



# NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 WEEK 7 • FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2017



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

This year we adopted the theme of "celebrating learning". We have celebrated the fact that God has given us a capacity to learn and grow, both in our relationship with him and in our knowledge and understanding of his world.

Proverbs 1:5 says "...let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance..." The Bible tells us that a truly wise and knowledgeable person is one who recognises there is always more to learn, know and understand. We also understand that God has given us the great gift of learning as we grow and discover new things. Sometimes our learning is a challenge – but the character traits such learning develops are admirable. This gift of learning that God has given us should not be taken for granted or wasted.

I started our school year at the Dedication Service back in January by asking the school what it might be that they will learn this year? I suggested that it might be how to solve a complicated mathematical equation, how to cook a meal, how to express an idea through the written word or through artwork, perhaps how to care for our friends better, or maybe grow in resilience, and hopefully a greater understanding of God's goodness and grace to us in Jesus.

As we look back on 2017, we give thanks to God for the learning that has taken place this year.

### SECONDARY CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Parents are warmly invited to attend our Secondary Celebration Assembly on Monday 4th December 10.50am in the hall.

Our focus at this assembly will be on celebrating the wonderful opportunities that God has given us over the year to enjoy our learning at ICS. We will get a glimpse into just a few of the many things we have done in each subject area and will be entertained by some of our musicians. As we reflect on the learning and activities we have experienced this year, a small number of students will receive academic, service and sport awards.

Many more students will be recognised for their efforts and achievements during a special Pastoral Care time on Tuesday 5th December.

### SEMESTER 2 REPORTS

Reports this semester will only be sent out via SEQTA (no printed copies).

Please make sure that you have access to SEQTA.

If you have any enquiries about logging in, please contact the school office or email [admin@ics.nsw.edu.au](mailto:admin@ics.nsw.edu.au)

### PRAYER & PRAISE

**"A new command I give to you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:34-35**

Pray for all the final arrangements that need to be done for 2018 classes, staff and schedules.

Give thanks for God's blessings to us throughout 2017.

Give thanks for all the new enrolments for 2018.

### KEY DATES

#### Saturday 25th November

FLL Regional Robotics Competition at UOW Innovation Campus

#### Monday 27th November

Year 9 Swimming and Beach Games for Sport

K–6 Celebration Assembly 2.20pm - parents welcome

#### Tuesday 28th November

Year 7 Lifesaving Aquatics Unit Sport

Year 6 Beach Education and Surfing Lessons

#### Wednesday 29th November

UOW Science Fair

Stage 5 PASS to Vision Gym Personal Training Session

#### Thursday 30th November

Year 8 Sport - Lifesaving Aquatics Unit and AFL

CSSA Zone Touch Football - Albion Park

#### Friday 1st December

Year 6 Graduation 2.10pm

Year 10 Activity Day

Infants Swimming at McKeon's Swim Centre Unanderra

#### Monday 4th December

Primary Choir Mini Tour

Secondary Celebration Assembly

10.50am - parents welcome

Year 10 Graduation 7pm

#### Tuesday 5th December

Secondary Commendation Awards during Pastoral Care

Year 5 Wedderburn Excursion

Kindergarten to Zoom Play Centre

#### Wednesday 6th December

Year 6 Australian National Maritime Museum Tour

Year 3 & 4 Northern Bowl

K-2 End of Year Celebration Picnic

Secondary Service Days

Years 7, 8 & 11 Swimming & Games at North Beach

#### Thursday 7th December

Secondary Service Days

Last Day Term 4 Students

#### Saturday 9th December

Primary Choir Performing at Figtree Community Carols

#### Monday 29th January 2018

First Day Term 1 2018 Students



## UNIFORM SHOP

### Opening Hours

Mondays 8.30am–11.30am  
and 1.30pm –4.00pm,  
and Wednesdays 8.30am–11.30am  
e: [iccordeaux@alinta.com.au](mailto: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.

Eftpos & cash payments accepted.

Enquiries to Sam Palmer. Ph: 0410 559 009

Email: [sandypalms@hotmail.com](mailto:sandypalms@hotmail.com)

## NEW UNIFORMS FOR 2018

It is recommended that if you require new uniforms for 2018, you come in for a uniform fitting before the end of Term 4. We recommend this so that the wait times over the January period are reduced, making the shopping experience more pleasant. We welcome lay-buys, but you are able to take the uniforms after your fitting if you choose.

Please log onto our website, or phone the shop on 4239 5220 (during opening hours) for available times.

Thank you.

e: [iccordeaux@alinta.com.au](mailto:iccordeaux@alinta.com.au)

[www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)

Last day for trading for 2017 is Wednesday 6th December.

### January Trading Hours:

Friday 19th January

12pm – 4pm

Monday 22nd January

1.30pm – 4pm

Wednesday 24th January

1.30pm –4pm

## PRIMARY CHOIR

### Monday 4th December

Mini Tour all day

### Saturday 9th December

Performance at Figtree Community Carols

## 2018 FEES

An early payment discount of 5% applies to fees paid in full by 7th December 2017. (Please note that Prep fees are not included in this and are not eligible for the discount.)

Payment in full can be made via the following methods:

- EFTPOS (in person or over the phone)
- Credit card (in person or over the phone - VISA or Mastercard)
- Direct deposit (Illawarra Christian School BSB: 032 686 Acc Number: 142 551)
- BPAY (Biller Code: 43414 Reference code: please refer to a previous account statement or contact the Business Centre)
- Cheque (send to PO Box 80 Albion Park 2527)

## PARLIAMENT & CIVICS EDUCATION REBATE

Year 9 students from our school have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics & Citizenship education. We appreciate that the Australian Government is providing a rebate to the school to help cover the cost of the excursion.

## MESSAGE FROM BRUCE AND CATHIE PRICE

For those who don't know, we have been living and working in Gawa, a remote Indigenous community on an island off the top of Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory. We are coming back soon for our end-of-year break. Both sets of parents moved interstate early this year so our usual accommodation while in Wollongong is unavailable.

We are needing somewhere to stay in the Wollongong or surrounding suburbs area. If anyone has, or knows of, a vacant house we could stay in from Sat 6th – Wed 17th January, or even part of that time, we'd love to hear from you. We are tidy non-smokers with two kids aged 12 and 9. We are happy to cover any costs involved in the stay and to help feed pets etc.

Please contact us if you can help us out: [bruceandcath@gmail.com](mailto:bruceandcath@gmail.com) or 08 8970 5035.

## RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

Sadly, there is no more borrowing for this year. We would appreciate it if all books could be returned as soon as possible. All books should be returned to the Junior Library.

Thank you.

Mrs McCudden, Mrs Spence and Mrs Menzies

## HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The school office will be open until Tuesday 12th December and will reopen on Thursday 18th January 2018. There will be limited staff onsite at other times.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FREE LEARN SAFE WORKSHOP FOR LEARNER DRIVERS

We have our next FREE Learn Safe Workshop coming up on Tuesday 12 December 2017, to be held in Council's Administration Building from 6pm to 8pm. Learner drivers and their supervisors are welcome to attend.

The two- hour workshop provides practical advice regarding:

- Supervision of Learner Drivers
- Completing the Learner Driver Log Book
- Providing on road driver practise
- L & P Plate Licence Laws

NOTE: From 20 November 2017, Transport for NSW introduced changes to the Graduated Licensing Scheme (GLS) in an effort to improve the safety of young drivers on our road. <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/drivers/youngdrivers/licence-conditions/index.html>

Bookings are essential and can be made by email: [rsos@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rsos@wollongong.nsw.gov.au) or by telephoning Council's Customer Service Centre on 4227 7111.

### House for Rent

The school's property at 91 Derribong Drive is up for rent again. It's big, and has separate self-contained granny flat accommodation <http://wollongong.eldersrealestate.com.au/residential/rent/property-house-nsw-cordeaux-heights-701408#.Wh4FGpo-xOo.email>

If you are interested or know a family who is, contact Elders directly

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