

IPECS INFORMER



PRIDE

Play Respect Integrity Diversity Effort

Everyone Belongs



*Here is the land, and here is
the sky;*

*You are my friends, and here
am I.*

*Thank you to the Ngannawal
people for looking after the
land on which we play.*

Save the Date

Art show, auction and
mini fete, Thursday 5
December

Notes due back

Yr 1/2 excursion to NGA &
Arboretum—23 October

Rubies and Amethysts excursion
to the Arboretum—30 October

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From our Principal

Dear Children and Families,

Welcome back to term four. I trust that everyone has enjoyed a safe and relaxing break spending time with family and friends. It was lovely to welcome the children back to school on Monday and hear their excitement about being back at school. Term 4 is shaping up to be a busy and exciting term with several events in the pipeline, including our Annual Art Show and GEMS P&C Minifete on 5 December. Next week will be a particularly busy week at IPECS. Our Children's Week Breakfast will be held on Wednesday 23 October, our Scholastic Book Fair will be held across next week and our Walkathon will be held on Tuesday 22 October for preschool (Amethysts and Rubies), kindergarten and 1/2 Garnets and Friday for birth - 5, preschool (Jets and Corals) and Years 1/2 Emeralds and Quartz.

Writing Festival

We were thrilled that so many of our families were able to attend our writing festival that was held across week 10 last term. Children felt pride in sharing and discussing writing with the special adults in their lives. We do hope you enjoyed the opportunity to hear about the important messages our children write about. If you didn't get the chance to visit your child's classroom for the Writing Festival, you are most welcome to contact your child's teacher at any time and organise a time to visit.

Welcome (back) Jane

As you are aware, our Business Manager Trish Coughlan, finished at IPECS after over 12 years in the role. Trish has been the backbone of IPECS during this time and we wish her all the best for her retirement. While we will certainly miss Trish, Jane Harrold has been appointed to the role of Business Manager. Jane worked at IPECS for a few weeks last term and we are thrilled that she has returned. If you haven't had the chance to meet Jane, please pop in to say hello when you can.

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Play

Resilience

Integrity

Diversity

Effort

Mission Statement

To engage and equip
children as lifelong
learners and empower
families as
partners in education and
care.

Principal,

Simon Parker A/g.

Deputy Principal,

Katie Brown.

Business Manager,

Jane Harrold.

Board Chair,

Ewan Stewart.

GEMS President,

Frances Stanton

Communities@Work Education and Care Assessment and Rating

Towards the end of last term, our Education and Care services provided by Communities@Work underwent the assessment and rating process. This process involves a trained assessor spending 3 days on site observing practice, talking with educators and educational leaders. All programs, including before and after school care, were assessed against the 7 quality areas of the [National Quality Standard](#). The service was rated meeting expectations for five of the quality areas and exceeding expectations for two of the quality areas. This is a wonderful outcome and we congratulate all Communities@Work educators for your dedication and commitment to providing a high quality education and care services. Special congratulations to Samantha Willey, Centre Manager, for leading educators through this process.

Kindergarten PIPS Assessments

All children in kindergarten will participate in PIPS assessments next week. PIPS stands for Performance Indicators in Primary School and helps up to determine areas of strength and areas for development in individual children across literacy and numeracy. Kindergarten children also completed this assessment at the beginning of the year and all families received a PIPS report. Next week's assessment will measure children's growth across the year. We use these results to determine focus areas for individualised instruction and to review our current teaching methodologies. All kindergarten parents/carers will receive a PIPS report at the end of the year. This information is also shared with 2020 classroom teachers. The assessment is computer based and children are guided by classroom teachers to complete activities.

Transitions and 2020 School Year

Thank you to those families who have let us know that your child will be moving to a different school in 2020. This information not only assists us in planning for the 2020 school year, it also assists us to support children to transition to new schools. We are currently working closely with schools where children will move to develop transition programs for individual children. Aimee Hunter is liaising with our year 2 families and Katie Brown is liaising with families in other year levels. Children remaining at IPECS in 2020 will also participate in transition activities across this term, particularly our preschool children transitioning to kindergarten in 2020. A reminder that if your preschool child is staying at IPECS in 2020, you do not need to complete an additional enrolment form. Please feel free to contact either Aimee or Katie if you have any questions about our transition programs.

Take care,

Simon Parker
Principal



SAVE THE DATE
The annual IPECS
Art show, auction and mini
fete
THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER

To all our Dear Families

Join us for this special
breakfast celebrating
2019 Universal Children's
Day .

Wednesday 23 October

8.15am-8.55am

In the Hall



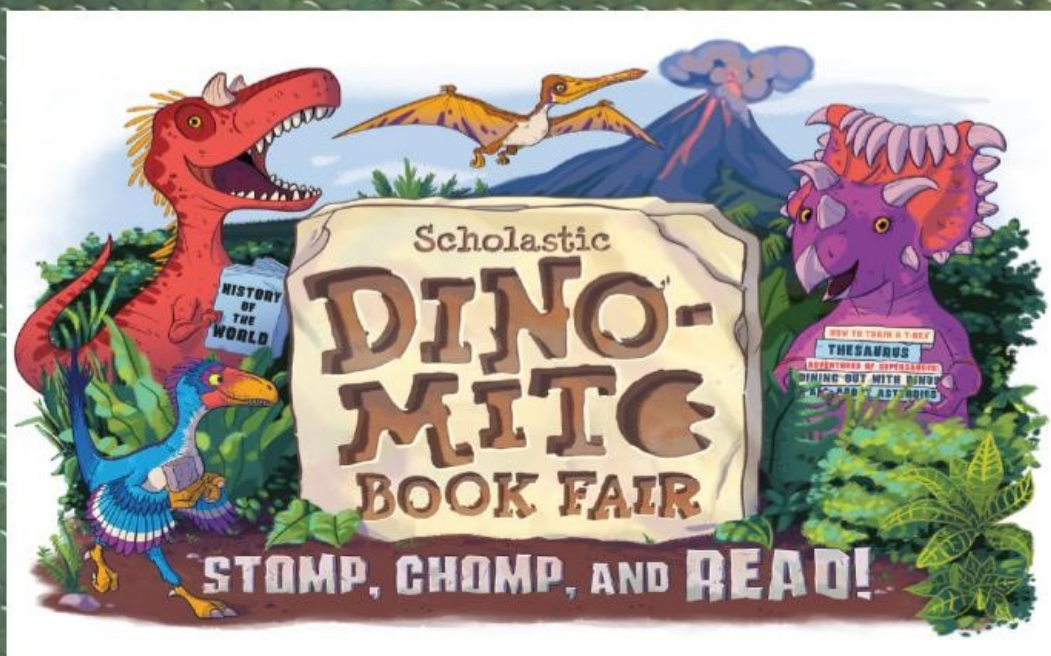
2019 Theme: Children have the right to be healthy, safe and happy.



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Scholastic Book Fair 21-28 October in building 8, just follow the arrows.

If you are unable to make any of the times below, please contact reception on 6142 3777 to arrange a suitable time.

Monday 21 Oct 2.30-3.30pm	Tuesday 22 Oct 8.30-9.30am 2.30-3.45pm	Wednesday 23 Oct 8.30-9.30am 2.30-3.45pm	Thursday 24 Oct 8.30-9.30am 2.30-3.45pm	Friday 25 Oct 8.30-9.30am 2.30-3.45pm	Monday 28 Oct 8.30-9.00am
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WALK-A-THON

Tuesday 22 October at
9.15 for Rubies,
Amethysts, Jaspers,
Sapphires & Garnets

Friday 25 October at
9.15 for Jets, Corals,
Pearls, Jade, Topaz,
Diamonds, Quartz &
Emeralds.



WK 2	<p>MON 21 OCT</p> <p>Book Fair 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Constable Kenny visiting preschool</p>	<p>TUES 22 OCT</p> <p>Book Fair 8:30-9:30 and 2:30-3:45</p> <p>Walkathon for Preschool, Kinder and Garnets starting at 9:15</p> <p>Constable Kenny visiting year 1/2</p>	<p>WED 23 OCT</p> <p>Book Fair 8:30-9:30 and 2:30-3:45</p> <p>Children's Week Breakfast 8:15-8:55 in the hall</p>	<p>THUR 24 OCT</p> <p>Book Fair 8:30-9:30 and 2:30-3:45</p>	<p>FRI 26 OCT</p> <p>Book Fair 8:30-9:30 and 2:30-3:45</p> <p>Walkathon for Birth-5, Preschool, Quartz and Emeralds</p> <p>Backyard Rangers Paint and Play community playgroup 9:30-11</p>
WK 3	<p>MON 28 OCT</p> <p>Year 1/2 excursion to the NGA and Arboretum</p>	<p>TUES 29 OCT</p> <p>Whole School Gathering 9:15 in the hall</p>	<p>WED 30 OCT</p> <p>Breakfast Club 8:30-8:55 in the family room</p> <p>GEMS general meeting 6pm in the family room</p>	<p>THUR 31 OCT</p>	<p>FRI 1 NOV</p> <p>Backyard Rangers Paint and Play community playgroup 9:30-11</p>
WK 4	<p>MON 4 NOV</p> <p>2020 orientation to Preschool visits 9:30-10:30</p> <p>Transition to Kindergarten visits 9:30-10:30</p>	<p>TUES 5 OCT</p> <p>Rubies and Amethysts excursion to the Arboretum</p>	<p>WED 6 OCT</p> <p>Breakfast Club 8:30-8:55 in the family room</p>	<p>THUR 7 OCT</p> <p>Buoyed Up! For year 2 only</p>	<p>FRI 8 OCT</p> <p>Backyard Rangers Paint and Play community playgroup 9:30-11</p> <p>2020 orientation to Preschool visits 9:30-10:30</p> <p>Transition to Kindergarten visits 9:30-10:30</p>



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- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your school

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Australian Institute of Sport
Visitors Centre, Marathon room
1 Laverrier street
Bruce ACT 2617

Morning tea and a light lunch provided

Canberra

Tuesday 22 October, 2019

9.15am - 3.00pm

Registrations open 22 Sept 2019



Interpreters available



To register, visit
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For help, call:
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