

Thirlmere Public School

4 December 2013

Term 4 – Week 9



Coming Events

5 Dec	Parent Helper Morning Tea
6 Dec	Gold Reward Day – Movies
9 Dec	Established Band Library closed for Stocktake
10 Dec	Year 6 - Jamberoo Excursion
11 Dec	Presentation Day Beginner Band
12 Dec	Kindergarten Symbio Excursion Year 6 Farewell
13 Dec	Gold Medal Assembly Reports Due Home
16 Dec	Stage 3 - Australia Day
17 Dec	Uniform Shop – Last day open
18 Dec	Student Banking Reward Redemption 8.30am-8.55am <i>Last Day of School</i>

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The office is open from 8.30am to 3.15pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Year 6 Mini Fair

I wasn't here to see it, but I believe lots of fun was had on Friday, despite some threatening weather. Well done Year 6 and Mrs Gandy, I hope it was worth the wait!

Principal's Awards

Congratulations to these students. Their picture will soon be on our website. Brock, Molly, Jimmy, Dylan (2), Thomas, Jake (3), Jack, Zoe, Amy, Dominic, Haylee, Emmett and Jemah .

Our Biggest Bookworms

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with Christmas joke books by Mrs Wood on Monday for borrowing the most books in each grade:
Kindergarten: Isaac Year 1: Johnny Year 2: Ryan
Year 3: Monique & Jeremy Year 4: Jordan
Year 5: Andrew Year 6: Angus

The picture will be on our website soon and, just quietly, isn't it great to see so many boys represented!

Student Leader Speeches

This occasion never ceases to amaze me each year. Our Student Leaders for 2014 are an outstanding group, projecting so much confidence at such a young age. Years 2-5 and staff have now voted for the Girl and Boy School Captains, and the result will be announced on Presentation Day.

Parent Helper Morning Tea

Invitations are currently going out to those who we remember as assisting us, but there is always the possibility that some may be overlooked. If you have contributed in any way, no matter how small, please consider yourself invited on Thursday 5 December. Our school would not be what it is without you.

Scripture

The final lessons for 2014 were held on Wednesday, and we thank our volunteer Scripture teachers and parents who provide this valuable service for our students each week. A morning tea was provided following the last lesson. We look forward to renewing the relationship in 2014.

Summer holiday fun

Sport and Recreation is giving away a kids' camp for two. Simply tell them in 25 words or less why you'd love to win a Sport and Recreation holiday, and like their [Facebook page](#). The competition closes on 13 December, 2013.

Enter the competition: dsr.nsw.gov.au/win

For the love of science

Science is a method of engaging with, and trying to understand, the world. Professor Tim Flannery says if a child is interested in pursuing science, encourage them to develop persistence and humility – the idea that they won't always be right.

Listen to the podcast:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/science-tips/for-the-love-of-science>

Pleasures of free play

Allowing free time for children to play on their own, making up games and activities, can help kids to be comfortable in their own company, teach them how to cope with boredom and, importantly, foster their imagination.

Under scheduling your child:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/benefits-of-underscheduling-your-child>

Have a good week, and I look forward to seeing you at Presentation Day.

Stephen Lord

Presentation Day & Gold Medal Assembly

Presentation Day will be held on 11 December 2013 under the COLA at Thirlmere Public School with Gold Medal Assembly following on 13 December 2013.

Please refer to the dates listed below to hand in Awards and Banners for these ceremony;

11 Dec ***Presentation Day***

13 Dec ***Gold Medal Assembly***

Band News

Band Fees are now OVERDUE. If you have not paid your fees to date, please arrange payment as soon as possible.

Please Note: EFTPOS will not be available to use for the remainder of the year. It will be up and running for Term 1 2014.

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

Any students owing Band Fees have now been removed from lessons until such time as fees are paid.

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Library News

BOOK RETURNS



The Library is now closed for borrowing as all books have to be returned ready for Stocktake.

Could you please return any Library books that are hiding under beds and in book shelves as soon as possible.

Premiers Reading Challenge

All students who completed the Premiers Reading Challenge are invited to a "pop movie" morning on Monday 9 December 2013 to celebrate their success.

Look out for your invitation, which will be distributed this week.

We will be showing the movie "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" which was the most read book in the challenge. Please note the movie is rated PG, could you let the office know, in writing, if you do not want your child to view the movie.

Congratulations to the following students who borrowed the most books from the school library in 2013

K	Isaac	32 books
1	John	31 books
2	Ryan	61 books
3	Monique	68 books
3	Jeremy	68 books
4	Jordan	104 books
5	Andrew	61 books
6	Angus	117 books

Well done Book Worms, especially Angus who borrowed the most books in the school. It is wonderful to see you have all discovered the joy that reading brings into your life.

Au Revoir

As you are all aware I have accepted a transfer as Teacher Librarian at Colo Vale School commencing in 2014.

It is with a sense of sadness that I leave Thirlmere Public School Library but I am also looking forward to the challenges ahead.

Thank you Parents, carers and students for all your support and help over the last 7 ½ years, I have always been amazed by the wonderful imaginative creations that appear every Book Week dress up day.

To all the 'Cupcake Chefs'- a big thank you for contributing to the fun and excitement of Book Week!

Students of Thirlmere are such wonderful readers, I have enjoyed our conversations about the latest Andy Griffith, Rick Riordan, and John Flanagan books and of course those "Diaries of a Wimpy kid".

It has also been a delight to behold the joy of each new Kindergarten student when they borrow their first library book.

253 students completed the Premier's Reading Challenge in 2013 and I hope that number continues to grow.

KEEP ON READING GUYS I will miss you all.

Anne Wood
Teacher/Librarian



SCHOOL FINANCE

School Finance receipting still remains CLOSED until the system is up and running completely. However, payments can be made by CASH ONLY!

As excursions and extra-curricular activities are still proceeding in the school, we request that you continue to pay your accounts by cash form.

Please Note:

EFTPOS will not be available to use until Term 1 2014.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Money that is currently due to the office is:

- School Magazine- **This money is overdue and needs to be paid immediately**
- Year 6 Farewell money/notes - **Overdue**
- Band Fees- **Due Immediately**
- Stage 3 - Australia Day – **Money due by no later than 16 Dec 2013**

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 bear with us over the coming weeks as we move into our new finance system.

Thank you, The Office Ladies.

Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten)

NIL

Notes sent home this week

Presentation Day

Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

NIL

Notes sent home this week

Presentation Day

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)

NIL

Notes sent home this week

Presentation Day

Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)

Parents Year 6 Farewell Notes - Overdue

Notes sent home this week

Australia Day Note

Presentation Day

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

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

Canteen News

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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 News

As the end of year is fast approaching, it's time to get your orders in for any uniform stock needed for next year.

By placing an order, it will ensure that you get the stock you need without delay.

Just a reminder that an order can be placed through the uniform shop directly, or it can be left at the front office. Please be sure to leave a contact number should I need to contact you.

The uniform shop will cease trading for 2013 on Tuesday 17 December. The first day of trade in 2014 will be on Tuesday 28th January. On this day the shop will be open from 10.00am – 2.00pm. There will be limited stock available for purchase on this day, please be sure to pre-order to avoid disappointment.

Furthermore, the new sports uniform will be a compulsory part of our school uniform for Term 1, 2014. The uniform consists of a microfibre sports shirt and microfibre sports shorts. The uniform is unisex and is expected to be worn by both the girls and boys alike.

Excursion Bag and Drink Bottle Sets are also available from the Uniform shop for \$12. Unfortunately, these items are being sold as a set and will not be sold individually.

A current pricelist/order form is attached for your consideration.

For further information, please feel free to see me in the uniform shop on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8.30am-9.00am and 2.30pm-3.00pm.

Thank you

Amanda Lee

Student Banking

Our last Reward Redemption Day will be held on 18 December 2013 between 8.30am and 8.55am being the last day of Term 4. This will be the last day that any rewards will be issued to students with the current token system.

All students that have tokens in their possession on the date mentioned above will need to return them to Mrs Dunleavy and Mrs Willet during Redemption hours to receive their final Reward.

We will be accepting any amount of tokens on this day in exchange for a reward... even one token will earn you a reward!

This will be the last Reward Redemption Day we will hold before Commonwealth Bank changes to their automated system where we will no longer be able to hold Reward Redemption Days or accept tokens for rewards in the future.

If you have any questions, please feel free to speak with me in the office.

Thank you
Michelle Benson



THIRLMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP PRICE LIST/ORDER FORM 2013

ITEM	SIZES	PRICE	QTY
Wide brim hat	XS/S, S/M, M/L, L/XL	\$10	
Girls Summer dress	4,6,8,10,12,14	\$46	
Girls Winter tunic	4,6,8,10,12,14	\$44	
Polo shirt short sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20,22	\$16	
Polo shirt long sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$18	
Microfibre jacket	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$33	
Zip cardigan	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$21	
Emblem jumper	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$17	
Grey cargo shorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$16	
Girls skorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$20	
Sport shorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$15	
Sports shirt short sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$20	
Microfibre track pants	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$22	
Fleecy track pants (with cuff)	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$15	
Fleecy trackpants (straight leg)	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$15	
Grey trousers	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$17	
Girls bootleg pants	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$18	
Girls dress pant	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$22	
Skivvy	4,6,8,10,12	\$9	
Netball skirts	6,8,10,12,14,16	\$15	
Tights	4-6yrs, 7-10yrs, 11-14yrs	\$9	
Polar fleece scarf	One size	\$5	
Ankle socks (pack 5)	9-12, 13-3, 2-8 grey or white	\$15	
Ankle sock (per pair)	9-12, 13-3, 2-8 grey or white	\$3	
Art smock	One size	\$13	
Girls sport brief	4-6, 6-8, 8-10, 10-12	\$7	
Football socks	9-2, 2-7, 7-10	\$10	
School badge		\$10	
Excursion Bag & Drink Bottle	Sold as a set ONLY	\$12	
		TOTAL	\$

Childs Name _____ Year/Class _____

Contact Name _____ Phone No: _____

Please tick option for collection: *Payment options are cash/cheque*

I will collect from school ☐

Please deliver to my childs class ☐





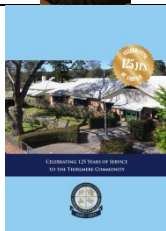
I will collect from the uniform shop ☐

125th MEMORABILIA ORDER FORM

LIMITED QUANTITIES

ORDER WILL BE SENT HOME WITH STUDENT WITHIN FEW DAYS

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.

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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.

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