



Year 7 science



This term the year 7s have been studying physics with simple machines being the foundation. On Thursday week 6, the students participated in a practical demonstration of how mechanical advantage is gained from pulleys. They experimented with how pulleys lighten loads through the use of Mr Timm's ute and a game of tug of war. It became evident that the pulley mechanism aided the ease of the game to the side that used the pulleys. The students enjoyed this activity and it was a great way to consolidate the theory learnt in the classroom.



Fanfare



Innisfail State College hosted the first Far North Queensland Regional Festival of Fanfare on Friday 20 May. Instrumental Music students from ISC and the cluster primary schools converged for an adjudicated performance with hopes of making the regional final next month. With a large audience and high pressure, our students performed exceptionally well and achieved beyond our expectations. Our String Orchestra and Jazz Orchestra both earned Bronze Awards and our Concert Band achieved a Silver Award.

This was a terrific event in the lead up to our own Innisfail Young Performers Competition in which our musicians shone over the weekend.

News at the cattle yard

Preparations have been underway to ready our cattle for showing. Cattle showing and the movement of cattle has specific regulations which the school must comply with. Amongst these regulations is the requirement to brand cattle born on the school grounds with our registered brand and to have bulls fitted with nose rings. Both tasks have now been completed. Despite the rain, the animals have now been "broken in" and are now able to be led around the yards by students. Not too bad for animals that we couldn't get near at the beginning of the term! We have also had visitors to introduce the cattle to loud noises - enter the year 7s. Some curious year 7s even braved it to watch the nose rings being fitted. It turns out our cattle are very popular. Even Miss Bond has fallen for Larry.

The year 11 & 12 Agriculture Practices students will be attending the Malanda Cattle Handling School to hone their cattle handling skills. Watch this space for an update.



Formal update

This year the formal is being held at the Shire Hall on Thursday 17 November 2016.

With help from members of the community the lay out will enable everyone to be seated at tables for the duration of the evening. Watch this space for updates of catering arrangements. At this time the expected price will be \$65 per person.

There will be ongoing meetings with the formal committee weekly to finalise the arrangements.

Coming events at ISC

Tuesday 31 May
Wednesday 1 June
Thursday 2 June
Friday 3 June
Monday 6 June
Wednesday 8 June
Monday 13 June

Tuesday 7 June
Wednesday 8 June
Friday 10 June
Wednesday 22 June
Saturday 25 June
Sunday 26 June

Maths tutoring all year levels 3-4pm XG02
Maths tutoring senior Maths A, B, C 3-4pm XG02
Innisfail East State School & ISC Science Day
Peppertree Restaurant
DLC celebrates Qld & Environment Day 10:30am-12
Yr 11 & 12 drama excursion
Yr 6 parent information meeting
P & C Meeting 7pm in A block
Maths tutoring all year levels 3-4pm XG02
Maths tutoring senior Maths A, B, C 3-4pm XG02
Peppertree Restaurant
Free Dress Day - State of Origin
Sth Johnstone school 100 yr centenary fete 3-9pm
Sth Johnstone school 100 yr centenary celebration 9-3pm
(phone 4064 2182 for more information)

Year 11 camp



Eighty year 11 students recently attended a Leadership Camp at Mungalli Falls Recreation Centre. Students participated in a variety of team building and leadership activities which took them out of their comfort zones. These activities although fun, challenged them both physically and mentally. Despite the weather being wet and windy students still had a ball building rafts and participating in the obstacle course.



Year 8 English

The Great Mail Race

This term Mr Hoddle's Accelerated English class is participating in The Great Mail Race. The Great Mail Race is a pen pal project that encourages students to improve their writing and communication skills. Innisfail State College has partnered with Pacific Cascade Middle School in Washington State, USA for students to write letters to each other about themselves and the area in which they live. Students have been thrilled about writing to someone on the other side of the world! This is a great opportunity for the class and we would love to do it again next year. by Siddharta Nair



Readers' Cup

On 2 June, eight students will be travelling to Cairns High to compete in the annual Readers' Cup Competition. This competition is where each of us reads six set novels prior to the event and quiz each other during lunch breaks. As two teams of four, we will compete on the day to test our knowledge of each book. It is a challenging, fun event which encourages us to work as a team and tests our comprehension skills. It also helps us with our reading and literature skills. We hope that we will do our best in this competition while having a fun time. by Jemma Turner-Maher

Peppertree Restaurant

Congratulations to the year 11 and 12 Hospitality students, with two weeks to go this term, our training restaurant has been a great success so far. As teachers, we would also like to extend our thanks to the parents of our students for the late pick-ups, and Friday morning wake up calls. Many thanks also go to all of the staff of ISC, for their time, support and home grown produce.

Students have produced an endless stream of lamb shanks, chicken breast, salted caramel chocolate cake, coconut lime cheesecake, breads, cocktails and mocktails. If you'd like to book next term, dates will be announced on June 21.



Mrs Thompson, Mrs Mayo & Mrs Spletter

Indigenous Leaders for the Future

At 6:30am on Thursday 19 May nine students and three members of staff met for breakfast at the school before heading up to Cairns to take part in the first stage of the annual Indigenous Leaders for the Future program.

The day was long, but full of interesting, fun activities designed to enable us to get to know other Indigenous students from other high schools in the Cairns and Tablelands District.

We had to work as a team to complete two word activities – proud to say WE WON... BOTH TIMES.

We also had to dress a model with recyclable materials to show five leadership qualities that we all agreed were the most important.

We talked about our values, our beliefs, our strengths and who most influenced us in our lives. Some of the answers were surprising, but nearly everyone agreed that family and community are important to us.

So now we will be meeting as a team to complete a project that fits in with the theme **"Be the hero in your own story"**. The leaders that we met, Aunty Kerry Hollingsworth, Samara Jose and the James Cook University's Deadly Ambassadors, have ALL asked us to think about going beyond who or what has gone before us. They left us with this message to think about:

"Hope without a driver is just a wish".

Watch this space..... the IL4F 2016 team is going to strive for greatness this year.

Innisfail State College acknowledges the Mamu People, Traditional Custodians of the country in which this College is located, and pays respect to their Elders past and present and emerging.