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FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER

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Public Schools Upgrade Program

I have recently applied for funding to enable an upgrade to one of the school's kitchens and the main boys' and girls' toilet blocks. The sum applied for was \$176,000. Each school can apply for up to \$200,000 during the next three years. I will know before the end of term whether either of the applications has been successful.

Remembrance Day

The school community marked Remembrance Day 2011 at a whole School Assembly on the morning of 11 November. The Assembly was very solemn and respectful with the School Captains and Prefects speaking about the significance and importance of the day.



The School Captains, Tara Tanovic and William Bryant, and Public School Ambassador, Alyssa Graney, later accompanied myself to the Remembrance Ceremony at Ingleburn RSL. They laid a wreath at the RSL Memorial and represented all of us with distinction.

Michael Wiecek



A massive reminder for our Annual Trivia Night on Friday 25 November

Our Trivia Night is a really fun event and a great laugh. Please book a table with a group of friends, family or neighbours. The teachers have already set themselves up for the challenge so let's beat them in the knowledge game!!! This will be our last fundraiser for the 2011 year. We have some excellent prizes that have been purchased and gratefully donated by local businesses. Without our local community support we would not be able to achieve the targets set. The P&C has appreciated all the student support received this year.

With the year ending, I would like to express my appreciation to the parents and the citizens that have offered their time and efforts throughout the year for the school and our small committee. Without your assistance, our children would not be able to benefit from the much needed funds we raise.

The first year of our school Uniform Shop has been a new challenge. The school image has benefited from this implementation and all the students look like they belong in a school environment. Thank you to Robyn Winsor for her efforts in establishing the Uniform Shop in 2011. Also a reminder we have Eftpos available in the shop for the purchasing of uniforms for 2012.

Our last meeting for 2011 will be Wednesday 23 November and all are welcome to attend.

Lastly, Merry Christmas and safe and happy holidays to everyone.

*Melissa Wellfare
IHS P&C President*

We are on Facebook!

Search for: **Ingleburn High School – Official School Page** or click on <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Ingleburn-High-School-Official-School-Page/142772435800376>

This page will be updated every Friday for upcoming events – so if you click on “LIKE” you will get all school events live in your Facebook newsfeed.

We are encouraging **all** students, parents, guardians and staff to click “LIKE” and to follow the feed.

Any problems or issues, please contact Ms Knapman (Deputy Principal).

**A REMINDER THAT SCHOOL FEES
FOR 2011 ARE NOW OVERDUE.
PROMPT PAYMENT WOULD BE
APPRECIATED.**

WELFARE FACULTY

PASS IT ON

The Welfare Faculty maintains a uniform pool to assist students in need. If you have any uniforms, jumpers, blazers, etc that are in good condition and you would like to **PASS IT ON** to our students, please leave the items at the front office.

Your kind generosity would be greatly appreciated.

VIDEO FOR PARENTS ON CYBERSAFETY

ACMA has produced a presentation for parents to explain online risks for children, and more importantly, the best ways to keep their children safe online. The more parents know about cybersafety, the more empowered they are to protect their children.

The short video entitled "How cybersmart are you?" has been released by Cybersmart to help parents navigate through the online world of their teenagers and provides strategies on how to protect their children from potential online risks.

We hope you like it and find it valuable.

<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/outdoor.aspx>

*Mrs P. Menon
Head Teacher Welfare*

ASTHMA FOUNDATION NSW

Ingleburn High School has once again been recognised as an Asthma Friendly school. By achieving this status it means that we have taken significant steps towards creating a safer and healthier environment for students and staff with asthma.

For any further information you can log onto the Asthma Foundation's website at www.asthmafoundation.org.au to get the latest information about asthma and the Foundation's programs.



LIBRARY NEWS

The Library is currently preparing to conduct its annual stocktake and this should be completed by Week 9 of this term. Can I please ask that all resources currently borrowed by students and staff be returned by the due dates. If you have any overdue resources please return them as a matter of urgency.

During the stocktake the Library will be open as usual, but the section that is being counted will be closed until it is completed. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

The continual improvement of the collection is also well underway with Fiction being a real focus area. It is great to see so many avid readers at Ingleburn and it is a pleasure to see the happiness our books bring to our students. If we don't have a particular title or series, please speak to either Mr Koosache or Mrs Billett so that we can do our best to get you what you want.

Can I also urge students in Year 7 through to Year 9 to undertake the Premiers Reading Challenge (PRC) in 2012. We have well over 500 titles in the PRC section and would love to see more students complete this really worthwhile task. All PRC books are marked with a green P on the spine so that they are easily identified.

Happy reading.

*Mr M. Koosache
Teacher Librarian*



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CAREERS UPDATE

Year 12 – Congratulations on completing 13 years of schooling. I wish you all the luck that your heart's desire and don't forget, follow your dreams and always believe in yourselves.

There is a FREE Careers Advisory Service available to students from 15 December 2011 to 6 January 2012. Career Advisers can be contacted by phone on 1300 300 687 from 9.00 am – 5.00 pm or via the Careers Advisory Service website at www.cas.det.nsw.edu.au.

Year 11 – Who are now Year 12 2012, if you have not yet registered for the Wollongong Discovery Day you need to do so as soon as possible as you won't be given your first preferences. See me if you are having difficulties.

Remember if you have applied for a TVET course for 2012 you need to see me.

Also, many of you have already "dropped" a subject. It is very important that you see me to make sure you still qualify for the HSC.

Year 10 – Last Tuesday was "Work Ready Day" at Ingleburn RSL and was a very enjoyable day for most of Year 10 (that is, for those who attended). Thank you to all the teachers who helped run the day, especially Ms Koskinas who was in charge.

On Thursday 17 November a number of students participated in a "Mock Interview" day held at Ingleburn RSL.

The Year 10 students who participated were extremely well groomed and Ms Edwards and myself were very proud of them all.

All students who participated will receive a Job Interview Evaluation Sheet as well as a participation certificate.

Congratulations Year 10 you were all very well presented and behaved in an exemplary manner.

Dates to remember are:

1 December Year 10 Formal at Sweeney's

9 December Graduation Assembly

Year 9 – Don't forget that you can still hand in your Tax File Number applications.

Don't forget that I am always available to answer any concerns you may have.

Parents please check the Career page on the school's website for all the latest information.

<http://www.ingleburn-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/curriculum-activities/careers>

Mrs Jane Duval
Careers Adviser



School Calendar

Week 7 – Term 4

- 21 Nov • Uniform Shop is closed – All week
- 22 Nov • ESSA Science Test – Year 8
- 25 Nov • **P & C Trivia Night**

Week 8 – Term 4

- 29 Nov • Year 7 2012 Orientation Night
- 1 Dec • Year 10 Formal – Sweeneys

Week 9 – Term 4

- 5 Dec • Year 7 2012 Orientation Day
- 6 Dec • Category Gold/Year 9 Silver Excursion – Thirroul Beach
- 8 Dec • 9XCC and 9ZCC Excursion – Westmead Children's Hospital
- 9 Dec • Year 10 Graduation Ceremony
- 9 Dec • Years 7 – 10 Reports Distributed

Week 10 – Term 4

- 12 Dec • Years 9 and 11 TAS Excursion – Event Cinemas, Campbelltown
- 13 Dec • School Presentation Evening
- 16 Dec • Last day of school for students

Week 1 – Term 1 2012

- 26 Jan • **Australia Day**
- 27 Jan • Only Staff to return to school
- 30 Jan • Years 7, 11 and 12 start school
- 31 Jan • Years 7 – 12 attend school

Week 11 – Term 1

- 6 April • Good Friday

**All dates and information are correct at time of printing however changes may occur due to unforeseen circumstances. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause*



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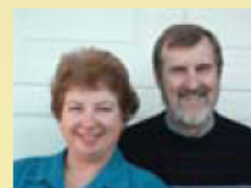
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October 2011

Mobile Phones Policy (includes MP3, digital cameras and iPods)

Mobile phones, iPods and other personal communication devices are in common usage in our society. Mobile computing, by which we mean the use of network capable devices that students are already carrying, has become an indispensable part of day to day life.

Mobile devices are ideal for learning since they can do anything that can be done on a desktop. More young people access the Internet on their phone than on a computer.

Teachers and students use these devices as learning tools in the classroom. They are perfect for finding information, recording and capturing video/audio, sharing and just in time learning.

A billion new smart phones are produced each year with thousands of applications designed to support learning.

However, there are some potential problems associated with these mobile devices include:

- The security of these electronic devices whilst in bags, or if left unattended
- Use of these devices for cyber bullying and harassment purposes
- Potential cheating or unfair advantage in tests and exam situations
- Students, parents and outside friends communication re school issues throughout the day

Therefore there needs to be some clear guidelines for the use of electronic devices at school.

Implementation:

1. Teachers will expect that mobile phones, iPods and any other personal communication devices are turned off (or on silent) and remain out of sight when they are not part of the class lesson. Students are not permitted to make personal calls, respond to calls or send personal text messages while in class. Teachers will determine if it is appropriate for electronic devices to be used during their own classes and students must abide by these rules.
2. If students use their phones inappropriately during class time or without the permission of the teacher they will be subject to the disciplinary procedures of the classroom teacher. A warning may be given about confiscation and then continued defiance will lead to the electronic device being locked in the school's safe until the end of the school day.
3. Under no circumstances can any electronic device with a storage capacity be in the possession of a student during exams or any assessment task. This will result in an automatic zero for the exam or assessment without exception.
4. When being spoken to by a staff member in a face to face communication it is expected that earphones will be removed from both ears as a courtesy to the speaker. If a staff member needs to address a student when a phone conversation is in progress in the playground, it is common courtesy that the student will excuse themselves from the call until the face to face communication is completed.
5. Students must not use mobile telephones or other devices to threaten, bully, intimidate or otherwise harass other people through any SMS or text message. There is to be no photographs or video taken of staff, students, fights or school events - such activities may lead to suspension or referral to the Police.
6. The usual communication between teachers and parents regarding illness, property, messages, emergencies or school issues remains via the front office – 9605 1509, 9605 6165 – this should not be conducted via direct mobile phone contact between parents and students throughout the day.
7. The student must take full responsibility for these devices. The school or staff will not be responsible for their loss, theft or damage. Students who bring them to school do so at their own risk.

Evaluation:

This will be evaluated by the school community every year to assess its relevance and effectiveness

