

Thirlmere Public School

19 November 2014

Term 4 – Week 7



Coming Events

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| 21 Nov | Year 6 Mini Fair
Footy Raffle Drawn
Last Day to Pay for Kindy Symbio
Excursion |
| 25 Nov | Kindergarten Orientation – parent
information session
Last Merit Awards taken at the
School Office
Life Education program begins |
| 26 Nov | 3-6 Assembly 2pm |
| 28 Nov | Stage 1 Sydney Aquarium Excursion |
| 1 Dec | Band playing at Queen Victoria
Building
Last Principals Awards given out |
| 2 Dec | Last Day for Banners and Principals
Awards to be taken at the school
office |

Principal's Message

We are now past the half-way point in Term 4. Please take time to read the newsletter, check the website, visit our Facebook page and search your children's bags each day for notes. End of year is always busy and you don't want to miss anything.

Student Leaders 2015

The following students have been successful in the selection process. They will be making their speeches to Years 2-5 on Monday 1 December, which will be followed by the vote for the 2015 School Captains. The Captains will be announced at Presentation Day on Friday 12 December.

Kurtis, Jazmin, Brooke, Brooklyn, Lachlan, Elliott, Chloe and Amy.

Principal's Awards

Congratulations this week to the following students:

Skye, Imogen, Ryan, Andrew (2) and Jemma.

Their picture will soon be on our website.

Super Savers

The following students received Dollarmite certificates:

Grace, John and Sonny. Look for their picture too!

Joggers' Club

The following students have achieved "milestones":

Thomas, Zac (40 km!!), Keira, Toby and Harry. Another picture to go on our website!

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students from 6S and Year 2:

	6S	Year 2
Artist Of The Week	Jade R	Shiloh S Carter H
Mathematician Of The Week	Matt A	William T
Writer Of The Week	Mackenzie B	Jazlyn A

Teacher Professional Learning

Apart from being very busy typing your children's reports around this time of year, teachers are also finding out about the National Science & Technology Curriculum, due for implementation next year. Mrs Karolis, Mr Gardiner and Mrs Tann have organised some interactive staff meetings to present to their colleagues. Your children are in for a scientific treat in 2015!

Work Health & Safety Update

The school's WHS Committee met on Friday. Among issues discussed was our Semester 2 Emergency Evacuation Drill. This will be held during this week.

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The office is open from 8.30am to
3.00pm

Year 6 Chocolate Sales

Some of our senior students may have fundraiser chocolates on sale in the playground. The fundraising target is the Year 6 Farewell and gift to our school. Items are \$1 each.

A New Way of Coming and Going

A new gate has been installed along the Barbour Rd fence, giving access to our school via the rear security fence gate near the vegetable garden. This will be available each morning and afternoon, hopefully taking some of the pressure off Oaks Road. There are no parking restrictions on Barbour Rd, but please exercise care, as there is no marked crossing either.

Security Gates

Please note that the gate on Goodlet St near the bus bay will be locked between 9:15am and 2:30pm each day. Entry will still be available via the front gate on Oaks Road. This arrangement provides added security for our students.

Parent/Carer Surveys

The school is required to conduct cyclical surveys on various aspects of its operation. Results are published each year in the Annual School Report. The two surveys currently online are about Leadership and Environment. You are strongly encouraged to complete the online surveys, which should only take 2-3 minutes, by following the links below:

Leadership: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/S9YZZJR>

Environment:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com.au/VYNPVMN>

Kindergarten 2015

Our orientation process for next year's Kindergarten has begun, with Ms Mace conducting interviews with new parents and their children. If there is someone living near you, or someone you know who may have children eligible to start school in 2015, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible. Our first Orientation visit with parents is scheduled for Tuesday 18 November.

2015 Classes

We are entering that time when we are planning next year's classes. Any parents or carers who have requests about class placement should lodge them in writing, addressed to the Principal, as soon as possible. No guarantees can be made, but every effort will be made to accommodate your wishes. In addition, families who know that they will be leaving our school should inform us promptly, so that our plans can be accurate.

School Plan

All NSW Public Schools are required to develop a 3 year strategic plan for 2015-2017. The foundation of this plan is the development, in collaboration with staff, community, and where appropriate students, of three strategic directions that state in broad terms what we are setting out to do. In that spirit, I am inviting suggestions from our school community (not just the P&C). The following is an example of three directions to get the discussion started:

1. **Raising expectations and enhancing the quality of student learning.**
2. **Fostering quality teaching and leadership.**
3. **Achieving new and better ways of doing business.**

Of course, the plan is more than the three broad directions. Each of them will be "unpacked" to identify:

- Purpose – why are we heading in this direction?
- People – building the capabilities of everyone in the whole school community.
- Processes – ensuring our systems work properly to deliver improvement.
- Products – achievement of the outcomes we are seeking.
- Practices – the embedded processes that will enable us to sustain our improvements.

Over to you. Any suggestions can be made in person, in writing or by email to

thirlmere-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

Comprehension help for teens

Some kids will read perfectly in primary school and then suddenly struggle with comprehension in high school. Here's why. Comprehension help:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/reading/comprehension-strategies-you-can>

Planning for the future

Throughout your child's school life you'll need to make choices about aspects of their education and future. Here's a selection of tips to help you plan for parent-teacher talks, subject selection, careers advice and back-to-school. Planning for the future: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future>

Kids, homework and lies

Do you think your child is lying about their homework? Listen to psychologist **Anne Hollonds** chat with James O'Loughlin on what to do when the dog eats the homework. Homework tips: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/kids-homework-and-lies>

Maths at home

Kids' early experiences with measurement are often based on watching their parents. Seeing mum or dad measure and pour ingredients for a recipe or weigh items at the fruit shop will often become part of their play.

Maths at home:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/mathematics-tips/helping-your-child-measure-mass-and-volume>

Something to ponder in the wake of the G20 Meeting held in Brisbane over the weekend:

The philosophy of the school room in one generation will be the philosophy of government in the next.

Abraham Lincoln

Enjoy your week.

Stephen Lord

Year 6 Cake Stall

Dear parents/carers



For the Year 6 Mini Fair we are running a cake stall and would like parents to bring in cupcakes. We would like it if you brought the cupcakes in a day earlier or on the day of the Mini Fair and take them to Mrs Stewart in 6S classroom.

Aleksia, Briana, Jade

Year 6 Farewell Fundraising Cadbury Products

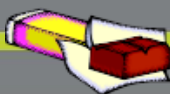
Thanks to all of the parents who volunteered to do Cadbury Fundraising for The Year 6 Farewell, and thanks to all of the people who bought them. Please note that all money needs to be returned to the school by Wednesday 19 November. I have spoken to the students as to how they were going with their sales, and it looks as if they are all on track to have all of their boxes sold by that date. Thanks to all involved.

There will be a stall for Cadbury Fundraising at the Mini Fair for boxes specifically set aside for that.

Next Tuesday, 25 November, any leftover products will be on sale outside the canteen. If you haven't bought any by then, you might like to take that opportunity.

This has been a major fundraising event, and with all of the products sold we will raise a significant amount of money for The Year 6 Farewell.

Mr Berwick, Mrs Stewart



Important Dates for Awards

Please take note of the following dates and ensure that all awards are handed into the office by the cut off dates. This will avoid any disappointment for your child.

- **25 Nov** – Last Merit Certificates to the Office
- **1 Dec** – Last Principals Awards given out at morning assembly
- **2 Dec** – All Banners and Principals awards to the office
- **16 Dec** – Gold Medal Assembly



Mini Fair Friday 21 November



Mini Fair is upon us once again, and this Year's event will be just as engaging and enjoyable as those of the past. There will be lots of enjoyable stalls and activities which are currently being designed by our Year Six students. Some of these include dunking machine, push carts, commando football, hair mania and various lolly and food stalls and lots more. So kids, save up your money as you'll need it to buy tokens. **Please be aware that the money raised will go to the Year 6 Farewell** which is something that all students in our school will at some stage get to celebrate.

Mr Berwick, Mrs Stewart

Sausage Sizzle

The band will run a sausage sizzle in the day of the Mini Fair and a separate note has been sent home.

Mr Jackson

Mini Fair Tokens



Don't forget to pre-pay for your children's Mini Fair tokens. Each token is worth 50c, and the stalls will cost from one to six tokens. Pre-paying will reduce time wasted from having to line up to buy tokens when the activities begin.

If your child runs out of tokens they can still buy more during the Mini Fair.



Dunking Machine

Lolly and Cake Stall



Splatattack 2



Pony Rides/Jumping Castle

Ultimate Push Carts

2014 MINI FAIR FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER

Sweets and Treats



Putt Putt



Hair Mania



Commando Football



Nail Polish



Tattooing



Face Painting/Lucky Dip



The Band will be running a Sausage sizzle
Notes have been sent home for preorders.



Uniform News

As the end of the year is fast approaching, it's time to consider what uniforms you may require for the start of the new school year. Limited stock will be available to purchase through the uniform shop, but to avoid disappointment I recommend that you place an order. Orders can be left at the school office or placed at the uniform shop. Please provide a contact number on your order form so that I can let you know when your order is ready to collect.

Please remember that all payments must be cash or cheque only.

The shops opening hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 3pm.

Amanda Lee

Silent Auction – White Waratah Dot Painting



6S together with Erica Reilly have created this absolutely beautiful dot painting of a white waratah. The painting will be sold through a silent auction to raise funds for the Year 6 Farewell.

The painting is square measuring 60cm by 60cm and is on display in the office foyer. Anyone wishing to place a bid can do so at the office or by writing down their bid and in an envelope and putting it in the Frogs mouth. Remember to put your Name and contact number on the envelope. Bidding closes at 2.30pm on the 21st November 2014 at the Mini Fair.

The current bid is \$60.

Student Banking News



We're rewarding regular savings by sharing the Dollarmites latest find, precious prizes from the ancient Clam of Fortune.

- 40 GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 Slip N' Slide Double Wave Riders

Entry into the promotion is a little bit different to those we have run previously. For every School Banking deposit made during the competition period, the student will receive one entry into the competition (up to a maximum of 6 entries). So the more they save, the more chances they have to win a prize. Competition period: 20 October — 30 November 2014.

For more information, or to view the full competition terms and conditions, visit commbank.com.au/deepseasavers

Life Education

Look out for the note today about Happy Harold's visit to each class during the week Tuesday 25th November 2014 to Wednesday 3rd December 2014. The Life Education Van will be in our school grounds for that time, parked in front of the hall.

If you have any questions with regard to the lessons please see Mrs Stevenson at school.

Mrs Stevenson

15 Rugby League Footballs Raffle

The *15 Footballs Raffle* will be drawn towards the end of the *Mini Fair* on Friday 21 November. I am currently writing the tickets out for all students who have bought tickets, and they will receive them by the end of this week.

I am pleased with the number of tickets that have been sold, and I'm looking forward to drawing out the winning tickets and handing the brand new footies to the winners.

Tickets are still on sale and will be sold during the *Mini Fair*, so there is still plenty of time to get your tickets. Don't forget, **you've got to be in it to win it!**



Mr Berwick



SCHOOL FINANCE & OFFICE NEWS

Payments and Excursions

All excursions and sporting events have a **last day to pay date**. Parents are asked to have payments to the office before this date, as our new system will not allow payments to be processed after the date. This will avoid any disappointment for your child.

Symbio Last Day to Pay is this Friday 21 November 2014
No late payments accepted

Band News

All band payments are now due. Payments must be made to the office by Friday 5th December 2014, so that the end of year accounts can be paid to the Tutor.

Term 4 Band

Band will run till Week 10 Monday 8 December and Tuesday 9 December. This is a 9 week program and the cost is \$135

Upcoming Band Events

- Senior students will play at the Presentation Day and Gold Medal Presentation.
- Playing at the Queen Victoria Building on 1st December 2014. Cost is \$5 for the bus.

Mini Fair

Tokens can be purchased on the day of the Mini Fair.

School Banking

The last day for School Banking is
Wednesday
3rd December 2014

Afternoon pick-ups

As the office is closed from 3pm each weekday, we request that parents make alternative arrangements with the student before coming to school if you expect you may be delayed in the afternoon. Please confirm with your child/ren that they understand your pick-up instructions or alternatively advise the class teacher in the morning.

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Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

All Students

Notes Home:

Mini Fair BBQ Order

Life Education

Early Stage 1 (Kindy)

Last Day to Pay:

Symbio Wildlife Park – 21 Nov

Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2)

Notes Home:

K-2 Assembly Reminder (Year2 Only)

Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)

Notes Home:

Campbelltown Performing Arts High School - Audition Information

Selected Students

Notes Home:

Band Queen Victoria Building Excursion

List of Band Performances

Beginner Band Orientation

Last Day to Pay:

Band Queen Victoria Building - 28th Nov

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

CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 4: 6TH OCTOBER TO 19TH DECEMBER 2014

Friday 21/11:	Tammy Parker, Lisa Boyce, Millie Achis
Monday 24/11:	Amanda Lee, Amy White
Wednesday 26/11:	Linda Cernik, Belinda Dodd
Friday 28/11:	Simone Hinton, Lisa Fava, Alison Tarrant
Monday 1/12:	Lisa Williams, Elisha Hawkins
Wednesday 3/12:	Diane Hunt, Meryl Cooper
Friday 5/12:	Joanna-lee Mauro, Mel Moroz, Christie Henry
Monday 8/12:	Shannon Apps, Millie Achis
Wednesday 10/12:	Linda Cernik, Sharon Browning
Friday 12/12:	Julie Bird, Simone Hinton, Louise Shannahan
Monday 15/12:	Lisa Boyce, Tammy Parker
Wednesday 17th December: CANTEEN CLOSED	

Canteen Open

Please note that the Canteen will be open on Friday, 21st November 2014, at the Mini Fair, all day.

Mufti Day

Friday 21st November, Mini Fair Day will be a mufti day. Please remember a hat, closed in shoes and shirts with sleeves.

Lost Property

A green folding camp chair was left at school after the Remembrance Day Service. If this chair belongs to you please call into the office and pick it up.



THIRLMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP **PRICE LIST/ORDER FORM 2014**

ITEM	SIZES AVAILABLE	PRICE	QTY	SIZE REQ.
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	\$34		
Zip cardigan	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$22		
Emblem jumper	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$18		
Grey cargo shorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$17		
Girls skorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$20		
Sport shorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$16		
Sports shirt short sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$20		
Microfibre track pants	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$24		
Fleecy track pants (with cuff)	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$17		
Fleecy trackpants (straight leg)	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$17		
Grey trousers	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$18		
Girls bootleg pants	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$19		
Girls dress pant	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$22		
Skivvy	4,6,8,10,12	\$10		
Tights	4-6yrs, 7-10yrs, 11-14yrs	\$10		
Polar fleece scarf	One size	\$5		
Ankle socks (pack 5)	9-12, 13-3, 2-8 grey or white	\$15		
Art smock	One size	\$13		
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 _____ Contact No: _____

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

I will collect from school ☐

Please deliver to my child's 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 – Now In Stock Qty Calico
	Pen \$2	Qty
	Tea Towel \$10	Qty
	Waterbottle \$6	Qty
	Excursion bag & Waterbottle Set \$12 To be purchased through Uniform Shop	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.

Thirlmere Public School

School Newsletter

Thirlmere Public School now deliver our newsletter by Email each week.

In the space provided below, please indicate the email address/es you wish to use to receive the newsletter.

The newsletter is also available to view on our school website:

www.thirlmere-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Student Name: Class:

1st Parent/Guardian Email :

2nd Parent/Guardian Email :

3rd Parent/Guardian Email :

No paper copies will be issued.

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.

PATRICIA YVONNE ACADEMY OF DANCE, DRAMA & THEATRE ARTS



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MONDAY AFTERNOONS

3-15pm Novice Dance Class (5yrs & under)
3-45pm Mini Dance Class for (5 ½, 6 & 7yrs)
4-15pm Mini Tap (5 ½, 6 & 7yrs)
4-45pm Grade 3 Tap (Intermediate)
5-15pm Lyrical Ballet (Intermediate)
6-00pm Intermediate Speech & Drama.
6-30pm Senior Classes.

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS

3-15pm Junior Ballet/Jazz (8-10yrs)
4-00pm Junior Tap (Juniors)
4-30pm Hip Hop (Intermediate)
5-15pm Intermediate Jazz
5-45pm Grade 4 Ballet (Intermediate)
6-30pm Senior Classes.

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