



Ingham State School Newsletter



Date Claimers:

- **09 May**
HR Cross Country
- **10 May**
NQ State Futsal Trials
- **12 May**
Mother's Day
- **20 – 24 May**
Book Fair
- **06 – 07 June**
Year 6 ISHS Transition Day
- **21 June**
Last Day Term 2
- **04 – 05 July**
Ingham Show
- **8 July**
Term 3 Begins
- **11 - 12 July**
RACQ Streets Ahead Program
- **20 July**
Costume Party

Welcome Message from Principal :

This term has already been incredibly busy, and with the weather so unpredictable, changes to events are constantly being made. Our drama visitor presented exciting programs, with all classes and teachers very involved. Teachers observed what knowledge and skills individual students were exhibiting and are deciding what impact this has on planning and assessment.

Unpredictable weather conditions had meant that Cross Country was postponed from Term 1, 2024, and subsequently had to fit around the week long drama program as it had been arranged during Term 4, 2023. The children participating had a brilliant time throughout the day, and I was really sad that in the afternoon due to other circumstances I missed the races. All of the students put in a great effort and showed such commitment to completing the course no matter what.

District Cross Country is taking place tomorrow, which unfortunately had a short turn around for permission forms, due to Monday's public holiday and our own Cross Country on Friday last week. I know that this has been complex for other schools as well.

We have cancelled our school disco again, as the Student Council were concerned for students attending HR Cross Country and NQ State Futsal that they would be too tired to attend and felt that they shouldn't miss out. Some very energetic and thoughtful discussion took place. We have a spectacular School Council who understand they are the 'voice' of all students, and that it is important they bring ideas and concerns from students across all year levels. I am absolutely loving working with them, and the more experience they get, the better they will get at communication.

It has been fantastic to see the number of students who are borrowing books and enjoy reading in their spare moments. However, there are also quite a few students mention that they do not like reading and prefer to play games on iPads and Tablets at home. Please try to encourage your child to read books, and keep their screen and game time down. One of my favourite quotes from Dr Seuss is, "You're never too old, too wacky or too wild to pick up a book and read to a child."

Reading books aloud to children stimulates their imagination and expands their understanding of the world. It helps to develop language and listening skills, and prepares them to understand the written word. We have a brilliant library here at the school but always remember our wonderful town library, it has so many wonderful features and the people working at the library are always so happy to help you with books for yourself (always good for your child to see you reading) or your child.

Many of our students and teachers have been quite ill this term, please remind your child to cough into their elbow, use tissues and wash their hands often. We want our students at school every day but if your child is not well, please don't send them to school.

Also, please remember to check your children's hair for head lice and ensure that your child is treated immediately. It is not fair for others, if your child continually is infected and passes it to other children. If a child has head lice, they are usually very uncomfortable and cannot concentrate on their learning. Socially and emotionally, it is not good for your child either, as children will not want to play with them if they are scared that they will catch head lice from them.

Regards,

Marianne Mac Donald (Principal)



NOTICE OF P&C MEETING

Monday
27 May 2024
Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Staff Room

Everyone welcome!

Tea and coffee
available.



Our Purpose

is to provide quality learning environments in which students improve their academic and social development.

Our Focus

is on building a strong professional learning culture focussed on student progress.

Assembly

Held on **Monday** afternoons commencing at **2:00pm** in the Multipurpose Hall.

Covid safe protocols apply.

BE SAFE

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

Items for Purchase

School Badges	\$ 2
School Hats	\$10
Homework Bags	\$10
Water Bottle Coolers	\$10

Call into the Office at any time to purchase.

Bank Account Details

Bank Account details:

NAME:
Ingham State School

BSB: **064 810**

ACCOUNT: **0009 0149**

EFTPOS
Available
at office



Student Absences

If your child is absent from school, please advise via the following methods:

- Sending a text to the SMS number (0418 157 321)
- Phoning our Absence Line to leave a message (4776 9360)
- Phoning the Office (4776 9333)
- You may also email admin@inghamss.eq.edu.au.

Please ensure you include your **CHILD'S NAME/ CLASS/ DATE/** and the **REASON FOR THE ABSENCE**.

If no reason is provided, the absence will be recorded as "Unexplained".

School Drop Off and Pick Up

It is important that our school remains safe and maintains hygienic environments for all of our community. Parents are asked to respect and adhere to the following measures:

- ❖ **Students and staff who are unwell must stay home.**
- ❖ Adults must not congregate in and around school grounds, car parks, school gates and outside classrooms.
- ❖ Parents are to use **MP Hall** area or **STOP, DROP & GO** area to drop students off in the morning. There will be supervision from 8.00am.
- ❖ Students can be picked up from the **STOP, DROP & GO** area or **BACK GATE** area. Please organise with your child/ren where pick up will be. Prep students will wait in the MP Hall each afternoon with their teachers.

LATE ARRIVALS –

All students arriving late to School **MUST** present to the Office and collect a Late Arrival Slip before going to class. Please try to have your students on time for school.

EARLY DEPARTURES –

If you are collecting your child from school early, you **MUST** attend the Office and sign the Early Departure Register. Your child will then be asked to meet you at the Office. If possible, please advise your child's teacher or the Office beforehand. *This is especially so when children are being collected at lunch times.*

IMPORTANT –

If you are arranging for someone other than yourself to pick up your child from School, **ONLY** those people you have listed as an **EMERGENCY CONTACT** may do so. Please call into the office to complete the relevant paperwork.

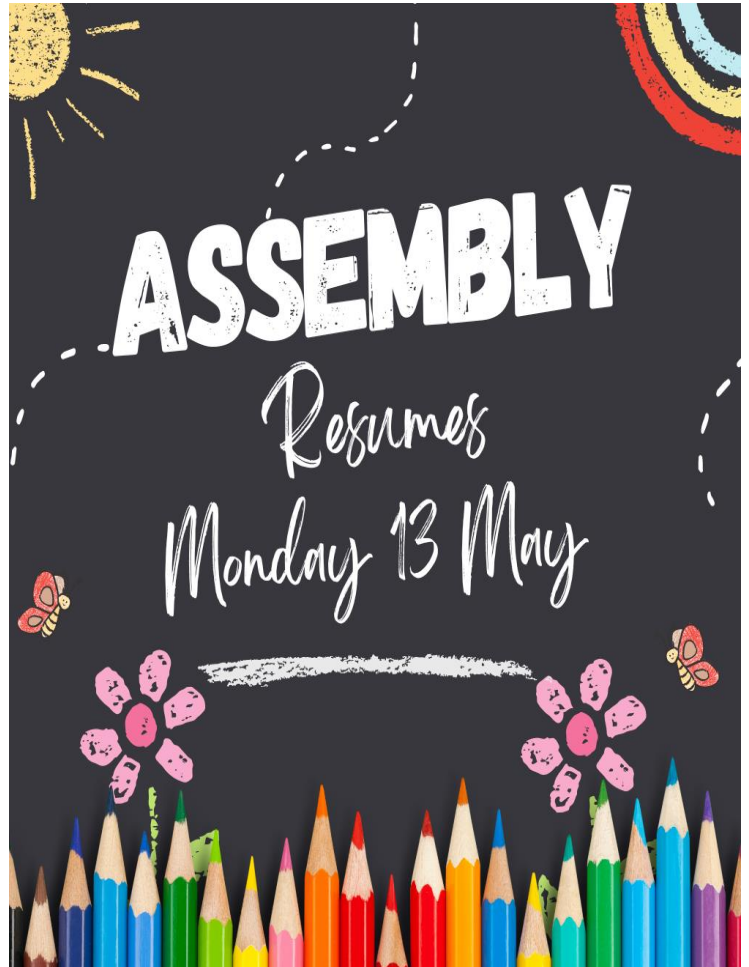
GUIDELINES FOR PARENT ATTENDANCE -

- ❖ Remember to observe social distancing requirements. (1.5 metres for adults)
- ❖ Please observe COVID safe practices while on the school grounds.
- ❖ Maintaining good hand hygiene
- ❖ Staying home when sick
- ❖ Parents are allowed on the school grounds. Unfortunately, it is difficult to have parents in the classrooms due to social distancing. Mornings and afternoons are also very busy times for teachers. If you have anything you wish to discuss with teachers, please make an appointment to ensure that any concerns/issues can be discussed.



BELL TIMES

Morning	First Bell	8.40am
	Second Bell	8.45am
First Session:	8.45am – 10.45am	
Lunch	Eating Bell	10.45am
	Play Bell	10.55am
	End of Play	11.30am
Second Session:	11.30am – 1.30pm	
Afternoon Tea	Eating Bell	1.30pm
	Play Bell	1.40pm
	End of Play	2.00pm
Third Session:	2.00pm – 2.50pm	
End of School Day	2.50pm	





P&C Birthday BUCKETS

**TO ORDER:
PLEASE SEND A TEXT TO
CAITLIN ON
0417 026 280**

\$12.00


WE WILL NEED TO KNOW:
CHILD'S NAME
CHILD'S CLASS AND
DATE BUCKET IS REQUIRED

PLACE YOUR ORDER BY FRIDAY
THE WEEK BEFORE BUCKET IS
REQUIRED. DETAILS FOR
PAYMENT WILL BE PROVIDED
ONCE WE RECEIVE YOUR
REQUEST.

Birthday Buckets include a Zooper Dooper for the teacher and each student in your child's class and a birthday balloon and pencil for the child.







BIRTHDAY BUCKETS NOW AVAILABLE ON QKR! APP

Birthday buckets can now also be ordered through the Qkr! app. Orders placed through the app will have a cut-off date of 5 days prior to the delivery date. Alternatively, you can still text Caitlin to order a bucket and receive payment transfer instructions.



Talking Tuckshop

Hopefully everyone enjoyed Cross Country last Friday. If you went home sick on Cross Country Day and had placed a Tuckshop Order, please come and see me tomorrow morning before school.

Tuckshop Menu and Price list is now back on the notice board.

This Weeks' Special

- Wednesday – Hamburgers
- Thursday – Spaghetti

Volunteer Week will be celebrated between Monday 20th and Sunday 26th May.

Also, save the date for the Costume Party on Saturday 20th July.

If you have any questions relating to Tuckshop, please feel free to contact me at school.

Thank you for your assistance with all things Tuckshop.

Mrs Byers
Tuckshop Convenor



Tuckshop Roster

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JACQUI	JESSICA	JAN
ANNIE	KAREN	KRISTINE
MELISSA	DIANE	MELISSA



VOLUNTEER
all that's missing is **U!**



2024 Religious Education Program
 Reminder to make payment at the School Office
 as soon as possible for Religion Books.

- Catholic \$5.00
- Combined Faith \$7.00

CASH ONLY

Please provide the correct monies in an envelope with student's name and religion.



Token Focus

I CAN BE RESPECTFUL.

Respectful means:

- Treating others the way they wanted to be treated
- Making others feel like they are cared for and important
- Appreciating and valuing others
- Using kind words



There's no excuse for abuse



BEACH PARTY DISCO

THURSDAY 9 MAY

CANCELLED

Due to Herbert River Cross Country





SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

INGHAM STATE SCHOOL RESOURCE CENTRE

MON 20TH - FRI 24TH
MAY 2024

8:05 TO 8:30AM
1:40PM TO 2:00PM
2:50PM TO 3:20PM





ANZAC Day Ceremony 2024

On Wednesday 24th April, the year 5 Ingham State School students hosted the school's annual ANZAC day ceremony. Special guests, Mr Rickie Butler, Mayor Ramon Jayo and Jonathon Cervellin joined us to honour the memory of those who have served our country. Chappy Simon lead us in a moving prayer and Mr Bulter spoke to reminded us of the importance of the day.

What Anzac Day means to me...

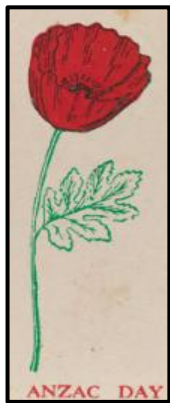
by Keegan Juides

When I think about Anzac Day, I think about the word sacrifice, and how the soldiers sacrificed their lives to protect our country.

I think about the word brave, and how these soldiers were probably terrified of getting shot or being killed, but they fought anyway, even when it was so hard- on the shores of Gallipoli in WWI and in the jungle of Vietnam in the Battle of Long Tan and many more. They were courageous in fighting for our country.

I think about the word freedom, and how so many soldiers died so that you and I can live in peace in a free country.

And finally, I think about the word remember, and how we should always give thanks and remember the men and women that fought for our freedom.





Performing Arts



Instrumental Music - Strings

Please remind your child to bring their instruments to school each week for lessons. It is important that all instruments are tuned each week and checked regularly. Can I also ask that your child's fingernails are kept short and trimmed as long nails get caught in the strings and it is impossible to shape the fingers correctly. Thank you for your support with this.

Thank you to all families for encouraging regular home practice. I recommend 4-5 days of home practice of 10-15 minutes is best for primary children. Parents can help at home by watching and supervising their child playing their instruments. Each child will be given a home practice sheet to fill in when they practice and they can earn stickers and rewards for consistent work at home.

Year 3 beginner lesson books are now available from the school office for \$28. Year 3 lessons will continue this Friday.

Kind regards

Lynda Wright lwig37@eq.edu.au

Instrumental Music - Multi

Thank you to those families who have been ensuring their child arrives on time for band rehearsal every Wednesday morning. The students have been working hard, and our sound as a Concert Band is really improving, as we learn to listen to each other and work together!

A reminder that the music books for Year 4 and Year 6 students are now available to purchase from the school office. Thank you to those families who have already purchased the book. Reeds and other instrument accessories are also available to purchase through the school office.

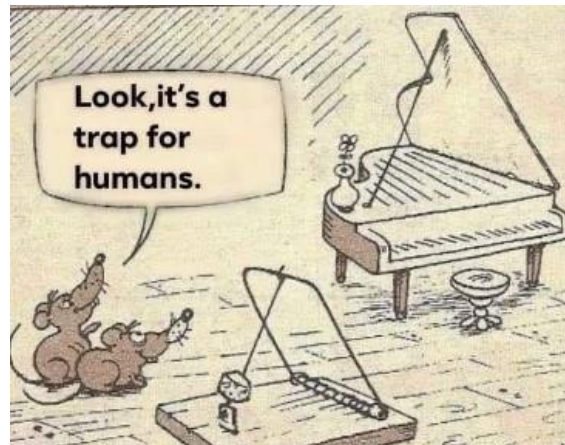
If you have any questions regarding the Instrumental Music Program, please contact Mrs Gunston. cguns5@eq.edu.au

Choir

Choir rehearsals will continue this Friday morning at 8:00 am, in the Music room. Any students in Years 3-6 are welcome to come along and join choir!

Please remember that all choir students need to ensure that they bring an A4 display folder with them to choir rehearsal every week.

If you have any questions regarding the School Choir, please contact Mrs Gunston. cguns5@eq.edu.au





COME & TRY SOFTBALL

INGHAM STATE SCHOOL OVAL

3:00pm-5:00pm
Friday 10th, 17th & 24th May 2024

Come along and join two Queensland Representative School Sport Softball Coaches and learn more about the great game of softball!

Boys and Girls Welcome!

Students from 9-12 Years (born 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015). All equipment provided!

For more information:
Contact Matthew Harrison - mharr159@eq.edu.au
or Allison Vance - avanc2@eq.edu.au

"There's nothing soft about it!"

Community Notices



THE POEMS, PRAYERS & PROMISES of John Denver

STARRING **Darren Coggan**

Take Me Home Country Roads ☆ Rocky Mountain High
Thank God I'm A Country Boy ☆ Grandma's Feather Bed
Annie's Song ☆ Calypso ☆ Leaving On A Jet Plane
Back Home Again ☆ Perhaps Love...and many more

MORNING MELODIES

10.30am Wednesday 15 May 2024
JL Kelly Theatre
76 Townsville Road
Doors open at 9.30am
www.hinchinbrooktickets.com.au

We promote awareness and work towards ending domestic and family violence in our community

SAFER FAMILIES Community Event

FAMILY FRIENDLY FREE EVENT FOR EVERYONE

FACE PAINTING SAUSAGE SIZZLE CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
INFORMATION STALLS ENTERTAINMENT RAFFLES/GIVEAWAYS

Saturday 18 May 2024 10am to 2pm

Rotary Park, Ingham

Sponsored and supported by

**SMALL STEPS 4 HANNAH
DAVE GUEST SPEAKER**

For more information please call (07) 4776 1822

SUNDAY 19TH OF MAY

TO TAKE PART IN THIS INCREDIBLE FUNDRAISER:

1. Create a TEAM (as many people as you like) Choose your Captain and Team Name!
2. Choose your Teams preferred distance: 10KM/25KM or 50KM
3. & do as little or as many KM's as you like to help your team to get to your chosen distance!

REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!

Time to lace up for a great cause...

REGISTER NOW

Hinchinbrook Stride 50KM for MS!

RAFFLES & SAUSAGE SIZZLE ON THE DAY!

ENTER TO WIN PRIZES