



Week 10 – Term 1 – 2012

Message from the Principal

Dear members of the Ingleburn North Public School community,

Congratulations go to Kristina Petkovich on becoming the INPS School Ambassador 2012.

This is a position of great honour. As usual at our wonderful school there were many fine candidates, but unfortunately there can be only one school ambassador. Kristina is a wonderful person, a fine citizen and an exceptionally hard working student; she possesses all the qualities of a fine school ambassador.

Ingleburn North Public School is in many ways the hub of our little community. In the mornings and afternoons parents enjoy a good chin wag, children laugh and play, and now on Monday and Wednesday afternoons the school is busy with After School Sport. All of these things are great to see and are very much encouraged. It is timely though that I include here information/reminders that will ensure everyone remains safe and the operation of the school is not impeded:

Student supervision commences in the mornings at 8.30am. Before that time no teacher is on duty. By sending your children to school before 8.30am you are placing them at risk of harm. The Department of Education and Communities will not take responsibility for any harm that befalls your children on school grounds before 8.30am.

Also, did you know that **your child’s behaviour on their journey to and from school** falls under the school’s behaviour policy? This in particular applies to students travelling by bus. Should a student’s behaviour on the bus be completely unacceptable it is within my authority to suspend that student’s bus pass.

Student supervision is not available after 3.00pm. Students are to be picked up by their parents at 3.00pm or they are to catch the bus. Teachers are not available after 3.00pm to supervise students. This is the time of day many teachers prepare or mark work, or leave school to attend to personal matters. On the **very rare** occasion that parents are running late, the students should wait quietly outside my office. Those parents running late (after 3.00pm) should ring the school to let us know of the problem and the expected e.t.a.

Once a parent has taken responsibility for their children in the afternoon they should ensure that they not engage in dangerous play on the school grounds. The play equipment has been designed for children aged 7 and younger. If you allow your young child to play on the equipment it must be under your strict supervision. Under no circumstances are children to play on the equipment if they are unsupervised or if they are in Year 3 or above.

After 3.00pm the toilets are cleaned and the floor will be wet and slippery. Once they have been cleaned they will be locked. The staff toilet is available to adults only.

While it is rather nice to see students buying drinks and food for their friends, it does cause all sorts of problems and arguments. Could you **please remind your children** that if they bring money to school **they should not buy other students food or drinks from the canteen.**

Early in Term 2 our old demountable library/lab will be removed. Planning and actual work is busily under way to convert my old classroom (the classroom next to the staff room) into a computer lab. While the DEC is providing the school approximately \$4000 for the electrical work, a considerable amount of money will be required to complete the project.

This school is very fortunate to have a P&C that works so hard to raise funds to provide teaching and learning resources. Now all that hard work and your contributions will be sorely needed. Once I research the precise costs I will be requesting that the P&C support the school to purchase the items below.

The following items will help us to provide your children a truly 21st century education and prepare them for an ever changing world. We cannot allow our children to be disadvantaged in information technology and its applications.

New Lab

1. Switchboard upgrade Block B
2. 30 x GPOs
3. New blinds
4. Smart Board
5. Wireless hubs x 2
6. Server upgrade
7. Desk backing boards
8. Notice boards

Mrs Parker's Room

1. New air conditioner

Whole school

1. iPads x 31
2. Wireless hubs x 3
3. Lockable trolley

The approximate cost of all these items will be \$36,000. I will be requesting that the P&C provide as much of this as possible and the school will make up the rest.

This is also a year in which I would like to see our teaching resources doubled! Obviously, with the P&C funds depleted, school funds will be required to meet these costs.

Should all of this be accomplished in 2012, INPS might just be the best resourced small public school in NSW.

Mr B. Moseley
Principal

Coming Events

Thur 5th April: Easter Hat Parade and Raffle

Thur 5th April: LAST DAY OF TERM

Tue 24th April: FIRST DAY OF TERM (for students)

Wed 25th April: ANZAC DAY (public holiday)

Thur 26th April: ANZAC DAY Assembly – All Welcome

Stewart House Donation Drive 2012

All Stewart House Donation envelopes have been given out through your child's class teachers.

For your chance to WIN A \$4000 Holiday to a destination of your choice just fill in your details on the back of the envelope place a \$2 coin or equivalent in the envelope and return it to the school to be eligible for the draw.

Entries must be returned to the office by

Stewart House Day 11th May 2012.

The winner of the \$4000 holiday will be drawn on Friday 25th May 2012 at 1.00pm. The winners name will be published in the Sydney Morning Herald.

Well Women's Clinic

The Women's Health Nurse provides a free Well Women's Clinic at the Ingleburn Community Health Centre. Services provided include pap tests, breast checks, pregnancy testing, post natal checks and general women's health information. Please call the centre for bookings on 87884200

Stewart House

We are again collecting for Stewart House. If you have any clothes or Manchester that you no longer need, you may drop these off at the office by **Wednesday 16th May**. Stewart House bags are available at the office.

School Banking

Don't forget school banking is running each Wed. morning before school at the front office.

Cathy and Marie

P&C FUNDRAISING

Upcoming Dates to remember.

- Monday 2nd April 2012

The Lorax Movie Night

6.30pm start. Dumaresq St Cinema

- Thursday 5th April 2012.

Easter Raffle Draw

Parents, just a reminder that Easter egg donations for the Annual Easter Raffle, would be much appreciated. Each classroom has a basket for donations. Spare raffle books are available at the front office.

Student Injury Insurance

Payment of \$5 is due very soon. Thank you to those who have already paid. If you haven't paid could you please send \$5 per student to the Office by the end of this week. This \$5 covers each student for a whole year. Student Insurance covers injuries that happen at school, excursions and children going to camp.

Thank you

Tanya

P & C Committee

Bambi Kindergarten

Celebrating 60 years of service to the community

Bambi Kindergarten Association Inc
Would like to invite you to join us for afternoon
tea

Date: Saturday 26th May 2012

Time: 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Where: Bambi Kindergarten Stevens Road,
Ingleburn

RSVP: Friday 20th May 2012

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Library News

Welcome to the first part of many in library news. Unfortunately it start to the year with personal illness and the library office that the rest of the term and year will be trouble free!



hasn't been a good flooding. It is hoped

Borrowing

Library sessions have begun with each class having a weekly 40 minute library and borrowing time. During this session the children are allowed to borrow 2 books for one week if they bring their library bag and 1 book, for the classroom only, if they don't have their bag. The children are also allowed to borrow during the second half of lunch on Tuesday and Thursday.

Class library days are:

Tuesday- 1/2A, KQ, 5S

Wednesday- 4/6C, K/1M, 2/3P

Library Bags

As mentioned the children need library bags to borrow books to take home. This bag does not have to be fancy as long as it is labeled. It can even be an old pillow case. We only ask that it not be a plastic bag for health and safety reasons.

Premiers' Readers Challenge

The challenge begins in February and finishes on the 1st of Sept and requires the children at different age groups to read a certain number of books from the list provided. All children will be participating during library and class time. The children in the K-2 classes will have the books read to them by their class teachers and recorded as a whole group. The 3-6 children will keep their own records during library time. The students will be starting their challenge next term.

For more information about the Challenge please see:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge/index

Chess Club

The Friday afternoon competition with the NSW primary chess competition begins in the second term. We have one team of six. Information about the draw and parent contact details will be sent out soon. I am still awaiting the details of the draw. If you are seeking more information about this competition please check the website www.nswjci.org.au

Help Needed!!

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

Just turn up at around 1:40pm on Wednesday 4th of April if you are able to help.

Hunger Games

Normally I do not make comment on movie or book releases but there has been a lot of debate over the appropriateness of the movie 'The Hunger Games' which is currently rated PG. Being a parent of four children I understand the difficulty when it comes to movies and their ratings, they don't always get it right. It is most likely to be an extremely popular movie but I would suggest parents view the movie before allowing children to watch. Basically children are drawn out of a hat to fight to the death while everyone watches on TV. This opinion is based on reading the books myself and much debate among librarians.

Kathy Wyber
Teacher Librarian

Anzac Day

On the **first Thursday of second term** (after Anzac Day holiday) our school will hold a community assembly to commemorate ANZAC Day. A number of guests will be joining us for this important occasion and parents are most welcome as well.

It will be held at 11.30 am on Thursday 26th April 2007. Morning tea will be served after the ceremony in the library. Please feel free to come along and join in on this special day.

The students are requested to bring a small posy of flowers to place near the flagpole as a tribute during the ceremony.

If you are new to our school and would like your child to place a cross in the rose garden to remember a war veteran from your family please fill out the form below and return it by the end of the term.

War Veterans full name_____

War they served _____

Child's name_____ Class_____

Parent contact details _____

KIDZLAND KINDGERTEN

VACATION CARE PROGRAM

APRIL 2012

MONDAY 9th	TUESDAY 10th	WEDNESDAY 11th	THURSDAY 12th	FRIDAY 13th
public holiday Cost : Nil	Mt Pritchard Workers Club Ice Age Pirate Show (Must be paid in advance to ensure bookings) Cost \$6.00	Centre craft and games day Cost \$ NIL	Games to U (lazer tag, games arcade and hamster ball) Cost \$15.00	Merrylands central gardens (sausage sizzle) Cost Nil
MONDAY 16th	TUESDAY 17th	WEDNESDAY 18th	THURSDAY 19th	FRIDAY 20th
Centre day Fancy Dress day, Cooking Face painting Cost nil	Wizard of Oz funland (includes lunch) Bring Socks Disco Cost \$13.00	Movies Dumeresqu Street Campbelltown (includes drink, icecream or popcorn) Cost \$8.00	Aqua Golf Penrith Cost \$ 5.00	Wheels and Balls Day Party Day Bring bikes, scooters, roller blades and safety equip. Cost Nil

Please contact Karen, Cheryl or Alishia on 9605 1184 to book for vacation care excursions.

Parents please note that all vacation care bookings will be charged whether you use them or not.

Please note that all excursions must be paid in cash, and in advance where indicated. Thank you.