COASTHILL NEWS

the ikps newsletter

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EVERYWHERE, ALL THE TIME
Active Learners, Safe and Respectful

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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WEEK 6 of 11, TERM 4

REMEMBRANCE DAY

What a glorious day it was for our whole school to walk down to the Inverloch War Memorial for the Remembrance Day service. We joined the large crowd that gathered and our whole school had the opportunity to sing the national anthem. You'll be pleased to know that our students represented themselves and our school beautifully, they were respectful and engaged throughout the whole service. We even had two students representing our local Scouts group play a role in raising the flags after the 'Last Post' was played and the minute of silence was observed. I just love seeing our students and teachers connected to community events like this. There are so many opportunities for our school to create even more connections in our local community..... We're working on it.

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DIARY DATES - NOVEMBER

Tues 12th	3/4 Swimming
Friday 15th	3/4 Swimming
Tues 19th	3/4 Swimming
Thurs 21st	Year 5 LSV Beach Day
Friday 22nd	3/4 Swimming

DIARY DATES - DECEMBER

Fri 6th	Prep - 2 Junior House
Monday 9th	Year 6 BCC Full day transition
Tues 10th	State Wide Transition Day
Thurs 12th	Prep Celebration Day

2025 CLASS STRUCTURE AND PREFERENCES

This week I will send out the class structure for 2025. Our intention has been to communicate this as early as possible to our staff and families. There's a lot of consideration that goes into creating balanced classes with combinations that suit personalities, established relationships and individual needs. In my opinion, removing the 'mystery' that often surrounds classes and teachers for the following year, lowers anxiety and reassures both staff and our families. Transition from any grade is important (not just Kinder and Grade 6). We do our best when we create classes, our intention is to give everyone a positive school experience, but we don't always get it right.

Once I've sent out the 2025 class structure, I'll provide families with the opportunity to send any preferences to the school email address or directly to Mel McRae or myself. Let me be clear on this process, we will do our best to cater for the reasonable preferences from our families. We use a program called ClassSolver that can match up pre-determined requests that we enter. It's easy to use but the more requests we enter, the more complicated it becomes to give everyone what they want. In regards to friendship groups, our students are given a voice. We can't guarantee they'll get all their friends but we can ensure they get at least 1 on their list and ClassSolver tries to match them up with as many friends as possible. Matching students with individual teachers is slightly more difficult, we are not able to match up every child with their favourite individual teacher. It's just not possible. However, we appreciate that we live in the 'real' world where sometimes families have a preference to avoid a teacher and our school is large enough to have a few different options. I know that many parents are happy to trust us let us work it all out. But please rest assured, if you want to share your thoughts and preferences, you are welcome to. As a school we value what our families have to say. Watch this space, more info to come.

PARENT, CARER, GUARDIAN FOCUS GROUP

I'm so pleased to have had some people contact me about their interest in attending the focus group meeting on: **TUESDAY 19th November from 3:30pm to 5:00pm.**

I'm looking for parents, carers and guardians who want to contribute proactive ideas that the IKPS could implement to improve the school experience for our students and families. We'll spend the first part of the session unpacking the responses from this years PCG opinion survey and then we'll shift our focus to some key areas that should be improved. I'll be asking the attendees to then generate ideas for actions our school can take to improve.

Please feel free to come along and join us…..actually you know what….let's make it a plus 1…go on, bring a friend. See you in the staff room next Tuesday.

KEEP YOUR EYE FOR:

THE SCHOOL CALENDAR - There's so much happening in the final weeks of term. Make sure you're up to date so you don't miss out. Yes you read that right, it's week 7 of 11. Only 5 weeks left!!!

LOST PROPERTY - Be careful walking past our lost property pile in the foyer. If it tips over you might get trapped….alright bad joke I know. Seriously though, how much uniform do our families own? You must be running low by now with so many items left at school. What's that I hear you ask? ….. You'd like to come in and sort it, return the named items and take the left overs to the op shop? Sure… we'd love your help.

Regards

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Wellbeing News

THE GALAXY GUIDE TO RUNNING MY ROCKET

Over the last couple of months, we have been running a Social Emotional Learning group called 'The Galaxy Guide to Running my Rocket' with small groups of students from grade Prep to 4.

In this program, the children design their own rockets to keep them safe on their voyage to a new galaxy and then they pretend to launch into space. The planets in this galaxy represent our feelings, and we talk about why we might land on a certain planet, and how we can move to other planets. The students have learnt that there are no good or bad planets, and that it is healthy to feel a whole range of emotions. Below is an example of a year one rocket design. Watch this space in the next newsletter, as there will be some reflections from students about what the program has taught them.

SOCIAL INCLUSION WEEK – 23rd November to 1st December 2024

SOCIAL INCLUSION WEEK AUSTRALIA

This year, we will be celebrating Social Inclusion Week at IKPS. The theme for this year is CONNECT, COLLABORATE, CELEBRATE.

On Wednesday the 25th of November, Kongwak will visit Inverloch for the day, and we will work in our multiage groups to learn about what it means to be socially inclusive. We will take the time to make some wishes to improve inclusion in our school and community. I don't want to give away what our amazing project will look like, so you will have to wait and see it all unfold but it will be exciting- so get ready!

Natasha Bird
Inclusion Leader
Inverloch and Kongwak Primary School

SWPBS

No Photos this week due to no assembly and draw was done online.

WEEKLY WINNERS WEEK 4

Congratulations to these students who had their SWBPS tickets drawn in todays raffle. It was wonderful to see the number of tickets and so many students being identified as Active Learners, Keeping Others Safe and Respectful. Saskia M PG, Sullivan F 1M, Billie S 1M, Max P 3/4B, Joel M 5/6P, Angus 5/6P

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WEEKLY WINNERS WEEK 5

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Artist of the Week

WEEK 4

Our artist of the week is Bridie Webster in grade 5 with her ceramic terracotta free form bowl. Bridie used a slip glaze to sgraffito a design she created with symbols connecting her to the ocean.

Artist of the Week

WEEK 5

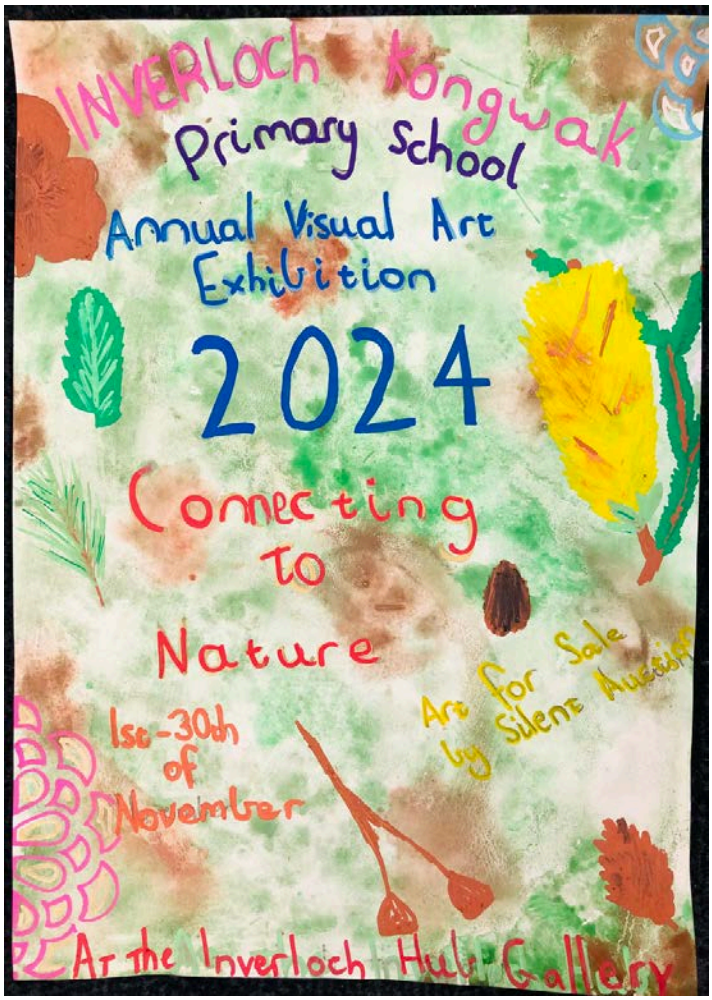
Art News

SPECIAL ART NEWS REPORT FROM ANNABELLE IN GRADE 5PR

On our grade 5 art excursion to ACCA (Australian Centre for Contemporary Art) we learnt about contemporary art, meaning art made by living artists. My favourite piece was the mother orb because of the red dirt. We also saw public art like Rocks on Wheels which was a playground and The Vault which was a public outdoor sculpture. We loved the public art as it was interactive. Most of the exhibition was made using found objects from an abandoned mine in the Northern Territory.
Annabelle

Art News

Our whole school Annual Visual Art Exhibition at The Community Hub Gallery opens Friday the 1st of November and continues all of November with extended time into December. The exhibition is titled " Connecting to Nature, Connecting to Country" and shows each student in our school contributing an observation drawing in paint to create larger collaborative works on canvas. The exhibition comprises of 13 canvases split into year levels comprising of a Kongwak Junior and Senior, 4 Prep grade paintings, a grade 1 painting, a grade 2 painting, 3 grade 3/4 paintings, a grade 5 painting and a grade 6 painting. All artwork is for sale by silent auction. So come along, make a comment in our visitors book, we'd love your feedback and feel free to make a bid for any of the work you love.



Community News

Summer Sizzle BBQ's

Friday 15th November
Friday 14th February
Friday 14th March

3:30 to 5pm on the Hub Lawn

A pay as you feel community event.

All welcome

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Community News

SOUTHERN FUSION

"respect all, fear none"

REGISTRATIONS OPEN

2025 Southern Fusion Team Tryouts.

Southern Fusion aims to equip players with the requisite knowledge, skills, and understanding to prepare them for the Netball Victoria Development Pathway. Many of Southern Fusion's past players have developed these skills and knowledge to progress into various VNL Programs.

Matches are held on state-of-the-art indoor courts at Casey Netball Association.

Fusion conducts training sessions every Sunday morning at Meeniyan & District Sports Stadium.

The 2025 Monday Junior Autumn Season will commence February 3rd, and run through to June 16th (plus finals) with no games during the April School Holidays.

The 2025 Wednesday Junior Autumn Season will commence February 5th, and run through to June 18th (plus finals) with no games during the April School Holidays.

DATES

SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2024
SUNDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2024
SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2024

TIMES

UNDER 13'S GIRLS & BOYS @ 09:00AM – 10:00AM
13&U age group (DOB 2013-2012)

UNDER 15'S GIRLS & BOYS @ 10:00AM – 11:00AM
15&U age group (DOB 2011-2010)

UNDER 17'S GIRLS & BOYS @ 11:00AM – 12:00PM
17&U age group (2009-2008)

VENUE: MEENIYAN & DISTRICT SPORTS STADIUM

IMPORTANT:

- What To Wear: White Or Light Top With Dark Shorts
- Please Arrive 10 Mins Before With Water, Ready To Start Warmup
- Players Must Register Via The Online Form Below

PLEASE NOTE: PLAYERS MUST ATTEND A MINIMUM OF TWO TRIALS

REGISTRATION LINK:
https://forms.gle/WCNdJdMvB6mR595V8