



Principal's Message

Principals Awards

Congratulations this week to: Braden, Jordan, Sarah, Tyler, Bridget, Taylor, Shiloh and Bronte. Their picture will soon be displayed on our website.

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students from KP:

Artist Of The Week: Savannah

Mathematician Of The Week: Finley

Writer Of The Week: Mikayla

Look for their picture on our website!

Gold Medal Assembly

On Tuesday we recognised a special group of students who have made it to the upper levels of our reward system. We also invited a special guest, Mr Ken Tutt, my predecessor as Principal of Thirlmere Public School.

Gold Banners were presented to Elliott, Erin, Andrew, Lachlan (his third!), Kurtis, Brooklyn, Annise, Jeremy, Ruby, Jessica and Mackye. The one Gold Medal on this occasion was very deservedly presented to Kurtis. Again, check the website soon for the pictures.

Staff News

Two of our teaching staff will be taking leave from the beginning of Term 3. Mr Jackson will be on extended leave until mid 2014. Miss Melissa Gurnett will be teaching 6J during Mr Jackson's absence. Mrs Hollingsworth will be taking part-time leave on Fridays. Her replacement is Mrs Mary Hawkins, who is familiar to us all. Finally, one of our cleaning staff (who is also one of our parents) Robin Campbell is leaving for another position at the end of term. We thank Robin for the great job she has done and wish her well in her new position.

Coming Events

27 June	Reward Day – ICE CREAMS
28 June	Last Day of Term 2 Last Day to Pay – Year 6 Chocolate Money CANTEEN CLOSED
15 July	School Development Day (Pupil Free Day)
16 July	Students return for Term 3 P&C Meeting 6:30pm
17 July	Area Orienteering (re-scheduled) K-2 Assembly
19 July	GRIP Videoconference for Year 6 Last Day to Pay – Gymnastics
23 July	Kindergartens 100 th Day of School

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The office is open from 8.30am to 3.15pm



Principal's Message Cont.

Parking on Oaks Road

I remind parents that a 2 minute parking limit applies in front of the school between 8am - 9:30am and 2:30pm – 4pm. The intention of this limit is that drivers stay with their vehicles when dropping off or picking up students. Those who leave their vehicles unattended during these times not only break the law, but cause inconvenience and frustration to others. I have been advised by both Police and Council that offenders will be prosecuted.

Gymtastics Program

A reminder that this program begins on Friday 26 July (second week back after the holidays). Payment is due by Friday 19 July, and **no late payments can be accepted.**

School Development Day

I thank parents and carers for your patience in looking after your children for one extra day after the holidays. On 15 July, our staff will be receiving further updating on the incoming English Syllabus as the first instalment of the National Curriculum. In addition, both teaching and admin staff will be updating their cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) qualifications. We will look forward to seeing our students back on Tuesday 16th.

School Uniform – Last Reminder!

At the P&C AGM, the five year uniform review was undertaken. The only substantial change is the introduction of a sports shirt and shorts, which will be on display when they are available. The other decision made was to enforce the current uniform, right down to the footwear. For many of our students, this will mean no change at all. For others who need reminding, normal day-to-day shoes are **black**. They can be black sports shoes (no contrasting colour laces) but not casual black slip-ons that offer little or no support. Socks are fold-down (ie covering the ankles) in grey for boys and white for girls. Term 2 will be a period of grace – from the beginning of Term 3 students not in full school uniform will not be able to access Playground C or attend any off-site activities.

Writing essays made easier

Rather than worrying about an essay for weeks, suggest your child get in some early preparation and have the self-belief that they can do it.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/10-tips-for-writing-an-essay>

Sorting fact from fiction

You can't always trust what you read when researching information for homework, assignments or projects. Here are ways your child can tell a good website – or any document – from a bad one.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/sorting-fact-from-fiction>

What's in a game?

Among teen and preteen gamers, the names of violent video games travel fast. And before you know anything about these games your child wants to play them. How do you make an informed decision about what to buy?

Find out more: <http://www.common sense media.org/blog/10-most-violent-video-games-and-10-alternatives>

Telling stories

Here's a great school holiday idea: have your kids create an entry for this year's Trop Jr film festival and in the process learn a little something about scripting, shooting, editing and copyright law. (Sneaky learning strikes again.)

Find out more: <http://tropfest.com/tropjr/>

Happy 125th Birthday Thirlmere P.S



Please take a moment on 2nd July 2013 to think of Thirlmere Public School as it officially turns 125. The celebration for this day will be on Saturday 12th October between 9am-3pm.

Enjoy the holidays and **please** stay safe. See you in Term 3.

Stephen Lord

Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten)

Paver Orders (125th Anniversary) – Last Day to Pay 28 June 13

Gymtastics – Last Day to Pay 19 July 13

Notes sent home this week

NIL

Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

Paver Orders (125th Anniversary) – Last Day to Pay 28 June 13

Gymtastics – Last Day to Pay 19 July 13

Notes sent home this week

NIL

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)

Paver Orders (125th Anniversary) – Last Day to Pay 28 June 13

Gymtastics – Last Day to Pay 19 July 13

Notes sent home this week

3/4H ONLY Purple Note - Mrs Hollingsworth's Leave in Term 3

*Yellow Orienteering Note – New Date 17 July 13
(To selected students ONLY)*

Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)

Paver Orders (125th Anniversary) – Last Day to Pay 28 June 13

Year 6 Chocolates – Last day to Pay 28 June 13
Year 6 High School Enrolment Forms Due 28 June 13

Gymtastics – Last Day to Pay 19 July 13

Notes sent home this week

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(To selected students ONLY)*

6J ONLY – Mr Jackson's Leave for 2013

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

Term 2 Reward Day

Students and parents would recall the newsletter item about the reward day that we had at the beginning of Term 2. We extended recess on one day for 15 minutes **for those students who had not dropped a level during the whole of Term 1.**

I mentioned in the newsletter item, that there would be a reward day at the end of Term 2, for students who were able to satisfy that same criteria for the duration of Term 2.

Tomorrow, Thursday 27 June, we have our Term 2 Reward Day. Students who qualify will each receive a free ice-cream for lunch. As with Term 1, the overwhelming majority of our students qualify for the reward.

Once again, I issue the same challenge to all students in our school, to set a goal to qualify for the Term 3 Reward Day.

To those who missed out this term, I say that the reward day is easily achievable, if you set your mind to get there. It's all up to you.

Mr Berwick
Assistant Principal

Permission Booklet - URGENT

The office is currently sorting through the Permission Booklets sent home this Term and are in the process of handing new booklets out to families that have not returned it to date.

Please complete the booklet and return to the office as soon as possible.

Band News

The school Band Account is currently in a negative as we are still waiting on some payments for student Band Fees.

All Band Fees are due and payable now!

Students that have Band fees outstanding for Term 1 and 2 will be withdrawn from lessons from Term 3 until fees are paid.

Thirlmere Public School

26 June 2013

Term 2 – Week 9

Canteen News

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3 2013

Wednesday 17 th July	Julie Heaslip, Lisa Fava
Friday 19 th July	Danielle Dunleavy, Monique Liddle, Chris Ahumuda
Monday 22 nd July	Lisa Williams, Sheree Cosgrove
Wednesday 24 th July	Lea Blatch, Shannon Apps
Friday 26 th July	Kerry New, Zoe Stephens, Mel Ruddiman
Monday 29 th July	Amanda Lee, Amy White
Tuesday 30th July	Education Open Day – volunteers needed to help with morning tea please
Wednesday 31 st July	Diane Hunt, Deb Parker
Friday 2 nd August	Jackie Benson, Lisa Williams, Felicity Saarinen
Monday 5 th August	Helle Juske, Lyn Eberhart
Wednesday 7 th August	Meryl Cooper, Tracy Daly
Friday 9 th August	Mel Ruddiman, Michelle Mills, Shannon Apps
Monday 12 th August	Amanda Lee, Amy White
Wednesday 14 th August	Mel Chamberlain, Lea Blatch
Friday 16 th August	Meg Moore, Mel Harris, Mel Moroz
Monday 19 th August	Lisa Williams, Sheree Cosgrove
Wednesday 21 st August	Lee-Anne Armstrong, Deb Parker
Thursday 22nd August	BOOK WEEK SPECIAL MEAL DAY – volunteers needed pls
Friday 23 rd August	Tania Willett, Michelle Jobson, Geraldine Lemming
Monday 26 th August	Danielle Dunleavy, Jo Tapp
Wednesday 28 th August	Ed Schlosser, Julie Heaslip
Friday 30 th August	Belinda Kelly, Tracy Digger, Simone White
Monday 2 nd September	Helle Juske, Shannon Apps
Wednesday 4 th September	Diane Hunt, Meryl Cooper
Friday 6 th September	Julie Bird, Tania Willett, Monique Liddle
Monday 9 th September	Donna-Lee Henry, Lisa Fava
Wednesday 11 th September	Julie Heaslip, Lisa Boyce
Friday 13 th September	Christie Henry, Mel Moroz, Mel Ruddiman
Monday 16 th September	Amanda Lee, Amy White
Wednesday 18 th September	Deb Collings, Gail Burtenshaw
Friday 20th September	CANTEEN CLOSED FOR STOCKTAKE

Library News



Congratulations to the following students who have completed their premiers reading challenge this week Mitchell C, Andrew H, Bronte B, Lachlan A, Brae, James B, Travis F, Angus A, Thomas Z, Annise, Brody H, Beau K, Kurtis, Jasmine O., Rose W, Ashleigh A, Charlotte L, Katie V, Demi A, Sarah D, Isaac, Grace D, Imogen B, Kelly.

Remember you have until 31st August to complete the challenge so KEEP ON READING.

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS to the students of 2B.
The first whole class to finish the challenge.
WELL DONE!

Cybersafety



Several parents have asked me about online/ cybersafety programs for their children's use of the internet and social networking sights.

The screen dump on the left is the menu for the parents section of the ACMA website (an Australian government agency) who provide information and resources to schools and parents.

We are hoping to arrange a workshop at school for parents regarding cybersafety run by ACMA in the near future.

In the meantime if you would like to access resources and information, just log onto the Cybersmart website at <http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx>

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Students on Bronze Level



KH - KT - KP -	1N Tayla G Bailey S Levi T 1K -	2B - 2G - 2/3R - 3B Peter A Andrew H Toby H Dustyn S Jasper S Beau S Alex V	3/4H Sam T 4S Jordan T Lachlan G 5C Harry G	5/6G - 6J Ryan C Brooke H Manica K Maddison P
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Holiday Activities @ your library



The Magic Jester Show - Be Amazed!

The Magic Jester has been wowing audiences in Australia and overseas for over 15 years. His magic show is fun-filled entertainment for kids of all ages.

Date: Monday 8 July 2013
Venue: Wollondilly Shire Hall, Picton.
Time: 10:30 am - 11:30 am
Ages: 3+ (younger siblings welcome)
Under 8 must be accompanied by an adult
Cost: \$5.00 per person
Limited Spaces - Bookings Essential - 46778300



Gaming and Pizza Night

Play Halo ODST (M) on the Xbox 360, Super Smash Bros Brawl (PG) on the Wii, with Pizza, Chips, Lollies and Drinks.

Date: Tuesday 9 July 2013
Venue: Picton Library
Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm (Library closed to public)
Ages: 8+
Cost: \$5.00
Limited Spaces - Bookings Essential - 46778300



Storytime @ Tahmoor Festival of Fun

Join us for a special storytime to listen to wonderful stories, sing some songs and rhymes, and takeaway a colouring-in to do at home.

Date: Thursday 11 July 2013
Venue: Tahmoor Community Centre
Harper Close, Tahmoor
Time: 10:00 am - 2:00pm
Sessions at 10.00, 10.40, 11.20, 12.00, 12.40 & 1.20
Cost: FREE
No Bookings required. See you there on the day!



Craft Activity - Decorated Bag

Join us and have some fun making your own spangly, sparkly decorated bag. Use it to hold your library books, shopping, shoes, or whatever else you can think of.

Date: Friday 12 July 2013
Venue: Picton Library
Time: 10:30 am - 12:00 noon
Ages: 8+

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.



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

FiT Mums Group Training

FREE TRY OUT

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(kids welcome)
2B Stratford Rd
TAHMOOR NSW

Phone: 46832297
Follow Fit Mums Fanpage
<http://www.facebook.com/SharonHornerFigureTraining>

Enter the School Mums Challenge!!

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