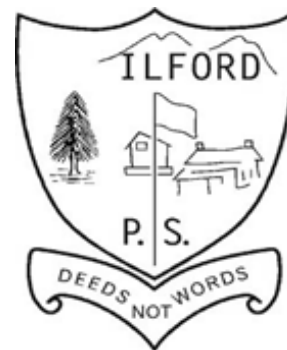


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Term 1, Week 1

Welcome to 2014

Welcome back to a busy 2014. In particular, we welcome Lance who is starting kindergarten, Jenna who will be in Year 2, Jett in Year 3 and Jolie who is in Year 4. We welcome these students and their families to Ilford Public School and hope they enjoy their time with us.

Swimming School

Unfortunately our swimming school is a bit disjointed this term. We will go to Kandos Pool on Thursday and Friday this week, and Monday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week. Travel will be by bus. The cost is \$25.00 per student and is based on all students attending each day. Please return the attached permission note and money tomorrow morning (Thursday).

Swimming Carnival

Our swimming carnival will be held at Mudgee Pool on Tuesday 11th February commencing at 9:00am. Transport will be by parents. There will be a canteen operating on the day. It is anticipated that the carnival will be over by 2:45pm.

K-2 News

Could K-2 students bring a pillow or small cushion that can be kept at school for use during reading time.

School Notes

Attached to the newsletter are notes that are required for the commencement of the school year. Please sign and return them as soon as possible.

Active After School

The active after school program commences on Tuesday 18 February and Thursday 13 February. This term we will be having two days of AAS sport. Tuesdays will be athletics run by Caro-Ann from 3:30 – 4:30 and Thursdays will be bike education run by myself from 8:15 – 8:45am and from 3:15 – 3:45. Permission notes will be coming home soon. I would like all students to participate where possible to support our school focus on having a healthy and active lifestyle.

Music

Music lessons with Bob Burns will be on Thursdays starting in week 3 (13 February). Anyone requiring private tuition please arrange with Bob.

Library

This year library borrowing will be on Thursdays. Please remember to bring a library bag or pillow case to keep books in.

Canberra Camp

This year's 3-6 camp will be to Canberra. We will be driving by bus and staying for three nights. There is a range of activities organised including:

- Parliament House
- Questacon
- The Royal Mint Australia
- National Gallery
- High Court.

The approximate cost per student is \$275. The final cost and additional details will be forwarded as soon as possible. If you would like to begin making installments towards the cost of the camp please see Mrs Cresswell.

Hats

Please ensure your child/ren has a sun smart (wide brimmed or legionnaires) school hat. In terms 1 and 4 we have a no hat no play policy in place and children without a hat will be required to play in shaded areas only and not be able to participate fully in fitness or sport.

School Uniform

School uniform items are available for purchase from the office. There are both secondhand and new items. Please see us if you need to purchase any uniform items and remember to label all items (including shoes in some cases!!) as we often find clothing items unlabeled and no students willing to claim them.

School Times

The Ilford school day begins at 8:45am and concludes at 3:15pm. There is a teacher on duty from 8:15am until 3:55pm to accommodate for the buses. If your child is not catching the bus they need to be collected at 3:15pm.

Attendance

Please be aware that school attendance is compulsory and there are legal implications surrounding this. If your child is sick or away from school you are required to inform us and provide a reason. Absences for illness over 3 days require a doctor's certificate. Absences can only be accepted for particular reasons like illness or medical appointments. Where there is a need for an absence for family reasons please speak to us as you may be able to obtain an exemption from school attendance under specific circumstances.

Dates to Remember

11 th February	Swimming carnival at Mudgee
14 th February	RDO
17 th February	P & C AGM – 6pm
18 th February	AASC sport begins
26 th February	School Photos



Welcome to new students Jenna, Jett, Jolie and Lance!