6th June, 2014 Term 2 Week 7.

Principal’s Info

Report Cards – Semester One

Report Cards will be sent home in Week 10. Please remember the following message in regards to your child’s report card.

Understanding Your Child’s Report Card

As you are aware, students and teachers this year have been working with the new Australian Curriculum, as interpreted through Queensland’s C2C curriculum resources. Whilst the Australian Curriculum is similar in many respects to the previous Queensland curriculum, there are some differences which have required adjustments. For example, some concepts are covered earlier than previously expected, there is a stronger focus on specific areas and in some cases a different standard of work is expected of students.

For Semester 1 report cards, teachers are evaluating student work based on our C2C/ESL units and assessments tasks from Term 1 and 2 in English, Maths, Science, Geography and History. Due to the implementation of a new curriculum, report card results may also reflect students’ ‘learning curve’ in terms of the change in expectations for learning in their year level. This is not cause for concern, as teachers are adapting and adjusting their teaching/learning to ensure that students receive the necessary prior knowledge and are supported through their learning tasks. Also, C2C units are in ongoing review and adjustment, based on feedback from teachers. However, it is worth noting the fact that report card results in English, Maths, Science, Geography and History this semester are based on the new content descriptors and year level Achievement Standards from the Australian Curriculum, and as such may not be reliably compared to previous years’ results. For further information on the Australian Curriculum standards visit the online curriculum at [http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/](http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/).

Over recent years, parents, students and teachers across Queensland are gradually becoming more familiar with a 5-point scale (e.g. A-E) process for reporting in all schools.

The new system schools are using refers to attainment standards called “benchmarks of achievement” or “criteria.” So what makes an “A”, “B”, “C” etc is predetermined by a scale of achievement. Any student who shows evidence of meeting a particular level, deserves that benchmark grade.

This is what you could consider the new difference for a “C” really means:

A “C” means that the student has met the criteria for a learner to be at the appropriate age level.

A “C” means that the student is doing everything required at their Year Level at school. The best description is to say that a “C” means that the student’s academic development is exactly where it needs to be.

That means attaining a “C” for Achievement means you are ON TARGET for your age level!

With all of this in mind, we must accept that it may be harder to get an “A” or “B”. These grades are not awarded simply to the top students in the class. They are only given to students who show that they are independently capable of working beyond the criteria required for their Year Level.

Late Students

We know things happen and it is not always easy to get children to school on time but unfortunately a number of students have been consistently late coming into school and this does impact on their learning.

Late students often miss the important basics of a lesson, impacting on their overall performance of a lesson being taught.

Headlice

We have had several cases of head lice in the school over the last few weeks. Please check your child’s hair and if head lice are found treat hair before child is returned to school. Re-treatment should be carried out about 7 days after the first treatment. It is very important that children always have their own hats every day at school.

Active After School Dance Activity

Next Tuesday 10th June there will be a change to the dance activity. Students will be performing their new dance skills. Parents please come along at 4pm to watch their display.

Cleaners Day

Next Friday, 13th June is Cleaners Day. This is a day we can say thank you to Sheridan Howe for all her tireless hard work keeping our school
always looking clean and tidy. Sheridan also gets involved in many other projects at school above and beyond her duties as cleaner! Thank you so much Sheridan from all at Ingleside, everything you do is always very much appreciated!

**Gardening Help**

Next term Lindy Davidson will be away on long service leave. If there are any parents who can help out with the gardening/watering please let us know.

**Points 4 Pac Fair Kids**

Pacific Fair shopping centre are running a promotion for schools. Schools can win a share of $45,000 just by shopping at Pacific Fair. Simply spend $75.00 or more from Monday 26th May until Sunday 22nd June in any Pacific Fair store to earn points for our school. The schools with the most points at the end will win some major prizes! A flyer containing all the information was sent home with your child/children last week.

**Ingleside Sports Day**

Next Thursday, 12th June we will be holding our sports day at the school. Please see attached flyer for full details.

**Ingleside House t shirts**

We still have some t shirts available to purchase in the school sports house colours. We only have limited sizes so be quick if you wish to buy! The cost is $10.00 each, please come to the office to purchase. If sizes aren’t available, students can just wear a plain coloured t shirt in their house colour. A house list and names of students is on the noticeboard on the stairs.

**Debbie Batchelor**

We are sad to say goodbye to our Phys Ed teacher, Mrs Debbie Batchelor at the end of this term. We wish Debbie well and hope she will still be visiting from time to time as a relief teacher. Daniel Viccars will take on the role of Phys Ed teacher next term.

**Parent Voluntary Contributions**

This year the parent voluntary contribution to the school is $40.00 per child. Thank you to the families that have been able to pay the voluntary contribution so far. This contribution forms part of our school budget and enables us to purchase resources to enhance students learning, including subscriptions for Reading Eggs, Mathletics etc.

If you wish to contribute please ask for a form at the office. Payment can be made by Cash, Cheque, Eftpos or Internet Banking.

**Helpers Needed**

Last week a letter went home asking you to consider helping out at the Winter Fair. We are desperate for more helpers. If you are able to help, would you please send the response form back as soon as possible. The more helpers we have the smoother the day will run.

**P&C News**

Winter Fair is fast approaching! Please see attached flyer for more information.

**Classroom Comments Prep/Junior**

Money, money money!!! Junior Class have had so much fun learning to identify money. Some students were a bit devastated to learn that the plastic coins are not real so therefore they are not rich! But never the less we had a good laugh and kept learning.

This week, the Prepies had a very important milestone; they attempted to write sentences and are so proud of themselves. Year one have also been focusing on writing good independent sentences that start with a capital letter, have finger spaces and end with a full stop.

Please note that spelling homework has finished for this term so we can re-test and sort our spelling groups for next term. Please feel free to practice writing sight words with your child to help with their writing fluency.

On Friday we farewell Mrs Atwood who has been working in Junior Class for the past three weeks. We wish her all the best with her future study. Finally, I have noticed an increased number of toys, jewellery and objects being brought to school and especially to class. This is really disruptive to their learning and causes massive heart ache if lost or broken. Please encourage your child to leave their belongings at home.

Have a great fortnight,

**Student of the week**

Chelsea for giving her learning a red hot go!

Brenda Grima

**Classroom Comments Intermediate**

In art this fortnight we have embarked on trying to create three different multistep artworks. The first was a multistep Jackson Pollock inspired drip
style painting similar to his *Blue Poles* painting. The second was a layered painting made with three different layers of paint and stencils. The third was a painting and collage which resembled a “view from space.” These artworks look fantastic. Please feel free to come and have a look at the amazing artwork which the intermediate class has produced.

On Friday 30th May some employees from Woolworths at Reedy Creek Road came to visit Ingleside. The Woolworths crew brought with them some plants, seeds, fruit, gardening tools, greenhouses and toys all of which they donated to the school. The intermediate class had a wonderful time gardening with the Woolworths crew. To add to that, the intermediate class now does gardening on a Thursday afternoon, any parent help is much appreciated and very welcomed.

Unfortunately a number of students arrive at school late. This is just a friendly reminder to please have the students at school on time. The bell rings at 8:50 which is when students should be lining up and getting ready for class. It is very hard to start teaching a lesson when students are dawdling in for the first 15 minutes of class time. This not only disrupts the class, but also impacts on the students learning as they are missing prime discussion, instruction and learning time. As we near the halfway point of the year the children’s stationery supplies are dwindling. Students are running out of glue, but also writing pencils and erasers. It would be much appreciated if children were restocked with some glue, pencils and rubbers.

**Students of the week**

Muki – For her positive manner and conscientious effort towards all class tasks.

Giselle - For a remarkable improvement in her handwriting and book work.

**Melissa Apps**

**Classroom Comments Senior**

Students of the senior class have finally completed and submitted their short stories. They have been busy planning, drafting, editing and publishing for the last week. During Maths, 6/7 students have continued exploring data, with a strong focus on range, mean, median and mode. Year 4/5 students have been focusing on fractions. In Science, they have been developing their understanding of pollination and fertilisation of plants. Students have also been exploring the role of fruit in the reproduction of plants. During Geography, we have been looking at the social diversity of places in Asia. In particular, adult literacy rates in correlation with employment rates. Students are also developing their understanding of GDP (ask them what it stands for!) and how effective it is in determining a country’s wealth. Finally, in Art, students have been working on their final piece for the semester.

I have noticed a lack of red pens and glue sticks in the senior classroom. I have continuously informed and reminded students that it is their responsibility to ensure they have all the required stationary at their disposal. It would be great if you could check with your child and replenish their stocks if they are low.

Interschool sport is on this Friday. It is the final game for the semester – only the year 6/7 team is playing as the 4/5s have a bye. The game is at Pizzey Park at 1:35pm against Burleigh.

**Student of the week**

Elias – Working persistently in writing.

Daniel Viccars

**Interschool sport**

It seems as though our interschool sport reports have disappeared this semester. Perhaps the resident sports columnist has been ill, on holiday or possibly far too busy. Regardless, they have been receiving weekly updates from Mrs Stasuik, Miss Apps and Mr Viccars and have found the time to put together a season review – enjoy.

Interschool sport is drawing to a close. It’s been a testing and challenging season for students at Ingleside State School. Neither team has registered a ‘win’ so to speak – in terms of defeating the opposition via goals scored. Instead, students have recorded victories in a variety of other ways.

For example, year four and five students have had the opportunity to engage in competitive school sport for the first time. They have developed relationships and connections with students from other schools. They have laughed with their peers, endured loss, after loss – but still walked off the field with a smile on their face. These students have developed valuable life skills; some of which cannot be provided (as effectively) within an everyday school setting. Most of all they have gained experience – and that is one thing that cannot be taught.

The year six and seven students have progressed significantly from last year. Their skill, discipline and tactical awareness has developed and no doubt helped them achieve better results this semester. They have been on the receiving end of some heavy defeats; but shown a fantastic desire and a “never say die” attitude. For that, they are to be commended. One of the season highlights would have to be their match at ‘Pizzey Park’ a
few weeks ago, where they played on a waterlogged pitch. There was a lot of slipping and sliding – Charli and Brandan in particular found themselves swimming in an ankle deep puddle.

Congratulations to all students who represented Ingleside State School magnificently week after week. You should all be extremely proud of your efforts.

See you all next semester,
The resident Ingleside sports columnist.

**Birthdays**

Happy birthday to Mrs Tracey Cameron (Teacher/Teacher Aide) on Tuesday 10th June.
Have a great birthday!

**Students of the Week**

Junior: Chelsea
Intermediate: Muki and Giselle
Senior: Eli

**Date Claimers**

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**Project Club Lunch Day**

Project Club lunch day next Thursday, 12th June will be home made beefburgers/cheeseburgers or veggie burgers at $3.00, fruit salad $2.00, Chocolate and Strawberry milks at $1.20, Poppers at $1.00 and Bottled water $1.20. The following week Thursday 19th June will be Sushi (chicken and avocado, chicken and teriyaki or vegetarian) at $2.50 each or Pasta Salad at $2.50 and Yoghurt pouch at $1.50.

All orders must be placed in the tuckshop order box in the office with payment in full for the term or weekly the day before the food day. Baking, chips, ice blocks are also available to purchase on food days during both break times. Students will need to bring a small amount of money to purchase on the day.

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**Tallebudgera Valley Rural Fire Brigade**

**RFS Open Day**
Saturday 14th June 11am-3pm

FREE
Jumping Castle
Face Painting
Sausage Sizzle

Information on “Preparing for Bush Fires”
Meet your local Fire Wardens
Show your support to our local Volunteer Fire Fighters and come along for a fun day
@ The Fire Shed
crn. of Rusty Court & Tallebudgera Ck Rd
Enquiries: Cathie 0406 575 233