

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Sometimes I get called a perfectionist. I do like things to be correct and orderly, but, no matter how hard I try, nothing is ever quite perfect. When something is perfect, there is nothing bad about it. A perfectly white school shirt has no stains or spots or wrinkles. A perfect shot hits the middle of the target. A perfect swimming race means the swimmer uses just the right amount of energy and their touch at the end of the pool is timed to precision.

The Bible tells us that God is perfect in every way and all the time.

"This God – his way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him." (Psalm 18:30)

"The Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is he." (Deuteronomy 32:4)

God always tells the truth, and he is perfectly just. God is perfectly holy and good. The most wonderful perfection of God is his love. His love is faithful, true, honest, gracious, forgiving, kind, patient and generous. The perfect expression of God's love is seen in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Because we have such a perfect God, we know he is dependable, reliable and trustworthy.

INFORMATION EVENING DATES

Subject Information Evening for Year 11 2018

Tuesday 9th May - 7.00pm (For parents and students)

Elective Information Evening for Year 9 2018

Tuesday 16th May - 7.00pm (For parents and students)

Information Evening for Year 7 2018 and 2019

Tuesday 23rd May - 7.00pm

The Year 7 Information Evening is for parents of children entering secondary school in 2018 or 2019. This evening is for parents only.

Letters and invitations have been sent out. Please RSVP via Signmee.

MOTHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY & AFTERNOON TEA

Friday 12th May from 2:30pm-3:10pm in the hall

All Prep—Year 6 mums are welcome.

Please RSVP via Signmee.

PRAYER & PRAISE

"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

Give thanks for safety of Bike for Bibles riders over the weekend.

Pray for safety and good weather for the school cross country on Monday.

Pray for the Year 11 Information Evening next week and for students as they consider their subject choices for 2018.

KEY DATES

Monday 8th May

School Cross Country Visiting Librarian for Year 11 & 12

Tuesday 9th May

Years 10 and 12 to Illawarra Schools Career Expo Year 11 2018 Subject Information Evening 7.00pm in the hall

Tuesday 9th May—Thursday 11th May

NAPLAN (Years 3, 5, 7 & 9)

Wednesday 10th May

Years 10 & 12 - Careers Expo

Thursday 11th May

Years 11 & 12 Meningococcal Immunisation

Friday 12th May

NAPLAN Catch-up Day Year 12 Parent Prayer Group 9.30am in the staff common room Prep —Year 6 Mothers' Day Assembly 2.00pm in the hall

Friday 12th, 19th, 26th May, 2nd & 9th

9.10am Year 3—6 PSSA Sport & Metro Cup Training - Figtree Oval (Girls) and TAFE Oval (Boys) and Sheargold Park (Metro Cup training)

Monday 15th—Thursday 18th May

National Christian School Games

Tuesday 16th May

Year 9 2018 Elective Information Evening 7.00pm in the hall

Wednesday 17th May

Infants Primary Assembly - 4G Presenting 2.40pm in the hall Year 10 Work Experience Information Evening 7.00pm (Please note new date)

Saturday 20th May

Working Bee (Stage 5 - Years 9 & 10)

Monday 22nd-Friday 26th May

Year 11 Half-yearly Exams

Monday 22nd-Tuesday 23rd May

Duke of Ed Hike

Tuesday 23rd May

Year 7 Immunisations Year 7 2018 & 209 Information Evening

SEQTA PARENT PORTAL

https://parent.ics.nsw.edu.au

If you have not yet logged on to SEQTA, please do so as soon as possible.

This is where you can access lots of information and contact your child's teachers directly. Please contact the office if you require assistance.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Illawarra christian school is raising funds. It's a great Mother's Day Gift.

Support Illawarra Christian School by buying the NEW 2017 | 2018 Entertainment Membership for your Mum or other family members or you could even spoil yourself this Mother's Day! Entertainment Memberships are filled with hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you'll be helping our fundraising at the same time!

Preview this year's book here:

http://www.entertainmentbook.com. au/about/Tell-me-More/NSW-South-Coast-2017

Or learn about the digital membership: http://www.entertainmentbook.com. au/about/Entertainment-Digital-Membership

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)

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

Available stock list can be found on the ICS website under Enrolments - Uniforms - Preloved Uniforms. Donations can be sent to the office at anytime. Eftpos & cash payments accepted. Enquires to Sam Palmer. email: sandypalms@hotmail.com

Ph: 0410559009

ICS IS NOW ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM

Go to <u>facebook.com/illawarracs</u> and search illawarrachristianschool on instagram. Keep up to date with happenings around ICS!

DAPTO MALL SCHOOL REWARDS

For every dollar spent at Dapto Mall between 11th May and 25th June, the dollars can be converted to points for our school.

The schools with the most points win a share in \$3000 cash.

Customers just go to www.daptomall.com.au/schoolrewards and register their details and upload their receipts to donate points to their nominated schools. The site will go live on 11th May.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS/ CARERS OF ICS STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Do you have a child who has special needs?

Please join us, and meet parents, counsellors & learning support teachers for morning tea.

When: Thursday 16th May 2017

Time: 9:15am-10:30am
Where: ICS common room

RSVP: Alyson Officer

officer.alyson@ics.nsw.edu.au or

Kerry Dunn

dunn.kerry@ics.nsw.edu.au

FOREVER PROJECTS

Last Friday April 28th, Keira house led our school in a fundraiser for Forever Projects. All funds raised are being used for the purchase of a new 4x4 for their team in Tanzania. http://foreverprojects.com.au/4wd.html

The total raised by ICS on the day was a little over \$4.000!

It was a wonderful opportunity to do something together as a school community and give Forever Projects a kick start on their goal of raising \$30,000 by the end of May.

We're now asking our community of parents to get involved too. Forever Projects are asking businesses to consider a donation towards the vehicle purchase. The company logo would be placed on the new 4x4.

If you have a business (or know someone who does) and would like to contribute, contact Forever Projects at info@foreverprojects.com.au

BIKE FOR BIBLES

Last weekend a number of staff, students and parents participated in our annual Bike for Bibles ride from Canberra to Sydney. Many thanks to those parents and staff who helped make this year's ride possible and helped raise money for the Bible Society. You can still sponsor riders online via https://bikeforbibles.everydayhero.com/au/lcs2017/members

NUT ALLERGY AWARENESS

Parents and caregivers are being requested not to send food that contains nuts (especially peanuts) to school. This includes peanut butter, nutella, all nuts and cooking oil containing peanut oil, and any other foods that contain nuts

ZOOPER DOOPER FRIDAYS

During 3rd break, under the COLA, for \$1.

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 2pm—5pm.

2017 Dates:

20th May (Years 9 & 10)

17th June (Years 11 & 12)

19th August (Years 7 & 8)

16th September (Years 3 & 4)

21st October (Years 5 & 6)

18th November (Makeup date 2.00pm—5.00pm)

2018 ENROLMENTS

We have commenced the enrolment process for students for 2018. To assist us in confirming our available places for new enrolments, could you please ensure that you have completed an enrolment form for any siblings who will be attending ICS in 2018.

Let family and friends know to contact the office if they are interested in enrolling. Places are filling quickly. If you have any further questions, please call our registrar, Mrs Melissa Tyler, on 4239 5200 or email registrar@ics.nsw.edu.au







Illawarra Christian Education is a member of Christian Education National, educating students from Prep to Year 12 at two schools:

Illawarra Christian School at Cordeaux Heights & Calderwood Christian School at Calderwood

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

Maintenance Worker (outstanding projects) (Temporary full time role until Dec 2017)

The successful applicant will:

- Be available for an immediate start
- Be flexible and versatile and able to demonstrate the range of skills relevant to the role
- Be an efficient worker able to complete set tasks on time and within budget

Applications close: 10th May 2017

Process for Application:

The application form and role description are available on our school website. www.ics.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. Applications will not be considered if not complete.

Applications 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

It is an offence under the NSW Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for these positions.