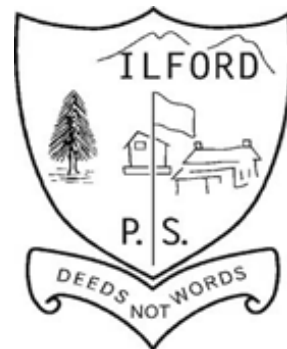


# Ilford Public School

*Deeds Not Words*



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Term 1, Week 9

## **Principal's Message**

With the end of Term 1 fast approaching I want to thank the Ilford school community for welcoming me. I can't believe Easter is only around the corner but we have so much to cram into our last 2 weeks of the term.

Relieving Principal  
Mr Lindsay

## **Last day of Term 1**

As next Friday is a RDO, Thursday of next week is the last day of term 1. We are having an Easter Hat Parade, Easter raffle and an Easter Morning Tea. Please bring a plate of party food to share. If you haven't already, please drop your raffle donations into the office along with your raffle tickets and money.

Children will be making their hats at school. Please bring trimmings etc. to school on Monday ready for hat making. Cardboard will be supplied

The parade will be held at 9:30am followed by the drawing of the raffle and morning tea. Looking forward to seeing parents and community.

## **MSSN Public Speaking**

The MSSN Public Speaking is being held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April at the Mudgee Town Hall Theatre. Please arrive at 9:00am ready for a prompt 9:30am start. Transport and supervision is parent's responsibility. Students are busy preparing their speeches. Please return the signed permission note as soon as possible.

## **ANZAC Day**

Ilford PS will be marching in Kandos's ANZAC day march on the 25<sup>th</sup> April. If your child would like to march with us, please fill in the permission slip below. Students will meet at the Rotunda at 10:30am ready for the march.

## **Mrs Le Poidevin Term 2**

Mrs Le Poidevin is taking some well-earned Long Service Leave during Term 2. She has planned to do some travel during this time. Mrs Price will teach the K-2 class during her absence. We look forward to receiving some lovely postcards during your travels Mrs Le Poidevin.

## **Student Absences**

As part of our everyday teaching practice we are required to maintain student attendance records. Attendance roles are updated daily with student

absences recorded. If your child is away from school for whatever reason, a phone call is always welcomed with a short explanation and additionally a note should be sent in, within seven days, to confirm the absence.

### **Gymnastics**

Students are enjoying our gymnastic lessons and learning new skills which are being given each Wednesday by Sacha.

### **P & C AGM**

The next P & C meeting will be held this Thursday (30<sup>th</sup> March) commencing at 5:00pm.

### **Day 1, Term 2**

The first day of school for Term 2 for students will be Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April.

### **NAPLAN**

NAPLAN assessments will be conducted during Term 2 Week 3, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May till Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May will be a catch up day for students who are absent and miss any of the assessments.

### **Cross Country**

During the holidays students are encouraged to start training for the Cudgegong Zone Cross Country which is being held in Rylstone on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Students who are turning 8 years old this year and above will be provided with the opportunity to enter into their age race. 8/9 year olds will be required to complete the 2km course while the 10/11/12/13 year olds the 3km course.

### **Student Welfare Teacher**

Kelly Curtis is our appointed Student Welfare Teacher. She works with 12 of our small schools in the Mudgee and Bathurst districts. She visits twice a term to each school providing a variety of services including:

- Individual, small group and class group workshops to build and support resilience within students and staff (resilience is the ability to 'bounce back' from difficult times and experiences)
- Transition programs – preparing student to help them make the change from stage to stage e.g. infants to primary, primary to high school.
- 'ears' for staff, students and parents to talk over any concerns they may have for themselves or

their child educationally, developmentally or socially. Follow up programs and strategies to assist with meeting their needs.

- Assistance and help for staff and parents to access out-of-school services to support students with health or learning difficulties.
- Referrals to our District School Counsellor, should parents feel they or their child could benefit from this
- Assistance to parents and staff to fill in paperwork or other documents related to a student's education, social or developmental needs.

Kelly has 23 years of teaching and life experience and has taught previously at Ilford Public School. As a Student Welfare Teacher, her role is to assist and support students, staff and parents within our district.

Please do not hesitate to contact her via school if you would like to discuss anything regarding your child or her role. In order to see your child one-on-one, a permission note is required to be filled in by parents or carers prior to seeing students.

### **Library**

Library borrowing will be on Thursdays this year. Please remember to bring a library bag (a pillow case is ideal) to help protect our books. Please return books regularly.

### **On-Line Payments**

Parents are able to make on-line payments to the school by accessing 'Make a Payment' through our school webpage on <http://www.ilford-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>. Attached to the newsletter is an explanation as to how payment may be made.

### **Playground Kapers**

At Ilford Public School we always do our best and "keep our hands and feet to ourselves".



### **Happy Birthday**

Happy birthday to Jaiden who is 12 on 5<sup>th</sup> April, Dylan who is 8 on 12<sup>th</sup> and Luke who is 8 on 23<sup>rd</sup>

### ***Citizens of the Week:***

Finn – supporting others in the playground and classroom

Riley – a kind and friendly boy who cares for others

Jett – always polite and mature and helpful to others

Kiesha – being kind, happy and helpful

### ***Workers of the Week:***

Charlotte – great effort with speech writing

Layne – worked beautifully with Mrs Rutter this week

Matthew – working well and remaining focused on his work

Lincoln – finishing his work to an excellent standard

### **Dates to Remember**

5<sup>th</sup> April

Public Speaking

6<sup>th</sup> April

Easter Hat Parade

7<sup>th</sup> April

RDO & end of Term 1

#### **Term 2**

24<sup>th</sup> April

Staff Development day

26<sup>th</sup> April

Students return

### **Change of RDO**

The RDO which had been set down for 9th June has been moved to Friday 16th June. The 9th June is the Mudgee Small Schools athletics carnival at Walkers Field, Mudgee.

### **MSSN Public Speaking Permission note**

I give permission for my child/ren

To attend the MSSN Public Speaking competition on Wednesday 5th April at the Mudgee Town Hall Theatre. I understand that transport will be by parent arrangement.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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ANZAC Day March

I give permission for my child/ren

\_\_\_\_\_ to march on ANZAC Day, 25th April at 10:45am. I understand that transport will be arranged by parents.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Bubbling Cities

the lights will blend  
with new smells  
as they

evaporate others  
into clear mist

in dark grey laneways  
of the homeless

along the concrete  
are objects rising  
of lost and broken

between homes  
the sun kissed sun leaves for  
another day

By Reine

### Cave Sight

the tunnel is damp  
With bat squeaks  
As they

fly themselves  
out the gaps

of cave crack openings  
to cave rooms

through the path  
are blunt pieces  
of moss and fungus

between rocks  
the sharp edges of pickaxe  
breaks through

By Finn

### City Lines

The city was dull

With Venti shadows  
As they

Swooped up  
From drains

On skyscrapers needles  
Of steel rest

Around the boarder  
Were destructive gods  
Of lightning and love  
Between pages

The faded lines of ink  
Wait for life  
By Jett

### Night Breaking Moon

The moon is covered  
With suffocated wind  
As it  
Rolls around the earth

In rocky snow shards  
For earth break

Along its sides  
Are curved corners  
Of tins and roads

Along hills  
The magical colours of sunset  
Glazer through

By Bonny

## Winter Wonderland

The atmosphere is frozen  
With snowy conditions  
Is it

Levitates itself  
From the heavens

Over iced lakes fractures  
Of rain chills

Above the bank  
Are fine lacings  
Of silk webs

Under shadows  
The fine whisker of warmth  
Creeps out

By Blainey

