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Calendar

Term 2 Week 8

Thursday 10 June Riverina Cross Country, Gundagai.
Tom National Skipping Champion – Demonstration from 9.15am

Term 2 Week 9

Monday 14 June Queen’s Birthday – Public holiday.
Thursday 17 June Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 18 June Illabo PS hosting Touch Knockout Illabo vs Bongongo PS

Term 2 Week 10

Thursday 24 June Reports home.
Friday 25 June Last day of Term 2

Term 3 Week 1

Monday 12 July Staff development day
Tuesday 13 July Students return for Term 3

Autumn at IPS



Guess who’s enjoying the Autumn leaves!

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A message from Meg

Touch Knockout

On Friday 18 June Illabo PS is looking forward to hosting Bongongo Public School here on our school grounds for the touch knockout. Rod Brennan has done a great job of marking our touch field, thank you Rod!

We have also invited Bongongo PS to join us for a BBQ lunch and enjoy our famous hamburgers.

Parents/carers and family members are also invited to come and watch the touch knockout and stay for a hamburger as well. **(All students have been sent home with an order form to be returned by Tuesday 15 June, please)**

The touch game will commence at approximately 12:00 pm, followed by lunch at 1:00 pm.

Reporting and Assessing

The teachers are currently busy writing reports which will be sent home in the last week of term. They will be given to the students in their green folders with samples of learning from the second half of this term. Formal parent-teacher interviews were held earlier this term however, as always, if you would like to discuss any aspect of your child's learning with their teacher, please contact the school to make a suitable time.

If you still have your child's green folder at home, please return it asap with the work samples removed, ready for new ones to be included.

Meg

Sports Report by Mimi

On Thursday 10 June, Scarlett will compete in the Riverina Cross Country in Gundagai. Hopefully the rain holds off and the conditions aren't too challenging for Scarlett, we wish her luck!

We are still skipping madly every morning and have raised an amazing \$1,278 for the Jump Rope for Heart foundation. There is still time to donate! Parents can sign up to the link below.

www.jumprope.org.au/parents We're still trying to perfect our skills so a professional skipper named Tom will be kindly coming and teaching us at the end of the week.

P & C News

Next meeting 5.30pm Thursday 24 June at the Sporting Bodies. Everyone is welcome to attend!

GRIP Leadership Conference

Last Thursday, Angus, Matthew, Miss Molloy and I went to a Grip Leadership Conference in Wagga at CSU with nearly 500 students from lots of different schools around the Riverina. The first session was called 'how to take responsibility.' In this session we learnt how to take responsibility as a leader and that we all can be different types of leaders. We all watched movie clips and identified how each character leads in a different way including from their talent, their interest, by making a difference and from experience. I know my responsibilities as a leader are to follow through on promises, do what is right and put others first.

- Lydia

The second session was called 'Time for bright ideas.' We all had to write down our bright ideas about ways to improve the school. One of the ideas that we had was to put happy mottos up around the school like 'act as if what you do matters, because it does' another one that we think is good is 'kindness makes the most beautiful person no matter what you look like.' It is important for students to feel welcome, safe and important at school.

- Angus

The last session was called 'Time to plan.' We then had to form a plan of what we could do to make our school better. We learnt there are 5 steps to planning including: identify a need at the school, invent a solution, introduce it to the teachers and then to students, implement your solution and continually improve. Angus, Lydia and I each came up with our own ideas of how to make the school better. These plans included recycling bins, a therapy animal and have colourful and inviting toilets.

We all had a great day and learnt a lot about being a great leader.

- Matthew



Drama with Mr Crouch

We enjoyed another creative and performing arts lesson with Mr Crouch and here are some photos of our very talented and entertaining students presenting their drama pieces.





Awards

Merit Certificate

Parker, Charlie M, Tully, George C, Claudia and Oscar



Wellbeing Award and Library Award

Elsie (Library Award) Zailey, Olivia and Joey



Koalas Assembly and Snowmen



What a fantastic effort from our Koalas, sharing all their knowledge and information on the seasons and months of the year. They were very brave when they were speaking on stage. Well done!



What have the Koalas been doing?



In numeracy we always use hands-on resources and work on the floor together, and often complete an interactive activity, before we go back to our seats to finish our tasks. Mrs Reynolds and Miss Guthrie help and guide us before we try the task independently in our maths textbooks.

In these photos Year 1 is learning about partitioning (separating) numbers and making groups of numbers to add together. Kindergarten is learning number combinations to 9 and also their friends of 10. We are all learning about comparing numbers and using language like *more than* and *less than*.





In literacy, Kindergarten has been focussing on phonological and phonemic awareness. We are learning to identify the beginning and end sounds in words, as well as recognise syllables and rhymes.

We also have some decodable texts that we read with the Year 1s, Miss Guthrie and Mrs Reynolds to help us learn to decode words.

We practise forming our letters correctly, making sure we don't go outside the lines when we are tracking.

In Year 1, we learn spelling rules like *doubling consonants and pinchy e* and how to use a dictionary to help us spell words. Mrs Reynolds shows us these strategies in Word of the Day and we do activities with our own spelling challenge lists to revise the tricky words.

When we are in the playground we like to be helpful so sometimes we are given extra responsibilities like ringing the bell or picking up leaves in the garden.

We love to play together and skipping is one of our favourite activities at the moment. That's why our skipping skills have improved so much since the start of the term.





At the beginning of the year, Mrs Reynolds bought us a jigsaw puzzle. We have had heaps of fun working on it throughout the semester and it has helped us improve our communication, problem solving and teamwork skills.

We are excited to say that we finished it this week and are looking forward to starting another puzzle next term.

