







ISC NEWSLETTER

Wednesday March 13th – Tuesday, March 19th - NAPLAN

Tuesday, March 19th - Year 7 & 10 Immunisations

Thursday, March 28th - Last Day of Term 1

Principals Report 08/03/2024.

Despite having to change our Year 7 camp to an overnight camp our kids had the best time and with some juggling they were able to complete all the planned activities that we would have done if it was a two-night camp. Unfortunately, the weather was such on Wednesday that the Department would not approve students travelling on such a high-risk fire danger day, but they were able to give us permission to travel on Thursday and Friday. We thank Glenn at our accommodation at Halls Gap for being prepared to change things around and ensure the kids had the same experience. I also would like to acknowledge and thank the 13 staff members who attended the camp and left their families for this extended period of time.

Naplan National Testing is fast approaching for our Year 7 and 9 students. All the testing will be online, so we ask students who have their own device to make sure it is fully charged every day and bring headphones if they have them, please. Testing begins on Wednesday 14th and concludes the following week.

We had great success and fun at the Interschool Swimming Sports this week and we wish all those that qualified for the next level on Tuesday all the best. ISC came second overall, and Jack Burford of Year 9 won an Individual Age Champion. Congratulations Jack and the team.

We are two thirds of the way through this incredibly busy term, and I encourage that we all put in the big effort for the remaining three weeks – this includes turning up every day ready to learn with the right equipment and doing your best in every class. We can do this and then in the last week of term we can celebrate with a whole school assembly on the 27^{th of} March and the fun last day activities organised by the Student Representative Council on the 28^{th of} March. School will finish at 2.30pm this day and buses will run at earlier times.

Thanks again for working with us all, the best way to ensure a positive learning environment is for us all to communicate and work together. If at any stage, you need to contact me please do not hesitate to email or text me – <u>jo.mcquinn@education.vic.gov.au</u> or 0429041819.

Jo McQuinn,

Principal

ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION 2024

Anzac Day commemoration - discover stories of veterans in our school community.

Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

This year, to commemorate Anzac Day, Irymple Secondary College would like to discover the stories of veterans in our school community. As part of the commemoration, we would like to hear about family members that have served or are currently serving.

We ask if you can provide a picture of the serving member in uniform, their rank, position or title, the years they served and the conflict they served in, with a summary outlining their time in service. We want to celebrate and remember all servicemen and women and share their stories with our school community.

Please respond by messaging Loretta Clyne on Compass or email to: Loretta.Clyne@education.vic.gov.au before March 22nd or give the information to your humanities teacher.

You can message or email with the information and photo or you can attach a word document with the information.

We would love to get as many stories as possible. Thank you and we look forward to your contributions.

Student's name(s):

Serving Member:

Rank, Position and/or Title:

Conflict they served in:

Date(s) that they served:

Relationship to the student(s):

PHOTO(S):

Send a photo to school with your child and we will scan/photocopy it OR

Take a photo with your phone and message Loretta on Compass or email with their details.

YEAR 8 ART



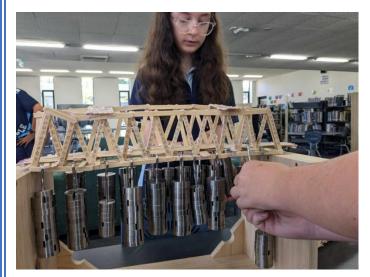
YEAR 10 PHOTOGRAPHY



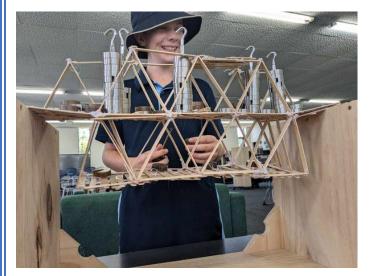
STEM

Last week our Year 9 STEM students tested their first project. The class was set a challenge to build a bridge using limited materials while utilising 3D modelling and computer aided design software.

The students created functional bridges that were able to hold their own under intense weight, with the current record being 28 kilograms.











INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS



Interschool Swimming was held on Wednesday the 6th of March at Mildura Waves. We had 34 students who represented ISC and swam brilliantly. Thank you to the parents/carers that supported and encouraged our students and the students who helped with timekeeping duties when not competing to ensure the day ran smoothly.

We had many individual and relay team place getters for the day. Congratulations to Jack Burford who placed 1st in all individual events - 15 boys Butterfly, Breaststroke, Freestyle, and Backstroke. Jack was also named Age Group Champion for 15 Boys. Congratulations to Annelise Hunt who placed first in her individual event - 14 girls Butterfly. We had one winning Medley Relay team and that was our 15 boys - Cooper Earle, Zac Nicholds, Tom Connelly & Jack Burford. We also had three winning Freestyle relay teams: 14 girls - Annelise Hunt, Milly Menhennett, Eve Jukes & Eloise Kalms, 15 boys - Jack Burford, Xzavier Moore, Max Marks & Oliver Zambelli and 16 boys - Cooper Earle, Zac Nicholds, Sam Tassone & Tom Connelly.

Thanks also to ISC staff that helped make this day possible.











BIG SCIENCE COMPETITION

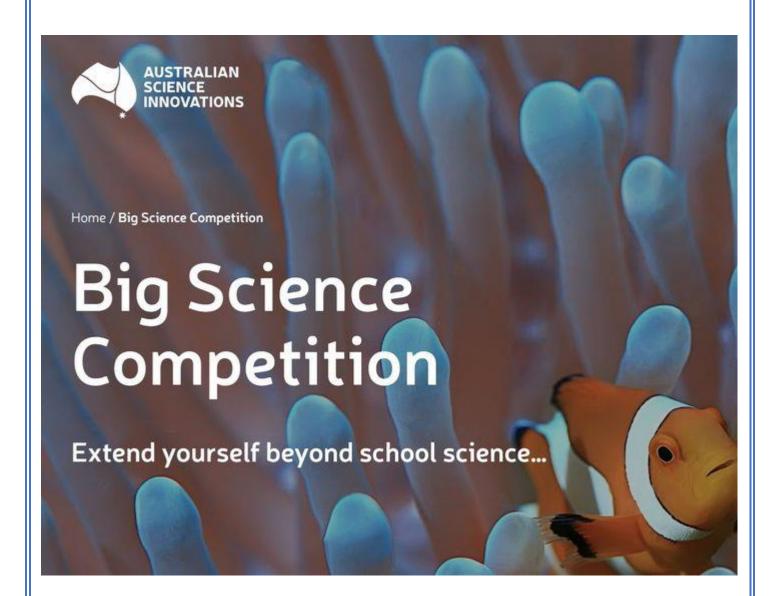
Would you like to enter the 2024 Big Science Competition?

The competition is an activity that puts you against students from across Australia, testing your science understanding, with huge prizes up for grabs including paid trips to Melbourne and beyond!

There will be training sessions aimed at upskilling all students to compete nationally, including hot chip lunches for brain food!

Please see Mr Barenskie for more information or fill out the signup form below.

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AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The online competition allows students from across Australia to test their geography skills against students of the same year level. There are medals, vouchers, and certificates to be handed out to students who excel.

Training sessions will be available to all students involved to better prepare them for the competition in May.

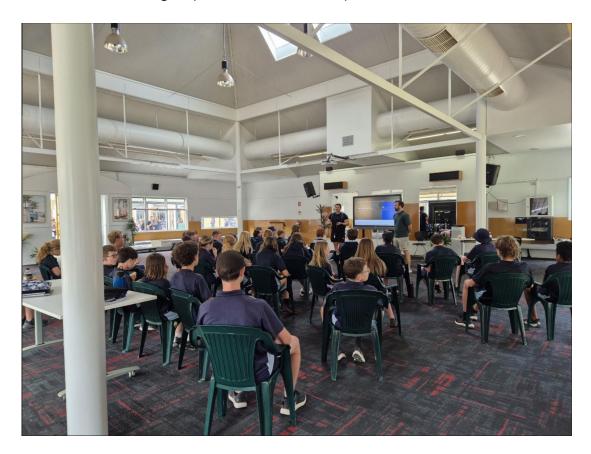
Students that are interested, please see Travis Andrews or fill out the sign-up form below:

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Entries close on Friday, 15th of March



Mr. Andrews and Mr. Barenskie running an information session for all of the students who signed up for the geography or science competitions in May. It was fantastic to see so many students getting involved. The sign-up form will be on Compass until the 15th of March.



YEAR 7 GRAMPIANS CAMP

This year due to weather, our camp was condensed to two days, however, we still fitted everything in. Our hike and town walk were combined into two, our high ropes and abseiling took place and our Zoo trip was just as interesting for our students and staff as ever.

Students, their families, and staff met on a calm Thursday morning. We packed the 4 buses and took off on Year 7 Camp to Halls Gap. We hit the ground running, had our briefing, moved our bags into our rooms, got out of our crocs and into sneakers and were off on the first of two activities for the day. Our students met the challenges head on, scaling and concurring the high ropes and the leap of faith, while others picked the best flavour of ice cream after a hike to Venus Baths. Other groups got to see Halls Gap Zoo and the amazing animals there while other groups tackled the abseiling at Delley's Bridge. After a quick swap over, by late afternoon two activities had already been completed. After a tasty meal from Silverband Lodge (as always) a movie night was held. The movie was stopped so we could all get to bed as it was an early rise Friday morning ready for another two activities.

Friday, we woke to a chilly morning, but it warmed up to be a nice day. Students were out on activities before 8.30am and were excited to swap what they were doing after hearing about each task from others on the camp. Our teachers had a crack too, with some tackling the rock wall. After our two activities a yummy lunch was had then it was back on to the buses for the trip home.

All our students did a great job on camp, not only trying new things but meeting new people and encouraging each other to have a go. This is what camp was all about. This year we were able to thank Bob Capp who has been on camp with us for several years as one of our bus drivers. This year was his last and we thank him for all his years getting us there and back again. Thanks to all the students and staff that came along with us. Thanks also to the staff at school who helped get us there.















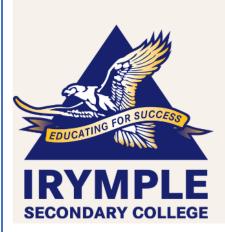
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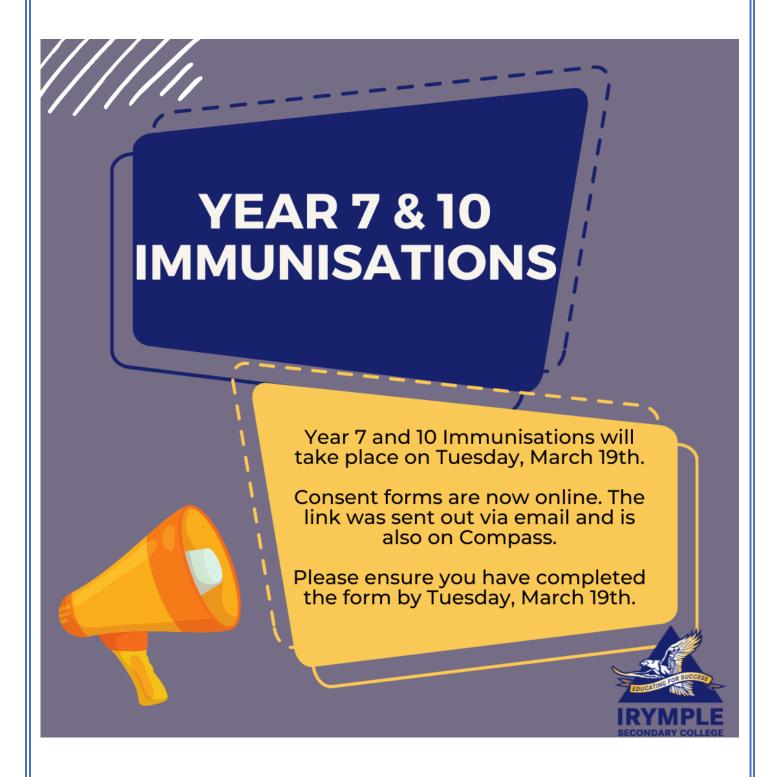
NAPLAN Testing commences for Year 7 and 9 students on Wednesday, March 13th

Please ensure students come to school with a set of headphones as they will need them for part of the Language Conventions Test

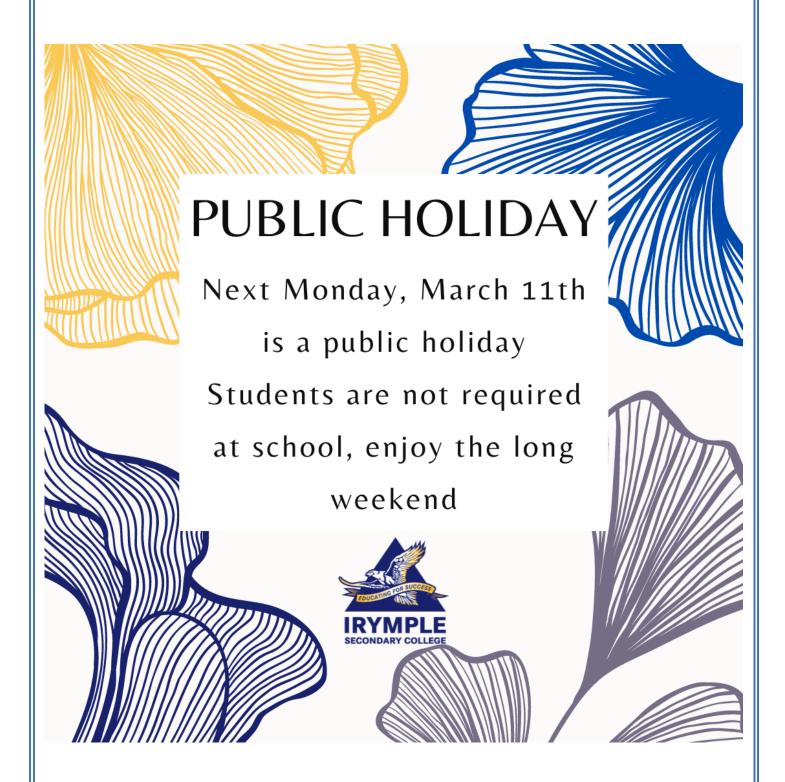




YEAR 7 & 10 IMMUNISATIONS



PUBLIC HOLIDAY



FIRST SCHOOL ASSEMBLY



TERM 1 SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY 27TH OF MARCH

Our Term 1 school assembly will take place at the Irymple Leisure Centre at 12:24 PM (session 4).

We invite all parents who would like to attend to meet us there!



PARENT VOLUNTEERS

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ISC is seeking parent volunteers for the following interschool sports

NETBALL

AGE GROUP

DATE

YR 9/10

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5TH

YR 7/8

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19TH

SOCCER

AGE GROUP

DATE

YR 9/10

MONDAY, MAY 13TH

YR 7/8

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22ND

If you are interested please contact Megan via Email: Megan.Hammond@education.vic.gov.au or Phone: 5024 5407

2024 PREMIER'S SPIRIT OF ANZAC PRIZE

The Victorian Government is excited to announce the opening of the 2024 Premier's Spirit of Anzac Prize (SOAP).

This year, Victorian students from years 9 to 12 will have the opportunity to reflect on how Victorians came together to fund and build the Shrine of Remembrance and other community war memorials.

12 prize winners will go on a fully funded study tour to an international war heritage destination.

Students will need to respond to the topic by applying in their desired format. Accepted formats include but are not limited to essay, artwork, video, audio, music, webpage, or poem.

Applications close Monday, 29 April 2024.

For competition guidelines or to submit an application, <u>visit the Premier's Spirit of Anzac</u> Prize website.

For further information contact the Spirit of Anzac Prize team at soap@dffh.vic.gov.au

2024 PREMIER'S SPIRIT OF ANZAC PRIZE





A NIGHT OF MUSIC, ART AND FILM. INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY COMMUNITY EVENT

POWERHOUSE PLACE 8 MARCH 2024

5.30pm to 8.30pm

Live music showcasing local women and girls | Badge making | Girls and Women's Mural Project | Art for Social Change Exhibition

8.30pm

Screening of 'I Am Woman' [M]

Food and refreshments
Shippy's Café | Spark Kiosk |
Monak Wine Co. | No BYO alcohol
Bring your own chair, blanket
or bean bags

Everyone welcome Free community event







For more details visit mildurariverfront.com.au



Are you aged 12 to 25 and do you live, learn, work or play in the Mildura Rural City Council Area?

Help us create our new

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY





We're developing our next four-year Youth Engagement Strategy, which will include key actions to improve outcomes for our local young people. We want to hear what you're passionate about, your interests and ideas.

Scan here to share your thoughts through our online survey







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