

Newsletter

Wednesday, July 2, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 2 2025

Thursday, July 3Parent Teacher Interviews 3:20pm - 7:00pm

Friday, July 4

Year 4 Stand Tall Melbourne United

Friday, July 4

Last day Term 2, 2025

OPTIONAL CASUAL DRESS - GOLD COIN DONATION

Early dismissal 1:30pm

TERM 3 2025 Monday, July 21

First day Term 2 – 8:50am

Tues, July 22 - Thurs, July 31 Year 2 & 3 Swimming Program

Thursday, July 24

Year 6 Positive Peer Relationships Workshop

Friday, August 1
Pupil Free Day

Tuesday, August 5 Year 6 Wyndham Youth Services Tour

SCHOOL SECURITY

During the holidays, we ask your assistance in discouraging any people who misuse our grounds. If you happen to notice any person on our school grounds who is engaging in any type of dangerous or destructive behaviour, please do not hesitate to call the police on 000, Shield Security on 9974 1488 and the **Department of Education** Office of Emergency Management on 1800 126 126 24 hours, 7 days.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL Raquel Tweedley

As we reach the end of another busy and rewarding term, I would like to take a moment to thank our entire school community—students, staff, and families—for your continued support, energy, and commitment.

This term has been filled with rich learning experiences, positive connections, and many moments of growth for our students. Whether it has been in the classroom, in the playground, during special events, or through extra-curricular opportunities, it's been wonderful to see our students engaging with curiosity, confidence and kindness.

I am incredibly proud of the dedication our staff show each day. Their hard work, professionalism and care for our students create a learning environment where every child feels supported and valued. Thank you also to our families for the many ways you contribute—whether through attending events, helping at home, or simply being present and encouraging. We are grateful for the strong partnership we share.

As we complete the final week of Term 2, I encourage all students to stay focused and finish the term well. A calm, consistent routine and positive mindset will help set us up for a smooth end to the term and a well-earned break.

I wish everyone a restful, safe and enjoyable holiday. We look forward to welcoming students back refreshed and ready for Term 3.







YEAR 4 STAND TALL MELBOURNE UNITED BASKETBALL

This term, our Year 4 students have been actively participating in STAND TALL, a values-based wellbeing program delivered by the Melbourne United Basketball Club. Designed to equip young people with the skills and strategies to thrive, the program encourages students to develop positive relationships, show resilience, and strive to be the best they can be.

STAND TALL combines classroom-based learning with on-court basketball activities, using the sport to bring structure and meaning to Melbourne United's core values of Excellence, Selflessness, and Inclusion. Through these engaging sessions, students are learning how to apply these values both in sport and in everyday life.

The program has run over four weeks, with the last session this Friday, July 4, which includes a mix of in-class discussions followed by practical activities on our basketball courts.

Our students have been thoroughly enjoying the experience and gaining valuable life skills along the way!

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. It is a fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book.













This year NSS took place on Wednesday, May 21. Our school participated in this event, where classes joined the author of 'The Truck Cat', Deborah Frenkel, who read the story live from Springvale Library.

The Truck Cat is a beautiful story about cats and humans, immigration and identity, and homes lost and found. Here is the YouTube link for this year's National Simultaneous Storytime.

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=8GAud06rcDo

YEAR 3 SCIENCEWORKS

On Wednesday, May 28, our Year 3 students visited Scienceworks as part of their Integrated Studies unit on 'Night and Day'. This exciting and educational excursion deepened students' understanding of the Earth, Moon, and Sun, and how their movements affect life on Earth.







The excursion was a fantastic opportunity for students to connect classroom learning with real-world science in an immersive environment. We're proud of how curious and engaged our Year 3s were throughout the day!

ALF 9s GALA DAY

On Friday, June 13, four teams of selected Year 5 and Year 6 students proudly represented Iramoo Primary School at the AFL 9s interschool competition, competing against schools from across the Wyndham area.

AFL 9s is a modified version of Australian Rules Football, played with nine players on a smaller field. Designed to be inclusive and accessible, the game encourages participation, fun, and safety for players of all ages and skill levels. While it shares many elements with the traditional game, its simplified format makes it easier and more enjoyable for everyone involved.

We are extremely proud of our students for showing outstanding sportsmanship and representing our school with pride and enthusiasm throughout the day.

A big thank you to our staff members and all the parents who supported our teams — your encouragement made the day even more special!











Congratulations to Donovan, Nay Say, Hudda, Chloe M, and Savannah on being invited to join the North Melbourne Football Club Academy Program! This is an incredible opportunity and we're all proud of you and can't wait to see how far you go!

YEAR 2 MOVIE AND PIZZA AFTERNOON

On Wednesday, June 18, our Year 2 students remained at school after the bell and enjoyed a special afternoon of fun and laughter. They gathered together to watch the heartwarming movie Luca and shared a delicious pizza dinner.

The afternoon was filled with smiles, great food, and friendship — a perfect way to celebrate the end of term. All the students had a fantastic time!









WELL DONE ADDISON

On Thursday, June 19, Addison from Year 6 proudly represented our school at the Western Metropolitan Primary Cross Country Mixed Region Finals.

As one of our strongest long-distance runners, Addison performed exceptionally well against tough competition. We are very proud of her achievement and the dedication she showed throughout the event.

Well done, Addison!



YEAR 6 IMMIGRATION MUSEUM

During Term 2, Year 6 students have been immersed in the unit 'Australia as a Nation', where they explored the development of Australia's national identity. Students investigated the key factors that led to Federation, and examined how democracy and citizenship have evolved over time. A significant focus was placed on the ongoing struggles for rights and freedoms faced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, deepening students' understanding of social justice and equity.

The unit also explored Australia's migration history, with students learning about the diverse groups who have migrated to Australia, their motivations for coming, and the many ways in which they have contributed to the country's economic and social growth.

To support their learning, students visited the Immigration Museum in Melbourne on Monday, June 23. During their time at the museum, they participated in a gallery visit, engaging with historical objects, artefacts, and documents to uncover powerful immigration stories. They listened to personal accounts, recognised the challenges immigrants have faced and reflected on the important role immigration has played in shaping Australia's identity.

After the museum visit, students enjoyed a relaxing lunch and playtime at Birrarung Marr playground, making for a meaningful and enjoyable day of learning outside the classroom.



















PREP HANDS ON SCIENCE EXPERIENCE

On Thursday, June 26, our Prep students participated in many science experiences facilitated by Hands on Science as part of their Integrated Studies unit, 'On the Move'. They explored and investigated how different forces and objects move. Students participated in several different science experiments involving rolling, pushing, pulling, floating and sinking.





YEAR 6 ART ENRICHMENT POTTERY WORKSHOP

This term, our Art Enrichment students have been immersed in the creative world of hand-building ceramics. These sessions provided students with the opportunity to experience the tactile pleasure of clay as a powerful medium for artistic expression.

Throughout the program, students explored the foundational techniques of hand-building pottery, including the traditional methods of pinching, coiling, and slab building. From the first touch of cool, malleable clay to the satisfaction of shaping their final pieces, students gained hands-on experience in this ancient craft.

Over the course of two sessions, they each created, painted and glazed two unique pots or tumblers, showcasing their creativity and patience. The final pieces reflect both their personal expression and the timeless beauty of ceramic artistry.









NAIDOC WEEK - JULY 6 - 13

NAIDOC Week is an annual week long celebration and a time to recognise and celebrate our First Nations Peoples of Australia, a chance to highlight challenges that need addressing, learn about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and a chance to engage with amazing cultures that are thousands of years old.

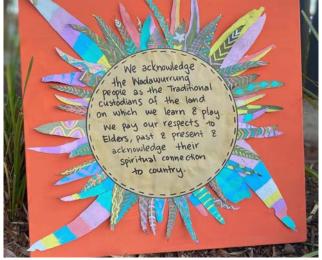
This year is the 50th Anniversary of NAIDOC Week and the theme is 'The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy', which celebrates the achievements of the past and a bright future ahead.

Throughout this term, our students have been busy in the art room exploring many First Nations Artists and creating art inspired by our local landscapes, flora and fauna. A selection of this work is currently on display in our main office area.

Some of our Year 3 & 4 students also collected beautiful gumleaves from within our school yard and have decorated these as part of an Acknowledgement of Country artwork.

There are many free family friendly community events in Wyndham during NAIDOC Week. For more information, please see the Wyndham City Council Website. NAIDOC











YEAR 5 MUSIC PERFORMANCE

What an incredible performance by our talented Year 5 students! Their hard work and dedication truly shone through during their music performance on Thursday, June 26. Thank you to Mrs Dodson for her fantastic organisation. We also extend our thanks to all the family and friends who came along to support the students - it meant so much to them!







REMINDER: SCHOOL SUPERVISION HOURS

We kindly remind families that students are supervised by school staff between 8:35am and 3:15pm.

Recently, we have seen an increase in the number of students arriving at school well before 8:35am — some as early as 7:45am. Please note that school grounds are not supervised before 8:35am, and for safety reasons, students should not be on site before this time.

If your child needs to arrive earlier, they should be enrolled in our Before School Care program, which is operated by Big Child Care.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us keep all students safe. If you would like more information about enrolling in Before School Care, please contact Big Child Care directly <u>BIG CHILDCARE</u>



2026 PREP ENROLMENT

Attached is information for you, your friends or neighbours whose child will be 5 years old by the end of April, 2026.

We encourage families to enrol at their local neighbourhood school as soon as possible.

Any families who know they will be moving schools in 2026 also need to advise our school either via our school office 9741 2803 or email: iramoo.ps@education.vic.gov.au to assist us with our 2026 planning.











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Generous contributors to Iramoo Primary School student health/welfare.

Please support this local business whenever you have the need for a pharmacy and don't forget to mention that you are from Iramoo Primary.



2026 PREP ENROLMENT

We are currently taking enrolments for 2026 Prep. If you, your friends or neighbours have a child who will be 5 years old before the end of April 2026, please encourage them to enrol at their local neighbourhood school as soon as possible.

Please email your supporting documents to iramoo.ps@education.vic.gov.au or bring the following documents into our office:

- The child's Birth Certificate (front and back)
- Immunisation History Statement
- Two documents for proof of the child's permanent residential address**, either:
 - Contract of sale/title document/rates notice (for homeowners) or
 - Rental agreement provided by a real estate agent (for tenants) or
 - Any current Centrelink related document e.g. health care card or
 - A current document from the Australian Taxation Office along with one other current piece of evidence such as a utilities bill (eg. gas/electricity).

Please note that documents must be original or certified copies.

**Statutory declarations will not be accepted, and no enrolment will proceed without the required documentation.























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Where: Wyndham Vale IPC Health Meeting room 1 510 Ballan Road, Wyndham Vale, VIC, 3024

When: Term 3 - Thursdays, 7th, 14th,21st, 28th August & 4th, 11th September.

Time: 10 am to 12 pm

Contact: Divya Garg 0407 966 151 Saloney Shah 0493 684 485









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