Date Claimers
12 March—Boys Football Trials 3:15pm
16 March—P&C AGM
18 March—Reading Workshop
23 March—National Day against Bullying
01 April—Disco
26-27 April—NQ Netball Trials

Dear Parents,

Please remember that we are having a reading workshop on the 18th of March from 6.00pm until 7.00pm. We have had fantastic feedback from parents who come along to our workshops but it would be fantastic if we could get some greater numbers not because we love being at school 24/7 but because parent involvement is being shown as having huge impact on children’s learning. I know that so many of our parents work so can’t be at school during the day but it is about the quality of the relationship between the school and the home. If we can help you being able to support your child at home and to have conversations about what they are learning at school then students will achieve success more easily. I am adding today some of the latest findings so that you know why we feel so strongly about giving parents opportunities to attend workshops that show you what strategies you can use to help your child.

Research demonstrates that effective schools have high levels of parental and community involvement. This involvement is strongly related to improved student learning, attendance and behaviour and can have a major impact on student learning, regardless of the social or cultural background of the family. Family involvement in schools is therefore central to high quality education and is part of the core business of schools. The Australian Family-School Partnerships Framework: A guide for schools and families, Family-School and Community Partnerships Bureau, 2008

Research evidence that suggests that it is the way in which parents engage with their children’s learning that makes the most difference, and that parents have their greatest influence at home. In these approaches, the emphasis is on building what Mutch and Collins (2012, p.176) describe as ‘meaningful, respectful partnerships between families and schools that focus on improving educational experiences and successes for the child.’ When schools and teachers operate from this perspective, they focus on ways of connecting with parents to support what parents are doing at home, and to lay the foundations for a collaboration in which the actions of parents and teachers complement each other. Importantly, the power of parental engagement overrides other factors that have been shown to influence a child’s achievement. For example, when parents are actively engaged in their children’s learning, their influence appears to outweigh factors such as parental education, socio-economic background or the quality of the child’s schooling (Henderson & Mapp, 2002; Desforges & Abouchaar, 2003; Melhuish et al., 2008; Mansour & Martin, 2009; Hattie, 2009; Goodall et al., 2011).

I have added the bold type to the paragraph as this is the major reason we offer workshops. Our motto is that ‘At Ingham State School we work together to ensure that every day, in every classroom, every student is learning and achieving.’ We believe that we can only achieve each child’s individual goals is through strong effective relationships between teachers, parents and students.

With our Great Results Guarantee funding I have explained previously that we have bought additional personnel to support our students who need further extension. For all of our students it is about providing both challenge and feedback, feedback as to how they are going and how they can improve and challenge to ensure they are engaged and taking responsibility for their own learning. Please help us to support your child achieve his/her greatest potential.

THE ADMIN TEAM

EFTPOS OR CREDIT CARD facilities are NOT available at Ingham State School.

2015 ASSEMBLY
Assembly is held on Friday afternoons in the Multipurpose Hall commencing at 2:05pm. All welcome!

Spotlight
DANCE
Wednesdays
Fridays
8:30am in the Multipurpose Hall

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TALKING TUCKSHOP

Roster:
The Specialty Baking and Daily Tuckshop Rosters for 2015 are available for collection from the Tuckshop. Please collect your copy this week if you have volunteered.

Child Protection Workshop:
All daily tuckshop volunteers are asked to attend a workshop on ‘Child Protection’ on Monday 16 March. Please be at the Tuckshop by 1:45pm on Monday.

Ice Cream Day has not been forgotten—it will take place soon.

Prep parents/carers, please explain to your student/s in detail about their tuckshop orders. Explain to them whether they have one lunch or two lunches and if they have an ice block or not as the preps no longer have their buddies to help.

Thank you for having your tuckshop orders in on time.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mrs Byers—Tuckshop Convenor

2015 Tuckshop Roster
Wednesday 11 March —
Araya Piakhan
Thursday 12 March —
Kym Sad
Friday 13 March —
Lina Marmara, Nadine Bulmer, Jan Marinoni
Monday 16 March —
Amanda Lenzo
Tuesday 17 March —
Lina Marmara, Nadine Bulmer, Sharon Morley
Wednesday 18 March —
Araya Piakhan, Kelli Carbone

2015 Specialty Baking Roster
Wednesday 11 March —
Verity Rutherford
Thursday 12 March —
Justine Altadonna
Wednesday 18 March —
Denise Palmas
Thursday 19 March
Vicki Griffin

SCHOOL DENTAL FORMS
Parent Consent Form—Prep to Year 3
Please complete, sign and return to the School Office as soon as possible.

Stars of the Week
Presented on Assembly Friday 06 March
Prep DA  Dee-Dee
Prep RP  Mylie
1WT  Lara, Aylah
Prep/1AS  Noah
2CP  Aaliyah
2MB  Mia
2/3CS  Clinton
3TI  Seth, Flint
4CM  Lara
5EM  Callum

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ISSUE 2
CLOSING DATE 16 MARCH
Issue 2 Brochures have gone home. We advise that NO LATE ORDERS will be accepted to enable orders to be submitted and books received and given out to students before the end of Term 1.

DISCO DATE CLAIMER
Wednesday 01 April
Theme: Sparkly Dance Party
Get your costumes ready!

ISS Playgroup News
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Chappy’s Word
Hello wonderful Ingham SS community. Have you ever noticed that when you help someone, and they thank you for your act of kindness it can make your whole day seem better.
Gratitude is very powerful; it is recognizing and acknowledging someone’s kind deeds towards you. Australians are typically very generous, in the World Giving Index of 2012 we topped the list as being the most generous country in the world!

So if we are so generous why are we so bad at giving and receiving gratitude? We tend to be picky and choosy with what is gratitude worthy, if someone shows us gratitude we often brush it off saying “it was nothing”.

My challenge to you this week is to look for things people do for us, even the little things, make sure you appreciate what they are doing for you and thank them for their kindness. If someone thanks you don’t brush it off. Receive it, say “your welcome” or “I’m happy to do it” and accept it in your heart.

Chappy’s riddle: Answers to last weeks riddle - Easy: CapPet Hard: A key
Easy: What is round as a plate and no matter the size, all the water in the ocean can’t fill it up? Hard: Poke your fingers in my eyes and I will open wide my jaws. Linen cloth, quills, or paper, I am greedy and devour them all. Who am I?

Have a fantastic week...............Chappy Josh

STUDENTS—A REMINDER
NO HAT! NO PLAY!
It is Ingham State School and Education Queensland policy that children wear a hat at all times when in the sun. Our School is a Sun Smart School where children without a Sun Smart hat play under the covered area.
So, remember to bring your hat EVERY DAY.

P & C NEWS
P & C Membership
The Annual General Meeting is on next Monday 16 March @ 7:30pm in our Resource Centre. If you wish to become a member, please return your P&C Membership Application to the Office by end of school next Monday.

Voluntary Contributions
Thank you to those who have sent in their Voluntary Contributions. It is the same as for the last few years - $20.00 per child per year. This goes towards helping with our massive paper and copying costs. If you can contribute, please drop off your envelope at the Office.

Chocolate Fundraiser
Don’t forget to collect a box of chocolates from the Office Monday to Friday between 8:00am and 3:30pm. There is a great variety of boxes to choose from including packets of small Easter Eggs, Freddo Frogs, Summer Rolls & Nougat Honey Log packs.
We remind you that boxes of chocolates will NOT be given to students, they must be collected by a parent. Your contribution to your school’s fundraising is appreciated.
2015 HATS & HOMEWORK BAGS
School Hats................ $10
Homework Bags ........ $10
Water Bottle Coolers.... $5
Call into the Office at any
time to purchase these
items.

HR SCHOOLBOYS FOOTBALL TRIALS ARE
THIS THURSDAY AT INGHAM STATE SCHOOL AT 3:15.
MUST HAVE—PERMISSION FORMS, SHIN GUARDS AND IF REQUIRED
MOUTHGUARD EXEMPTION FORMS.
ONLY BOYS AGED 10-12 YEARS ELIGIBLE.

PEACH Program
What is PEACH? PEACH stands for Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health.
It is a FREE program that helps parents/carers who may be struggling to maintain a healthy
weight in their children. Children aged 5-11 years are eligible to enrol.
The program runs for 6 months and consists of 10 group sessions which run for 90 minutes each.
The first 9 sessions are held weekly within the school term. Ongoing individualised family
support is offered through the second half of the program ending with one final group session.
The program commences end of April.
Families can contact the PEACH program on free call 1800 263 519 or register directly at
www.peachqld.com.au or contact Quinta/Isabel at the Hinchinbrook Community Support Centre
on 4776 1822.
‘Promoting Healthy Weight in Children’

SWIMMING TIMETABLE
MONDAY 1WT 9:50-10:50 1AS 11:30-12:30
TUESDAY 2MB 9:50-10:50 2CP 11:30-12:30 2/3CS 12:30-1:30 3TI 1:30-2:30
Remember to bring your swimming gear and your money on your swimming day.

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