

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 1 2024

Wednesday, March 13-25

National Assessment Program
Literacy & Numeracy (NAPLAN)

Monday, March 18

School Council - AGM 6:15 PM

Monday, March 18 - 22

Cultural Diversity & eSafety Week

Thursday, March 21

Prep - 2 Junior Cross Country

Thursday, March 21

Harmony Day

Friday, March 22

Year 6 Gala Day
Ride 2 School Day

Tue March 26 & Wed March 27

Whole School Photos

Thursday, March 28

Last day Term 1, 2024
2:30pm dismissal

Friday, March 29

Good Friday – Public Holiday

TERM 2 2024

Monday, April 15

First day Term 2 – 8:50 AM

Tues, April 16 - Fri, April 26

Year 4 & 6 Swimming Program
8 day intensive program

Wednesday, April 24

Wyndham Student
Representative Council Forum
School Captains

Thursday, April 25

ANZAC DAY - Public Holiday

WADAWURRUNG COUNTRY

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<http://www.iramoo.ps.vic.edu.au>

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Raquel Tweedley

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

Throughout the school year our Year 6 School Captains, House Captains, Arts Captains, and Digital Technology Captains take an active role in a variety of school leadership, where they provide advice, opinions and support in the conduct of school events.

Our Arts, Digital Technology, House and Music Captains for 2024 are:

Arts Captains

Amy Dimasi

Anthony Thompson

Digital Technology Captains

Jaxson Beasley

Tynan Abram

Gaze (Yellow) House

Amisha Naidu

Teyiba Ibrahim

Hughes (Red) House

Prab Sandhu

Nyandeng Aleu

Lewis (Green) House

Lara Walker

Justin Lee

Freeman (Blue) House

Jax Eichler

Amity Razumic

Music

Melisa Mai

Rahul Kumar

Next Monday we will have a special assembly to present these captains their badges.



WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

On Monday, February 26, it was a pleasure to have our Prep students join our whole school assembly for the first time. Our Preps did amazingly well to arrive with their teachers on time and listen attentively. Iramoo students sing both verses of our National Anthem at assembly each Monday and we have included the lyrics with this newsletter so that parents can assist their children at home, to learn the words of Advance Australian Fair. Civics and citizenship, including respect for our flag and the National Anthem is promoted very strongly in all year levels.

CROSS COUNTRY YEAR 3 – 6

Our Year 3 – 6 Cross Country was held on Wednesday, February 28 at Wyndham Vale Reserve. It was lovely to see so many family members able to come along and support our students. I would like to thank all of the parent helpers who attended the event, for their assistance and for the encouragement and support they gave to all of our students and teachers.

Those children who came in the top 10 for each age group will go on to represent Iramoo at the School Sport Victoria, Werribee District Cross-Country race to be held on Tuesday, April 23 at Presidents Park.

Congratulations to the top three placegetters in each race:

8/9 Boys:

Rex Lionti
Liam Bennett
Maverick Davies

10 Boys:

Zion Tauatevalu
Archer Drohomirecki
Jacob Faroug

11 Boys:

Austin Judd
Archer Ward
Taw Taw Poe

12/13 Boys:

Arian Ahmeti
Kai Grant
Steele Stokes

8/9 Girls:

Ajock Garang
Georgia Pisani
Charlotte Scicluna

10 Girls:

Elsie Trudgian
Leila Campbell
Sarah Makour

11 Girls:

Emma Bryant
Addison Davies
Kayleigh Dodson

12/13 Girls:

Melissa Mai
Amity Razumic
Nyandeng Aleu



CROSS COUNTRY YEAR PREP - 2

Our Year Prep – 2 children will participate in a modified Cross Country on Thursday, March 21 starting at approximately 9:30am weather permitting. The races will be held around the school oval and will be marshalled by our Year 6 House Captains. Students are encouraged to wear a t-shirt in their house colours. Please ensure that your child wears suitable footwear for running.

Families are invited to come along to watch and encourage the children. Please also remember that the events are for Iramoo students only and that for safety reasons, no pre-school children or adults are to be on the course during the events.



Race Order	Approx. Start Time
Year 1 Boys	9:30 AM
Year 1 Girls	9:40 AM
Prep Boys	9:50 AM
Prep Girls	10:00 AM
Year 2 Boys	10:10 AM
Year 2 Girls	10:20 AM

RESPECTFUL SCHOOL COMMUNITY RESPECTFUL BEHAVIOUR

For our school to continue to create an environment in which our children thrive it is important that all adults in our school community treat each other with respect and kindness at all times. The Department of Education has released a policy that describes the positive behaviour expected from parents, carers and other adults in Victorian school communities. The policy sets clear standards of behaviour to create a safe, respectful and inclusive learning environment for students, staff and adults.

<https://www.iramoops.vic.edu.au/source/BUILD/Respectful-Relationships-Commitment.pdf>

PLAYGROUND REMINDER

For our staff on yard duty to carry out their duty of care and ensure that all students safely leave our school grounds it is important that everyone leaves our school grounds promptly each afternoon. Our school playgrounds are out of bounds from 3:00 PM – 3:15 PM every weekday.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – MONDAY, MARCH 18

Our School Council Office Bearers will be decided at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Monday, March 18. Our AGM is an open forum and all members of our school community are welcome to join.

TRAFFIC / ROAD SAFETY

Thank you to all of the adults who have worked with us to maintain the highest level of safety for our students during arrival and departure times.

We would like to remind you all that children should not be getting into or out of cars if they are not legally parked. We have been informed again this week that authorised officers from Wyndham Council will be patrolling the school area regularly to ensure that people are obeying the traffic rules. Unfortunately, we have had parents in the past receive infringement notices for not obeying parking and road rules.



THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO KEEP OUR IRAMOO STUDENTS SAFE

We would like to recognise Sandra and John Drohomirecki, who have been an integral part of our school community for nearly 30 years. Sandra has served as our School Crossing Supervisor on West County Drive since 2011, while John has been overseeing Greens Road. Their commitment to ensuring our students' safety on their way to and from school has been much appreciated.

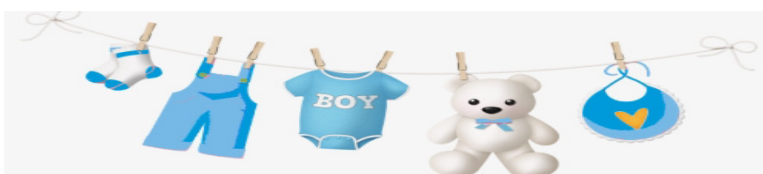
Beyond their roles as School Crossing Supervisors, Sandra and John have been cherished members of our Red and Blue family. Their sons, John and David, completed their primary education at Iramoo Primary School, and now their grandson attends our school, continuing the family's connection.

As Sandra and John prepare to conclude their duties as School Crossing Supervisors at the end of Term 1, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for their dedication and service. While they may no longer be on our school crossings, we are grateful that they will remain connected to our school community.

Please join us in thanking Sandra and John for their years of service and commitment to keeping our students safe. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours and look forward to their continued presence within our school community.

CONGRATULATIONS – BABY NEWS

Ms Cameron, one of our 2023 teachers welcomed a healthy son into her family, on Tuesday, March 12.



CULTURAL DIVERSITY WEEK – MARCH 18 - 22

Cultural Diversity Week is celebrated from March 18 - 22 in Australia. An annual celebration of the unique cultures, traditions and customs that make up our country. Our state Victoria is home to people who speak 290 languages and have 314 different ancestries. At Iramoo Primary School we are a place where anyone can contribute and belong. This week the students will be celebrating their similarities and differences of culture in the classrooms honoring the diverse perspectives and voices that make our school an inclusive place to be. We look forward to sharing what our students learn from the week about each other and different cultures.

<https://www.multiculturalcommission.vic.gov.au/event-resources>

HARMONY DAY MARCH 21

We are looking forward to celebrating Harmony Day on March 21. Since its inception in 1999, Harmony Day has provided people an opportunity to promote respect, understanding and a sense of belonging for people of all backgrounds and cultures. The students at our school will be taking part in a range of activities in the classroom to celebrate being unique and to understand the importance of inclusion. Students from years 3 - 6 are encouraged to wear an orange item of clothing or accessories.

<https://www.harmony.gov.au/resources/resources>



NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY 2024 - FRIDAY, MARCH 22

National Ride2School Day is Australia's biggest celebration of active travel. This nationwide event encourages all children to ride their bikes to school, to improve active travel participation and kick-start healthy habits for the future. All students are encouraged to ride their bikes to school on this day (skateboards and scooters are not to be ridden). Remember that riding to school part-way is ok! All children who ride to school on Friday, March 22 will receive a sticker and a fruit cup for their effort.

JILL THOMAS, ACTIVE TRAVEL CO-ORDINATOR



SOCIAL SERVICE COLLECTION

Many of our families are very thankful for the Royal Children's Hospital.

In addition to our students' social service collections throughout Term 1 and gold coin donations for our casual dress day on Thursday, March 28 our Iramoo families are able to 'give that they may grow' via our RCH Virtual Tin shake.

Below is a link to our virtual tin shake for the RCH Good Friday Appeal:

<https://fundraise.goodfridayappeal.com.au/fundraisers/iramooprimaryschool>

GIVE THAT THEY MAY GROW

Proudly supporting
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**WE ARE
RAISING
FUNDS TO
HELP SICK
KIDS AND
THEIR
FAMILIES**

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Good Friday Appeal
www.goodfridayappeal.com.au

AUSTRALIAN National Anthem

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are one and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.



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RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY RELATIONSHIPS



Scout Holiday Program

The Pines Scout Camp



Scouts
VICTORIA

The Scouts Victoria Outdoor Experience offers a wide variety of themed activities as well as campcraft opportunities to get young people outside these holidays! Scan the QR code below to see what activities are on each day and select the ones that sound most exciting for your child/ren, or they may love to try them all!

Activities open for both registered and non-registered youth aged 5 - 14 years. Each day is fully catered.

Please Note: Activities may change days depending on the weather.

The Pines Scout Camp, Altona Rd, Altona 3018

Program Includes

Monday April 8

Beachcombing and Survival Skills

Tuesday April 9

Bouldering and Pioneering

Wednesday April 10

Fishing, Hatchet
Throwing and Drones

Thursday April 11

Orienteering, Campfire
Cooking and Chemistry



For bookings and more information contact our School Holiday Program Team
03 8543 9818

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