

# SCHOOL NEWS



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*A message from the...*

# Principal

Hello everyone and thank you for taking the time to read this Term 3 newsletter. I would like to start by acknowledging some of the very special achievements of some of our students and staff this term

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| <b>Mrs J.Hilton</b>        | Awarded a TEV Scholarship. This funds her trip to Indonesia for the purpose of filming and developing online LOTE teaching resources |
| <b>Blake Osmond(Yr12)</b>  | Education Ministers Award for Outstanding Student Achievement and Youth Governor at the 2012 NSW Youth Parliament                    |
| <b>Farah Daher (Yr 12)</b> | Participated and gave a speech on the Gonski Report at NSW Youth Parliament  |

As you would expect Term 3 has been very busy with many highly successful events being organized during and outside school hours. A particular highlight for me was the 2012 *Berkeley's Got Talent* Musical Event. This was an outstanding success with well over 200 parents and community members attending a special night time performance in the school hall on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August and being entertained by a variety of acts including students singing, dancing and playing musical instruments. A special thank you to Ms Hayes who worked tirelessly to produce the show and thanks to the many staff who supervised on the night and to Mr Gannon and Mr Murada who provided the musical accompaniment for some acts. I and many others were very impressed by our students' musical abilities and team work. I would also like to thank our partner primary schools who attended a matinee dress rehearsal and gave such positive feedback to the students.

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July Year 12 students and year advisors hosted a parent trivia night to raise funds for the Year 12 graduation, formal and gift to the school. The night was highly entertaining and well supported, raising over \$2000 in funds for the Year 12 group. I would like to make a special mention to Year 12 student, Elizabeth Kuskovski who was the driving force behind the night and organized the donations of prizes from local businesses and community organizations.

Also during Term 3 29 students will be performing in the regions "Southern Stars" Musical and Dance Event. Our students are very excited about this performance which is an annual forum used to showcase the regions amazing creative and performing arts talents. Many thanks to Mrs L Cracknell who is the schools Southern Stars Coordinator .

There have been several staffing changes this term. Two new Head Teachers were appointed to the school using merit selection procedures. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Amy Child who is the newly appointed Head Teacher Targeted Sports Program and has already made some great improvements to the program. Mrs Margaret Thomas also officially started her position as Head Teacher Science, after relieving in the role for the first two terms of this year. Unfortunately as a result of a revised student enrolment return we had to lose 2 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) of staff. The decision on where these staffing cuts had to be made was based on curriculum needs and Education Department guidelines for nomination of staff. Mr Gannon (part time HSIE) and Mrs Lapham (part time Mathematics) will soon be finishing their employment at Illawarra Sports High and Ms K.Starling (HSIE) and Mr B.Hay (Visual Arts) will be employed part time. Ms Starling will continue to be Year 11 adviser. Obviously we are sad to lose such quality staff from our school and hope to be able to continue to employ them as temporary teaching blocks become available.

On a more positive note, we have had many Year 6 students seeking enrolment in Year 7 including local enrolments and out of area enrolments who would like to join the targeted sports program and our links with the primary schools continue to grow. This year Year 6 teachers and high school HSIE staff have designed an exciting Ancient Civilizations Links Unit of work that will be taught across Year 6 and Year 7. We are also in the process of establishing a new teams approach for teaching and extending our higher ability classes, starting with Year 7 2013.

I am also very pleased that the number of parents attending our Parents and Helpers meeting is steadily increasing. This group (held at **4pm on the third Wednesday of each month** in the **school library**) provides a valuable forum for parents to suggest ideas on how to further improve the school and I encourage interested parents to attend. At our recent meeting on August 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting the group discussed our Anti Bullying Policy and Procedures (available on our school's website as part of the schools Welfare and Discipline Policy). This is a very important policy for all schools and I encourage any parents to contact me if they have any questions about the policy or if your child has experienced or witnessed bullying at our school.

Enjoy the rest of the term!



**Mrs Raechel McCarthy**  
**Principal**





## HSIE Excursion to...

# Canberra

During Week 3 of this term, 27 Year 9 students, 1 Year 10 student and 6 Year 11 students went on an overnight excursion to Canberra with Miss Mills and Mr Clift as part of our History course. It was a busy two days jammed pack with lots of fun activities for the students! We left school at 6.45am on the Thursday and arrived home at 7pm on the Friday night. While we were there we visited the National War Memorial, the National Museum, Old and New Parliament Houses and Questacon.

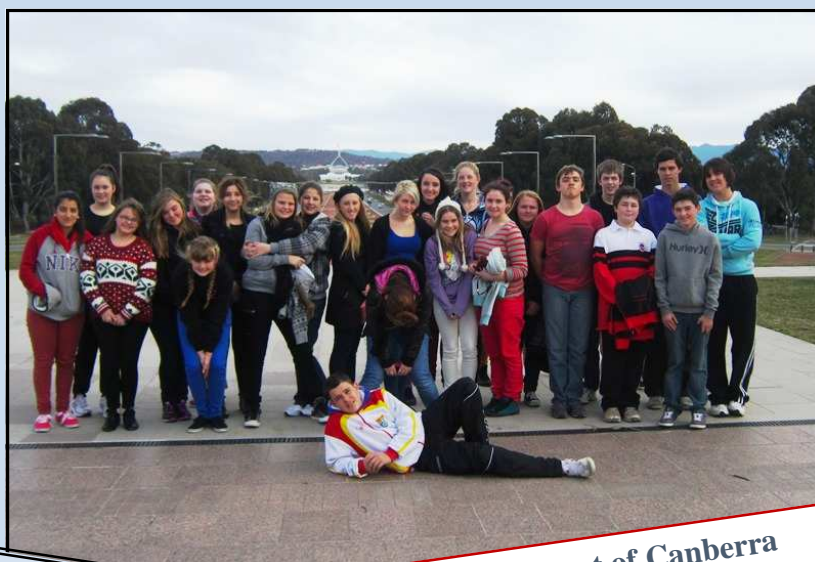
All the students appeared to have a great time away and enjoyed the opportunity to experience History outside of the classroom. We would like to thank the Australian Government and their National Capital Educational Tourism Project for their assistance towards this excursion and the \$20 Parliamentary and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) they have provided for each student who attended this great excursion. This rebate will organised for students shortly.

Here are a few comments from the students on their favourite parts of the excursion.



Dylan Dimovski and Alexander Brbevski

**B Mills & M Clift**  
HSIE Teachers



My favourite part of Canberra was when Anthony and I defeated Mr Clift and Miss Mills at pool. Mr Clift and Miss Mills were ashamed when they had to do 50 sit ups each.  
**Alex Brbevski**

My favourite part of Canberra was the National Museum because I thought artwork there was interesting and it was really good to see some of Australia's history.  
**Amanda Tait**

My favourite part of Canberra was when Amanda, Kristen, Elyse, Jess, Emma and I stayed up eating lollies and chocolates until 2:30am the next morning while Rhiannon, Charne, Natalya and Chelsea were sleeping.  
**Justine Briggs**

My favourite part of the Canberra excursion was visiting the War Memorial. The exhibitions and videos were really informative and the reconstructions were interesting to look at and read about.  
**Casey, Katerina and Renee**

To see more photos of the Canberra excursion, go to our website: [illawarrasportshigh.com](http://illawarrasportshigh.com)

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From the

# TABS

Technology and Behavioural Science

faculty

## HOSPITALITY HAPPENINGS

On Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> of August ISHS Hospitality students were given the opportunity to be involved in a fabulous hands-on Seafood Demonstration. Guest speaker "Uncle Matt" who is a Fisheries Officer with the Department of Primary Industries kindly donated his time and expertise, as well as a range of magnificent seafood specimens caught just the day before.

Year 11 students were given practical information about how to catch, clean and prepare a wide variety of fish and shellfish such as abalone, rock lobster, sea perch and mussels.

Matt had the full attention of all students as he scaled, gutted and filleted fish as well as telling a story of staking out an illegal fishing operation seizing massive amounts of protected abalone.

Congratulations to all Year 11 Hospitality students. Their behaviour and participation was exemplary. Well done to Sara Beri and Mitchell Coleman. Sarah volunteered to scale a fish for the very first time and Mitchell was selected to shuck an abalone.

A very big thank you goes to Ms Steele for organising such a wonderful experience for our Hospitality students here at ISHS.

Just a reminder to parents. Yr 11 Hospitality students will be undertaking their **compulsory work placement in Week 10**, September 17-21<sup>st</sup>. All paperwork must be signed by student, parent, workplace and school to ensure your son/daughter is covered by insurance whilst at work. Until paperwork is signed and returned, students are not permitted to start their work placement.



Mitchell Coleman



Sara Beri



Year 11 Hospitality students





# Exploring Early Childhood

Year 12 Exploring Early Childhood class spent two periods each fortnight at the Little Peoples Early Child Centre for their practical experience. They mingled with the children; formed close bonds; read to the children; participated in games and activities such as “what is cooking today”; and ‘who went to the moon?’ They had to plan craft activities for the children to perform such as making pasta jewellery, painting, and writing stories. The students learned a lot about working in the Childcare industry and felt the visits were extremely beneficial in guiding them towards a career. The little children loved having the big girls spend time with them and regularly painted pictures for the students and ran to them whenever we arrived. As we started the visits Term 4 last year the Year 12’s were also able to visit some of the children from last year who had transitioned to kindergarten at the public school across the road to see their progress.

*Jane Jarman*  
Teacher



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# Cafeish

Cafeish has been a huge success this year. All the Senior Hospitality students participating have done a wonderful job of designing menus, preparing food, serving customers and delivering a quality product all round. The school's café deck has come into it's own and provided a beautiful atmosphere even on those cool days in winter. Our customers have been varied, from school staff to invited guests, and also community members who have all given a very positive feedback to the students.

The photo (right) shows proud grandmother, Lianne Michell (our TABS assistant) with baby Charlotte, her parents (school volunteers) and daughter, Cassandra (teacher). They are enjoying the special Mother's Day café. On 31 August, we will be holding a Father's Day café with a special men's menu.

As promised, we have included one of the delicious recipes from the Cafeish repertoire.



## PASSIONFRUIT SLICE

### Method:

1. Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease and line an 18cm x 28cm slice tin.
2. Combine the flour, coconut and sugar in a bowl. Stir in the melted butter; mix well. Press evenly over the base of the slice tin. Bake for 15 minutes or until browned lightly.
3. To prepare the topping: combine the condensed milk, lemon juice & passionfruit in a bowl. Beat with a wooden spoon until smooth. Pour the mixture over the hot base. Bake a further 15 minutes until just set. Cool in the tin.
4. Serve cut into 16 pieces

### Ingredients:

- 1 cup SR Flour
- 1 cup desiccated coconut
- 1/2 cup caster sugar
- 125g butter, melted
- Topping:
- 395g can condensed milk
- Juice of 2 lemons (strained)
- Pulp of 2 passionfruit





# Anti-Bullying Presentation



This presentation was a huge success. Aside from the Hawks players educating students on different aspects of bullying, the main theme of the day was for students to come up with anti-bullying slogans. The Hawks brought with them a graphic designer who turned each slogan into a poster. The posters were unveiled at the end of the session. The Hawks will come back to present the school with the posters.

We also has game shows with students winning players to shoot on their behalf for prizes. The students had a great time with some students winning jerseys, basketballs and much more. The team that created the winning poster will be given box tickets to a Hawks game!!!

Overall, a fantastic learning opportunity for our Year 7 students.

**Ros Potter**  
PDHPE Teacher



On Tuesday 5 June, the Hawks players came to our school to teach Year 7 about anti-bullying. They talked about the terrible effects bullying has on the victim and some ways we can prevent bullying.

While we were in the class room, we were put in groups where each group created their own slogan on anti-bullying and the best group from each class was given an editor who presented the selected one from each class as a poster on the projector.

Then there was a competition where the selected people teamed up with a player each, and the team with the most hoops scored in a row wins. After that, there was a quiz on anti-bullying. There were some great prizes given out.

I'm sure all Year 7 both enjoyed the Hawks coming to our school and learned a lot about bullying.

**Melanie Hogan**  
Year 7

## URGENT REQUEST OLD UNIFORMS

If you have any spare school uniforms that are no longer used by your child, they would be greatly appreciated by the school. Please leave your donations at the Front Office during school hours.

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# From the Visual Arts

*faculty*

## YEAR 12 PHOTOGRAPHY

The Year 12 photography students recently completed a series of 9 Black and White Landscape photographs. They used the SLR film cameras to creatively photograph a variety of local and non-local landscapes from the natural and built environment.

Once the students processed their film they worked in the darkroom to develop their landscape photographs. They have created a fantastic variety images with interesting compositions and viewpoints. The images range from photographs of suburbs, cities, and industrial environments, to images of the natural environment such as beaches, lakes and bush land.



*Ashley Tindall*



*Emma Bartley*

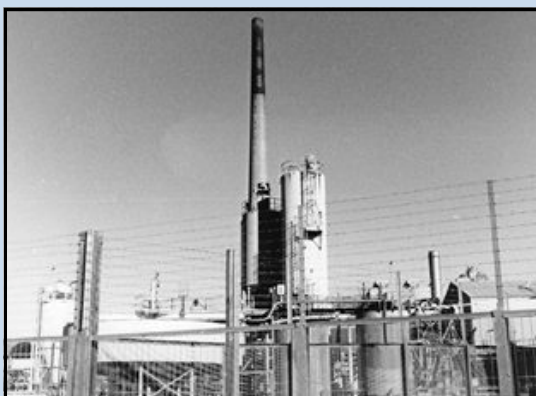


*Mykayla Glover*



*Maddison Varglien*

See these photos on the gallery  
on the ISHS website  
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*Amy Clayton*



*Kara Katselos*

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*Movement  
Monica Mazevski*

## YEAR 11 PHOTOGRAPHY ELEMENTS AND PRINCIPLES



*Reflections  
Mitchell Coleman*

The Year 11 Photography students are in the process of finalising their black and white portrait enlargements. They also used the SLR film cameras and have been learning to enlarge, crop and print from negatives in the darkroom. In completing this portrait enlargement work, Kayla-May Nichols is to be congratulated on the fine work she has done. Kayla-May has created high quality portrait enlargements that are clean and well printed. Well done Kayla!

With Ms Hunter, Year 11 Photography explored the elements and principles of design through digital photography. The students took close up shots and used varied camera angles to photograph objects and aspects of the school environment. They have produced some very creative and striking photographs that illustrate elements and principles such as line, shape, texture, reflection, repetition.

*Mrs Bennett  
Photography and Visual Arts Teacher*



*Manmade Shape  
Jatez Eldridge*



*Leading Lines  
Bethany Rayton*



From the

# Visual Arts

faculty

## VISUAL DESIGN

The new Year 9 creative art course called “Visual Design” is resulting in highly rewarding work by students. Our focus in the course is to explore design. Each task given has a criteria. Students are to follow this in the creation of their most innovative work.

Our major tasks this year have been our “push pin dolls” suitable for a child and our series of three “ceramic lanterns” that are functional. This term our work is based on typography. Our major task is a portrait done exclusively with text!

The lanterns were recently displayed in the schools front foyer and were very well received. I congratulate the entire class on their dedication to the work given and the high quality of work produced.



## ‘EXTRACURRICULAR’ ART EXCELLENCE

Sharnie Moore is a Year 9 art student that is demonstrating quality work in the classroom as well as an independent art life outside of school. In the school library at present are two “baby dolls” made by Sharnie. The dolls are purchased from America in parts. They are meticulously painted with a realistic skin tone, then the hair is carefully stitched into the scalp. The doll is then assembled and dressed accordingly.

The dolls are so real both to look at and hold, that you feel you are looking at a real baby! We congratulate Sharnie on this sculptural interest and encourage even more creativity. If you haven’t noticed these dolls yet then go and have a look. You will be amazed!





## INTERVIEW with a very creative student, Blake Lee in Year 8

**Q. What do you like about art?**

A. I like drawing and painting. I have been drawing since I was 5

**Q. What materials are you most successful with in art?**

A. Drawing, painting and ceramics.

**Q. We invited you to attend an activity day for talented Visual Arts pupils at the Wollongong City Gallery. How did this make you feel?**

A. I was pleased. It was a new experience and very exciting.

**Q. Tell me about the activities you engaged in at the gallery.**

A. We began with a perspective drawing of the room we were in. This then evolved into an abstract space as we began adding visual patterns, objects and signs to this. I chose a clock that I repeated and I also used the numbers in a repeated way. Our first drawing was in black and white. We then redrew this three more times and experimented with existing and new forms in the room interior. We were inspired by surreal ideas. I also began to include language and some of my objects were rotated therefore becoming abstract. My colour combinations were vibrant. We completed two oil pastel drawings and one painting.

**Q. Give me 5 words to describe your experiences of the day.**

A. Nervous, amazing, relaxed, inspired and proud.

**Q. In 5 years time you will be finished at ISHS. What will be your pathway?**

A. I am passionate about animals. I would also want to include art in my career."

**Q. How would you summarise your enjoyment of art?**

A. It is hands on, personal, allows imagination to be included and we produce end products to be proud of.



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## OPERATION ART

Operation Art is an annual competition for NSW primary and high school pupils to create art works suitable for the walls of children's hospitals. It was initiated by Westmead Children's Hospital in Sydney. Every year the Visual Arts faculty at Illawarra Sports High School selects works to compete for selection. We have had a lot of success in this public arena and this year works by Rebecca Del Frari and Carly Gilbert in Year 10 will be our school entries. These girls submitted self-portraits with the theme of "Identity."



To do this task they used an overhead projector to create a silhouette of themselves on an A3 piece of art paper. They then traced around the shape that was projected. They worked creatively using a variety of 2-dimensional materials and included symbols and images of personal significance to create their portrait.



A special mention must be made to Riley Fishburn, of Year 10 who exhibited last year. His oil pastel drawing of a young boy was selected and is hanging permanently at Westmead's Children's Hospital. He recently received a letter from the hospital's administration, thanking him for his drawing as it now helps to make the hospital environment bright and cheery for the very young and ill patients that have to stay in hospital.



# *From the* **Visual Arts**

*faculty*

## **9/10 Z ELECTIVE SCULPTURE**

The 9/10Z Sculpture elective students are currently engaged in a cross curriculum project with other faculties focusing on Indonesia. These talented students have investigated the cultural aspects of Indonesia and will be studying and creating works inspired by their research. The course consists of three major projects.

A shadow puppet (Wayang Kulit )

A theatrical mask for street dancing

Batik material

The designs for these tasks are intricate and complex and require a great deal of focus and commitment to complete. The class is making excellent progress and proudly showed their work to the two Indonesian teachers from our sister school. A special thank you goes to Mrs Hilton who asked us to take part in this initiative and funded our projects.



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# 60 Seconds

*with the Captains...*

Illawarra Sports High has some very dynamic and diverse staff, so over the coming letters we will be introducing you to some of them. Farah Daher and Blake Osmond, our two School Captains, will spend 10 minute with a staff member, and then write a feature article in our Newsletter. Blake and Farah's first victim for interrogation was our Principal, Ms Raechel McCarthy!

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## Q&A

**What is your star sign?**

Scorpio

**How old are you?**

41 years young!

**What's your favourite food?**

Penang Chicken Curry

**What celebrity would you most like to invite for dinner?**

The famous German filmmaker, Leni Riefenstahl. Coming from a Modern History background, Mrs McCarthy says she is always intrigued by 20<sup>th</sup> century German figures.

**What's your favourite movie?**

In the Name of the Father

**What's your favourite show?**

Survivor

**Any nickname, and why?**

'Mezzo' – because her maiden name was Messner, and her old School Friends continue with tradition!

**What sports do you follow?**

As the principal of Illawarra Sports High School, Mrs McCarthy says she follows a lot of sports – however, admits she is especially fond of watching a game of tennis

**What's an interesting fact about yourself?**

Once ran in (and won!) Western Australia's 'Black Rock Stakes', where a team of 12 contestants are required to sprint 100kms carrying blocks of steel.

**What's your first memory?**

A really old house, where my mother was showing me off to friends as a baby.



*A message from*

*TSP Director and  
New Head Teacher Sport*

# Sport News

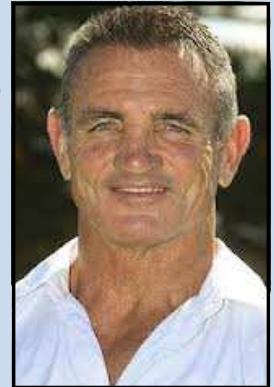
I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and give you all a little insight into my teaching background. My name is **Amy Child**. I live in the Illawarra and for the last ten years have been commuting to Robert Townson High School in Campbelltown. I am a PDHPE and VET Sports Coaching teacher and have experience as a sports organiser, Year Advisor and the Transition Adviser (6 to 7 and 10 to 11).

I have settled in quite quickly to ISHS and have enjoyed the challenge of being at a new school in a new role. I look forward to meeting and working with many more talented students and parents as my time progresses at this school.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at school to discuss anything related to the Talented Sports Program, I am available five days a week.



Introducing **David Boyle** as ISHS new Strength and Conditioning Coach. David, a former State of Origin player worked with 5 NRL clubs and now with the Australian Rugby Union and Wollongong Hawks, is also a board member of the Australian Strength Conditioning Association.



David is working with students involved in the TSP program on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 6am to 7.30am. The strength and conditioning program is in place to compliment specific sports training. The aim is to develop one or a number of the following physical attributes : strength, speed, power, endurance, stability / balance or to help prevent injuries. Often these attributes cannot be developed to their potential without some form of strength training. Programs are designed so that gains in strength will result directly to improved performance in the athlete's chosen sport.

A small cost to the students will cover the cost of maintenance and upkeep of the Weights area. Places are limited due to space constraints. Students should see Mrs Child to collect a permission note and book their spot.



## WINNING TEAM

The Open Boys Touch football team enjoyed a well-earned victory against Hills Sports High on Wednesday 22 August, to win the State Touch Titles. The score was 6-4. Congratulations to the boys and coaches in reaching the Grand Final and achieving this convincing win.

## State Futsal Championships Open Boys

On Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July I had the pleasure of accompanying the Open Boys to the State Futsal Championships in Penrith. The boys had three tough matches, Erindale College 4 to 1 (a sporting college in Canberra), Liverpool Boys High 2 to 5 and Mt Annan Christian College 2 to 1. The first match against Erindale was a scoreless first half, with two lucky quick goals in succession, the third goal a pretty spectacular head reflection and a penalty goal. Josh Bingham scored our only goal in that match. The second match against Liverpool Boys was a very physical match, but we easily outclassed them scoring 5 goals to 2. The last match against Mt Annan Christian College was a close, low scoring game, they only just got the extra goal to beat us close to end of game. The boys represented Illawarra Sports High very well and did the school proud.





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# Sport News



## AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT EXCURSION

On September 5-7 some TSP Netball students along with Hunter Sports High and Matraville Sports High TSP Netball students will be visiting the AIS. The program will be as follows:

### DAY 1

- Take in the sights of the AIS and watch athletes in action on the AIS tour.
- Visit Sportex: Australia's interactive sport and history exhibit
- Get trained by some of the AIS coaches or athletes

### DAY 2

- Interactive session run by some of the AIS coaches or athletes
- Sports Science recovery lecture
- An AIS athlete will speak about their experiences as an athlete

### DAY 3

- Sports Science scene: Recovery practical. Students will participate in a practical recovery session.

This will be a fantastic opportunity for all the TSP Netball students. All their hard work and fundraising will pay off.

## TSP NETBALL SQUAD 2012

On 19 March, 2012, Illawarra Sports High girls from TSP Netball squad travelled to Endeavour Sports High to play a game of netball against Endeavour.

Illawarra Sports High were defeated by Endeavour. Everyone had fun and tried their best. Most of the Illawarra girls got new body suits to play in and a new shirt to wear.

Illawarra girls had to be at school by 8:30am to make their way up to Endeavour. We travelled with the TSP Football boys and girls. We travelled on the school bus driven by Bob.

It was Illawarra's first game of the year. We also had support from Mrs Potter and some of the senior girls. Illawarra would just like to thank Mrs Potter for letting us travel to Endeavour and also thank Endeavour for a great game.

**Jade Smith**

*If parents and students would like to keep up to date with ISHS Sport, anything from school carnivals, upcoming events, reminders, ongoing scores, etc.*

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## SPORTS STAFF CHANGES

While Mr Nunn is on leave for the rest of the term, Mr Brett Kelly will be taking his classes. Mr Kelly is an ex NRL player, (Canberra Raiders) and has just returned from France where he was playing and coaching for the Avignon Bisons. Mr Kelly will be assisting with the Rugby League program and Mr Clinton Parsons will be assisting with the Football while Mr Ross Thomas is on leave.





## BI SERIES ISHS Vs MATRAVILLE

# more Sport News

On 1 August, ISHS hosted a bi-series against Matraville Sports High School.

The day began with a coaching clinic run by Margaret Corbett. Margaret Corbett has made an extensive contribution to netball for over 40 years. She has played a number of different roles within the netball community, including NSW Selector (20 years), NSW Convenor (12 years), NSW Coaching Director (20 years), NSW State Coach (20 years), NSWIS Head Coach (6 years), CBT Coach (Sydney Sandpipers 1997—2000) and has spent 14 years as Australian underage Selector.

Margaret has been instrumental in the development of level one, two and three coaching courses. In 1984 she was appointed 'Esso Director of Coaching', and she had made a significant contribution to coaching both on and off the court for Netball NSW. During her period as NSW State Open Coach, the NSW team won Coveted 'Golden Boot' in 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992 and 1993—an achievement never attained by any other State Coach.

Margaret has also made a significant contribution to netball at a National, State and Association level. She has developed many players to international standard, and has provided guidance and expertise to many NSW teams and officials. Her dedication to the sport has seen her travel across the state conducting camps, coaching players, providing school clinics and conducting level one and two coaching courses.

Both ISHS and MSHS enjoyed the coaching clinic as it allowed both schools to mingle and interact with one another.

The day concluded with two games. Matraville just managed to come up with a win in both games. The scores were Diamonds 22-17, Pearls 17-12.

Overall, the day was a great success as both schools were glad to have game practice, a coaching clinic and heaps of fun!

**R Woodlands**

**PDHPE Teacher and Netball Coordinator**

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### SPORT PROFILE

**NAME:** Stacey Bolton

**FAVOURITE FOOD:** Everything!!!

**FAVOURITE TV:** The Mentalist

**PETS:** Tia, my pet Rottwieler and two cats  
Rex and Leo

**COLOUR:** Blue

**POSITION:** Goal Keeper







# A Slice of iPiE



iPiE stands for Illawarra Partners in Education and involves three schools. Illawarra Sports High, Warrawong High and Figtree High. Together with local business support and the NSW Department of Education and Communities, these school combine their resources and personnel to offer courses to students that otherwise may not be available.

We are at the mid-point of this year's exciting building projects for the iPiE Trade Training Centre at each of the three schools involved. For the subject areas immediately affected, living with the building has been a big ask, but the professionalism of the staff involved and the consideration shown by the building teams has made the huge undertaking as painless as possible. Our thanks go to all those inconvenienced and no doubt we will look back on these months and be able to tell stories of 'remember when...?' And we will have new facilities to enjoy in the years to come.

Staff connections across the iPiE schools continue and this is leading to our students also making connections. The TAS/Textiles teachers of Year 11 have piloted a Connected Classroom hook-up twice, and plan to connect the students again early next term to share a textiles demonstration by a felting expert who will present to the students from the three schools concurrently. A joint workshop with another textiles artist is planned for Term 4.

The Visual Arts teachers of Year 12 are again sharing expertise and resources this year, swapping Trials exam scripts and there are plans to use the Connected Classrooms to look at the progress in each other's Major Works.

Science (hosted again by Illawarra Sports HS) plans another enrichment day for Stage 6 (Physics) later this year. The SRC leaders at each of the schools have also been in touch and plans are underway to organise a group student leadership meeting across the iPiE schools.

The Accomplished Teachers group will meet this term at Figtree HS, for their planned session on Interview Skills, and the Beginning Teachers meetings, looking at NSW Institute of Teachers first (and subsequent) accreditation, will be offered at Warrawong HS across Terms 3 and 4.

Thanks must go to the staff involved in the organisation of these events. They don't just happen and we are grateful for the commitment of an increasing number of enthusiastic staff across the iPiE schools.

**Karen O'Malley**  
**iPiE Co-ordinator**



## CYBER SAFETY

It seems every week there is some breaking news story involving social media and online networking sites. Students today, more than ever are using social media and online resources to connect and relate with each other. It's a great way to communicate, but as teachers and parents it's important to realise the potential for harm that exists in this new online world our young people are part of.

Here are three things, as explained by Michael Grose, a parenting educator, which can provide a foundation of cyber safety for our young people.

- **Think before you send.**
- **Cyberspace is a very public and permanent domain. Images and messages that are sent even to just one person, once in cyberspace can potentially be available to an unlimited amount of people.**
- **Treat your password like your house key.**

Young people are mostly very trusting of each other, which is generally a great thing, however it is important to teach them to keep passwords guarded even from their best friends.

### **Tell someone.**

Cyber bullying is becoming more widespread as the internet continues to become part of our everyday lives. As a trusted adult in a young person's life it's important to make them aware of the need to talk to someone if they feel their rights or safety have been violated.

Overall cyber safety is about being aware of what our students and children are engaging with online. Basic ideas and questions such as teaching children about the right way to behave online; not letting them spend all night in the cyber world; and asking questions about what they are doing and where they go when they're online, can make the difference between being safe or unsafe online.

For any questions or further information please contact me at the school.

**Joel Williams**  
Chaplain

## WOULD YOU LIKE \$500 TO SPEND ON EDUCATION COSTS?

# Thank You

Student Support Services wishes to thank Bi-Lo at Berkeley for their generous donation of a gift voucher which we use to purchase lunch items for our students who come to school without lunch. The students really appreciate having lunch and we, the staff, appreciate that our students are fed and ready to learn!

**Mignon Lerch**  
School Learning Support Teacher

You may be eligible to receive \$500 to spend on costs such as computers, subject costs, tutors, uniforms and sport.

Do you or your partner have ;

- a Health Care Card or Pension Card?
- some income from work (includes p/t, casual, seasonal and cash)?

Contact Lindi Jamieson-Brown, your local Saver Plus Coordinator

1300 610 355 or email [Lindi.Jamieson-Brown@thesmithfamily.com.au](mailto:Lindi.Jamieson-Brown@thesmithfamily.com.au)

To find out how you can receive \$500 in matched savings:

Phone: 1300 610 355  
SMS: Your name and postcode to 1300 610 355  
Email: [saverplus@bsl.org.au](mailto:saverplus@bsl.org.au)





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# Community

## AFTER SCHOOL ITALIAN



Parents wishing to enrol their child in after school Italian classes on Tuesday afternoons between 4pm and 5:30pm are asked to phone Pina MacPherson on 0424 749 100 or Vera Cleary on 0415 936 132 for details regarding venue and requirements.

## Madcap mayhem

death-defying hilarity  
and high-flying chaos

## Circus Oz

sky dives back into Wollongong

### 12 – 16 September

with their brand new show  
for audiences of all ages

**FROM THE GROUND UP**



This rock 'n' roll, animal-free circus is filled with two hours of breathtaking agility, death-defying stunts, awe-inspiring acrobatic performances, irreverent comedy and a spectacular live band

6 SHOWS ONLY at Illawarra Performing Arts Centre  
don't miss out!

Bookings: 4224 5999 or [www.merrigong.com.au](http://www.merrigong.com.au)



Many senior students may be on their "L-plates" or about to start on L-plates. This GLS workshop is for supervising drivers (accompanied learners also welcome to attend). Please put the notice below into your school newsletter to advise parents, who may be teaching a learner driver.

### GLS WORKSHOP FOR SUPERVISING DRIVERS & ACCOMPANIED LEARNER DRIVERS

Wollongong City Council is hosting a FREE "Graduated Licensing Scheme" workshop, to help you with practical advice about supervising learner drivers, completing the Learner Driver Log Book and how to plan and structure on-road driving practice. The workshop is for supervising drivers – learner drivers are also welcome to attend with their supervising drivers.

The FREE 2 hour workshop will commence at 6.00pm on Thursday 13 September 2012, in the Function Room, Level 9, in the Council building at 41 Burelli Street, Wollongong.

**Bookings are essential - please call Jack Harrison on 4227-7261.**

## ADVOCATES NEEDED

Do you have a strong sense of social justice?

Could you be an ally for someone who is vulnerable?

Could you stand up and protect a person with an intellectual disability?

Take action when action is needed!

Do you want to make a difference in a person's life?

## Illawarra Advocacy

is a movement which seeks to promote, protect and defend the rights and interests of people who have an intellectual disability.

For more information contact:

Illawarra Advocacy Inc

T: 4229 4999 or 4229 4064

Suite 8, Centretown Plaza,

128-134 Crown St, Wollongong

Website: [www.illawarra-advocacy.org.au](http://www.illawarra-advocacy.org.au)

Email: [illawarraca@bigpond.com](mailto:illawarraca@bigpond.com)



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## GIVE DAD WHAT HE REALLY WANTS – A MOVIE GIFT CARD FOR FATHER’S DAY

Event Cinemas, Greater Union and Birch Carroll & Coyle movie gift cards give dad the freedom to choose not only the film he wants to see but they also can be used to buy delicious food and beverages, a 3D cinema experience and more.

PLUS in a never-before-seen special offer, when using his movie gift card at any Event Cinema, Greater Union or Birch Carroll & Coyle cinema around Australia on Father’s Day, Sunday September 2, 2012 dad can “double his dollars” by redeeming his card for double the value! (terms and conditions apply)

The Father’s Day movie line-up is filled with blockbuster excitement perfect for dad including *The Bourne Legacy* (CTC), *Total Recall* (CTC), *The Expendables 2* (CTC), or take the whole family to the stunning 3D adaptation of the classic Disney Pixar film *Finding Nemo* (CTC).

Buy movie gift cards at Event Cinemas, Greater Union and Birch Carroll and Coyle cinemas around Australia or order online at [experiencethis.com.au](http://experiencethis.com.au) and have your gift delivered to you or even direct to dad’s door anywhere in the country#. E-vouchers are also available online for immediate delivery to dad’s in-box, including on Father’s Day itself.



### MORE COMMUNITY NEWS

Please visit our school website to access additional community information provided to us by various organisations. From the main page, select the ‘Our School’ tab, then scroll down the left hand list to Community News where many interesting and informative documents are stored.

[illawarrasportshigh.com/Our School/Community News](http://illawarrasportshigh.com/Our%20School/Community%20News)