FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Over the last 2 weeks I have been bombarded with students coming to my office celebrating both their behaviour and reading improvements. This is so exciting for me. It is enjoyable to see our students eager to engage in reading and be proud of their academic improvements. Well done.

As the holidays approach I would like to thank you all for another wonderful term. Our attendance rate for students attending less than 85% of the time is showing a great improvement. Unfortunately our general attendance has taken a blow with the recent bought of illness that has swept through the school over the last two weeks. Hopefully our students will be healthy and active again in term 4.

There have been many cases of headlice reported over the past two weeks. Please ensure your check your child’s hair regularly and vigilant in following up 7 days later. This needs a group or team approach to beat.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Spring holiday and look forward to seeing everyone again in term 4.

Naomi Meerwald (Principal)

SWIMMING

As we are doing swimming for PE in Term 4, each class will have 5x 60 minute lessons. Please ensure that you have completed a swimming permission form for this year – forms can be collected from the office as needed. Each student is required to bring swimming togs, sun shirt, swimming cap, goggles, towel, and a bag.

These classes will have their lessons in weeks 1, 2, 3, 7, & 8:

Tuesday – 2B, 4A, 6A, 5B, PB (30min)
Friday – 3C, 1B, PC, 1/2C

These classes will have their lessons in weeks 4, 5, 6, 9 & 10:

Tuesday – 2A, 4/6C, 6B, 5A, PB (30min)
Friday – 3B, 1A, PA, 3/4D

Brenton Minchin (PE Teacher)

P&C News

EFTPOS is here!

As of next week we are able to offer EFTPOS facilities in the kids cafe. Please note any transactions under $5.00 will incur an 50¢ charge.

Lunch Packs

Lunch Packs are now available from Kids Café Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:30am-9:10am. Now with white bread due to popular demand. They range from $5.00 to $5.80 and include a sandwich, drink, piece of fruit and 1 other snack item. A great option for when you’ve slept in a little too late in the morning or just don’t have any fresh bread in the house. EFTPOS will be available for breakfast packs from next week.

Kids Café

Please note opening hours this week (last week of term) have changed.

Tuesday 13th - Open but the only hot food available from Kids Cafe will be pre-ordered meal deals. Over the counter sales for drinks, chips and ice blocks available at first break. Wednesday 14th - will be open as normal.

Thursday 15th - will be open as normal but please be aware that some items may not be available as stock will be running down for the upcoming holiday closure.

Friday - Kids Cafe CLOSED.

Meal Deal

‘Aussie Meal Deal’ orders for Book Week close at midday on Monday 12th September, so don’t miss out and get your order in ASAP. Kids Café famous Strawberry Sundae will be available over the counter at first break for $2!
Enrolment for Prep 2017

If your child is turning 5 years old and was born between 1st July 2011 and 30th June 2012 they are eligible to attend a full time Prep Program in 2017. Ipswich East State School is taking enrolments for Prep Students for 2017 **NOW**! If you would like to enrol your child please come in to pick up an enrolment pack from the office. You are also invited to attend one of our two Parent Information Sessions in our School Conference Room during Term 4:

- ➤ Tuesday 11 October 2016, 5:00-6:00pm
- ➤ Wednesday 12 October 2016, 9:15-10:15am

RSVP for either session by contacting the office. I would appreciate you bringing this information to the attention of any new families who may be interested in their children attending Ipswich East next year. A reminder that all siblings are required to go through the usual enrolment process and submit an enrolment form.

Enrolment interviews will be conducted from Monday 17 October – Friday 4 November. Interviews can be booked when picking up an enrolment pack, or at the Parent Information Sessions. All parents and children need to attend an enrolment interview unless an exemption has been approved by the Principal.

All children who have enrolled to attend Prep at Ipswich East in 2017 are also invited to attend 2 Prep Transition sessions with their parent/carer on Wednesday 23 and 30 November from 9:00-10:00am.

**Dates to Remember**

- Parent Information Sessions: 11/10/16 **OR** 12/10/16
- Interviews (children must be present): 17/10/16 - 04/11/16
- Transition Sessions (for the children): 23/11/16 & 30/11/16