

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

"Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him." James 1:12

God is full of compassion and mercy. He desires well-being and harmony in every aspect of life. God's word reveals that he promises a 'crown of life' to those who love him and persevere under trials and suffering. We know that the world is full of brokenness, pain, sorrow and hardship. Jesus modelled the character of perseverance in the suffering he endured. The Bible challenges us, in response to what Christ has endured for us, to forgive, reconcile, solve problems and ultimately persevere in the trials and obstacles we face in our lives. We have the Holy Spirit to help us continually transform our heart, mind and soul so that we might have the strength to overcome setbacks and be full of hope and faith.

As a school we challenge our students to have a growth mindset: to see set backs and mistakes as opportunities to learn and grow. As Christians we understand that God is continuing to mould and shape us in his likeness, that perseverance is character developing and helps us grow and mature not only in our spiritual walk but also with our skills. This week Semester 1 reports have been sent home. This is a great opportunity for parents to help their children reflect on their approach to learning and to help identify areas for growth.

I trust you all enjoy the break over the school holidays.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Stacey Cutbush (Year 1 Teacher) who was married to Mr Shane Lowcock on Saturday afternoon. We wish them both God's richest blessings and pray that their marriage might be a wonderful picture to others of Christ's love for his people.

K-12 SCHOOL PHOTOS

K- 12 school photos are taking place early Term 3 on 31st July (infants/primary) and 1st August (secondary). Prep photos are arranged separately and done at another time.

A SEQTA message was sent last week with information on packages available. Student photo envelopes will be sent home with school report envelope and should be returned on photo day.

Family photo envelopes can be collected from the office.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS AND SEQTA

If you have not yet logged on to SEQTA, please do so as soon as possible. Semester 1 reports have been sent out via SEQTA. Please make sure that you have your login and can access SEQTA as soon as possible. Contact our IT manager via the office if you require assistance.

SEQTA is accessed via this link: https://parent.ics.nsw.edu.au/

PRAYER & PRAISE

"For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him". Colossians 1:16

Continue to pray for the Year 12 students as they prepare for the HSC.

Give thanks for all the events in our school community this term.

Pray for a restful holiday break.

KEY DATES

Monday 17th—Friday 21st July

Staff Development Week

Monday 24th July

Students return Term 3 Silver Duke of Ed Adventurous Journey Briefing 3.40pm

Tuesday 25th July & 1st August

K—11 Parent Teacher Interviews 4pm— 9pm in the Hall (bookings are made online - see letter included with reports)

Tuesday 25th July

Year 10 to UOW - Science & Engineering Challenge

Wednesday 26th July

ICS Athletics Carnival at Beaton Park

Thursday 27th July—Wednesday 9th August

Japanese students visit

Monday 31st July

CSSA Zone Basketball

Monday 31st July

Infants/Primary School Photos

Tuesday 1st August

Secondary School Photos

Wednesday 2nd August

State Futsal Championships - Penrith

Thursday 3rd—Saturday 5th August

Silver Duke of Ed Pack 'n Paddle Adventerous Journey

Monday 7th August

Primary Zone Athletics - Beaton Park

Tuesday 8th August

Secondary Zone Athletics - Beaton Park

Wednesday 9th August

HSC Major Works Night 6.30pm in the Hall

Infants Primary Assembly 3.40pm in the Hall - 3R Presenting

Tuesday 15th August

Infants/Primary Creative Arts Night 6pm in the hall

Thursday 17th—Friday 18th August

Secondary Camp Activities

Thursday 17th—Friday 25th August Trial HSC

HSC MAJOR WORKS NIGHT

Each year the faculties of Creative and Performing Arts, Technological and Applied Studies, and English proudly showcase the major works produced by their Year 12 students for the practical component of the HSC. This year, the event will take place on

Wednesday 9th August at 6:30pm in the school hall.

The Major Work or Major Project comprises a significant component of the HSC course in Visual Arts, Drama, Textiles and Design, Information Technology–Multimedia, Design and Technology and English Extension 2. Students spend their entire Year 12 year designing, managing and executing the project, from concept to final product.

At a gala evening of canapés and gallery-style viewing, students, teachers, family and friends will, once again, pay tribute to a year's worth of hard work by our HSC students. Interested members from any section of the school community are most welcome to join us for an entertaining evening of fellowship and celebration.

Owing to the formal nature of the proceedings and the delicate nature of the items on display, unfortunately this event is not suitable for young children - unless they are direct family or close friends of the presenting students. Any additional queries can be addressed to the school office or Mrs Greaves at greaves.cathy@ics.nsw.edu.au.

Please keep all students working on Major Works or Projects in your prayers as their deadlines approach. This is an especially stressful time for them as they also struggle to balance preparation for their trial examinations and other final assessments, too.

Mrs Cathy Greaves

K-6 CAPA EVENING

Thank you to everyone who auditioned last week.

Letters containing feedback slips were sent to students.

The evening is on Tuesday 15th August at 6pm in the hall.

Look forward to seeing you then.

Mrs Judy Peters

RECYCLED PAPER FOR PREP

Paper wanted for Prep. If you have a business where you have paper to be recycled, could you please send this into Prep. It just needs to be blank on one side. Mrs Balson

PREP HOLIDAY GET-TOGETHER

We are catching up again at the botanical gardens during the holidays. Saturday 15th July 9:30am - 11pm at the play equipment to help encourage and foster friendships at Prep and get to know other parents. Please feel free to bring siblings even if they are not in Prep.

K-2 DRAMA TOOLBOX

This week K-2 were treated to something very special. The Drama Toolbox visited ICS. This was an interactive workshop where an Aboriginal story was dramatised with the students being the performers. Teagan was an amazing presenter. She encouraged all the students to perform the story Tiddalik.

Tiddalik is a story about a frog who drank all the water up, from the land. The animals were very sad and so thirsty. Students got to dress up as one of the animals and act out the scene as Teagan told the story.

The animals tried to make Tiddalik laugh, so the water would spill out of his mouth. Finally, a lone eel managed to make Tiddalik laugh and all the water came back. The animals were happy again.

The students thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and they all participated enthusiastically.

Mrs Julie Willigers

2017 WORKING BEE DATES

Each school family is rostered on for one working bee per year.

Families are rostered on the class with their youngest child. However, you may attend any of the working bees.

Time: 8.30am—11.30am except for the make up date which is 2.00pm—5.00pm.

2017 Dates:

19th August (Years 7 & 8)

16th September (Years 3 & 4)

21st October (Years 5 & 6)

18th November (make-up date 2.00pm—5.00pm)

UNIFORM SHOP

Regular opening hours:

Mondays 8.30am—11.30am and 1.30pm—4.00pm, and Wednesdays 8.30am—11.30am Email: iccordeaux@alinta.com.au Ph: 4239 5220 (shop hours)

LEGO ROBOTICS CLUB

We are planning to run the Lego Robotics club again this year for students aged 9-16 years. We will be meeting on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm. If you are interested in finding out more about the club, or have been a past member of the club and would like to join again this year, please email Mrs Shaw (shaw.beth@ics.nsw.edu.au) or Mr Green (green.robert@illawarrace.nsw.edu.au) by Monday 24th July.

Mrs Beth Shaw and Mr Robert Green

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parker's July Holiday Tennis Clinic at Farmborough Heights Community Club

When: Monday 3rd July to Wednesday

5th July

Time: 9am—12.00pm Cost \$85 (ages 4-14 years)

Bookings are essential. For more information call Andrew 0407 029 731

Email: arparker@bigpond.net.au

Follow the Clues - Kids Holiday Club

When: 12th—14th July Time: 9am—2pm

Super Sunday: 16th July 10am Where: Bulli Anglican Church

66 Park Road Bulli

Cost: \$40 per child, \$100 family (3 or

more) or \$15 single day Contact: 4284 3021

Email: <u>bullianglican@bigpond.com</u>
Website: <u>bullianglican.org.au</u>

K-6 Holiday Kids Club

When: 13th-14th July

Time: 9am-3pm

Cost: \$15 per day or \$30 for families Where: St Marks West Wollongong 429 Crown Street Wollongong

Visit <u>stmarksww.org.au</u> to book or call 4225 8622 for further information.







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Expressions of interest are invited from committed Christians of reformed persuasion for the following position:

Part-time Chaplain/Pastoral Care/Counsellor - Calderwood Christian School

We are keen to recieve expressions of interest from suitable applicants with a passion for supporting and guiding students in the area of welfare and pastoral care.

You would be joining a team of professionals delivering learning and welfare support to students ranging in age from 5 to 18 years old.

The role will commence in August 2017 for 2 days per week during school term time.

Expressions of Interest close: 21st July 2017

Process:

If you would like to submit an expression of interest, please send your CV and a covering letter detailing the reasons why you would suit a role in this team.

Access the role description here: www.illawarrace.nsw.edu.au/employment

Please include:

- Reference from current church minister.
- · Working with Children Check number
- · Certified true copy of qualifications

Expressions of Interest may be submitted either:

• in hard copy to: The Business Manager

Illawarra Christian Education PO Box 80, Albion Park 2527 NSW

• or electronically to: ellerman.beth@illawarrace.nsw.edu.au

For further enquiries please contact: Beth Ellerman, Business Manager email: ellerman.beth@illawarrace.nsw.edu.au Phone: 02 4230 3777

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Applications are invited from committed Christians of reformed persuasion for the following position:

Learning Support Aide - Illawarra Christian School (Permanent Part Time)

The successful applicant will:

- be available for up to 5 days per week, within school hours, during term time
- have experience supporting students of various abilities from Kindergarten to Year 12
- be enthusiastic and community minded Role description available online.

Applications close: 25th July 2017

Process for Application:

The application form and role description are available on our school website. www.illawarrace.nsw.edu.au/employment

- You must complete the school's application form in order to apply.
 Please do not just send a resume.
- Please include all other documents listed in the application form, **certified as true copies by a J.P.**

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