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### Ivanhoe Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Ivanhoe Primary School Community,

#### Year 5 Camp.

The Year 5 students have been thoroughly enjoying themselves on camp. Cold mornings have become beautifully sunny days which has made each day more enjoyable. Campers have participated in canoeing, team

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## Term 2 Calendar

25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Camp Camp Coonawarra	
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Last day of Term 2	2.30 finish
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Term 3 Commences	

rescue, low and high ropes course, archery and orienteering among other activities. Night hikes and talent shows have also been a part of the program with parents Glenn and Matt leading sing alongs with the aid of their guitars. The parent helpers have been fantastic involving themselves in every aspect of the program. Teachers and students really benefit from getting to know each other in this very different environment. Everyone will sleep well Friday night after this very exciting week.





#### Want to help your child at home? Screen time thinking.

Holidays can often mean more access to screen time when children would often benefit more from being outside or engaging in more physical activities. I know from my own experience that children can mount compelling arguments for spending more time on a device and it can be difficult acquiesce to demands. However, it is possible to channel energies toward education outcomes and here are a couple of ideas that may prove useful. Suggest they use various technologies to share ideas and show their creativity. These might include: Create a website with a specific interest in mind, such as a hobby, a sports team, or an historical event that interests them.

Write a blog on a hobby or interest.

Write a short film script and then shoot the film using a mobile phone, tablet or video recorder. Use editing software to edit the film and create titles. Find digital film score music or sound effects to create mood and suspense.

Write a radio script and then record the script using a digital voice recorder or device.

Write a short story and record it using a mobile phone, tablet, or voice recorder.

Write emails or instant messages to family members.

Use presentation or slide software to create presentations for the family about their holiday, or about something of personal interest.

#### **Acting Principal and acting Assistant Principal**

I will be on long service leave for the first three weeks of Term 3. During this time Pam Wright will be acting principal and her deputy will be Lucy Garzarella. Arrangements have been made for the teaching of Italian during this time.

#### Fortnite - online game

I have recently been alerted by several parents that some children are playing the online game fortnite. The following is an except that was recently published by the Director of Innovative Learning at Trinity Grammar School and is relevant to our community.

"The game Fortnite is an online multiplayer game where players compete to be the last one standing. Fortnite is a first-person shooter (FPS) game, although the graphics are fairly cartoony in nature, so the game has only attracted a 12+ rating. Fortnite is extremely addictive, and some teens have shown real physical addiction to the game, including withdrawal symptoms such as mood swings, urges and headaches. The addictive nature of the game is compounded by the subtle 'pay to win' model that it employs; while players cannot technically pay to gain any advantage in the game, they can progress up the levels more quickly by spending money. Some teens have experienced real social pressure to advance in the game..."

As parents we try to monitor what our children are doing but sometimes things can slip under the radar. From time to time it is prudent to scrutinise the activity a little closer.

#### **Road Safety and Holidays**

Remember not everyone using the roads have children so many drivers won't be aware that with school holidays children are out and about between 9am and 3.30pm so remind your child(ren) to exercise extreme caution when crossing roads.

#### Thank you

Thank you to our Junior School Councillors, House Captains and Sustainability Leaders for being great role models and helping to make our school fabulous.

Semester 2 leaders will be awarded their badges and welcomed in to their roles at the Assembly on the 16<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you to our volunteers and families who support the school in so many ways. From the classrooms and learning spaces to the playground, facilities and camps we could not manage without your support. Many of the tasks performed are not noticed until they cease to happen.

Thank you to all the school staff who work tirelessly to make IPS a great school. It is a privilege to work with you. On behalf of the leadership team I wish you all a restful break.

Welcome to Ivan	hoe Primary	/ School.
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Mark Kent Principal

#### Values:

Confidence, Independence, Persistence, Resilience, Respect

**CHILD SAFETY: Protecting children from abuse is our responsibility.** 

Ivanhoe Primary is committed to safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

Ivanhoe Primary has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Ivanhoe Primary is committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability.

Every person involved in Ivanhoe Primary has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.





#### **Library Fund**

Thank you to the following families for their very generous donation to the Ivanhoe Primary School Library Fund

Gupta Mancini **Amipara** Mansfield Lee Klind McKeever Radford Crompton You Haslam Sertori Wood Chang Gullaci Slaviero-Pascoe Malcolm Toghill Wilson Do Pena Laoumtzis McHugh Lui

Some wonderful picture story books will be selected on your behalf and a donation book plate will be placed in the front of the book recognising your donation.

Thanks Janet

#### Music News

Congratulations to Fin C and the 'Waves' band who won last week's Battle of the Bands competition.

All the year five and six bands performed to a high standard and I was grateful with the students professionalism at being able to set up and start playing in a no fuss manner.

Many thanks to the parents who helped with set up and logistics.

I will be away for the first three weeks of term 3 visiting my son in Rotterdam. Jo Anderson will be replacing me and running Drama, Singing and Dance.

Have a lovely student break.

Yours in Music,

Marie Morrow

#### E.K. Slimes

Hi Everyone!

We hope you have been enjoying your slimes!

To update you, Elizabeth G will be leaving us at the end of this term. She has played a prominent part of E.K.Slimes. Without her E.K.Slimes would simply not be E.K.Slimes. You will be missed Elizabeth.

We have a very special person taking her place...

Amelie V will be the new member of E.K.Slimes, and to celebrate her arrival, we will have a whole new stock of slimes! There will be a large range of new slimes and new ideas!

E.K.Slimes will NOT be selling any slimes on the holidays, but as soon as you come back to term 3, we will be back and open for business! So, come on, jump in on the fun, next term, and visit

www.ekslimes.weebly.com

**Thanks** 

-E.K.Slimes



#### **Ivanhoe Primary School Tennis**

Hi everyone we finished up our Term 2 Tennis program on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of June.

All make up lessons have been completed.

Our term program has been very successful with the skill development, all players have really improved.

Tennis clinic held Monday to Friday July 2-6. Times 10-12 noon held at Bulleen tennis club. Please contact Russell 0408 365 636.

Term 3 commences Monday July 23 Thank you.

## **Chess Tournament Report**

On Thursday 14th June, 15 students from Ivanhoe Primary School competed in the Chess Victoria Zonal tournament hosted by Viewbank Primary School. It was a big event with 16 schools being represented by 135 students! The atmosphere was electric and the hall bristled with excitement! The clocks were ticking and the pieces were clicking. The kids had so much fun while thinking, concentrating, calculating and learning!

After seven exciting rounds, Ivanhoe ended up with a team score of 19 points, putting us in equal 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> place, 6 points behind the winners (Preston PS, 25 points).

Congratulations to all students on giving it their best! Our top scorers were:

- Akhil G and Aston S, with 5/7. Well done!
- Andy W and Riley P, with 4.5/7.
- Parsh K, Oliver D, Daniel L, Orlan S and Manny D, who all scored 4/7
- Sam A, Rhys C, Anna H and Natasha S with 3.5/7.
- Louis D and Luke F with 3/7.

All the children gave their best efforts and their excellent behaviour was noticed and admired!

#### State Championships – "Open" (Semi-Final) and "Girls" (Final)

Congratulations to **Akhil G, Aston S, Andy W** and **Riley P** for qualifying for the <u>Open</u> State Semi-Final with their score of 4.5 points! (Girls needed to score 4 points or higher to qualify for the <u>Girls</u> State Final). I wish your children all the best for future tournaments. Kind regards, **Jim**