Hello Everyone

Welcome back for the start of the 2nd half of the year. I trust everyone had a relaxing holiday.

Just to finish off a couple of things from last term, thank you to Amanda, Elwyn, and all the NAIDOC day organisers. And particularly, thank you to Aunty Davina who put so many things together for a very enjoyable week celebrating Aboriginal culture. Thank you also to the P&C for supporting our wonderful Disco. A number of people asked me if they could have a disco every term—I don’t think so—but I know the P&C would love to put something special on for the students as often as possible.

P & C IPAD Training for parents

Yes! The P&C have offered to fund IPAD training for parents and I know there are a lot of people who would be interested. The staff are also being offered training in IPADS and it will be great to be able to share this knowledge. Please take a look at the form attached and nominate a time if you would be interested in attending.

Kiln Room

A reminder that the area outside A Block is being closed off while the Kiln Room is being built. Another 4 weeks and Heather and the potting students will be very happy indeed.

Communication Policy

The school is currently establishing a Communication Policy that will be what we believe about the importance of communication in the school. As you are aware, the most important thing we teach in our school is communication. With the engagement of our students we can achieve so much and with this policy clearly articulated there will never be any doubt that while we teach curriculum, reading, work skills, life skills, social skills and more, it is always on the platform of communication and with communication as centre-point.

IPad Training

Four Proloquo2go training sessions are going to be offered for both staff and parents but you will need to pay for these. Please let the office know if you would like a copy of the registration information. Costs will be $50 per session 3:30pm to 5:00pm but you don’t have to attend every one. The registration form describes each workshop and what will be the skills covered.

P&C meeting

The next meeting for the P&C is tonight (18 July) at 7:00pm.

All the best and have a wonderful term 3.

Bruce
Entertainment Books
If anyone would like to order an entertainment book this year please visit www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/228n212
To order your book online or contact the school on 38135777. Books cost $65 each.

Coles Sport for School Vouchers
We are collecting the Coles sports for schools voucher. The closing date for vouchers is 4 August.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
We are collecting stickers for the Woolworths program. If you require more sticker sheets please contact the office. Closing date for the stickers is 12 August.

The Flower Pot Nursery
We are having a plant sale at our school Nursery on Monday 30 July during 1st and 2nd break. At the Flower Pot Nursery we have a selection of plants for sale from $4 and hanging baskets from $7.
Our students have potted up these plants as part of their internal work experience and would love you all to come and take a look at what they have been doing.

These bag racks were made and donated to our school (Ian’s room) by Heather Livingstone’s family. Thank you so much for your kind generosity.
DONATIONS:

POTTERY CLASS DONATIONS
Pottery students are looking for donations of Air Plants (Old Mans Whiskers) to put on pottery masks. Donations can be dropped off at the school.

LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF PLANTS
If you have any plants that could be potted up they would be greatly appreciated, e.g.
Bromeliads
Succulents
Agave
Plants can be dropped off at school and sent to the Home Economics room.
Donations of Small Pots under 14cm or 5 inch

DONATE YOUR OLD DESKTOP COMPUTERS FOR RECYCLING
Our school runs a computer recycling program as part of our work experience program. We require old desktop computers which can be used for recycling. NO LAPTOPS PLEASE. Computers can be dropped off at school.

OLD SEWING MACHINES
If anyone has an old sewing machine that they could donate to the school for the Therapists please drop it off into the office. This will help with splint making and the production of equipment to be used with the kids in hydrotherapy.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

18 July—P& C Meeting All welcome

23 August—Parent Carer Workshop
**IMPORTANT NOTICES:**

All students who are being picked from school need to be signed out at the school office. If anyone other than a parent/carer is picking up a student the school must be notified and photo identification must be presented before signing out a student.

**Our School Code of Behaviour**

Our school follows the Positive Behaviour Support Program. This program involves active teaching of our School Code of Behaviour. It is our expectation that all students will be following the four key parts of the code. They are:

- **Co-operation.**
- **Respect for Others.**
- **Self Control.**
- **Respect for Property.**

A copy of the symbols for each of the four key parts is attached. Our school welcomes your support with this program.

**AFTER SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM**

Vacancies Available for After School Care
at Ipswich Special School (Operated by Focal Extended Inc.)

Vacancies exist for children with a disability, aged between 12 and 18 years

**When**
Between 2:45pm and 5:30pm

Monday to Friday (school term)
Permanent and casual bookings are available

**Fees**
$10.00 per session. (Childcare benefit fee reductions apply for eligible participants).

For more information
Please contact the OSHC coordinator
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OUTSTANDING STUDENT WORK

Classroom work continues to be of a high standard. It is great to see so many students working so hard.

Keep up the good work!

MATHS
Joshua Gillespie

SENSORY LEARNING
Taylah Kerridge-Oliver
Holly Butler

GOOD WRITING
Kiearna Purnell
McCoy Clayton

PAPER DELIVERY
Karley Wilson
Kimberley Poole
Free IPad Training Sessions for Parents

Please complete the below form and return to the office if you wish to attend one of the two free training sessions.

Date: Wednesday 1 August
Venue: Terracotta Room
Times: 1st Session 1:00pm-2:30pm, 2nd Session 3:00pm—4:30pm

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IPAD TRAINING SESSIONS

I, ________________________________ am interested in attending the IPAD training on Wednesday 1 August.

Please tick the box for the session you would like to attend.

☐ 1:00pm—2:30pm
☐ 3:00pm—4:30pm

Number of people attending: __________

Signature: _________________________