

# Thirlmere Public School

05 February 2014

Term 1 – Week 2



## Coming Events

4-7 Feb	Kindergarten Best Start testing Best Start
10 Feb	Meet the Teacher evening
12 Feb	Leaders' Induction
14 Feb	Zone Basketball
18 Feb	Last day to pay – Swim Carnival 6.30pm - P&C Meeting

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Happy New Year

Welcome to 2014. To all returning families, it's great to see you back. For those coming to our school for the first time, I look forward to getting to know you during your time at Thirlmere. We have a wonderful school, and now you're part of it!

### School Staff

Principal:	Stephen Lord
Assistant Principals:	Selena Gandy Desi Karolis Mark Berwick
School Admin Manager:	Pam France
School Admin Officers:	Michelle Benson Carol Canning
General Assistant:	Robert Karolis
School Counsellor:	Jessica Yell (Mon-Tues)
Learning Support Officers:	Sladjana Cugalj Debbie Eckler

KP:	Jennifer Pearce
KT:	Amanda Tann
KW:	Emmaleigh Wilder
1G:	Selena Gandy
1M:	Delphine McLachlan
1R:	Pauline Reason
2B:	Jenny Budd
2H:	Ingrid Hunt
3K:	Desi Karolis
3/4P:	Mary Pullbrook (Mon-Thurs) Mary Hawkins (Fri)
4B:	Michelle Byrne
4G:	David Gardiner
5G:	Melissa Gurnett
5/6B:	Mark Berwick
6S:	Sandra Stewart

Teacher-Librarian:	Gabrielle Gutjahr
Release Teachers:	Sue Barry (Thurs-Fri) Maria Rofe (Mon-Tues)
Reading Recovery:	Natasha Huntrods
Learning & Support:	Debra Mace Vicki Stevenson

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The office is open from 8.30am to 3.15pm

## New Staff

Some of the above names may surprise you. We welcome new appointees Ms Yell, Ms Wilder, Mrs Byrne, Ms Gutjahr and Mrs Canning, and we welcome back Mrs McLachlan. We've also had a name change from Hollingsworth to Pulbrook, and we congratulate Mary on her marriage to long-time partner Steve. Congratulations also to our 2013 counsellor Mrs Willis, who gave birth to a baby boy on 29 January.

## Australia Day Wollondilly

Our School Captain from 2013 Lawson was nominated for a local Australia Day award, and was recognised at the Picton Botanical Gardens. His picture will soon be on our website. Well done to Joan Derks, who was announced Wollondilly Citizen of the Year.

## NRL Anti-Bullying Presentation

Kurt from the NRL and three Wests Tigers players visited Years 1-6 on Monday with a very good message about bullying. There was also time for questions from our students, and even some arm-wrestling! I have been asked to remind all Rugby League fans that the Tigers are playing Penrith in their first pre-season trial this Saturday 8 February at Kirkham Park, Camden.

## School Uniform

Almost 100% of students have begun the year dressed correctly from top to toe. The few exceptions are mainly around socks. I remind families that all socks (grey for boys; white for girls) should cover the ankle.

## Best Start

Kindergarten are having their testing this week, giving us an accurate indication of what skills and talents they bring to "big school". This helps us program lessons to meet each child's needs.

## Meet the Teacher

Your children's teachers look forward to seeing you next Monday 10 February. More information will be sent in a separate note.

## School Swimming Carnival

Notes have already been sent out – please make sure permission notes and payments are returned by the due date for this and all other events. Our new financial management system prevents us from accepting late payments.

## Communicating with your school

While it can be hard for busy parents, staying in contact with the school is important. Communication is one of the key parts of the relationship between the school and home.

Watch this video to find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/communicating-with-your-school>

## Series books to ignite summer reading

Series books can be a great way to get your kids hooked on reading. Reluctant readers and children who struggle with comprehension can also find series books easier to enjoy.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/series-books-to-ignite-summer-re>

## Is your child in a new class without their friends?

At some stage in their school life your child is likely to find themselves in a class without their close friends. It's normal for them to initially feel a little anxious about this, so how should you handle it?

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/new-class-without-their-friends>

## Summer food safety

You can greatly reduce the risk of food poisoning during the summer period by chilling food in the fridge before packing your child's lunch and then putting a frozen drink into their lunchbox. The food will stay about 12 degrees cooler.

Have a look at more school food tips:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/power-foods-for-kids>

It's good to be back - this is going to be a great year!

Stephen Lord

# Thirlmere Public School Community Calendar - Term 1 2014

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1 (Jan)</b>	27	28 School Development Day  Uniform Shop open 10-2	29 Yrs 1-6 return ES1 planning	30 Kindergarten begins St 2 Planning	31 St 1 Planning  House Captain elections
<b>Week 2 (Feb)</b>	3 NRL Tackle Bullying Yrs 1-6 11:30-12:00 St 3 Planning	4 Best Start testing	5	6	7
<b>Week 3 (Feb)</b>	10  Meet the Teacher	11	12 Leaders' Induction	13	14  Zone Basketball Trials
<b>Week 4 (Feb)</b>	17	18 School Swimming Carnival  P&C 6:30	19 Scripture commences  3-6 assembly 2pm	20 School Photos	21 Zone boys & girls soccer trials  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 5 (Feb)</b>	24	25	26	27 Zone Swimming Carnival	28
<b>Week 6 (Mar) Steam Festival 2 March</b>	3	4	5  3-6 assembly 2pm	6	7 WHS Committee Zone AFL Trials  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 7 (Mar)</b>	10	11	12	13 Selective HS test  Footsteps	14 Zone trials: Rugby League; Girls Touch
<b>Week 8 (Mar) Swimming Scheme</b>	17	18 Syd Sth West Swimming  P&C 6:30	19  3-6 assembly 2pm	20 AFL Paul Kelly Cup  DISCO	21 Zone Hockey trials (b&g)  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 9 (Mar) Swimming Scheme</b>	24	25 Kindergarten Bus Safety 11:30am  Zone PSSA - Camden	26	27	28 Zone trials: Netball; Boys Touch
<b>Week 10 (Mar/Apr)</b>	31	1 Stage 3 Bathurst trip	2  3-6 assembly 2pm	3 AFL Paul Kelly Cup Finals	4 Stage 1 Camden Show  Gala Day  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 11 (Apr)</b>	7  Parent-Teacher Interviews	8	9  Grandfriends Day	10	11

# SCHOOL FINANCE

**Payments can be made by CASH ONLY for any money owing!**

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

We thank you for your help during this transition to the new finance system.

Thank you, The Office Ladies.

## Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

### Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten)

*Last Day to Pay: Book Club – Fri 21 Feb*

#### **Notes sent home this week**

School Photos  
Meet the Teacher  
Buddy Reading  
Book Club

### Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

*Last Day to Pay: Swim Carnival – Fri 14 Feb*

*Book Club – Fri 21 Feb*

#### **Notes sent home this week**

Year 2 Only – Swim Carnival Note  
School Photos  
Meet the Teacher  
Buddy Reading  
Book Club

### Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)

*Last Day to Pay : Swim Carnival – Fri 14 Feb*

*Book Club – Fri 21 Feb*

#### **Notes sent home this week**

Swim Carnival Note  
School Photos  
Meet the Teacher  
Buddy Reading  
Book Club

### Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)

*Last Day to Pay: Swim Carnival – 14 Feb*

*Book Club – Fri 21 Feb*

#### **Notes sent home this week**

Swim Carnival Note  
School Photos  
Meet the Teacher  
Buddy Reading  
Book Club

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

## Student Banking

Student Banking will start up again on Tuesday 11 February. We request that student's bank books be put in the frogs mouth on Tuesday each week for processing on Wednesdays.

2014 brings the Commonwealth Bank's online automated service for the first time ever.

The new reward items for 2014 will be on display in the Library for students to view. Term 1 brings the ever popular handball, as well as scented pencils, featuring popcorn and watermelon scents.

## Band News

Established Band will commence on Monday 10 Feb and Beginners Band will commence on Tuesday 11 Feb. Miss Gurnett will send out a note this week which will include a contract and outline the costs involved.

If you would like to join the band or no longer wish to be in the band, please contact Miss Gurnett as soon as possible.

## Uniform News

**School Photos will be taken on Thursday 20 February. Please ensure that all students are in full school uniform. If you require any additional uniform items, please place an order ASAP or attend the uniform shop on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays between 8.30am-9am and 2.30pm-3pm.**

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

Thank you

Amanda Lee



## THIRLMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

### PRICE LIST/ORDER FORM 2014

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	
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	
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>

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 child's class ☐

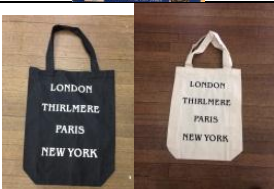

I will collect from the uniform shop ☐

# 125<sup>th</sup> 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 & Waterbottle Set \$12 To be purchased through Uniform Shop	Qty
	125 <sup>th</sup> 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

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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**PATRICIA YVONNE**  
*Academy of Dance  
Drama & Theatre*

*Thirlmere and Bargo Classes Available*

Classical Ballet – Drama- Tap – Jazz – Modern –  
Musical Theatre

Beginners from 3 years to Advanced  
Special classes for Tiny Tots

**Enquires and Registration: Contact Miss Patricia**  
**4647 7728 or 0418 273 115**

**Yerrinbool Bargo Soccer Club – 2014 Registration**

Registration day is Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2014  
Bargo Sports Club Auditorium 10am to 2pm  
Ages from Under 6 to Youth Grade, Ladies & Men's  
For more information please contact  
Registrar – Paul Beech  
Email Address: [registrar@ybsc.com.au](mailto:registrar@ybsc.com.au)  
Phone Number: 0404 048 783  
Website: [www.ybsc.com.au](http://www.ybsc.com.au)  
Club Day 9<sup>th</sup> March 2014 check the website for details

**Picton Rangers Football Club**

**Registration Day**

All ages Boys and Girls, Under 6's to Men and Ladies.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February and 8<sup>th</sup> February 2014 10am-  
2pm**

Hume Oval

Downing St Picton

New players to bring Birth Certificate

Enquiries: [prscpresident@hotmail.com](mailto:prscpresident@hotmail.com)

WOLLONDILLY  
Junior Australian Football Club



**Wollondilly Redbacks Junior AFL Club –  
2014 Player Registrations**

We are currently seeking players for the 2014 season to play  
on Sundays!

Teams will be fielded in the following age groups. Under 9's,  
10's, 11's, 12's and 14's.

We also run an AFL Auskick Clinic for kids aged 4 and up.  
Team Training is on Tuesdays from 5:00pm at Bargo Sports  
Ground.

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