



Welcome Back

We welcome back our students, families and school community members for Term 4. We are looking forward to another wonderful term of learning and hopefully having a lot of fun along the way. Term 4 is always a busy one. We will be involved in our usual classroom and co-curricular programs, plus a cornucopia of special events. These include the School Swimming Scheme, the Digital Media short film festival and competition, Science and arts excursions (TBA), Walk a Mile Koori Style, Pool Day, Christmas Concert, Presentation Day and more. Also, we will be getting ready to farewell our Year 6s and prepare them for the next exciting stage of their education in high school. Watch this space for details.

P&C Raffle

Our tireless P&C are conducting the cargo bike raffle again this year. Ticket books were sent home last term for sale to friends and family. Please help us in this endeavour and assist in the raising of funds to support our school. The P&C are offering some wonderful prizes as incentives to ticket sellers. The family who raises the most funds will receive an electric guitar and amp, donated by Muso's Corner. The highest fundraiser in each class will receive a canteen lunch voucher and the highest fundraising class will receive a special sweet treat. Thank you for supporting our P&C in this wonderful project.

Showcase Class

Next assembly's showcase class, the first for the term, will feature the much anticipated return of **K/1A**! Next Friday, 26th October, 2pm. All welcome.

Term 4	Calendar 2018
Oct 26	School Assembly K/1A Showcase
Oct 31	Halloween P&C Disco 4 – 8pm Croation Club
Nov 6	Parent Kindergarten Information Night 6pm – 8pm
Nov 7	Kinder Orientation 9.15 – 11am
Nov 9	School Assembly 5/6R Showcase
Nov 12 – Nov 23	Swimming School Year 3 - 6
Nov 14	Kinder Orientation 9.15 – 11am
Nov 15	World Festival of Magic Excursion
Nov 21	Kinder Orientation 9.15 – 11am
Nov 21	P&C Meeting
Nov 23	School Assembly 3/6B Showcase
Nov 28	Kinder Orientation 9.15 – 11am
Nov 30	Walk a Mile Koori Style

After School Sport

After school sport for Term 4 has not been confirmed at this stage. We are hoping to begin the program in Week 3, however, there has been no confirmation provided by sporting groups or coaches at the time of press.

Term 4 Staffing Arrangements

Mr Lumley will be in the role of relieving Principal for the rest of the year, with the possibility of extension into 2019, while Mr Bradley is relieving as principal at another school.

Mr Christopher Blake will be relieving as Assistant Principal during this time. Mr Blake, currently employed as a HSLO based at IPS, has extensive teaching experience and a wide range of talents and skills to bring to bear on our school. We congratulate Mr Blake on his promotion to this new role and wish him the very best of luck.

We also welcome Mr Cameron Anderson back to Islington. Mr Anderson is newly qualified and will be working as a support teacher across K-6 for the rest of the year.

More good news! Mrs Trudy Ramsay will also stay with us at Islington for the rest of the year in her role as teaching and learning support.

Free Girls Basketball Clinic

A free All Girls basketball clinic, run by former AIS and US college coach Kristy Flores, will be held 24th October at Newcastle Basketball Stadium (27 Young Rd Broadmeadow) from 4:30-5:30pm. Girls are encouraged to bring their own water bottle and ball, however balls will be supplied if they don't have one. No registration required. Just turn up and be ready to play!

School Backpacks

The flash new Islington Public School backpacks have arrived and are on sale right now from the office. The two designs on offer are the multi-compartmented Anatomic Tuff-Pack (modelled by Mahnoz; \$60) and the large single-compartment Mighty Tuff-Pack (modelled by Bahar; \$40). We have a limited run of twenty bags of each design available, so be quick to buy one while stocks last. These school bags are ergonomically designed to protect spines and posture, as well as being tough enough to last an entire primary education, Kindergarten to Year 6. They look pretty sharp too. Don't miss out!

