SCHOOL RULES—Be Responsible—Be Safe—Be Respectful

Courtesy
School members will model the common courtesy of speech, body language and manners to each other.

Consideration
All school members will model consideration for others, their property and the school environment.

Co-operation
Students are required to follow the instructions of teachers at all times.

Commitment
Students will do their best at their own learning and not interfere with rights of others to learn.

Safety
Everyone will be neat, clean and appropriately dressed in their school uniform as per the Uniform Policy.

Punctuality
It is a legal requirement that all children attend school within required hours. If children are late they must report to the Office.

School Grounds
Students will not leave the school grounds without the permission of the Principal. Parents must sign children out at the Office and then sign them in again on their return.

Classrooms
Students are not to be in a classroom at any time without a teacher.

Valuables/Toys
Valuables/Toys/Media devices are not to be brought to school due to theft/loss/respect for privacy. If brought, they must be handed in at the Office and collected at 3:00pm.

Litter
All litter will be placed in the bins provided.

Bikes/Scooters
Bikes and scooters must be walked in the school grounds.

Staffroom
Students need permission to enter the Staffroom.

Banned Items
The following items are banned at school:

- Liquid paper, chewing gum, matches or lighters, cigarettes, alcohol or drugs, shanghais, knives, other weapons, or any other items at the discretion of the Principal.

Mobile Phones
Children are discouraged from bringing mobile phones and multimedia devices to school due to theft/loss/respect for privacy. If brought, they must be handed in at the Office and collected at 3:00pm.

OUR BELIEF
At Ingham State School we work together to ensure that every day, in every classroom, every student is learning and achieving.

Dear Parents,
A big welcome back to the start of School for 2015.

This year is shaping up to be a great one. Our teachers have been back at work for nearly a week making sure we are ready for whatever the year holds. At Ingham State School it is all systems go.

A very special welcome to our new staff as well, we are excited to have you as part of our school community and can’t wait to watch you learn and grow over the coming years.

If you are new, or even not so new, to our school community the start of school is a great time to remind you of our open door policy. If you ever have any questions, comments or issues the administration team would love to hear from you. We always have time to talk to anyone from our school community.

School numbers and classes from year to year are always a hard thing to predict, this year is no different. On paper some of our class numbers appear quite high and looking at our figures it could mean an additional teacher which will mean smaller class numbers but we would have to adjust classes. Additional teacher numbers are based on day 8 figures which will be Thursday next week. In order to gain an additional teacher all our students need to be at school before day 8 or we have to have information relating to the fact that children will not be attending school, so if you know anyone who still has to come back to school please let them know how important it is that they come to school straight away so they do not miss out on important learning opportunities and we would also be able to know exactly where we are in terms of numbers. Students or new enrolments that have not attended school prior to Day 8 can only be included in the Day 8 count if there is current, acceptable and documented evidence gathered on or before 12.00 noon on Day 8 stating that routine attendance will commence by the last Monday of February -23 February 2015.

We will keep you up to date as to what is happening.

We continue to recognize that communication is a major priority. Our Newsletters come out each Tuesday in paper form but the big emphasis this year will be on email delivery. There will be more information relating to this coming from Pauline De Luca our Business Services Manager (BSM). Please visit our website also for further relevant information and we introduced our own Facebook page in fourth term last year. We are finding that many of our community are accessing this. If you have Facebook feel free to “like” our page and get updates regularly.

Elections for Student Council and Sport Captains will take place on Friday of this week in the afternoon session. The School Captains for 2015 are Paige Sorbello and Lachlan Seri and the Vice Captains are Ashley Dickson and Joshua Potts.

Steve Ballin will be filling the role of Deputy while Marias is on leave and Emma Menegon will be on year 5 at this time.

THE ADMIN TEAM
**BELL TIMES**

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**SCHOOL NOTICES**

Absences—Parents, please ring the school to advise that your child will be absent on the day of the absence and the reason for their absence.

Late Arrivals—All students arriving at school late MUST present to the Office and collect a Late Arrival Slip which they then must give to their classroom teacher.

Early Departures—Parents, if you are arranging for someone other that yourselves to pick up your child early from school, ONLY those people you have listed as an Emergency Contact may do so and also, the Early Departure Register which is located in the Office, MUST be signed and the student then collected from their classroom.

Welcome to Tuckshop 2015!

Tuckshop will re-open tomorrow, Wednesday 28 January and will be open for each school day, Monday to Friday, for the remainder of the school year. If you are a new parent/carer in the school and are unsure how the tuckshop operates, please call into the tuckshop. I will be only too pleased to answer your questions.

If you have a student/s with a medical condition requiring a special diet and you wish to order from the tuckshop, please feel free to come and talk to be about your student/s dietary requirements.

Our Tuckshop Menu is Smart Choice approved. We endeavour to provide healthy nutritious food and drinks for students and staff.

The present price list and menu is enclosed with today’s Newsletter. Please check prices before ordering to make sure you place sufficient money in your student’s Tuckshop Bag.

Ordering System. Tuckshop operates on a cash basis only—orders sent in without sufficient money enclosed will be changed. One bag is required for Big Lunch and one bag for Afternoon Tea. Place the Afternoon Tea bag inside the Big Lunch bag with sufficient money to cover both lunches.

Volunteers are an essential part of the tuckshop. A tuckshop volunteer form will be enclosed with next week’s Newsletter. Please fill in and return to the tuckshop post box as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mrs Byers — Tuckshop Convenor

**2015 Tuckshop Roster**

Wednesday 28 January — Tricia Cantoni, Araya Piakhan

Thursday 29 January — Amanda Lenzo

Friday 30 January — Lina Marmara, Nadine Bulmer

Monday 02 February — Helen Carey

Tuesday 03 February — Lina Marmara, Belinda Musumeci, Nadine Bulmer

**2015 Specialty Baking Roster**

Wednesday 28 January — Volunteers please

Thursday 29 January — Volunteers please

**ISS Playgroup News**

Ingham State School Playgroup for 2015 will commence in Week 3. Playgroup is held every Monday commencing at 9.00am in the Multipurpose Hall.

Tea and coffee available. Bring your own morning tea. Cost is $2.00 per family.


**BUS NEWS**

Parents, if your child is catching a bus for the first time or a different bus than they normally catch, please advise the Office or your child’s teacher which bus it is e.g. Herbert River No 2.

We also remind students that ONLY PORTS may be taken on board buses.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**SCHOOL FIXED DENTAL CLINIC**

Opens on Wednesday 28 January 2015

Dental Clinic Phone Number: 4720 3060

Dental Clinic Mobile: 0407 962 997

**P & C NEWS**

Next Meeting 2015

The next General Monthly Meeting will be held on Monday 16 February 2015

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 16 March 2015.

We look forward to welcoming new members to our P&C meetings.

**HPE NEWS**

Natalee and I wish to extend to our school community a hearty welcome. This year we will be busy organising class lessons and the many sporting events on the calendar. As events become closer parents and students will be informed.

Generally most representative sports are for students aged ten and above; however, there are some events permitting younger students to participate. We will have a section each week in the Newsletter so make sure you read it to help alleviate confusion as the sporting calendar does become congested at times.

If you have any concerns, we are based in the withdrawal room in C Block. Please come to see us and we will make every attempt to explain it to you.

Helen works Monday and Tuesday, Natalee on Wednesday and Thursday, both Friday morning. If we are not available, please leave a message at the Office. Helen works primarily with the lower school and Natalee the upper classes.

This term, the students in the lower grades (except Prep) will be swimming starting Week 3. Permission forms and other information will be sent out very soon.

Helen and Natalee

**Reading With Your Child**

Remember, reading and talking with your child has a long time impact on your child’s success.