

Thirlmere Public School

6 November 2013

Term 4 – Week 5



Coming Events

Finance Freeze until approx. 25 Nov 2013

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| 4-8 Nov | Year 6 Camp –
Point Wolstoncroft
Bus Arrival: 3.10pm on 8 Nov |
| 11 Nov | 2014 Student Leader forms due to Mr Lord
Remembrance Day –
brief service for students at 10:50am
Band, Choir and Student Leaders at Wollondilly
Remembrance Day Service, Thirlmere Park |
| 13 Nov | Youth Banking –
Reward Redemption Day
Student Leader Peer Vote
3-6 Assembly |
| 15 Nov | K-2 Assembly |

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Disco

A huge variety of night-time attire was on display at our Pyjama Disco on Thursday. Thanks to Year 6, the parent helpers in the canteen and barbecue, and the teachers, it turned out to be a great night.

Camps

Year 4 arrived back safely last Wednesday, while a group of very excited Year 6 students left early on Monday morning with Mrs Gandy, Miss Gurnett and Mrs Eckler. Messages so far indicate they are having a wonderful time. They are due back at approximately 3:10pm on Friday. Year 4 nominated their favourite activities as the giant swing and the rock climbing wall.

Principal's Awards

Congratulations to these students. Their picture will soon be on our website. Chloe, Brooke, Demi, Jenna, Marshall, Jeremy, Reece (2), Natasha, Jorden, Lilybelle, Ashden and Grace.

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students:

Award	3R	1K
Artist Of The Week	Ruby	Abbey
Mathematician Of The Week	Nathan	Cooper
Writer Of The Week	Erin	Hannah

Look for their pictures soon on our website!

Funding of Schools for 2014

You may be aware of this issue being broadcast in the media recently. I have some information about our school for next year. We will receive:

- \$450.00 in Equity Program Funding
- \$44,087.00 in socio-economic loading
- \$17,619.00 in Aboriginal Background loading
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These amounts will be in addition to our normal global funding.

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The office is open from 8.30am to 3.15pm

Kindergarten 2014

If you know of any families near you who have children ready to start school next year, please ask them to contact our school office immediately, so that they can participate on our Orientation program.

Classes 2014

Later this term, we will be planning our class structures for next year. Any special requests for your child/ren's placements must be in writing, addressed to the Principal. All requests are considered, but I cannot guarantee that they will be granted.

Also, please let us know urgently if your family is leaving the local area and your children will not be attending Thirlmere Public School in 2014.

Learning Labs

The University of Wollongong is conducting an enrichment program for high achieving students in Years 3-10 during January 2014. A limited number of brochures and application forms are available from our school office.

For more information, go to

www.socialsciences.uow.edu.au/education/learninglabs

Design Competition

The design competition for NSW Youth Week 2014 is open to young people aged 12-25 years. The winning artist will be awarded \$1000 and given the chance to showcase their work during Youth Week.

Find out more: <http://youth.nsw.gov.au/youth-week-in-nsw/>

What is a Homonym?

Let's face it, English can be a crazy language. Take homonyms, for example. These are words that are identical in pronunciation and spelling but have different meanings. This homonym list will provide some clarity.

Find out more:

http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-a-to-z/-/english_glossary/8Qum/1084/homonym

Sun Safety

This spring has seen temperatures soar. A new information pack with the latest advice on sun safety is available for schools and parents.

Find out more:

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/studenthealth/sun-safety/index.php>

Public Transport

New timetables for trains, buses and ferries are now in place. Find out more:

<http://www.131500.com.au/timetable-changes>

Digital Citizenship

We're the first generation of parents responsible for equipping our children with digital citizenship skills – how to use technology safely and responsibly, and how to evaluate, manage and use the information and tools they find online.

Here are some tips to get you started:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/raising-good-digital-citizens>

Have a good week, and to Year 6 parents, try not to miss your children too much!

Stephen Lord

School Banking

Reward Redemption Day

Our Last Reward Redemption Day will be on 13 November 2013 in the school library between 8.30am and 8.55am.

In 2014 Commonwealth Bank will be automating the token process through the Web-Based School Banking System.

The Commonwealth Bank will tally the number of tokens to be allocated to each student and will prompt us when the student is ready to receive a reward at which time the student can advise us of the reward they are seeking.

To make the transition into the automated system in 2014 run smoothly, we are requesting that all tokens be returned to the school on Tuesday 17 December 2013 in exchange for a reward.

PLEASE NOTE: During this transition period, regardless of the amount of tokens students may have accumulated, they will still receive a reward.

More information about the changes will be sent to you closer to the end of the term.

Thank you
Michelle Benson

Band News

Thank you to the many families who have paid their Band Fees for Term 4 already.

If you have not paid your fees, could you please forward the payment to the office by cash and we will issue a receipt to you when the new finance system is available from approximately 25 November 2013. Please Note: EFTPOS will not be available to use during the Finance Freeze period of 30 October to approximately 25 November 2013.

All Year 6 Students participating in Band need to have all fees paid and up to date by 12 December 2013.

Any students owing Band Fees from previous Terms will not be able to attend lessons until such time as fees are paid.

Facebook Page



Thirlmere Public School now has its own Facebook Page!

We will use this as an additional source of information only. It will not replace any notes that would ordinarily go home. The posts will only come from the school and any comments should be appropriate or they will be deleted.

Keep an eye on it for on the spot updates with camps, excursions etc.

Remember to like us to stay in touch.

SCHOOL FINANCE

School Finance receipting is NOW CLOSED as we begin our conversion to the new Finance System.

As excursions and extra-curricular activities are still proceeding in the school, we request that you continue to pay your accounts by either cash or cheque form and we will issue a receipt to you when the new finance system is available approximately 25 November.

Please Note:

EFTPOS will not be available to use during the Finance Freeze period of 30 October to approximately 25 November 2013.

Money that is currently due to the office is:

- Wollondilly Mud Fun
- School Magazine **This money is overdue and needs to be paid immediately**
- Year 6 Chocolates **This money is overdue and needs to be paid immediately**
- Symbio – Kindergarten ONLY
- Band Fees
- Jamberoo

All Year 6 students owing money to the school must be paid by no later than

6 December 2013.

We also ask that parents please bare with us over the coming weeks as we move into our new finance system

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THIRLMERE LETS SAY THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL VOLUNTEER RURAL FIRE SERVICE

Meet our local heroes

**Sunday afternoon, 10th November from 12.30pm
Thirlmere RSL Hall, Mason St, Thirlmere
FAMILY EVENT**

**RFS BBQ, Live Music, Raffles, donation buckets,
review or get info on your bushfire plan, Games
for the kids- fire hose rolling etc**



**BYO Picnic chair, blanket and Esky
All money raised to go towards the purchase of
helmet torches for Thirlmere RFS**



**Proudly supported by Thirlmere Volunteer RFS
and Picton-Thirlmere-Bargo RSL Sub Branch**

**Enquiries: Lea 0420445710 or
Tim 0414535186**

Canteen News

TERM 4 2013

Wednesday 6 Nov	Diane Hunt, Meryl Cooper
Friday 8 Nov	Mel Moroz, Christie Henry (til 1pm), Michelle Jobson
Monday 11 Nov	Jo Tapp, Shannon Apps
Wednesday 13 Nov	Sharon Browning, Kaylene Gallagher
Friday 15 Nov	Monique Liddle, Lea Blatch, Tammy Ellis
Monday 18 Nov	Amanda Lee, Amy White
Wednesday 20 Nov	Deb Collings, Gail Burtenshaw
Friday 22 Nov	Nicole Lewry, Tania Willett, Millie Achis
Monday 25 Nov	Lisa Williams, Lea Blatch
Wednesday 27 Nov	Deb Parker, Lee-Anne Armstrong
Friday 29 Nov	Jackie Benson, Kerry New, Danielle Dunleavy
Monday 2 Dec	Helle Juske, Tammy Parker
Wednesday 4 Dec	Meryl Cooper, Diane Hunt
Friday 6 Dec	Felicity Saarinen, Jule Bird, Monique Liddle
Monday 9 Dec	Tammy Ellis, Kaylene Gallagher
Wednesday 11 Dec	Mel Chamberlain, Lisa Boyce
Friday 13 Dec	Mel Moroz, Nicole Lewry, Tania Willett
Monday 16 Dec	Lisa Fava, Mel Ruddiman
Wednesday 18 Dec	Lea Blatch, Shannon Apps
Friday 20 Dec	CANTEEN CLOSED FOR STOCKTAKE

Uniform Shop

The new Sports shirts are now available from the Uniform Shop. They come in sizes 4-16 at a cost of \$20 each.

The uniform shop is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8.30am – 9.00am and again at 2.30pm – 3.00pm.

Order forms are available from the office if you cannot make it during opening times.

Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten)

Symbio – Last day to Pay 4 December

Notes sent home this week

Gold Reward Day Notes – **To students on Gold Level ONLY**

Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

NIL

Notes sent home this week

Gold Reward Day Notes – **To students on Gold Level ONLY**

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)

NIL

Notes sent home this week

Gold Reward Day Notes – **To students on Gold Level ONLY**

Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)

Year 6 Chocolates – **OVERDUE**

Jamberoo – Last Day to Pay 25 November

Notes sent home this week

Gold Reward Day Notes – **To students on Gold Level ONLY**

**NO PAYMENTS FOR EXCURSIONS WILL BE
ACCEPTED AFTER
“LAST DAY FOR PAYMENT” date.**

Gold Reward Day 2013

In accordance with our school's behaviour system, students that reach Gold level will be invited to participate in a Gold Reward Day. There is no maximum number of students that are allowed to attend and the opportunity is open to ALL eligible students at Thirlmere Public School.

For 2013 this will involve the students attending the cinema to watch a movie.

What: Free Birds Movie (Rating G or PG)

When: Friday 6th December 2013

Where: Dumaresq Street Cinemas, Campbelltown

Cost: The school will cover the cost of the bus.

Parents will be required to cover the cost of the movie (\$5.00) and any snacks purchased. (\$1.50 each). A limited range of snacks will be available to be pre ordered.

All blue notes explaining the procedure must be returned to school ASAP.

Students that have reached gold will start to receive their permission notes this week.

Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 Farewell will be on:

When: Thursday 12th December 2013

Where: Bargo Sports Club

Time: 6pm arrival and photos

6:30 Dinner

Certificate presentation 9:30pm

Conclude 10pm







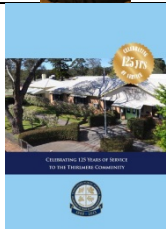
125th MEMORABILIA ORDER FORM

LIMITED QUANTITIES

ORDER WILL BE SENT HOME WITH STUDENT WITHIN FEW DAYS

AVAILABLE UNTIL 31ST OCTOBER 2013

Student: _____ *Class:* _____

	Cook Book \$15	Qty
	Black Cotton or Calico Bag \$6	Qty Black Qty Calico
	Pen \$2	Qty
	Tea Towel \$10	Qty
	Waterbottle \$6	Qty
	Excursion bag \$8	Qty
	125 th Book Includes pictures of all current students and our schools history – focussing on last 25 years \$20	Qty
	Total \$	Total

You can view all above items in the school office
Payment by cash only until further notice to the school office.

PAVER ORDERS ARE NOW CLOSED

Friday 22/1/13

Everyone welcome!!

12-3pm

School Playground

Bring your money!



Games



Cakes

Mini Fair



BBQ

Games



Thirlmere PS Hairspray

Prizes



Win a GIANT
Toblerone

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School Newsletter

To embrace the technological nature of society, our newsletter is now being delivered by email. In the space provided below, please indicate the email address/es you wish to use to receive the newsletter.

1st Parent/Guardian Email :

2nd Parent/Guardian Email :

3rd Parent/Guardian Email :

Extra School Reports

In some households there is a need for a second report to be sent to another parent not permanently residing with the student.

Reports go home at the end of Semester One and Semester Two.

If you require a second report, please provide us with the following details.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Relationship: _____

Email address: _____

If you have any updated Court Orders/AVO's that you have not provided to the school yet, could you please arrange a copy as soon as possible.

We also require you to advise the ladies in the office if the structure at home has changed so that we can update our records accordingly.



Thornton Bros

The school would like to thank Thornton Bros Flowers who are kindly donating a bunch of flowers to the school each fortnight to help beautify our office area.

Ph: 4683 1062



Taara Gardens

For the Not-so-retiring!

Enquiries: Charlene Crocker: 0417 483931 or

Jenny Cheetham: 0418 265 416

We welcome you to come & have a look around the Village. Located at: 25 Estonian Road, Thirlmere

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