



IRYMPLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Issue 6 – Term 2 – Week 2 – Friday 2nd May 2025

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2

Staff and students have returned in readiness for a busy Term 2. This term culminates with the reporting to Parents' Day and Semester 1 Reports being emailed to parents.

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

Last week we held our ANZAC Day Service. The service was run by Year 6 Public Relations Team members Mackenzie Foote, Aria Laird, Brock Surace, Deklan McGregor, Matei Musolino, Eknoor Singh, Markus Di Toro, Tanaiya Carson and Makayla Stevenson who did an exceptional job. Thank you to Hendrix Vallance, Braith Stevens, Brock Surace and Daisy Garraway who shared their thoughts on "What ANZAC Day Means to Me". We were lucky enough to have guest speaker Brad McGlashan from the Mildura RSL and Ms Jade Benham MP to share their thoughts and experiences. Thank you to all the students for their participation and the parents who attended the service.

Evie Hall and Imogen Loveridge from our Year 6 Public Relations Team together with Mr Milsom, attended the Irymple ANZAC Day Service on ANZAC Day. The students represented us well on this solemn but very important occasion.

FOUNDATION / PREP ENROLMENT 2026

The Department of Education has released the statewide timeline for enrolling in Foundation (Prep) for the 2026 school year.

If you are enrolling the sibling of a student at our school for Foundation in 2026, and both children will be attending our school at the same time, your child is prioritised for a place at our school as per the department's Placement Policy.

It is important to follow the statewide timeline to enrol your child in Foundation. Enrolling your child in line with the timelines allows us to plan our classrooms, staffing and transition activities and ensures your child has the best start to school.

Our Open Day is scheduled for **28th May 2025** with sessions at 9.30am and 12pm. Sessions can be booked by going to <https://compasstix.com/e/w8hpcbvaos>.

YEAR 6 TO 7 TRANSITION 2024-2025

The Year 6 to Year 7 Placement Information was sent home with the Year 6 students last week. The Application for Year 7 Placement Forms are due for return to our office by **Friday 9th May 2025**.

Please find below Government Secondary College Open Night information. We strongly suggest that all families visit their zoned secondary college.

OPEN EVENINGS 2025

Sunraysia Secondary Colleges will be holding 'Open Evenings' during May. Families are invited to visit our schools to discuss teaching and learning programs, extra-curricular activities and facilities.



Irymple Secondary College	Chaffey Secondary College	Merbein P-10 Secondary College	Red Cliffs Secondary College	Werrimull P-12 School
Karadoc Avenue, Irymple Phone 5024 5407 irymples.ps@education.vic.gov.au Thursday 8th May 6pm – 8pm Please gather in The Quad at 6pm	261–289 Deakin Ave, Mildura Phone 5023 0538 chaffey.sc@education.vic.gov.au Tuesday 6th May 6pm – 8pm Presentation 6pm - Gymnasium	Commercial Street, Merbein Phone 5025 2501 merbein.p10@education.vic.gov.au Wednesday 7th May 5.30pm - 7.30pm Presentation at 5.30pm - Gym	Fitzroy Avenue, Red Cliffs Phone 5024 1522 red.cliffs.sc@education.vic.gov.au Wednesday 7th May 5.30pm – 7.30pm Please meet in the Lecture Theatre	5 McDonald St, Werrimull Phone 5028 1251 werrimull.p12@education.vic.gov.au Wednesday 7th May 4pm – 5pm Please meet at reception

Authorised by the principals of the participating secondary colleges: Jo McQuinn (Irymple S.C.), Jeff Topp (Chaffey S.C.), Chris Grimmer (Merbein P-10 College), Justin Matt (Red Cliffs S.C.) and Ben Nicholson (Werrimull P-12)

PRIDE • RESPECT • SAFETY • LEARNING

TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL

Today Monash University's medical students conducted a Teddy Bear Hospital for the Prep students. The medical student volunteers guided the children and their teddy bear friends through various educational stations including role-play scenarios that simulated experiences such as calling an ambulance, visiting a GP and learning about asthma devices. They also reinforced our school's health education curriculum by encouraging good hygiene, healthy eating habits and physical activity.

GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The GRIP Student Leadership Conference will be held on **Wednesday 7th May 2025**. Families of students attending have been emailed with details. Please attend to the Compass consent as soon as possible. Students will need to be dropped off at the Seventh Street entrance to the Mildura Grand Hotel at 8.45am to meet with Mrs Freeman. Students will need to be collected at 2.30pm from the same location.

MOTHERS DAY STALL

On **Thursday, 8th May 2025**, we will be holding our Mothers' Day Stall. All students will have the chance to purchase something for their Mums raging in price from \$1.00 to \$6.00. We will need parent helpers on the day, if you can help at the stall, please email irymple.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

**please note that this year the stall will be held on Thursday due to a clash with the Alpha Show performance.*

ALPHA SHOW

The Alpha Show will be held on **Friday 10th May 2025**.

This year the Alpha Show is performing "King Arthur" and it is a full theatrical musical and will be a memorable event for your child. The Alpha Show specialises in real quality theatre, and it is an opportunity for our students to see a full live musical production.



The cost of the show is **\$15.00 per student** which forms part of our School Curriculum Contributions.

If you have paid your contributions, the amount owing on Compass will show \$0.00. If you have CSEF or SSB funds that you wish to use, you will need to select payment by the CSEF Credit option in Compass.

YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA CAMP

The year 5/6 Canberra camp is on **Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October**. The cost of the camp is \$850.00. A Compass event has been published with the option to pay in 4 instalments The second instatement is due Friday 2nd May 2025.

If you wish to use your SSB funds, you must first log into your portal and allocate the nominated amount to 'school activities'. You must then ring or email the office to advise that you wish to use these funds for the camp. It may be easier for you to forward your confirmation from the SSB portal that you have allocated the funds to the School email. In this email you can also confirm that you wish for the full amount to be used for camp. If you wish to use another sibling's SSB to go towards your year 5/6 student's camp funds, please also advise by email. Please note that this can only be done for SSB funds NOT for CSEF funds.

COMPASS APP – PARENTS PORTAL – ABSENCES

If your child is absent, you can log this through your Compass app. Please note this is the preferred way to log student absences. Please do not email or message the teachers as they do not always have time to read messages in the morning.

STAFF CAR PARK

Our Staff Car Park is not to be used for student drop off or pick up after school as it is not supervised.

KISS AND DROP

Please be aware that the kiss and drop area (alongside the tennis court) is a drop and go area. We would appreciate if parents would not park and exit their cars as this stops the flow that this area is designed for.

Please note that the designated bus parking zone is not to be used as a kiss and drop area.

TISSUES

As the weather cools and the sniffles enter our classroom we would appreciate if families could donate a box of tissues to their classrooms. Thank you.

GROUNDS REPORT

A busy holiday period for our grounds with several projects being undertaken to benefit the school and our students.

1 – Our GP room had a facelift with new paint and everything is looking very fresh and modernised in the room.

2 – Room 7 had some upgrades with new fans, whilst new lighting was installed in our main building, along with paint works to finish of the upgrade of the building project.

3 – The Grade 3/4 area was freshened up with the decking being sanded and polished, whilst new carpet was installed outside the classrooms. New pots were also installed to brighten the outside decking.

4 – Our pickup/drop-off zone was upgraded with a new path. We installed blue crusher dust to finish off the area and new pots were placed at the walk in pathway. We also moved some seating to support students who are waiting at the area after school placed at the walk in pathway. We also moved some seating to support students who are waiting at the area after school.

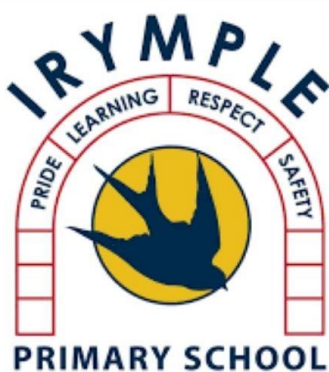
GRADE SIX LEADERS RECEIVE SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM FEDERAL MP

Last week our Grade Six student leaders received a very special surprise — a personal letter from Dr. Anne Webster, the Federal Member for Mallee. In her message, Dr. Webster congratulated each of our leaders on their appointment and acknowledged the responsibility and honour that comes with representing their peers.

She encouraged them to carry out their roles with dignity and pride, always supporting fellow students and contributing positively to our school community. Her words were both inspiring and empowering for our young leaders.

Dr. Webster also extended her best wishes for 2025, as our leaders continue to grow and prepare for the exciting challenges of secondary school.

We sincerely thank Dr. Webster for her kind gesture and support. Our Grade Six leaders are already demonstrating great leadership, and we know they will continue to make us proud.



LIBRARY NEWS 📖: SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR SAVE THE DATE!

Our Book Fair is back this year and will run in Term 2 from **Thursday 22nd May through to Monday 26th May**. Students and families may visit the Book Fair in the Library from 8.30am to 8.55am before school. The library will also be open from 3.15pm to 3.45pm after school. There is always a great range of books and knick-knack items to choose from with many specials on offer as well. Proceeds from the sales allows us to choose books from the fair for our Library. Our past Book Fairs have always been very well supported by our school community and this is very much appreciated.



🌱 SENIOR STUDENTS EMBRACE GROWTH WITH FIRST LET GROW PROJECT

In Term 1, our Grades 5 & 6 students embarked on an exciting new challenge—their first ever *Let Grow* homework project!

The March/April theme focused on *stepping outside of their comfort zones* and becoming more independent. Students were encouraged to take on new tasks that stretched their abilities, helped them build confidence, and made them feel a little more "grown up."

From learning to sew, to preparing meals for their family, to going for a haircut on their own, students across the Senior Hub proudly rose to the challenge. Many reflected on the pride they felt after completing something they initially found a little nerve-wracking. As the project emphasised: growth happens when we're willing to step outside our usual boundaries!

Families played an important role too, supporting students as they chose tasks that were a good fit for each individual.

It has been wonderful to hear the *buzz* of Let Grow conversations around the senior classes, and to see the *Let Grow Tree* display blooming in our Senior Hub, decorated with reflections and pictures of students' achievements.

Well done to our senior students for embracing this first challenge with a willingness to grow!

We can't wait to see what milestones await in the next May *Let Grow* Project with a theme of: **Service- Helping Out Around the House.**



IRYMPLE SPORTS ACADEMY

Friday of Term 2 Week 2 marked the exciting beginning of the Irymple Primary School Sports Academy. Selected students from Grades 2-6 who had applied for entry completed their first session with Mr Allen and staff from Backcourt Mildura. The Term 2 intake first session focused on athletic testing specific to basketball with speed, vertical jumping and agility being tested. In 10 weeks' time these fitness components will be tested again and hopefully improvement and growth will be evident.

In week 3, Sammy Pileggi from Backcourt Mildura will take his first session at Irymple Primary School and I am sure his expert coaching will be of great benefit to all academy members.



ANZAC Ceremony





Worker of the Fortnight

Luna Sergi
Hosna Farsi
Vienna Matulick
Cleo Andriotis
Khaleesi Taylor
Winslow Fullgrabe
Dustee-Lee Lovell
Winter Elliott
Pippa Old
Lacey O'Neill
Daisy Pearse
Ella Ryan
Daisy Johnson
Jordi Dean

Subject Awards

Santino Deluca
Spencer Pearse
Ellie Arnold
Theo Winton
Cooper Cole
Florence Reynolds
Vincenzo Mazza
Oscar Pavis
Maddison Platten
Jack Ginn
Harvey Allen
Lehi Yavit
Bella Robinson-Driscoll
Zai Caldwell
Nash Fotheringham
Mikayla Gordon
Aidan Matulick
Daisy Garraway
Sophia Menegaldo
Odynn Ransome
Xander Ryan
Roxy Weight
Jasper Pavis
Charlotte Butler
Lincoln Dowsley
Jack Johnson-Sariman

Specialist Awards

Maisey Price
Hugo Freckleton
Toyo Ravarua
Lorcan Pyke
Jack Johnson-Sariman
Khaleesi Taylor
Chaise Turnbull
Ellie Arnold
Henry Shepherd
Diesel Kehl
Jaxson Landells
Arianna Ryan
Gabriel Musolino
Bryce Turnbull
Rahvi Miles
Winslow Fullgrabe
Sienna Wilton
Harmony Tucker



Londyn-Eric Martin
Isla King
Michelle Platten

Lottie Dichiera
Annaliese Young
Emma Heman

Octavia Shaw
Angus Young
Theadora Collins

Lacey Kendall
Mikayla Gordon

PAROLA ITALIANA DELLA
SETTIMANA

ITALIAN WORD OF THE WEEK

vacanza

holiday



DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2 2025

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Week 2 Apr/May	28	29	30	1	02 Teddy Bear Hospital - Preps	03	04
Week 3 May	05	06 Division Cross Country Chaffey Secondary College Open Day	07 Grip Leadership Merbein P-10, Red Cliffs & Werrimul Secondary Colleges Open Day	08 Mothers Day Stall Assembly 2.15pm Irymple Secondary College Open Day	09 Alpha Show Yr 7 2026 Applications Due to our office	10	11
Week 4 May	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Week 5 May	19	20	21	22	23 Glasses for Kids P-3 students	24	25
Week 6 May/ June	26 Book Fair	27	28 IPS Open Day	29	30	31	01
Week 7 June	02	03	04	05	06	07	08
Week 8 June	09 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	10	11	12	13	14	15
Week 9 June	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Week 10 June	23	24	25	26	27	28	29

JUNIOR TENNIS

Calling all junior tennis players! The Sunraysia District Tennis Association invites you to participate in this year's Winter Tennis Competition.

Held on Saturday mornings (9am - 11am)
from May to September
Open to all players, from beginners to A Grade

COME AND TRY DAY

SATURDAY

3 MAY 2025, 9am

MILDURA LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Hugh King Drive, Mildura

Contact one of the Club Delegates listed below
for further information or to register your child

Carole - Sacred Heart: sacredheartjuniors@gmail.com

Robyn - St Andrews: robynherberte@gmail.com

Brenda - Sarnia: brendaghornsby@gmail.com

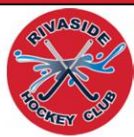
Rob - Red Cliffs: robbie@mannafarms.com.au

Louise - Alcheringa: louiseswenolofsson@gmail.com

Cheryl - Wentworth: cheryl.vines@bigpond.com

TENNIS IS A GREAT SPORT FOR KIDS!!

Play tennis now and you will have a sport for life!



Rivaside Hockey Club

Missed out on a game of footy or netball, why not give hockey a try?

Rivaside Hockey Club are looking for players in junior and senior grades. Come down to a training session for a run and see if hockey is the sport for you!

**Our training sessions are Wednesdays
Aero Ovals- Gate C**

Under 11's - 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm

Under 13's - 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm

Under 16's - 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm

Seniors - 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm

Season kicks off May 3, 2025



Please don't hesitate to email, text or call.



0435 054 012 Kerry Wood (President)



rivasidehockeymildura@gmail.com



www.facebook.com/RivasideHockeyClub

Looking for a Team? Join Our Mildura Magic Team as an Individual Player!

Have you been struggling to find a netball club/team to join? Don't sit on the sidelines—come be part of something special! Our Mildura Magic Team is looking for individual players ready to learn, grow, and compete in a supportive and fun environment.

✓ No team? No problem! We welcome players looking for a fresh start.

✓ Develop your skills with great coaching and teammates.

✓ Be part of a team that values effort, teamwork, and improvement.

✓ Make new friends and enjoy the game you love!

Don't miss your chance—join our Mildura Magic Team today!

MilduraNetball Association

Are you looking to join a team?

We are excited to open individual registrations to join our Magic teams:

9&U

11&U

13&U

15&U



**Players must enter in their 2025 age groups
(age as at 31/12/2025).**

Registration must be completed on Netball Connect - first 10 registrations will be taken.

For more information please email competitions@milduranetball.com.au