



# ILLAWARRA

Primary School | Caring for People  
An Independent Public School

# Newsletter

Thursday 26 March 2020

TERM 1

NEWSLETTER No. 4 Week 8

## *From the Principal*

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to sincerely thank everyone for their support of our students, staff and community over the last few weeks. Every day I hear of examples of parent generosity and support for others. In this time, our staff at Illawarra Primary School have been committed to supporting our students in keeping them safe and secure. I can say with all sincerity that the staff at Illawarra Primary School have been tremendous in these difficult weeks.

In these trying times where current events are significantly impacting upon all our lives, it is heart-warming that the Illawarra community have remained calm and compassionate in this crisis. These are uncertain times and some may feel overwhelmed, confused and uncertain of what might lay ahead. These feelings are completely normal. Our school is currently providing as much consistency as possible for families and students and we appreciate your support and compassionate words. Our school Chaplain, Jaylene Tweedie, is available to 'chat' with students and/or parents if needed. Please email Jaylene and she will arrange a suitable time to chat.

[Jaylene.Tweedie@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Jaylene.Tweedie@education.wa.edu.au)

It is vital to make sure you have accurate information, so please refer to the Department of Health website, or contact the school if you have any questions.

[https://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/A\\_E/Coronavirus](https://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/A_E/Coronavirus)

The following link will provide families with vital information and support around coping with and discussing the Covid-19 situation with children.

<https://raisingchildren.net.au/guides/a-z-health-reference/coronavirus-and-children-in-australia>

**Today, our Premier has asked parents to keep their children home from school if possible, with the last day of the current term brought forward to Friday 3 April 2020.**

**What this means for our school is:**

- **Classes will be offered as usual from March 30 to April 3 2020.**
- **However, from April 6 to April 9 2020, schools will provide supervision only.**

The Department's learning from home resources are available to parents.

Please note that this website is still being developed and resources will be added over the coming days and weeks. Parents should continue to visit this page as they need more ideas to support the home learning program. The link to this website is:

<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/learning-at-home>

Whilst the Department of Education's current message is that schools will remain open until the end of the term, **I would ask all parents to ensure their contact details are up to date with the front office and that all parents are signed up to their child's class Dojo.** This will be our main form of communication if we need to contact parents. While email may be used, teachers immediate access to parents via the Dojo App, means it is the preferred communication method.

Keep safe.

Brian Davies  
Principal



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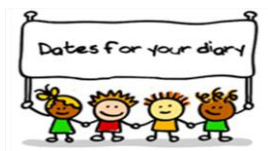
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## P&C COLOURING COMPETITION

Time is almost up to complete the P&C Easter Colouring Competition. Please return your entries to the box located in the front office by **Monday 30 March 2020**.



### March

- 27 Dinosaur Club
- 30 Boys Club

### April

- 1 Lego Club
- 2 Girls Club
- 3 Dinosaur Club
- Ice Cream Day
- 6 Boys Club
- 8 Lego Club
- 9 Newsletter
- Girls Club

**LAST DAY OF TERM**

## CAMP AUSTRALIA

Before and after school care on the school grounds.

### **Before School Care**

7.00am – 8.40am

### **After School Care**

2.45pm – 6.00pm

Further information is available from the school office or at:

[www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)

ph: 1300 105 343

## REMINDER

The K-2 and 3-6 Disco that was scheduled to take place on Friday 27 March has been cancelled due to the new restrictions in place with social gatherings.



## CANTEEN SPECIAL FRIDAY 3 APRIL LUNCH TIME ONLY

### **YEAR 1 – 6 ONLY**

Vanilla Ice-cream in a cone - 50 cents.

With your choice of sprinkles, hundreds and thousands or chocolate sprinkles - 60 cents.



## UNIFORM SHOP CHANGE OF DAYS

The uniform shop will now be open:

MONDAY 8:15 – 8:45am

&

THURSDAY 2:45 – 3:15pm.

## P&C EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Due to the current COVID-19 situation, we will now be drawing this raffle at a later date. Thank you for the kind donations that Illawarra Primary School have so far received. Any further donations will be collected at a later date.



## PAYMENTS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

Thank you to the families who have paid their 2020 Contributions and Charges. For the safety of our community, families and staff we will only accept payments by EFTPOS or Direct Deposit until further notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your understanding.



### **UNIFORM SHOP:**

Open every TUESDAY 8:15 – 8:45am and THURSDAY 2:45 – 3:15pm.

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 by appointment only.

Please send an email and we will respond ASAP.

Email: [illawarracostumes@gmail.com](mailto:illawarracostumes@gmail.com)

### **SCHOOL BANKING:**

Monday Mornings 8.15 – 8.45am in the Canteen.

**CANTEEN:** Open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays