

Week 10 – Term 3 – 2011

Message from the Principal

Dear members of the Ingleburn North Public School community,

Congratulations Year 3 and Year 5 for achieving excellent NAPLAN results. As I reiterate each year, our having such small groups of students does make it a little unfair for us when we are compared to the whole of NSW and to other schools. In fact some statisticians argue that for groups of less than 50 students, the statistics are unreliable. Be that as it may, here is a breakdown of our students' performance:

Year 5 (n=10)

- 1. Growth in spelling excellent
- 2. Writing above State average
- 3. Spelling on par with State average
- 4. Grammar and Punctuation on par with Region average
- 5. Reading strand in need of improvement
- 6. Numeracy subject in need of improvement

Year 3 (n=14)

- Writing average above State and Region average
- 2. Reading above Region average and on par with State average
- 3. Spelling on par with Region average
- 4. Grammar and Punctuation above Region and on par with State average
- 5. Numeracy subject in need of improvement

Congratulations to Kirby and Brodie Pearson who represented our school at the Regional Athletics. Both students should be very proud of reaching this exceptionally talented level and Kirby is now reserve for the State 100m. And **congratulations to Mason Emmett** for making it into the Regional cricket team and to **Ben Heavey** for reaching the Zone cricket team.

This is the week we celebrate the retirement of two of our school's most respected identities, **Mrs Shedden and Mrs James**. There will be an opportunity for you to say your goodbyes in person on Thursday at 10.30am in our hall. The P&C have organised this farewell/thank you morning tea. It would be appreciated if you could bring a plate.

It is that time of year that I ask for those intending to **enrol their children in kindergarten next year** to inform the office of this as soon as possible. It is very helpful for organisational purposes if I am aware of an approximate starting number for the following year. Also, if you are aware of others considering enrolling their children at INPS next year, could you please ask them to contact me asap.

Next year our community will celebrate the **INPS 50th Anniversary**. On **Saturday 15th September 2012 a "mini fete" will be held from 9am until 12pm** on the school grounds. There will be lots to see and do including: displays of school memorabilia and photos, a BBQ, cake stalls, performances by

the students, and a time capsule will be buried. Now is the time to start spreading the word to ensure that as many of our exstudents and teachers hear about this wonderful event. For the day to be a complete success I will be calling on volunteers in February to begin planning for this momentous occasion.

I will also be placing ads in numerous papers calling on all ex-students and teachers to **send to me photos and items of memorabilia relating to the history of the school.** I know how precious these items are and scanned copies are all that is required – originals will be returned to the owners. Alternatively, attendees may elect to bring their precious memorabilia with them and have it scanned on the day. Orders for a CD or magazine about the first 50 years of INPS will be taken on Sat 15th Sept and these will be posted for a small fee or can be collected from the front office, *a few weeks after* the celebrations.

Mr Brett Moseley, Principal

Dates to Remember

Tue 20th Sept: **Performance Night**

Fri 23rd Sept: Last day of Term 3

Mon 10th Oct: First day of Term 4

Message from Mrs James

I would like to say a very sincere 'Thank You' to all those who have been so supportive over the past 12 years. I could not have organised two concerts, three Wakakirri performances (one of which got to State level), two Dancing with the Students performances and four Trivia Nights without the assistance and support of so many fabulous people. I have had the privilege to teach some truly delightful children. Amazing children generally come from amazing families! Thank you all for allowing me to work with and guide your children over the years.

I wish everyone well for the future and I will be sure to come back and visit.

Message from Mrs Shedden

Dear Parents and Students,

It is time for me to bid farewell to all at INPS. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents, especially the P&C and Canteen mums who have been absolutely wonderful and helped me so much. It has been a pleasure seeing the students start kindergarten shy and unsure of what is ahead of them and leave as mature, confident young adolescents.

I must also thank Ms Keen who has been an absolute marvel and I have enjoyed working along beside her and I would like to wish her well as she takes over my role.

It is now time for me to start the next chapter of my life and prepare for a seachange.

Goodbye, Marilyn Shedden

Coles Sports for Schools Our school has again registered with Coles for their "Sports for Schools Promotion". For every \$10 spent at Coles you will receive a voucher which can be redeemed for sporting equipment of our choice. All you have to do is ask for the vouchers at the checkout and then drop them in the box provided in the office at school.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program

Ingleburn North is also taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn community program.

Woolworths will give you one Earn & Learn point for every \$10 you spend in store (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards). All you need to do is save the code on the bottom of the docket and bring them to school and place in the collection box in the office.

Canteen News

Thanks to all the parents who ordered pies. They can be collected from the Canteen after 2pm this Friday 23^{rd} September.

Congratulations to the Philippe family who won the Kobo E-Reader for selling the most pies.

Sharon Canteen

Library News

Overdue books and Holiday borrowing

As we get closer to the end of the year I am preparing the library for stock take as such there will be no borrowing for these holidays. Overdue loan lists will be sent home this Thursday.

Help Needed!!

It's the end of the term again and if you could spare an hour to help with the shelf tidying it would be greatly appreciated. Thursday 22nd Sept

Happy reading Kathy Wyber Teacher Librarian

INPS Vegetable Garden Update

Meeting Thursday 22nd September, 3pm at Library

We now have a slab poured and ready for a shed, thanks to Mr Morabito. The plans have been drawn and marked out ready for the fences. We hope to be planting watermelons next term along with some other quick growing vegetables. We will need parent helpers to

assist the classroom teachers during gardening lessons. If you think you can help out please speak with your classroom teacher.

We have received numerous donations from many businesses but we have also received donations from our friends of the school Jeanie and Debbie who work in the canteen. They have kindly donated a class set of small garden gloves. Thank you ladies!

A full list of all the donations will be posted on our school website.

You can help in another way as well!!!

We have registered for the second consecutive year in the McCAIN School Veggie Patches program, and are now asking families to help build the Veggie Patch by collecting and sending the school barcodes from McCAIN vegetable packs to redeem for points.

To help build our Veggie Patch, simply collect barcodes from your McCAIN vegetable packs and place them in the collection box in the office in an envelope with the child's name and class.

To find out more about McCAIN School Veggie Patches please visit: www.mccainveggiepatches.com





Fruit 'n' Veg Month 2011

During the past month all students have experienced a range of fun, crosscurricular activities to celebrate Fruit 'n' Veg Month. Students have increased their awareness of the need to eat more fruit and vegetables.

One of the most popular activities has been the FRUIT 'N' VEG TASTINGS. Throughout the month the canteen have been very busy providing platters of fruit and vegetables for students to taste. There was a focus on fruit and vegetables that students may not have tasted before e.g. paw paw, avocado, cucumber and many more.

A big THANK-YOU to Sharyn and the canteen volunteers for purchasing and providing such a great range of fruit and vegetables for the students to taste.

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Here are some more ideas for Crunch & Sip.



