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# Newsletter



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■ 2020 ■ Term 3 ■ Week 2 and 3

| Calendar         |  |
|------------------|--|
| Term 3, Week 4   |  |
| Monday 10 August | Welcome Tom Crouch to IPS and Junee HS students to work with our classes |
| Friday 14 August | Softball   |
| Term 3, Week 5   |  |
| Wednesday 19 Aug | Miss Callow's birthday   |
| Friday 21 August | Tennis commences   |
| Term 3, Week 6   |  |
| Monday 24 August | JHS students   |
| Friday 28 August | Tennis   |



## Student attendance

Remember not to send students to school if they are unwell, even if they have mild symptoms. We will make appropriate arrangements to return students home if they become unwell at school.

#### Students should be at school unless:

They have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe or they are currently unwell.

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## A message from Meg

It is with much pleasure that Illabo Public School welcomes Mr Tom Crouch, to complete his final Professional Experience. Tom is in his fourth year at the University of Wollongong. We know he will enjoy his time with us as he gains valuable experience in working in a small, rural school. We are pleased to have him join our team for 6 weeks.



All schools are operating in line with AHPPC and NSW Health guidelines and supported by these guiding principles:

- All activities permitted at school are safe and appropriate in a living-with-COVID-19 environment.
- Schools continue to monitor and plan for any changes in local circumstances that may arise, including changes in health advice or local restrictions.
- All external visitors, contractors and volunteers to a school site are required to sign the External Visitors to the School Site form each time they visit the school site. The visitor must provide personal contact information to the school to be used in an emergency or when performing contact tracing if required.
- Non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events. This includes parents and carers, except for face-to-face parent/teacher meetings that are essential (eg to discuss disciplinary or other welfare matters). Parents that do visit the school must complete the above mentioned form, External Visitors to school site, available out the front of the school office.

#### Activities on hold until further notice:

(a small number of activities remain on hold and will be reconsidered in Term 3:

- Kindergarten orientation
- Excursions and school camps
- Parent and carer attendance at assemblies and other school events
- Parent and carer volunteers, eg parent reading helpers
- School-based activities that involve large gathering of adults. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school barbecues, large parent information evenings and large onsite cultural events.

## Education Week 2020

This year, we have certainly relied on *Learning Together* to keep our school community strong.

In this year of bushfires, floods and COVID-19, the key messages of Education Week are:

#### Schools are the cornerstone of communities

Parents and carers are our partners in learning. Schools and families benefit from strong, respectful relationships where responsibility for student learning is shared.

#### Change and resilience

Our teachers and students are lifelong learners, collaborating in a positive learning environment to achieve their best. Learning together makes us strong and creates resilient communities.

#### **Connect better and learn together**

Our school staff are dedicated professionals who know, value and care for all students. Technology enables learning together anywhere, any time.

I would like to thank my staff and our parents and wider community members for their ongoing support of Illabo Public School. A big thank you also, to the students, who are building their skills to become resilient, lifelong learners. We are proud of you and you should be proud of your efforts this year.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID restrictions, we were unable to invite parents and community members on site during Education Week to showcase the different learning activities at IPS. So, the students under the supervision of Miss Molloy, have created a film for your enjoyment. It was a challenging time with some of our school leaders away sick, but I'm sure you will agree that the students have done a great job! Please use the below link to access the film via You Tube: https://youtu.be/0xgiAcle0mY

Thank you to those students who returned their NAIDOC Week colouring in. The successful students have been given their prizes for amazing effort.



## NCCD Data

The school is currently collecting annual NCCD data. This information helps determine part of our funding for 2021. Please let me know if you do not want your child to be included in the data collection.

## Sport News

Our students have been learning softball skills on Friday afternoon with Mr Steward. This Friday will be the last day for softball with tennis coaching commencing from next Friday for the rest of the term.





Hailee and Joey with Mr John Ferguson from Tennis Australia showing some of our new Kindergarten tennis racquets.

## Scholastic Book Club LOOP

## LOOP (Linked Online Ordering and Payment platform)

We have had some parents show interest in purchasing books through Scholastic Book club. The LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order. For every Book Club order placed, our school receives back 20% of your order value, to purchase valuable educational resources for our school.

Please note, LOOP is the only payment option for parents wanting to purchase Book Club books at Illabo PS. This eliminates the need for paper payments and processing errors. It's easy, safe and efficient!

Login page available at:

https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.as px

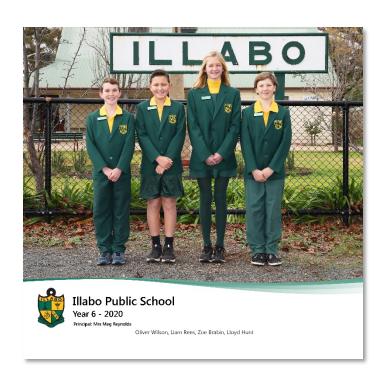
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or App Store Schools Play











## **Healthy Lunch Box Website**

## https://healthylunchbox.com.au

Have you tried the <u>interactive lunch box builder</u>? This is a fantastic resource that could help teach your kids how to plan and what to pack in a healthy lunch.

#### What's New at the Healthy Lunch Box

For term 3 we have new recipes for the winter season including:

#### **Red Lentil Soup**

Chicken & Vegetable Lasagne

Tomato & Cheese Damper

<u>Hidden Vegie Tomato Pasta Sauce</u>

### **Custard Pudding**

# **Nut**rition Snippet

## THIRSTY?



### Water or plain milk is the best.

Try these ideas to zing up your drink:

- Water flavoured with slices of strawberries, orange or lemon makes a refreshing change
- For the lunch box, add some berries or cucumber slices to a bottle of water and pop it into the freezer
- Check out our <u>blog</u> for more healthy thirst-quenching ideas

healthylunchbox.com.au



## Community News

The Parish of St Joseph's Junee would like to extend an invitation to all in our Parish eligible to receive the Sacrament of

## Reconciliation

Lessons will take place during class time at St Joseph's School on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 - 12:30, (beginning 26th August)

#### Dates for your diary:

Parent Information Meeting - Tuesday 12th August 6pm @ St Joseph's School

Sacrament of Reconciliation — Wednesday 16th September @ St Joseph's Church

Please contact Kellie Salmon on 69241717 to register interest



Science lesson with Mr Steward on soil erosion











