

# Thirlmere Public School

17 September 2014

Term 3 – Week 10



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Back to Reality

Although I enjoyed my time spent experiencing the life of a Director Public Schools NSW, especially witnessing some awesome things that happen in our schools, it's good to be back "home" where we have some awesome things of our own happening. Again, thanks to Mrs Gandy for her leadership and to other staff who have stepped up in my absence.

### Principal's Awards

Congratulations this week to:

Brooke, Charlotte, Laine, Anthony, Damian, Josh, Jasper, Sonny, Portia, Shiloh, Brianna, Sarah and Thomas. Their picture will soon be on our website.

### Fire up the Oval

I trust that everyone who attended enjoyed the great weather that Sunday provided. Although I was unable to attend, I understand that there were lots of fun activities and displays, with the main focus being our local Rural Fire Service Brigade. The idea for this came from our inspirational P&C President Lea Blatch. There is never a dull moment with Lea, and I'm sure that Sunday was no exception.

### State Athletics

Three of our students – Harry (long jump), Mackenzie (shot put) and Luke (100m/200m) – did very well at the Area Carnival, and will be representing Sydney South West at the NSW Championships in Term 4. We congratulate them and wish them well at the next level.

### Rugby League Recognition Assembly

I've seen the pictures and wish I was here to greet our special visitors last week. Johnny Raper and Graeme Langlands in my days of watching football correspond to the Billy Slaters and Paul Gallens of today, and have more than earned their legendary status. I thank Mr Berwick for organising the assembly and our other visitors from the Thirlmere Roosters.

### Public Speaking

We have students from K-6 who have progressed from our in-school competition to representing us at local zone level at Oakdale Public School this week. Best wishes and hopefully no butterflies in the tummy for Elora (Early Stage 1); Jessica (Stage 1); Monique (Stage 2) and Mackenzie (Stage 3).

## Coming Events

18 Sep	<b>Last Day to Pay – Berry Camp</b>
19 Sep	K-2 Assembly Last Day of Term 3
19 Sep	K-2 Assembly Last day Term 3 – <b>CANTEEN CLOSED FOR STOCKTAKE</b>
6 Oct	Labor Day public holiday
Tues 7 Oct	Term 4 begins for students and staff (no pupil free day)
8-10 Oct	Year 5 Camp at Wooglemai
9 Oct	High School "Taster" day for Year 6

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The office is open from 8.30am to  
3.00pm

## Premier's Spelling Bee

Well done to Tyler of Year 4, who has achieved 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Regional level, held last week at Thomas Acres Public School. I know who to go to when I need some proofreading!

## NAPLAN Results

Further to the release of school and individual results last week, any parent/carer of a Year 3 or 5 student who wishes to participate in an in-depth analysis of their child's performance should contact the school to arrange an appointment. The school has access to computer software that provides more information than available via the individual reports sent home.

## Term 4 Calendar

This is attached with this newsletter. Please take time to note school events for next term.

## 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](mailto:thirlmere-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au).

## Kindergarten 2015

Where has the year gone? It is already that time again where I encourage families with children starting Kindergarten in 2015 to collect an application for enrolment from the school office. Staff will commence planning for Kindergarten transition shortly and we would like to ensure we are in contact with as many families as possible.

## Finishing on a Sombre Note

It is with regret that I inform our school community that one of our most well respected casual teachers, Mr Geoff Shaw, is seriously ill. Some of our staff have visited him and, despite the severity of his condition, he is in relatively good spirits. I know that when I next visit I will take the best wishes of the Thirlmere Public School community.

Enjoy Creative Arts Kaleidoscope, the last week of term, and the school holidays with family and friends. Remember to treasure those around you.

Stephen Lord

## Jump Rope for Heart

This year the school will be participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program. This program is a fundraising event that is organised in conjunction with the heart foundation to raise money for their research and health projects. Fundraising is strictly voluntary.

The *Jump Off* will be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October and parents will be invited to come and join in the fun on this day.

Mrs McLachlan

## Uniform News

The shops opening hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 3pm. If you are unable to access the Uniform Shop during these times, orders can be placed through the office.

Please note that the uniform shop can only accept payments by cash or cheque. NO EFTPOS payments can be accepted as we do not have the facility.

Amanda Lee

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## CANTEEN ROSTER

**TERM 3: FRIDAY 19/9 CANTEEN CLOSED**

**TERM 4: 6TH OCTOBER TO 19TH DECEMBER 2014**

MONDAY 6/10:	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
WEDNESDAY 8/10:	Lee-Anne Armstrong, Deb Collings
FRIDAY 10/10:	Joanna-lee Mauro, Mel Moroz, Zoe Stephens
Monday 13/10:	Amanda Lee, Amy white
Wednesday 15/10:	Diane Hunt, Meryl Cooper
Friday 17/10:	Simone Hinton, Tania Willet, Lisa Fava
Monday 20/10:	Mel Ruddiman, Jo Tapp, Alison Tarrant (ORIENTATION)
Wednesday 22/10:	Diane Hunt, Vanessa Zahra
Friday 24/10:	Chris Ahumuda, Monique Liddle, Nicole Lewry
Monday 27/10:	Shannon Apps, Chrsity Greene
Wednesday 29/10:	Louise Shannahan, Lea Blatch
Friday 31/10:	Belinda Kelly, Cindy Hile, Simone Hinton
Monday 3/11:	Lisa Williams, Libby Spencer
Wednesday 5/11:	Diane Hunt, Meryl Cooper
Friday 7/11:	Kerry New, Felicity Saarinen, Nicole Lewry
Monday 10/11:	Joanna-lee Mauro, Shannon Apps
Wednesday 12/11:	Lee-Anne Armstrong, Deb Parker
Friday 14/11:	Simone Hinton, Cindy Hile, Tania Willet
Monday 17/11:	Lea Blatch, Mel Ruddiman
Wednesday 19/11:	Diane Hunt, Vanessa Zahra
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
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: CANTEEN CLOSED</b>	

## Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

### All Students

**Notes Home:**

***Creative Arts Kaleidoscope***

***Last Day to Pay:***

***Jump Rope for Heart – 16 Oct***

### Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

***Last Day to Pay:***

***Sydney Aquarium – 31 Oct***

### Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)

**Notes Home:**

***Berry Medical Form***

***Last Day to Pay:***

***Year 4 Berry Camp – Full Payment 18 Sep***

### Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)

**Notes Home:**

***Wooglemai Medical Form***

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

Be like  
Batman...  
return your  
library books  
before the  
end of term!



**All library books will be due back by the end of term and there will be no borrowing in the last week of school.**

During the holidays we check our books for damages, organise the shelves and prepare the library for Term 4. We need to collect the overdue books so that other children can read them and teachers can access these for their classroom programs. It also means that our beautiful books don't travel with us on holiday and get lost or damaged.

Even though we return our books during the holidays, we do encourage you to keep reading! Visit the **Wollondilly Library** website to access their catalogue and find out when their mobile lending library visits Thirlmere. They also have some great events on over the school holidays.

<http://www.library.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au/my-library>.

Your help, support and understanding is greatly appreciated

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## 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.

**The last day to pay for the Year 4 Berry Camp is tomorrow, Thursday 18 September 2014**

### Band News

**All band fees are now due by Thursday 18 September 2014. Students who have not paid will be withdrawn from band as of Term 4.**

Thank you  
Administration Staff

### FOEI Forms - URGENT

Recently a letter went home to selected families regarding the Family Occupation and Education Index.

The majority of these forms have been returned to the office but we are still waiting on the remainder. **If you haven't returned the form, could you please forward it to the office as soon as possible as this information determines the amount of funding the school will receive.**

If the letter has been misplaced, the ladies in the office can provide you a new one upon request. We thank you for your co-operation in completing the form

### Students on Bronze Level

<b>1R</b> Micheal C				
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### Students on Silver Level

<b>KT</b> Felicity C Dylan T  <b>1M</b> Savannah M Samantha R  <b>1R</b> Jenna L Isaac C	<b>3/4P</b> Johanna H Henry C Laine B  <b>4B</b> Cameron B James B Andrew H Jacob N	<b>4G</b> Madeline C Taylor F Tess M Peter A Zyra B Mitchell C Joshua H Kristopher P Alex V	<b>5G</b> Elliot L Noah R Bohan S	<b>6S</b> Portia S Sam B Harry G
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**Thirlmere Public School Community Calendar**  
**Term 4 2014**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1 (Oct)</b>	6 Labour Day	7	8 Year 5 Wooglemai	9 HS Taster Day	10 →
<b>Week 2 (Oct)</b>	13	14 Jump Rope Jump Off day	15  3-6 assembly 2pm	16 Kinder Orientation interviews	17 →  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 3 (Oct)</b>	20 Student Leader applications - DRAFT	21	22 P&C Meeting 9am	23	24
<b>Week 4 (Oct)</b>	27  Year 4 Berry	28	29  3-6 assembly 2pm	30  Year 6 Disco	31  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 5 (Nov)</b>	3 BAND Tour	4	5	6	7
<b>Week 6 (Nov)</b>	10 Student Leader applications to Steve  Last week for library borrowing.	11	12 Student Leader peer vote  3-6 assembly 2pm	13	14 WHS Committee 8:25am  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 7 (Nov)</b>	17  All library books to be returned this week.	18 Kinder Orientation – visit with parents  P&C Meeting 6:30pm	19	20	21 Reports to Stage Leaders  Year 6 Mini Fair
<b>Week 8 (Nov)</b>	24	25 Kinder Orientation – information session Last Merits to Office Life Ed program begins	26  3-6 assembly 2pm	27	28 S1 Sydney Aquarium  K-2 assembly 2pm
<b>Week 9 (Dec)</b>	1 Reports to Steve for signing Last principals awards given	2 All banners and Princ awards to office	3 Life Ed program ends HS Orientation Day	4 Parent Helpers Morning Tea	5 Gold Reward Day
<b>Week 10 (Dec)</b>	8  Library stocktake begins and continues until end of term.	9 Year 6 to Jamberoo Kindergarten to Symbio	10 Final Scripture lessons & morning tea for teachers  Reports printed	11  Year 6 Farewell	12 Presentation Day
<b>Week 11 (Dec)</b>	15 Reports sent home	16 Gold Medal Assembly	17 Talent Quest  Last day for students	18 School Development Days	19 →



## **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 ☐

# 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 – <b>Now In Stock</b>  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

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](mailto: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.*



# ORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS



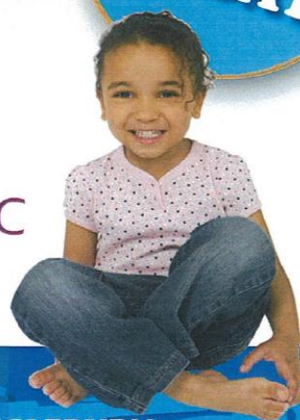
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**Camden Rotary 24Hr Relay for Life is being held  
September 20<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>.**

Several Students from Thirlmere Primary School will be participating in the relay. Former teacher Mr John Saunderson has been an advocate of this event and will be remembered in the memorial on Saturday night.

Their team is: **The Wollondilly Walk Warriors.**

These students include

Hannah Nicholson KP

Brianna Dodd 1R

Monique Moroz 4B

Kristina Dodd 5/6B

Ashden Leguizamon...1R

As well as past Thirlmere Students and other local families.

We are trying to raise \$3000 as a team.

Can you help us reach this goal ? All Donations gladly accepted  
We have raffle tickets available and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible, and are available for purchase from the students parents, or any of the registered walkers on our team.

We are also hoping to have a few silent auctions on the day, contact me if you can help.

Come and visit us on the weekend! Lots of stalls, raffles and activities at a carnival like event to raise money for cancer research.

Contact me for more information Belinda 0425246616



Come to Playgroup and meet others in a relaxed and friendly environment.

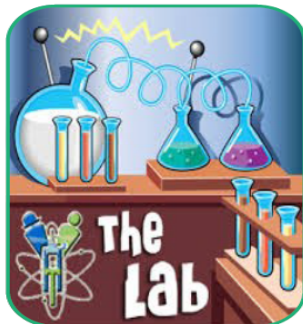
A Playgroup is a place for you and your children aged 0-6 to have fun, make new friends and develop skills through play.

Thirlmere Playgroup  
Thirlmere Public School Hall  
Cnr Goodlet & Mason Streets  
Thirlmere  
Mondays 10am



# Spring Holiday Activities

@ your library



## Travelbugs Mobile Mini-beasts

Join us for a hands-on mini-beast experience not to be forgotten. Colourful stick insects, centipedes, giant cockroaches, spiders, scorpions and more.....Come if you dare!

**Date:** Wednesday 24th Sept 2014  
**Venue:** Wollondilly Shire Hall  
**Time:** 2.30 - 3.30pm  
**Ages:** 5 -12 yrs



## CSI Lab- Catch a Thief

In this forensic workshop you will uncover the mystery of the stolen goods and catch a criminal! Collect evidence and find clues using forensic techniques such as fingerprinting etc.

**Date:** Monday 29th Sept 2014  
**Venue:** Wollondilly Shire Hall  
**Time:** 9.30 - 10.30am  
**Ages:** 8+

## Pizza & Gaming Night

Play a range of games on the Xbox or Wii, including Halo and Super Smash Bros Brawl. Pizza, lollies, chips and drinks provided.

**Date:** Tuesday 30th September 2014  
**Venue:** Picton Library  
**Time:** 5.00-7.00pm  
(Library closed to public)  
**Ages:** 8+



## Papercrafts

Join us for a morning making some paper crafts. Choose 'Minecraft' paper craft or a 'Dress-Up Paper Doll' - or why not a bit of both?

**Date:** Thursday 2nd Oct 2014  
**Venue:** Picton Library  
**Time:** 10:30 am - 12:00pm  
**Ages:** 5+



All activities cost \$5.00. Under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult.  
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