



ILLAWARRA

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Newsletter

THURSDAY 17 November 2016

TERM 4

NEWSLETTER No.18 Week 6

From the Principal...

PROTECT IN PLACE - LOCKDOWN POLICY

The Education Department requires all schools to have a Protect in Place - Lockdown Policy. At Illawarra Primary School this is signalled by a series of short siren blasts over a 2 minute period plus a PA voice contact "We have an emergency situation, lockdown".

On Tuesday morning at 8.25am the school conducted a lockdown drill, to test our capacity to "protect in place".

Our present policy will work well "if the children are already in their classrooms during lesson times" but in situations like before school, recess or lunch times, it does raise some challenges:

- A siren drill to explain to children what the lockdown siren sounds like needs to be conducted during the first weeks of each year.
- Parents need to be aware that they need to move into the room with their child whilst the lockdown is in place for their protection as well.
- Parents with children coming from the car park will find the gates locked; this will mean you should return to your vehicle until the all clear siren is sounded.

A lockdown situation will usually result in the police being asked to attend school to deal with the problem.

Michael King
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mrs Kirsty Sommer who has won a permanent teaching position at Illawarra Primary School.

We are delighted to have appointed Kirsty to this position, knowing she will be a great teacher for the children in the future.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT



TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER

Costumes:

The colour theme is red, blue, white and green. Christmas tee shirt, tops, dress, shorts as advised by Miss Ferrara or class teacher. If you don't have shorts in the Christmas colours wear blue school shorts. Don't forget to wear a Christmas hat.

Year 6 students are to wear their graduation tee shirt and a Santa hat.

Arrival time for Students

Kindy, Pre Primary and the Year 6 Performance Group students need to be at school by **6.30pm**

All other students need to be in their classrooms by **6.45pm**.

The concert commences at **7.00pm**

2017 KINDY PARENT MEETING



Will be held tomorrow Friday 18 November at 8.45am in the library.

IN TERM SWIMMING 2016 PP - YEAR 6



A reminder that In Term swimming will run from Monday 21 November to Friday 2 December 2016.

Please ensure all clothing is labelled ie towels, bathers, shorts, tee shirts.

Parents are required to supply a plastic bag for bringing home wet clothing.

Thank you

2017 STUDENT COUNCILLOR

Last Thursday a large contingent of Year 5 students presented speeches for election to the leadership position of Student Councillor - 2017. 36 students delivered convincing speeches and made influential impressions on students and staff who voted. The presentation of badges to successful candidates will be made at the final assembly for the year which is on **Wednesday 14 December**. Four girls and four boys will take up this leadership role.

PARENT HELPER MORNING TEA

Invitations have been forwarded to parents/grandparents who have assisted the school during 2016. If for some unforeseen reason your name was not included, my sincere apologies. Please however come along next Thursday 24 November, 10.30am, so all the staff can express their appreciation of your assistance during the year. The morning tea will be hosted in the library.



Room 20 have been lucky to have some fluffy visitors for 2 weeks. The students have been learning about the life cycle of a chicken and many other animals and were very fortunate to be able to witness the chickens hatch from their eggs in an incubator, be able to observe and hold them once they were taken out and placed into their chick pen.

Before and after school room 20 has had numerous visitors from all other classes as well as parents coming in to have a look and a hold of these gorgeous chicks.

LIBRARY BORROWING



Due to swimming commencing week 7 students will no longer be able to borrow books from the library.

It would be greatly appreciated if all Parents/Guardians remind their children that **ALL** Library Books must now be returned to the library by the end of this week in preparation for end of year.

From the P&C

THANK YOU!

The P&C would like to thank everyone who made the Under the Sea disco a huge success, all the students had a great time. We are pleased to announce that the total profit raised was \$1484.90 Well done!

Keep an eye out in your child's school bag for a pre order form for Taco Tuesday. This will be our last event run by the P&C for 2016. The students loved it last year and we will once again have this during the second week of swimming lessons.

We would like to thank everyone for their support of all our events throughout the year. Your contributions have helped benefit your school and brighten your children's year.

There is a P&C Meeting on Monday 28 November at 3pm in the Staff room. Everyone welcome.

VOLUNTEERING!

If you don't have the time to spare to volunteer the P&C are always after donations of prizes for raffles or donations towards our major fundraising which is Nature Playground.

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

Term 4 is so busy a simple competition is ideal!

All students have to do is make a bank deposit each week which earns a raffle ticket to go into the draw to win. Competition closes on the 6th of December. Good luck!

UNIFORM SHOP

Additional new opening times

The Uniform shop opens on Monday mornings from 8.20am until 9am but will now open on **Thursday afternoon from 2.30pm until 3.15pm.**

SCHOOL DIARY TERM FOUR 2016

November

- 17 Newsletter
- 18 2017 Kindy Parents meeting
- 21 Swimming commences
- 24 Parent Helper morning tea
- 28 P&C Meeting

December

- 1 Newsletter
- 2 Swimming finishes
- 6 Christmas Concert
- 8 Year 6 Orientation to BCC
- 9 2017 Booklist due
Year 6 Excursion
Aerial Fun
- 12 Year 6 Graduation
Last day Canteen
- 13 K-6 Reports go home
- 14 Final Assembly
Class Parties
Newsletter
- 15 Last day for students

END OF TERM

Students return 1 February 2017

ENROLMENT VACANCIES 2017

If your child was born between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013 they can start Kindergarten in 2017.

We also have vacancies in Years PP to Year 6.

For further information please contact the school office or call in to collect the enrolment documents.

STUDENT WELLBEING HUB

This is a website designed for dealing with bullying. For further information visit:

http://det.wa.edu.au/edemail/redirect?oid=com_arsdigita.cms.contenttypes.EdEArticle-id-18427925

UNIFORM SHOP:

Open every MONDAY 8:15 – 9:00am
Order forms are available at the front office or on the school's website. If the hours are not convenient, please leave your order form together with your payment at the office

COSTUME SHOP:

Open on THURSDAYS between 2:30pm-3:15pm.
Lisa: ☎ 0412 950 462 Leave a message and I will return your call ASAP.
Email: illawarracostumes@gmail.com

SCHOOL BANKING:

Tuesday Mornings
8.15 – 8.45am in the Canteen.

CANTEEN: Open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays