, we also need help and support when we are baking cookies for Anzac Day, running the BBQ for Presentation/Election days, supporting the teachers by catering when they have training days, doing

Melbourne Cup lunches, cutting up of fruit and vegetable trays for the kids to be involved in the Crunch'n'Sip month. There are a lot of different events to be involved in to get to know your school a little better and to help your kid's school.

Please have a great and enjoyable summer holiday. I can't wait to see you back here next year in 2011.

Regards
Maxine

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 "pre-school" 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**

Literacy Centre (Tutoring)

Ingleburn Uniting Church

Cost: \$15.50 per 50mins

Tuesdays and Thursdays 4-6pm

Contact: Mrs Neita Morris 0432 172 963

Dear Parents and Community Members,

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN BECOMING A TEACHER OF PHILOSOPHICAL ETHICS
AND/OR
ETHICS COORDINATOR**

Philosophical ethics may be offered at your child's school in 2011, as an option solely for students who have opted out of SRE/scripture. A volunteer Ethics Coordinator will manage the ethics program at each school. Parents or community members interested in teaching philosophical ethics, on a voluntary basis, are invited to complete an online Expression of Interest form at www.primaryethics.com.au

Interested persons must:

- Satisfy the following essential selection criteria:
 - be comfortable working with and be able to engage with children
 - have an interest in helping young people to think about ethics
 - have an open-minded, inquiring outlook
 - be a good listener
- Commit to teaching the course for at least one year,
- Be available to attend a two day training course (dates and venues to be determined, although the first one is scheduled for Sydney on February 1-2, 2011),
- Have daily access to the internet and email,
- Complete a Working with Children Check - Student/Volunteer at their own expense (\$12.50) and not have a criminal conviction for:
 - a crime against a minor; or
 - violence; or
 - sexual assault or
 - the provision of prohibited drugs.
- Complete a *Keeping Them Safe* online child protection module,
- Successfully complete a training course conducted by *Primary Ethics*,
- Diligently participate in any other training or support activities provided by *Primary Ethics*,
- Diligently teach the approved course in philosophical ethics, using the materials and following the processes given by *Primary Ethics*,
- Cooperate with the school Principal and Staff, and
- Consistently and punctually attend classes for which he or she is responsible.

Interested persons might also satisfy one or more of the following desirable criteria:

- A degree in some relevant field (e.g. arts or humanities)
- A teaching qualification
- Group facilitation experience
- Classroom experience
- Previous work with young people

For further information about the philosophical ethics course and to register your Expression of Interest as a Volunteer Ethics Teacher and/or an Ethics Coordinator, please go to: www.primaryethics.com.au