



ISC NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 2nd of August - Year 10 MSC Subject Selections

Tuesday 22nd of August - Athletics Day

Principals Report 24/07/2023.

Gee it is so good to be back after a couple of weeks of sick leave – I would like to personally thank Dee, Gregor, Luke, and Todd for holding down the fort during this time. It's great to know that you can go away for an extended period and not have to be concerned about how things are at ISC.

Talk about hitting the ground running!!! That is certainly what we have done at ISC this term. The Year 10s have been lucky enough to have had the opportunity to participate in Work Experience and then 95 headed off to the Ski Camp with 12 staff.

We had so much great feedback from the wonderful employers who were willing to accept our students for Work Experience. We are so proud of our students as the feedback received from Employers was the best ever. I would also like to personally acknowledge the local businesses for being prepared to support our students with this very important part of their learning and growth.

The Ski Camp was brilliant with wonderful skiing weather for two of the three days on the mountain. The kids were incredibly well behaved and enjoyed having the opportunity to learn a new sport. Thanks to Year Level Co-ordinator Tash and Nat and the other 10 staff members who gave up their family time to attend this camp. Everyone is a bit tired this week but happy that they had the experience.

This week several Year 9s have had the opportunity to go to SuniTafe and the Riverside Trade Training Centre to learn about the subject and studies that are on offer for them in Year 10 if they choose. Students and parents are encouraged to speak with Jackie Horkings (our Careers Advisor) around this if they are interested.

We are beginning to prepare for the InterHouse Athletics Sports which will be held at the Aerodrome Ovals on 22nd August. Please keep an eye on Compass regarding the arrangements as we encourage all students to attend and anyone that wants to participate to do just that.

Our Nest (Library) is having the windows replaced and an update on the inside. It is looking very bright and clean, and we are eagerly waiting for it to be back in use next week. The Student Centre also got a refurb over the holidays with a new paint job to compliment the

new carpet that we got earlier in the year. Both spaces are now wonderful areas for students and staff to work and learn.

Staff are participating in online professional learning this term which is a continuation of the work we started with the Corwin Group at our Curriculum Day earlier in the year.

Jo McQuinn,
Principal

YEAR 9 CAMP

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Information regarding the 2nd payment instalment has been emailed to parents.

This payment is due Friday 18th of August 2023.

REPORTS

Semester 1 Reports are now live on Compass, this includes Semester 1 VCE, Instrumental Music and FLO Reports



PERFORMING ARTS IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 22nd August - The Beat Tech rehearsal for choir at the Mildura Arts Centre (Event on Compass)

Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd August - The Beat Act 2: 8:00pm Start (Event on Compass)

SHREK PRODUCTION

Every Wednesday and Thursday - Rehearsals 3:30-4:30 (Full Cast)

19th, 20th, 21st September & Sunday 20th October - Full Rehearsals 10-2pm ISC drama room (Event on Compass).

Thursday 12th and Friday 13th October - Full Dress Rehearsals at the Leisure Centre (Event on Compass)

Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th October - Tech rehearsal, matinee, and evening at Mildura Arts Centre (Event on Compass)

LAST DAY OF TERM 2

For the last day of Term 2 we held our annual Footy Colours Day to celebrate the success the term was and to give our year 10's a bit of fun after all their hard work in their exams. The day was a huge success having the teachers come out well on top by 6 goals, keeping their winning streak going. We managed to raise all the remaining sponsorship for 2023 for our sponsor child, Dirsia, in Timor Leste and \$280 for the Fight Cancer Foundation, an amazing organisation that supports cancer research as well as people living with cancer and their families. The SRC ran a footy canteen of our own selling buckets of chips and drinks. Overall, the day was amazing and a fantastic way to end our term.

Well done to 8A who donated the most towards Dirsia's sponsorship and the Year 8 Level overall who donated the most as a year level. Thanks to everyone who dressed up and donated money to support Dirsia's opportunity to attend school.



WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 10 students have thoroughly enjoyed completing their Work Experience. A Big Thank You to all the businesses and institutions that hosted our students. The school community is very grateful for the practical, real-life experience gained by our students. This partnership is invaluable in contributing to student success.

106.7 Hot FM	Goldacres	Nichols Point Primary School
A & G Engineering Vic Pty Ltd	Goodstart Early Learning	Oasis Aged Care
A1 Hay Sales	Green Goddess Florist	One Agency Mildura
ABW Electrical	Greg Chappell Cricket Centre	Optima Air Conditioning
Admedia	Growers Services Mildura	OTR Australia
AFL Sunraysia	Hall's Memorials Mildura	Outback Ag
Anaconda Mildura	Happy Turtle Childcare	Outback Kids Child Care Centre
Architecture Matters Pty Ltd	Hudak's Bakery P/L	Panuccio Developments
Aspect Kitchens & Cabinetry	Integration Edge	Pasadena Pre-School
Autobarn Mildura	Irymple Kindergarten	Paws Resort
B&S Earthworks	Irymple Primary School	Petbarn
Benetook Veterinary Clinic	Irymple South Primary School	Peter Sevdalis
Beyond Content	JAAZ Electrical Pty Ltd	Pizza Cafe
BG Speech Pathology	Jack & Jill Child Care Centre	Rehabilitation
Blume by Colin Straub	John Irwin Legal	Price Attack Mildura
Bright Futures Mildura	Jukes Irrigation & Excavation	Princes Court Homes
Bunnings Warehouse	Kidscape Tworivers	Raffles Hair Design
Butter B Blooms	Koorlong Primary School	Red Cliffs Physiotherapy
Byrne Plaster Group	Lachlan Highdale Electrical	Retro Hair
Cardross Primary School	Laker Group	Riverside Electric Tattoo
Chaffey Secondary College	Leon Webley Plumbing	Robinson Plumbing
Charles & Partners	Lime Dental	Ruby Hair Design
Club Aquarius	Lime Therapy Mildura	Rural Care Australia
Coolibah Cabins	Lower Murray Water	School of the Air Broken Hill
Coomealla Club	Mallee Earthmoving & Excavations	Select Harvest
Corsa Specialized Vehicles	Mallee Sports Assembly	Shaun Mckay Electrical Pty Ltd
Country Way Early Learning	Maloney Anderson Legal	Smiggle
Craig Lay Carpentry	Martin Middleton Oates Lawyers	Spanos Electrical Pty Ltd
Cummins & Noonan Electrical	Mattnifico Graphic Design.	SRS Benetook Farm
CW Painting	MFT Developments	ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN PARISH
Daimler Trucks Mildura	Mick Carli Plummbing & Roofing	St Margarets Preschool
Dandura Alpacas	Mildura Central Early Learning Centre	St Pauls Primary School
David Carson Electrical	Mildura Concrete Company	St. Michael's Lutheran Primary School
Deakin Motorcycles	Mildura Flower Studio	STEVEN GRAY CARPENTRY PTY LTD
Devilee's Air Conditioning	Mildura Fruit Juices Aust PTY LTD	Sunraysia Community Health Services
DHM Partners	Mildura Health Private Hospital	Sunraysia Daily
DJN Jewellery	Mildura Professional Painting	Swan Hill Rural City Council
DWM Engineering	Mildura Rural City Council	TAFE Kids Inc
DWR Services PTY LTD	Mildura Rural City Council - Library & Visitor Information Centre	Tankard Dental
Elders Real Estate - Rural Services	Mildura Rural City Council - Maternal & Child Health	The Divine Room Mildura
Elegance Hair	Mildura South Kindergarten	Theill Pipelines
Elite Technical Nutrients	Mildura South Primary School	Treasury Wine Estate (Lindeman's)
Endota Spa	Mildura South Primary School - Out of School Care	Unique Kitchens & Joinery
Exposed Signage & Apparel	Mildura Specialist School	VERTEX Power & Process
F45 Training Mildura	Mildura Truck Centre	Wallis Drilling
Freedom Chiropractic & Movement Studio	Mildura Veterinary Hospital	Wilkie Building Contractors
FWSR - Firewatch Safety Results Group	Mildura Waves Aquatic and Leisure Centre	Willow Hair
G J&K Robinson PTY LTD	Mildura West Primary School	Woods Strength & Conditioning
G.H. Electrical	MotoTech	York Glass and Aluminium
Garraway Development	Mulcahy & Co Mildura	Zilzie Wines Pty Ltd
Georgia Brown	National Agricultural Services PTY Ltd	

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COURAGE TO CARE

An amazing experience for our year eight and nine students over the last two days. A session with COURAGE to CARE exploring our own attitudes and behaviours and how to be an upstander in response to discrimination. Students will be part of the last generation of people to actually hear firsthand from a holocaust survivor and how he feels lucky that people supported him and his parents. Lucky that he was hidden in a freezing 2x2x1 hole in the ground. Lucky that the freezing water from melted snow that they had to sit in was a source of water for them. Out of 44 family members 4 survived. Out of 14000 children detailed at Terezin, he was one of 136 that survived. "Hate gets you nowhere. Hate will kill you before it kills the one you hate."

Ask your children (year 8 and 9) what does courage to care mean? Ask them what could have stopped the holocaust from happening and what can they do to stop negative conversations and actions.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Billy Cumming who competed in the Computational and Algorithmic Thinking Challenge and achieved a result in the top 3% of the participants. Billy only got one question incorrect in the entire challenge. A huge achievement Billy.



Last Friday, students; Sarah and Roman represented Irymple Secondary College at Chaffey Farm as part of their participation in the Northern Mallee Horticultural Immersion Project.

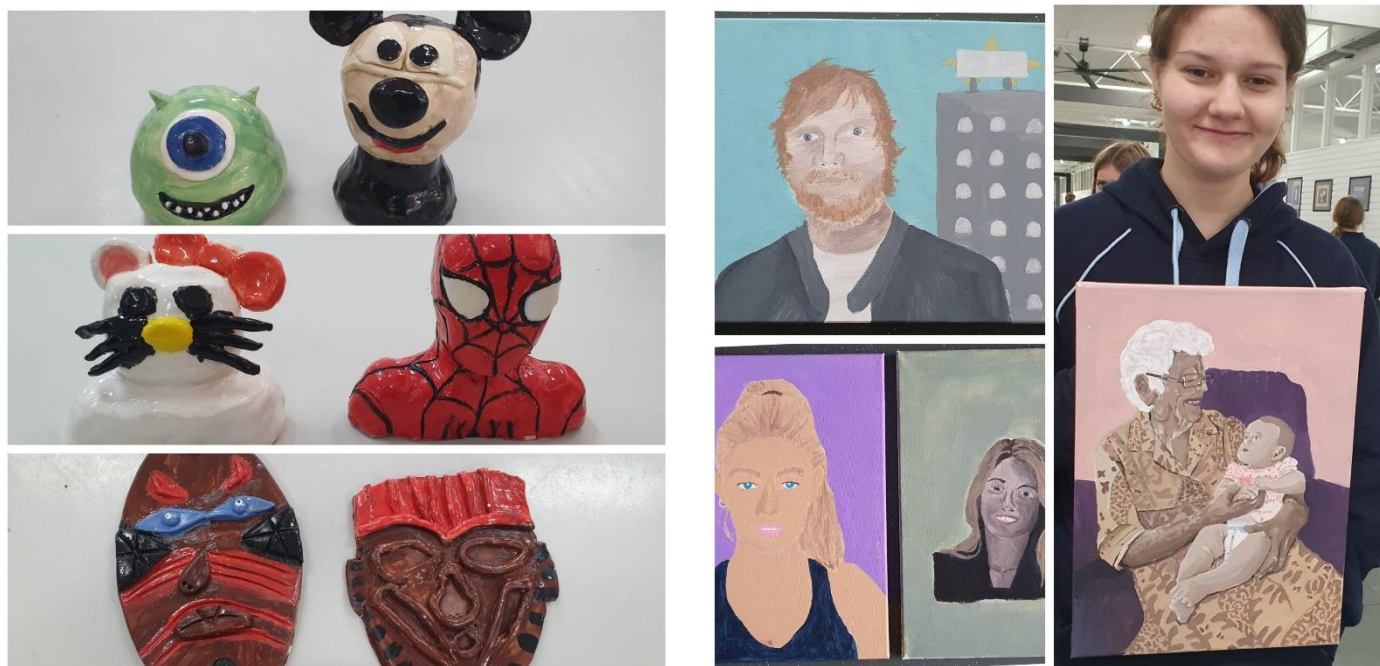
Over the next 8 weeks Sarah and Roman will be working with 17 other students from Merbein, Red Cliffs and Chaffey, attending industry site visits as well as conducting individual and team investigations around agricultural and horticultural technologies and practices .Well done guys!



FOOD DEPARTMENT



ARTS DEPARTMENT



DISS CLINIC

The Doctors in Schools clinic is providing flu vaccinations for secondary students on Tuesdays for \$15.00.

Otherwise, free to those who are eligible as per the Government guidelines listed below.

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 6 months and older
- People aged six months and older with medical conditions putting them at increased risk of severe flu and its complications. Please book an appt via the school office.

FIGHTING FLU STARTS WITH YOU

2023 INFLUENZA VACCINES AVAILABLE

The **INFLUENZA** vaccine is recommended for people aged 6 months and over and is **FREE** to those most at risk from influenza and its complications



Ask about the flu vaccine today

health.gov.au/flu



FIGHTING FLU STARTS WITH YOU

Who should receive the influenza vaccine

Everyone six months and older is recommended to get an influenza (flu) vaccine each year. The flu vaccine not only protects you, but it also can help protect those around you.

Influenza vaccination is especially important for some

The flu vaccine is strongly recommended and free under the National Immunisation Program for people most at risk of complications from influenza, including:

- **People 65 years and over**
- **Pregnant women (at any stage during pregnancy)**
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 6 months and over**
- **Children 6 months to less than 5 years**
- **People 6 months and over with certain medical conditions**

Some states and territories may offer free vaccines for other groups. Talk to your vaccination provider or visit your state or territory health department website to find out.

If you are not eligible for a free vaccine, you can buy the vaccine. Talk to local vaccination providers to find out how much it will cost.

About influenza

Influenza is a common viral infection that affects people of all ages.

While it can be a mild disease for some, it can also cause very serious illness in otherwise healthy people. It can lead to hospitalisation and can cause death.

Vaccination is the safest way to protect yourself and others from influenza.

About the influenza vaccine

Influenza vaccines are given each year to protect against the most common strains of the virus.

The strains can change from year to year so the vaccines may be updated from one season to the next, so it's important to get vaccinated every year.

The vaccine used will depend on your age. Your vaccination provider can tell you which vaccine they will use for you or your child's immunisation.

All National Immunisation Program funded vaccines available for use are quadrivalent (four strains—two influenza A and two influenza B). They are latex free.

Influenza vaccine safety

The influenza vaccine has been around for many decades and has a great safety record. Common side effects from the influenza vaccine include mild pain, redness or swelling where the vaccine is given. These side effects usually last for a few days and go away without any treatment.

While some effects may seem like influenza, none of the influenza vaccines available in Australia contain live influenza viruses, so they cannot cause influenza.

People with egg allergy (including history of anaphylaxis) can safely receive the NIP flu vaccines. If you have an egg allergy, please discuss this with your vaccination provider.

Serious side effects, such as a severe allergic reaction are extremely rare.

When to get your influenza vaccine

You should get vaccinated each year from mid-April onwards to be protected before the influenza season, which is usually June to September in most parts of Australia. However, it's never too late to be vaccinated as influenza can spread all year round.

If you had last seasons flu vaccine late last year or early this year, you should still get the new season vaccine this year when it becomes available.

Influenza vaccines can be given on the same day with a COVID-19 vaccines and most other vaccines.

Where to get your influenza vaccine

You can book a vaccine appointment at a range of health services including:

- local doctor/general practices
- local council immunisation clinics (available in some states and territories)
- community health centres
- Aboriginal health services
- participating pharmacies.

Not all of these vaccination providers will have the free National Immunisation Program vaccines. Check with your preferred vaccination provider to find out:

- about the specific vaccines they can provide
- when they will be available; and
- when you can book in to have the vaccine
- if there is a consultation or administration fee to get the free vaccines.

Children under 5

Babies and children younger than 5 years have a higher risk of complications and being hospitalised from influenza. Even healthy children can get very sick from influenza.

Your child can get an influenza vaccine either on its own or at the same appointment as their other routine vaccinations.

Children under 9 getting the influenza vaccine for the first time need 2 doses, 4 weeks apart. This strengthens the immune response to all vaccine strains.

People aged 65 years and over

Vaccination is particularly important for people aged 65 years and over as they are at high risk of complications from influenza.

All adults aged 65 and over are eligible for a free influenza vaccine that is specifically made to boost the immune response for better protection.

The Australian Immunisation Register

Your immunisation provider is required to report all influenza vaccinations to the Register. This includes some personal information such as your name, date of birth, contact details, and your Medicare card number.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are more at risk of getting really sick and going to hospital from influenza.

For protection of your community, everyone aged 6 months and over can get the influenza vaccine for free every year.

Pregnant women

Influenza is a serious disease for pregnant women and their babies. The influenza vaccine is recommended, safe and free for every pregnancy and can be given at any stage during pregnancy. It can also be safely given while breastfeeding.

Changes to immune, heart and lung functions during pregnancy make pregnant women more vulnerable to severe illness and complications from influenza.

By getting vaccinated in pregnancy, you pass on protective antibodies through the placenta to your baby. This protects them in their first few months when they are most vulnerable and are too young to be vaccinated themselves.

Pregnant women who had last year's influenza vaccine early in their pregnancy, are recommended to have the current influenza vaccine if it is available before their baby is born.

If you received the vaccine before becoming pregnant, you should be revaccinated during pregnancy to protect your unborn infant.

Influenza vaccination can be given at the same time as pertussis vaccine and/or COVID-19 vaccine.

People with certain medical conditions

The influenza vaccine is free for people 6 months and over with the following conditions that put them at higher risk of severe influenza and its complications:

- cardiac disease
- chronic respiratory conditions
- chronic neurological conditions
- immunocompromising conditions
- diabetes and other metabolic disorders
- renal disease
- haematological disorders
- children aged six months to 10 years on long term aspirin therapy.

Talk to your vaccination provider about your medical history and ask if you are at risk.



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All information in this publication is correct as of February 2023.

IRYMPLE SECONDARY COLLEGE



**FOOTY STAR ACADEMY PROGRAMS
ARE BACK FOR TERM 3.**

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MORNINGS FROM 7.45AM - 8.45AM
SUITABLE FOR AGES 12-16 AND FOR ALL ABILITIES**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN YOUR CHILD PARTICIPATING IN
OUR PROGRAM, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO ENROL.**

FOOTY STAR ACADEMY



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2023 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional but we encourage all randomly selected families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

A random sample of approximately 30 per cent of parents / caregivers / guardians has been selected to participate in this year's survey.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.