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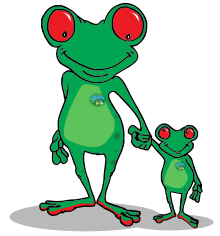
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# **Newsletter 2020**

**Term 4 Week 5 13/11/2020**

***Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful***

## **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

### **November**

18<sup>th</sup> November – OC Placement Test

19<sup>th</sup> November – 9.30am Kindergarten Orientation #3

24<sup>th</sup> November – Band Demonstration Concert via Zoom

1<sup>st</sup> December – NSW Public High Schools Orientation

19<sup>th</sup> November – 2021 Student Leadership Selection Interview

23<sup>rd</sup> November – Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsely Hill Farm

30<sup>th</sup> November – Whole School Photo

1<sup>st</sup> December – 9.30am OC Orientation

*\*\* Subscribe to our 'Ironbark Ridge – Public' Sentral calendar (see the Parent Portal)\*\**

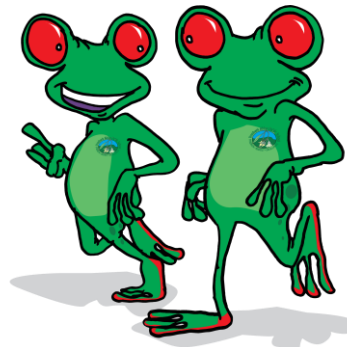
## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Reporting on 2020 ☺**

Our teachers at Ironbark Ridge are an amazing bunch! It is so inspiring to listen to their collegial discussions about the lengths they go to when assessing the growth and achievement levels of each one of their students, readying themselves to write final *Student Progress Reports*. The extra time and effort that goes into this task during both Term 2 and Term 4 each year is quite extreme; just think about the time needed to craft comments and ensure all 'ticks' are in the right places... and times that by 30!

There are so many positive and exciting stories of student growth I am hearing across all of our teaching teams – a positive way to finish what has been an *interesting* (nice way of putting it) year.

*Student Progress Reports* will be published to all student accounts in the Sentral Parent Portal and App on the last Friday of term – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.



### **Student Leadership**

We are conducting interviews this coming Thursday, as the final stage in the selection process for our 2021 Student Leadership Team. The Year 5 students involved have already completed over a term's worth of training sessions, a written application, and the Collaborative Trials day. Selection based on demonstrated application, attitude and merit (rather than an election) is the Ironbark Way...

### **What Works Best... Attendance**

Recent weeks have seen a somewhat disappointing downturn in student attendance across the school. While there are many educational solutions to maximising student growth each year, there is no bigger requirement than for students to be at school as much as possible. Many of our students have a 100% attendance rate for the year. Unless students are actually sick they should be in their classroom, learning. Please make 100% attendance your goal.

## Successful Learner Habits: Courage and Empathy

(We are all Ironbarkers... We are all Learners.)

This fortnight our students have been developing more courage in the face of learning challenges, and also thinking about the feelings and needs of others – practising empathy. Learners show courage when they see difficult tasks as a chance for growth, and mistakes as an opportunity for learning. It takes a lot of courage to be the student who goes first or who answers even though they are not sure. Make “Have a go!” your motto and you will be making courage your Habit!

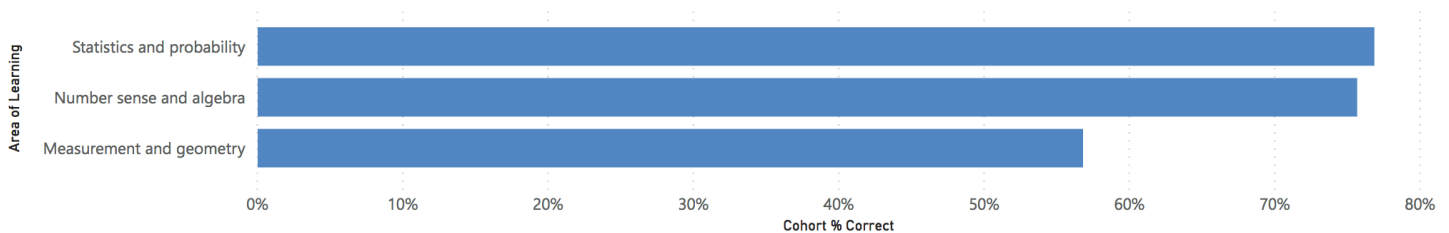
When working collaboratively, successful learners remember to hold back their own judgement and ideas to make sure they consider the perspective and thoughts of other group members. This is especially helpful in getting the best contributions of everyone and the result is usually a more powerful solution.

Successful Learners need **courage** to seek and accept **feedback** about their own performance... and **empathy** to deliver effective **feedback** that is constructively received by others on our teams.



### Check In!

Unfortunately NAPLAN was cancelled in 2020 due to the period of time spent *Learning from Home*, however we made sure that our Year 3 and Year 5 students were involved in a new online program: The Check In Assessment! Here's a graph from the results...

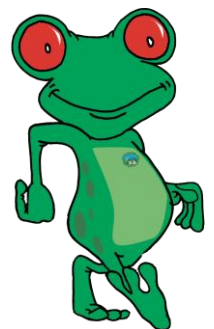


While we continue to evaluate our students', and ultimately our school's performance in a range of areas, the *Check-In* has let us know (as an example) that we need to focus some effort on learning about Measurement and Geometry! Further data collection and analysis from other sources would be needed to 'triangulate' with this tiny snapshot shown in the graph here, obviously 😊

### Parent Survey – Tell Them From Me

This week we received the results from the recent survey 97 families completed. Although not everyone, we feel this number reflects a fairly good sample size to give us a clear idea of Ironbark Ridge opinions. We are currently analysing the data and will present a detailed report as part of the next newsletter.

We will also be releasing an online presentation of the current state of our school's Situational Analysis at the end of next week for you to view and ponder. Please look out for this and stay connected. As Ridgy the Frog walks along The Ironbark Way, we want you all to come with us.



Stay strong, act with respect, and pursue excellence!

Nick Thomson  
Principal

# DEPUTY PRINCIPALS' REPORT

## Learner at the Centre



At Ironbark, we have a genuine focus on our learners. We aim to provide a diverse and exciting curriculum delivered through differentiated learning within dynamic classrooms.

Each week innovative organisational structures, planning and conversations occur within each grade and across the school. By engaging in professional conferences, it enables the sharing of teacher expertise and consistency in the development and delivery of teaching and learning programs. Everyone is a learner.

As a team we are continually working to develop ways of thinking that keep our students at the centre of what we do. We have a shared belief that as Ironbark Ridge teachers, we can and will, have a positive impact on student achievement.

## Remembrance Day

Originally known as Armistice Day, Remembrance Day was observed by all students and staff on 11 November. It marked the signing of the peace agreement between Germany and the Allies that ended the Great War of 1914-1918.

Our school leaders and staff conducted a service to remember and commemorate those who served and died in war and armed conflicts. A special thank you to Mrs Barton for the organisation of this important commemoration and our school leaders for delivering a heartfelt message. Lest We Forget.



## Kindy Orientation

During the past two weeks, our staff and our student leaders have had the pleasure of welcoming our new and current families and their children into our school community. The 2021 Kindy students are now undertaking their first visit. We are impressed with how quickly they have settled in and enjoyed their initial experience at school. As a school community, we welcome our new families and students and thank you for your consideration around our health guidelines.

## Sports Fun Day

Our Year 3-6 students participated in a Sports Fun Day at Centenary Oval. Although we missed our school community at the event, the Ironbark spirit was clearly evident and fun was had by all. Whenever we feel we could not be more proud of our students, they participate and behave in a way that leaves us so impressed and inspired. Thank you to the Stage 2 and 3 teachers for organising such a fulfilled day.

## New Drive-through COVID-19 Clinic in Rouse Hill

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**COVID-19 Drive-through Testing Clinic in Rouse Hill**

**Open Now**

- 🕒 Time: 8am - 4pm
- 📅 When: Monday - Sunday
- 📍 Where: The Fiddler car park  
Cnr Windsor Rd and Commercial Rd, Rouse Hill NSW, 2155  
(Entry off Commercial Rd)

NEW CLINIC  
Wheelchair accessible

All ages are welcome. No booking or GP referral required. Testing is free.

See the NSW Health Website for the latest COVID-19 information

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Kerry De Jager and Kylie Robson  
**Deputy Principals**



# Ironbark Ridge Public School

## Parent Planner Term 2 2020

\*\* Note: All dates on this planner are subject to change at the discretion of the school. **Updated**

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
5 November	9 <i>IRPS Athletics Carnival (students only)</i>	10	11 <b>Remembrance Day</b>	12 <b>9.20am Kindergarten 2021 Orientation #2</b>	13	14/15
6 November	16	17	18 <b>OC Placement Test</b>	19 <b>9.20am Kindergarten 2021 Orientation #3</b>  <b>2021 Student Leadership Selection Interviews</b>	20	21/22
7 November	23 <b>Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill Farm</b>	24 <i>Band demonstration concert via Zoom</i>	25	26	27 <b>No PSSA</b>	28/29
8 Nov/Dec	30 <b>Whole School Photo</b>	1 <b>NSW High Schools Orientation Day</b>	2	3	4	5/6
9 December	7	8 <b>Celebration Day 9.30am 3-6 11.30am K-2</b>  <b>Year 6 Farewell (TBC)</b>	9	10	11 <b>Semester 2 Student Reports Published</b>	12/13
10 December	14	15	16 <b>Last day for students</b>  <i>2.00 Year 6 Leaving Assembly</i>	17 <i>Staff Development Day</i>	18 <i>Staff Development Day</i>	19/20

# ADMINISTRATION

## Preparing and Planning for 2021

Teachers are beginning preparation and planning for class structures for 2021. In order to support effective staffing, we respectfully request that any families (Kindergarten to Year 5) moving out of the area please inform the office in writing if your child/children will not be at Ironbark Public School in 2021, by completing and returning, the note which can be found using the link below:

[https://ironbarkrg-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/i/ironbarkrg-p/notes/2020/EOY\\_Student\\_Leavers\\_2020.pdf](https://ironbarkrg-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/i/ironbarkrg-p/notes/2020/EOY_Student_Leavers_2020.pdf)

## Hand Foot and Mouth Disease

Since the beginning of Term 4 we have had 3 reported cases of Hand Foot and Mouth Disease. Please keep an eye out for any symptoms and see a Doctor. If you are unsure of what the symptoms are please see the link below:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/handfootmouth.aspx>

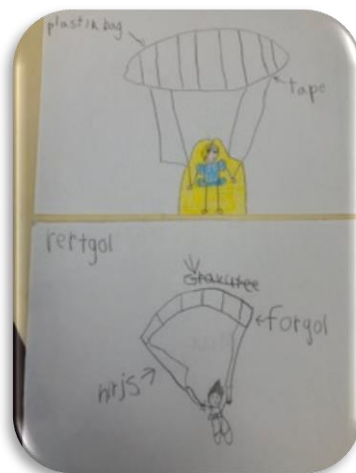
## Admin Team

# KINDY CAPERS

As the term continues to race along Kindergarten students have been excited to have short visits to other classes within the school as they prepare to move on to Year 1 and make way for the Kindergarten 2021 arrivals. There have been many reports back of fascinating discoveries such as the size of the chairs and desks in other rooms as well as the colourful art on display. They are also full of advice about the great things in "Big School" which the new students can look forward to.

Our Farm excursion is now just over a week away on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and we want to remind parents that students need to come in their **sports uniform including their hat**. We ask that students bring a plastic bag labelled with their name and that lunch is packed in a way which means that packaging can be disposed of after eating. Students will need a fruit break and something for recess and lunch. There is no shop available to purchase food so all food will need to be brought from home as well as a water bottle. Please ensure your child is at school before the bell as we are unable to wait for late arrivals. In the case of rain please check the school Facebook page for excursion updates.

Finally, students have continued to enjoy STEM activities, planning ways for Jack to escape the giant quickly with a slide or assisting Rapunzel to escape the tower safely with a parachute. They are learning to design and identify materials they will use prior to construction. Please enjoy some of their creative designs.



## ES1 Teachers

## STAGE 1 SNIPPETS

It's been another fantastic week of teaching and learning in Stage 1 classrooms. Students have been working hard as we draw towards the end of the year.

Classes have been utilising a variety of technology in classrooms to engage with their learning. We have been using VR headsets to experience the content that we are investigating. CoSpaces continues to be used in classrooms to create 3D environments and to explore how to make effective use of space. Without doubt, the boys and girls have loved exploring these technologies and using them to enhance their learning.



***Students using VR headsets to explore and investigate their learning.***

Diwali was celebrated by Ironbark Ridge this week with activities arranged for students to participate in in the hall if they chose to. Participating students enjoyed learning about the festival, its meaning and why it is important to a number of cultures.



Have a wonderful weekend!

**Stage 1 Teachers**

## 2R & 4S BUDDIES

What a truly humbling experience for our students to know that their kindness and generosity has been so far reaching. Earlier this year 4 Sweetpea and 2 Rain Lily made cards of thanks and encouragement for the doctors, nurses, police and scientists in Melbourne during the worst of their Covid19 lockdown. Yet another email message of thanks has been received from the scientists at The Doherty Institute. We are so proud of our students.

*Dear Tracy, Year 4 and Year 2 Buddies,*

*We were very busy at the Doherty Institute dealing with the surge in COVID-19 cases in Victoria. There are many scientists here working hard to detect cases, on 'fingerprinting' the virus to track its spread in the community and on vaccine development. As you will have seen in media reports our numbers over the last couple of months soared to over 700 each day but are now around 20 or lower each day.*

*Please find a picture of three Doherty Scientists, wearing masks and socially distancing, during their lunchbreak in the Doherty tearoom enjoying the sweet treats.*



*Thank you for taking the time for thinking of us in Victoria, sending a 'care' package and for your words of appreciation.*

*The letters and goodies sent to the Doherty were a highlight during a challenging time.*

*Sincerely,*

*Mary V*

**Mrs Sammut and Mrs Ryan**

## STAGE 2 SNIPPETS

The past 2 weeks have flown by and already we are heading into Week 6. Stage 2 teachers would like to compliment all students on their exceptional participation during Sport Fun Day this week. Even though the carnival was non-competitive with house points awarded to place getters it was great to see so many students taking part in activities and enjoying the beautiful spring weather.



### Opportunity Class Placement Test

We wish all students the best luck! The assessment will take place on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at Ironbark Ridge PS**. Students need to make sure that they are at school before 9am. They will sit the assessment in the school hall. **Students MUST bring a printed copy of their 'Test authority' letter showing their application number.** They should also bring glasses, asthma inhaler and tissues, if required. They may bring a clear plastic water bottle – with no writing on it except for the brand name (to be stored under the seat to avoid spills). Any other medical equipment must be approved before the test. Students who have been granted disability provisions must bring any specially approved items. They **SHOULD NOT** bring pens, pencils, pencil cases, erasers, note paper or other material such as dictionaries or books. Equipment such as rulers, calculators, computers, mobile phones, computer watches, watches that calculate or beep or any device that calculates, photographs or communicates may not be taken into the test room. Pens will be provided for all students sitting the test.



### Classroom Stationery & Supplies

Please ensure students are well equipped for learning with the stationery essentials to last until the end of the year. Many thanks to families who have sent in classroom supplies which include **paper towel, soap and tissues**. They are greatly appreciated. If you haven't already done so, please send items in as soon as possible.

Please make sure your child is equipped with: **glue sticks, personal scissors, lead pencils**



### Sport

This term, Stage 2 students will participate in two sporting sessions throughout the week.

Stage 2 sport will be on a Friday morning. Year 3 will have a fitness session each Thursday afternoon and Year 4 will have a fitness session every Monday afternoon.

**Year 3 students will need to wear their sport uniforms on Thursdays and Fridays.**

**Year 4 students will need to wear their sport uniforms on Mondays and Fridays.**

With our hot summer weather, please ensure your children have a water bottle and a school hat, both clearly labelled with your child's full name and class.

*Please note the Summer PSSA competition will not resume this year.*

**Any outstanding PSSA team items and jerseys need to be returned to team coaches ASAP.**



### Stage 2 Party Day

To celebrate the end of 2020 Stage 2 will be having an end of year celebration on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020**. During the celebration students will participate in an inflatables obstacle and activity course. To complete the festivities students will then have a BBQ-Sausage Sizzle lunch and depart school as usual by 3pm. Halal and vegetarian options will be available. The total cost of the celebration is \$15.00.

**Please Note:** On the day students may wear appropriate casual clothes. **Students will need to wear light clothing that covers their arms and legs to participate safely on the inflatable equipment.** A sun safe hat, sunscreen, covered shoes and water bottle are essential.

Students will need to return permission notes for the **2020 Stage 2 End of Year Party Day by 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020**. Without a signed permission note, students will be unable to attend.



### **COVID Arrangements**

Thank you to parents who have made arrangements to pick up their children outside the school. We are currently asking only the K-2 parents to enter the school to pick up their child. Please keep your children at home if they are unwell and get them COVID tested. We really appreciate everyone playing their part.

Have a happy and safe weekend!

### **Stage 2 Team**

#### **Sport Fun Day 2020**



## STAGE 3 SNIPPETS

What an exciting fortnight here at Ironbark for our Stage 3 students. This week we had a wonderful day at the Years 3-6 Sports Day. On this day, the students engaged in some fun sports activities such as an obstacle course, 100m and 200m running races, novelty races and a ball game. Everyone had a fantastic time being with friends and some friendly competition.

All of Stage 3 have started to think about the process of becoming a 'change maker' in relation to a sustainability/climate change issue. After weeks of learning about a range of issues through our English hybrid text unit, we look forward to see what the students produce with their ideas and developing understandings. In Geography, we have been focusing on Indigenous Tribes from around the world and the role of the United Nations.

The Year 6 students are getting excited for their farewell as preparations continue to develop. Their dance lessons are proving quite popular and we cannot wait to see everyone busting a move on the dance floor. Other plans that are being organised are around our end of year party. We hope to be able to give you more information about this very soon as they become available.



**Stage 3 Team**

# LEADERSHIP TEAM 2020

## Sports Funday

Because of Covid-19 we unfortunately could not hold an athletics carnival this year. So instead our lovely teachers have put together and organised a sports funday!

This Monday Stages 3-6 went to Centenary Oval and spent half the day playing games and having fun. The 100 and 200m races were held and it was great to see all students participating and giving it their all. We had so much fun with our friends especially with the sack racing. Although it was hard work we all just kept cheering each other on.

A few of the games that were held was obstacle courses and ball games which had a lot of team work involved making sure that every student was earning points for their house. It was great to see the amount of teamwork that was shown and to hear the motivational chants encouraging everyone.

## Student leaders-year 5

The Year 5's are now training to be leaders and participating in multiple activities to help them learn more about being a leader. Last week all the Year 5's spent the whole day doing activities to show their leadership skills and we got a chance to observe the future leaders and how they tackle different tasks and situations. We are all very proud of the Year 5's and we can't wait to see Ironbark's new 2021 school leaders who will soon be in our shoes!

## Remembrance Day

This week on Wednesday we all came together and paid our respects to the many fallen soldiers that fought for us years and years ago. Wreaths were laid followed by a one minute silence, heads were bowed and the national anthem was played along with the Last Post.

## Diwali

This Thursday we celebrate Diwali. Kids from all stages came to the hall and participated in little activities. We enjoyed helping the little kids gain more understanding on what Diwali is.

At Ironbark we understand that some families do not celebrate Diwali at home, but we think it is a good idea to share our knowledge about it and learn from each other about things that bring us together as a community.

## Student Leaders

# CANTEEN

We have some exciting additions to our Sushi Menu!!



You are now able to order Chicken Katsu (crumbed chicken) - plain or with avocado/cucumber. This is available in either a box or a roll.

Or Sweet Chilli Chicken and Avocado as a roll only.



**Doris & Mel  
Canteen Team**

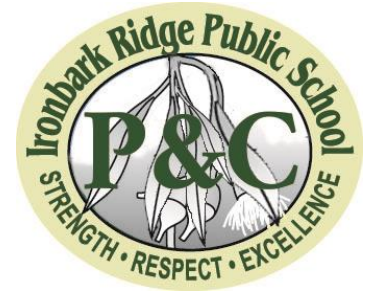
# Ridgy Didge Awards

## Collaboration & Self Reliance

<b>KF</b>	Joshua, Vinudi, Ivy, Olivia
<b>KG</b>	Sienna, Ryan, Raphael, Abdullah
<b>KW</b>	Hansen, Diyan, Max
<b>1C</b>	Aaraf, Phoenix, Aindri, Ben
<b>1L</b>	Autumn, Jack, Janudi, Jasveen
<b>2C</b>	Will C, Skylar L, Joseph S
<b>2K</b>	Varin, Samuel, Maria, Arianna
<b>2R</b>	Callum, Maryum, Bentley, Sidak
<b>3J</b>	Melody, Ryan, Brylee, Ernest, Lucy Adena, Laura, Ava
<b>4I</b>	Davyd, amalia, Jasmin
<b>5J</b>	Devan, Sharon, Suanne
<b>5K</b>	Xzyra, ansh, Manulya, Douglas
<b>6H</b>	Ansh, Victor, Abhay, Gurjivan
<b>6/5M</b>	Erica D, Ebony, Ramsey, Erica L

## Courage & Empathy

<b>KS</b>	Ivy, Jayda, Jeremy, Manaal
<b>1B</b>	Ahmad, Carly, Hannah
<b>1R</b>	Youssef, Madison, Olivia
<b>2A</b>	Aradhya, Mason, Gabi, Amelia M
<b>2H</b>	Rayya, Alisha, Patrick, Ishan
<b>3K</b>	Paige, Inaya, Emaan, Alan
<b>4B</b>	Rhyce, Sienna, Alexander, Ethan
<b>4F</b>	Claire, Nate, Isabel, Shaylee
<b>5B</b>	Lisa, Aahil, Sophie
<b>5C</b>	Aadit, Sienna, Indigo
<b>5W</b>	Harrison, Zoe, Charlotte
<b>6C</b>	Aaron, Annabelle, Maddison
<b>6S</b>	Thiyansa, Zakary, Lachlan, Jack



## Uniform Shop – 2021 Kindy and OC Uniform Fitting Appointments

For online orders go to <https://ironbark-ridge-public-school-pc-association.square.site/> and click on **SHOP NOW**. We have sizing guides available online to make your sizing selection easier.

Due to recent changes in Department of Education Covid-19 policy we can now accept uniform fitting appointments for NEW families to our school. If you require an appointment, please go to <https://ironbark-ridge-public-school-pc-association.square.site/> and click on the **BOOK NOW**.

The screenshot shows a website interface. At the top, there is a red button with the text 'SHOP NOW'. Below this, there is a photograph of a school building with a large roof. Underneath the photo, there is a light grey box containing text. The text includes information about packing days (Mondays, Wednesdays, and alternate Fridays), delivery options (to the child's class or school office), and a requirement to include the child's name and class in the 'NOTE TO SENDER' box. It also has a section for 'UNIFORM FITTING APPOINTMENTS' which states that appointments are 15 minutes long and only available on Mondays or Wednesdays between 0830 and 0930. At the bottom of the grey box, there is another red button with the text 'BOOK NOW'.

Each appointment is limited to 15 minutes. Please arrive at the Ironbark Public School Uniform Shop 5 minutes before your appointment time to sanitise your hands and complete a Covid-19 registration form. You will be required to wear a face mask before entering the school.

Please bring your child for accurate sizing. Due to social distancing restrictions we can only have the student being fitting and 1 parent/guardian attend the appointment.

Please do not hesitate to contact us via email on [uniforms@irpspc.com](mailto:uniforms@irpspc.com) if you have any questions regarding the school uniform shop.

# COMMUNITY SERVICES



## Ironbark Ridge Public School

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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/IronbarkRidgePublicSchool](http://www.facebook.com/IronbarkRidgePublicSchool)



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### END OF YEAR SCHOOL LEAVERS - KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 5

We are starting to plan classes for 2021. If you know that your child/ren will definitely not be returning to Ironbark Ridge next year or will be returning late at the commencement of the 2021 school year, please complete the slip below and return it to the school office as soon as possible. Please disregard this letter if your child/ren are continuing at Ironbark in 2021.

Nick Thomson  
Principal

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#### 2020 END OF YEAR STUDENT LEAVERS – KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 5 OR LATE RETURNERS

My child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

My child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

My child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Will not be returning to Ironbark Ridge PS next year.

Destination School \_\_\_\_\_

Will be returning late. Date returning \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Caregiver Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*a community of safe, responsible, respectful learners*

## MEDIA RELEASE

Western Sydney Local Health District  
Tuesday 10 November



**Health**  
Western Sydney  
Local Health District

### NEW DRIVE-THROUGH COVID-19 CLINIC NOW OPEN IN ROUSE HILL

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WSLHD chief executive Graeme Loy said the District is committed to providing safe, easy and convenient access to testing for all who need it.

*"We are actively monitoring the situation in the Hills District and are encouraging anyone who lives, works, or is active in this area to get tested immediately if COVID-19 symptoms develop," Graeme said.*

*"We set up this clinic in under 24 hours to ensure we stay on top of COVID-19 in Western Sydney Local Health District. We continue to be ready to rapidly open other clinics if necessary."*

*"Thank you to the Hills Shire Council for their support with the opening of this latest clinic."*

There are currently more than 23 testing clinics across Western Sydney Local Health District – find your nearest one [here](#), and stay up to date with the latest COVID-19 news at the [NSW Health website](#).

If you have any symptoms, it is important you self-isolate and arrange to get tested. Symptoms of COVID-19 include a sore throat, cough, high temperature or unexplained tiredness.

To help protect yourself against COVID-19, exercise the following precautions:

- Wash your hands regularly for at least 20 seconds with soap and water
- Avoid touching your face
- Maintain 1.5 metres physical distance from others in public
- Wear a face mask in public when physical distancing cannot be guaranteed

Anyone arriving for testing is advised to stay inside their vehicle at all times. Health staff follow strict infection control protocols for the safety of themselves and others.

**Please share this message with your staff, families and community as necessary.**

You can also access the following to share this message:

- [Social media post](#)
- [Instagram post](#)
- [Image 1 of clinic](#)
- [Image 2 of clinic](#)

Kind regards,  
**The Healthy Children team**  
Western Sydney Local Health District

This email was sent by Stacey Hopkins, NSW Health, Gungahra (Building 68), Cumberland Hospital East Campus, Fleet Street, North Parramatta, NSW 2151, Australia to ironbarkrg-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au  
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# IRONBARK RIDGE BAND

## JOIN THE BAND!

Is your child interested in joining the school band?

The school band is now taking enrolments for 2021 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5.

No prior experience needed!

During Term 4 students will see a **band demonstration** at school that highlights the different instruments available for tuition. After this demonstration they will receive a green *Expression of Interest* note providing introductory information.

What do you need to do?

1. Carefully read the green *Expression of Interest* and then register your child's interest in joining the band online at <https://www.teachingservices.com.au/eoi>
2. Once you register online a TSA tutor will meet your child to help them assess which instrument they are most suited to\*\*
3. The results of this instrument trial will be sent home with enrolment information

Learning an instrument in an ensemble is a great way to experience the social, educational and personal benefits that music and the arts have to offer! TSA provides a variety of tuition options as well as instrument hire and sales to help parents give the gift of music to their children.

TSA is a registered COVID-safe provider and delivers instrumental programs with a focus on inclusion, student engagement and well-being.

*\*\*Instrument trials will take place within strict COVID-safe guidelines and will include a basic aural and rhythm assessment among several other activities which measure your child's suitability for each instrument.*



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## *Save the Date*

**Date- 5th December, 2020**

**Time- 11:00 am - 12.30pm**

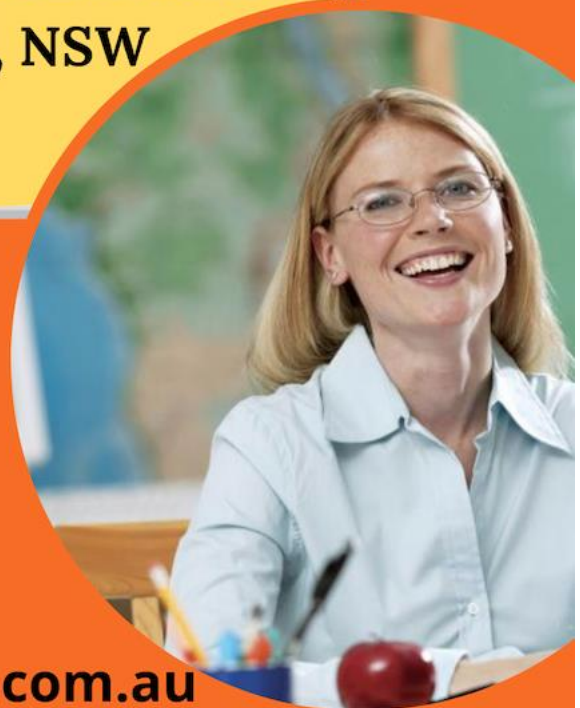
**Location- Roselea Public School,  
Carlingford, NSW**



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## MINI LEAGUE Introduction to Rugby League

RUGBY LEAGUE WITH  
THE HILLS BULLS  
MINI-LEAGUE CLINIC

Thursday 26th November  
Thursday 28th January  
5pm – 6pm

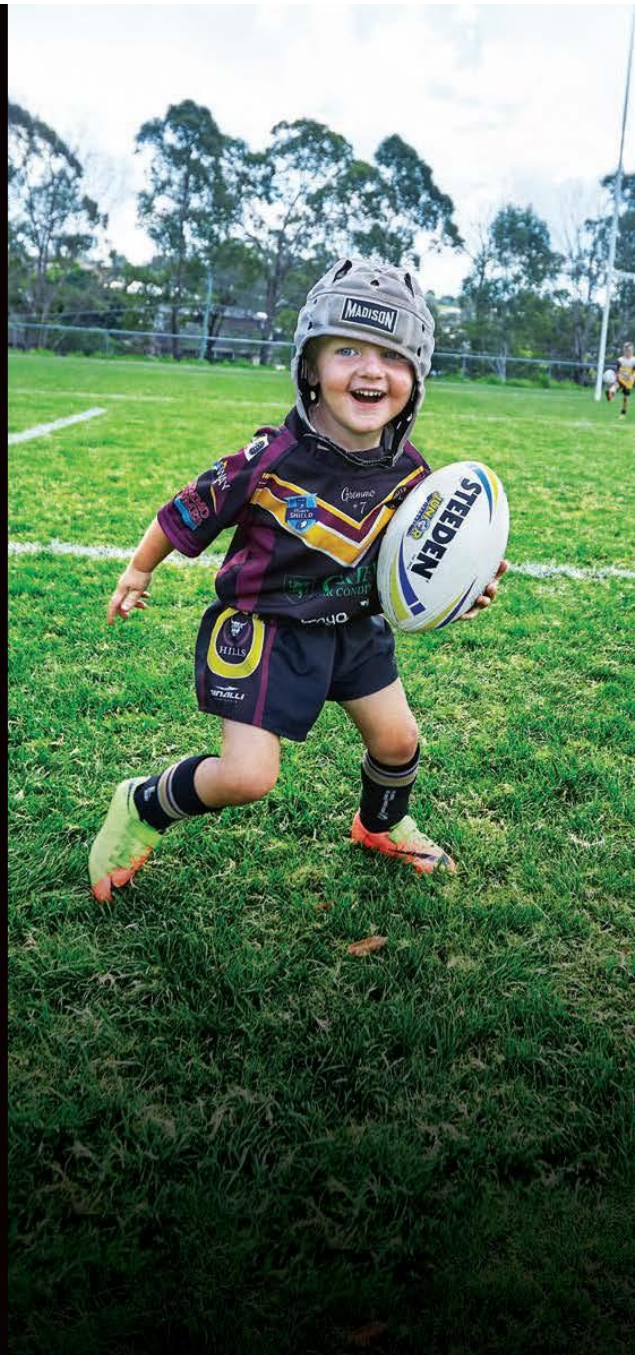
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