

Thirlmere Public School

30 November 2016

Term 4 – Week 8



Principal's Message

Mini Fair

Congratulations to Miss Wilder, Mrs Stewart and the Year 6 students for their outstanding organisation of the mini fair last Friday. A great day was had by all. The stalls ran smoothly and the children thoroughly enjoyed all events.

A huge thanks to all our parent helpers on the day as well. Without your continued support and attendance, days like these could not occur. Your children loved having you there and so did we.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mrs Huntrods who through the interview process has successfully gained a fulltime teaching position at Thirlmere Public School (subject to a 10 day appeal process). Mrs Huntrods is an outstanding teacher who has been working with us as a temporary teacher for many years and it is with great excitement that we welcome her to our team on a permanent basis. Congratulations Mrs Huntrods!

The weeks ahead

As you are all well aware the weeks ahead are very busy with end of year events and celebrations. It is important however to remember that we are still learning and most classes are continuing as normal. Please remind your children each morning when they come to school, that the same rules around respect, safety and cooperation still exist. Any child who chooses to break school rules will be dealt with according to school policy and procedures. It has been a great year, let's not spoil it now.

2017 Student Numbers

As we begin to work on class structures for 2017, it is important that we have a clear idea of our anticipated enrolment numbers in each grade. So if you are intending to move areas/schools in 2017 can you please notify the school office ASAP. Without this information it is very difficult to adequately plan.

Coming Events

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| 2 Dec | All books to be returned to Library for Stocktake
K-2 Assembly |
| 5 Dec | Last Day for Student Banking
Presentation Assembly 10am |
| 6 Dec | Kindergarten Symbio Excursion
PHS Yr 7 2017 Orientation 9am-12pm |
| 7 Dec | Junior Choir to perform at St Stephens Church 10.30am |
| 8 Dec | Yr 6 Farewell 6pm |
| 9 Dec | Gold Reward Day |
| 12 Dec | Stage 1 Science Centre Excursion |
| 13 Dec | Yr 6 Jamberoo Excursion |
| 14 Dec | Gold Medal Assembly |
| 15 Dec | Russ the Story Bus |
| 16 Dec | Talent Quest 10am
Last Day for Students |

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**The office is open from
8.30am to 3.00pm**

Class requests for 2017

If you have any special requests regarding your child's class placement next year, you must put it in writing and hand it to the office addressed to Mrs Whitfield. Please be aware **no requests** for specific teachers will be accommodated. Only special circumstances and appropriate requests will be considered. No guarantees will be given, however we will do our best.

Kind regards
Lisa Whitfield

Principal's Awards

Ryan F, Bryannon C, Isabella L, Demi A*3, Mia S*3, Jenna L, Evelyn S, Monique M, Patrick P, Zion C, Kelinda E, Chloe F, Hayden C, Rosalie T, Keira J, Ruby C, Jacob N, Rhianna J, Emily C, Jemah F, Olivia S, Monique R

Band Information Night

Thank you to all the parents and students who attended the established band information night. It was wonderful to see such a large number of students interested in joining the beginners band. Notes distributed on the night need to be handed in as soon as possible. Students interested in playing the drums, keyboard or bass guitar will be notified next week in writing as to whether they can play this instrument as there is a limit of two students for keyboard, bass guitar and drums. Students who are unable to play the instrument of their choice can choose another or go on the waiting list for the following year.

If you were unable to attend and are still interested, notes are available through the office.

Mrs Byrne

School Student Transport Scheme(Bus Pass) Applications

Transport for NSW(TfNSW) are now accepting applications for 2017. We encourage all students who will be commencing Kindergarten in 2017 to apply now. The link to apply for a bus pass is:

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/howtoApply>

TfNSW have also advised that any student with an expiring bus pass at the end of 2016 should apply to update their details prior to 31 December 2016. This applies to all students who are;

- currently in Year 2 and Year 6,
- have changed address, or
- have approval on special circumstances.

The link to update student details is

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

After 31 December 2016 students must apply for a new pass at

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/howtoApply>

Completed forms must be printed, signed, dated and sent to the school for verification.

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4 2016

Thank you to all of our volunteers. We still have a couple of spots to fill. Please contact Vanessa on 0408 650 319 if you can help out!

Date	Names	
Fri 2 Dec	Belinda Kelly	Cindy Hile
Mon 5 Dec	Angela Lyth	Julie Bird
Wed 7 Dec	Di Hunt Nicole Hepburn	Meryl Cooper
Fri 9 Dec	Canteen Closed – Movie Reward Day	
Mon 12 Dec	Sarah Fishpool	Lani Nairn
Wed 14 Dec	Lee-Anne Armstrong	Cindy Hile
Fri 16 Dec	CLOSED- Last Day of School	

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Gold Medal Presentation Day

The Gold Medal Presentation Day will be held on Wednesday **14 December 2016**. All awards that are to contribute toward Banners and Gold Medals should have already been handed in. Any Principal's Awards and Banners handed in from now on will be held over till next year.

Joggers Club

This week is the last week that Joggers Club is running for 2016. Congratulations to all of the students that have taken time on a Tuesday or Wednesday morning to run laps around the back playground. Any student that is due a certificate will receive them at the Monday morning assembly in week 10. We will also be announcing the students that have run the most laps this year, for each stage.

Mrs McLachlan

SCHOOL FINANCE & OFFICE NEWS

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 system will not allow payments to be processed after the date. This will avoid any disappointment for your child.

EVENT	COST OF EVENT	YEAR	LAST DAY TO PAY
Year 6 Farewell	\$40 per parent	Year 6	1 December 2016
Jamberoo Action Park	\$50	Year 6	6 December 2016

Band

Band Fees for Term 4 have now been invoiced. The fees are as follows:

Established Band - \$145

Beginners Band - \$145

All Band Fees are now overdue. Please pay immediately as the tutor requires payment.

Notes Sent Home

Kindergarten

- Home Readers Due Back

Stage 2

- Multicultural Day

Stage 3

- PHS 2017 BYOD Parent Information-Year 6
- Jamberoo Excursion-Year 6
- Year 7 2017 Orientation Day-Year 6

All Students

- Presentation Day

Selected Students

- Beginners Band 2017
- Band Contract 2017

Thank you
Administration Staff

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Education
Public Schools



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Lisa Whitfield
Principal,
Thirlmere Public School,
16/11/2016

Dear Lisa,

I write to you following the recent Thirlmere Public School visit to Wooglemmai Environmental Education Centre. The group was lead by their teachers, Mrs Cheny Collins and Ms Gaby Gutjhar.

I would firstly like to commend Cheny and Gaby for their organisation of the camp and their professional approach to working with the staff of Wooglemmai EEC. Camping programs require precise planning and organization as well as excellent student management. The staff were supremely organised for the camp and made sure that all student needs were not just met but exceeded. The Thirlmere staff offered collegial support and cooperation that made our job much less difficult than it might have otherwise been. It was obvious that both the quality of the program we ran together and the welfare of the students under their care were of paramount importance to the staff. I was extremely impressed with the teacher/ student interaction and how well the students responded to Cheny and Gaby. I rarely see such a comfortable, professional relationship and personalised attention to each student's needs.

During their stay, the students made a lasting impression on all members of the EEC staff that they met. The students communicated well, were friendly, enthusiastic and very pleasant to deal with. They engaged fully in all educational and recreational activities and followed all instructions and requests respectfully. They were the best possible ambassadors your school might possibly hope to present to the community.

I consider it to have been a privilege to spend time with such professional staff members and excellent students and thought it appropriate to relate to you my feelings in this regard. I look forward to continued contact with the staff and students of Thirlmere Public School in 2017.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Nicoll

Peter Nicoll
Principal
Wooglemmai Environmental Education Centre

Parenting *ideas* INSIGHTS

Building parent-school partnerships

WORDS Michael Grose

Making the most of these holidays

Often family differences are contained during the year but spill over when normal routines cease over the holiday period.

You don't need an instruction manual to make the most of the school holidays. After all, holidays are about kicking your feet up, relaxing and getting away from the usual routines. Right?

But the holiday season can be stressful. For many parents the prospect of keeping children occupied for up to six weeks can be daunting. Kids who kept busy with school, after school activities and weekend sport suddenly have time on their hands and look to you to keep them busy.

Christmas can also be a difficult and lonely time for some. Sole parents and step-parents usually experience particular challenges at this time of the year as family catch-ups cause conflict, and disputes can arise over who children spend their time with.

Often family differences are contained during the year but spill over when normal routines cease over the holiday period. High maintenance children whose behaviour is bearable when they are at school can suddenly seem very challenging indeed when you spend 24/7 time with them.

Here are some ways to help reduce tension over the festive season and make the holidays enjoyable and fruitful for all.

1 Be creative with how festivities are organised

For instance, two or more Christmas dinners may be needed so everyone is included. If you are flexible with your arrangements as well as your thinking then the potentially tricky times will flow more easily.

2 Mix up the routines

The best part about holidays is the move away from the routines of school-life. Some kids feel comfortable with the routines of school-life and can feel a little lost until the new holiday routine kicks in. Be patient with these routine-junkies! Also make sure you begin adjusting the routine as a return to school comes closer so kids are prepared for going to bed and getting up at earlier times.

3 Mix 'me' time with 'them' time

Plan a mixture of outdoor activities or trips with quiet at-home activities where you can relax and recharge your own batteries. The holidays are a chance to spend time as a family but you also need to take some time for yourself each day. It helps to let your kids know that you are having some timeout too.

4 Resist being your child's home entertainment machine

Give children opportunities to keep themselves occupied or think of

inexpensive, fun ways to keep themselves amused. "I'm bored" is an invitation for kids to keep themselves occupied rather than for you to keep them amused.

5 Team up with other families

Whether it is sharing celebrations with other families or just holidaying with friends, holidays offer the chance to broaden your child's social circle. Create opportunities to spend time with other families preferably with children the same age as yours.

Make sure you provide the three types of activities that children want with their parents – i.e. **rituals and celebrations**, including family mealtimes; **one-on-one activities** where you spend some time alone with each child; and unstructured, **impromptu activities** such as playing simple games, story-telling and walks around the neighbourhood. These are important relationship-building activities that bind families together and enable you to build up emotional collateral with kids as they move into adolescence.

Michael Grose



Stay one step ahead of your kids with great ideas & expert advice from Michael Grose. Join Michael's **NEW Parentingideas Club** today at parentingideasclub.com.au. You'll be so glad you did.





THIRLMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP **PRICE LIST/ORDER FORM 2016**

August 2016

ITEM	SIZES	PRICE	QTY
Wide brim hat	XS/S, S/M, M/L, L/XL	\$11	
Girls Summer dress	4,6,8,10,12,14	\$50	
Girls Winter tunic	4,6,8,10,12,14	\$46	
Polo shirt short sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20,22	\$18	
Polo shirt long sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$20	
Microfibre jacket	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$37	
Zip cardigan	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$24	
Emblem jumper	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$19	
Grey cargo shorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$19	
Girls skorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$22	
Sport shorts	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$18	
Sports shirt short sleeve	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$23	
Microfibre track pants	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$26	
Fleecy track pants (with cuff)	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$18	
Fleecy trackpants (straight leg)	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$18	
Grey trousers	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$20	
Girls bootleg pants	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$20	
Girls dress pant	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	\$22	
Skivvy	4,6,8,10,12	\$11	
Gloves	One Size	\$3	
Tights	4-6yrs, 7-10yrs, 11-14yrs	\$11	
Polar fleece scarf	One size	\$6	
Ankle socks (pack 5)	9-12, 13-3, 2-8 grey or white	\$17	
Art smock	One size	\$15	
Football socks	9-2, 2-7, 7-10	\$12	
School badge		\$10	
Excursion Bag & Drink Bottle	Sold as a set ONLY	\$12	
		TOTAL	\$

Child's 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 ☐



Actors, Singers & Dancers

!!Now Booking for 2017!! For Ages 18 months to adult.

LIMITED SPACES LEFT

Drama/Acting *Singing* *Dance*
 Boys Hip Hop *Preschool* *Adult classes*
 Personal Training AND *The Agency*

Class numbers are strictly limited. Saturday classes available.
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0415 995 225 or www.s-t-a-d-s.com

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THIRLMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL HALL
 MONDAY AND THURSDAY AFTERNOONS

BALLET- SPEECH & DRAMA – TAP – JAZZ
 MODERN – LYRICAL BALLET
 HIP HOP - MUSICAL THEATRE

Students trained for EDTA Examinations & Stagecraft
 Beginners from 4yrs to Advanced



*Bootcamp @ Thirlmere School – Mon & Thurs 5.30pm, Sat 8.00am Suitable for all ages and fitness levels – 1 Hr sessions include strength, cardio, balance, core and flexibility training. Quality instruction and modifications provided in required.

Other services include

* Kids Bootcamp @ Bargo oval for “non-sporty” 9-13 yr olds – Wed 4.30-5.15pm

* Mums & Bubs @ Hume oval, Picton – Wed 9.45-10.30am

* Mobile Personal Trainer – available for 1 on 1 or small group training at your house or local park

“Everyone needs some exercise in their life. As we age, strength training becomes even more important to maintain healthy bones and muscles. It is never too late to start. Come and join us.”

Please contact Jackie for further information 0414 703 281

Or on FB “Jackies Fitness 2 You”





Picton Tennis Club

Downing St. Picton

January 2017 Tennis Camps

For ages 5 – 12

Week 1: Tues 10th, Wed 11th, Thurs 12th Jan

Week 2: Tues 17th, Wed 18th, Thurs 19th Jan

Week 3: Mon 23rd, Tus 24th, Wed 25th Jan

Times: 9am-3pm (supervision 830am-330pm)

Full Day: \$30pp. Half Day: \$25pp.

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

\$20 per camp pp if you book & pay before

Wednesday 4th January 2017

Email: pictonta@gmail.com

Tel: 0432 700 178

Thirlmere Parents!

The Baby Clinic is at risk of closure and needs your help, please!

If you would like to keep this free resource in your community and school, please either phone, email or write to:

Jai Rowel, State Member for Wollondilly.

Ph: 46 83 2622; email:

Wollondilly@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Angus Taylor, Federal Member for Hume.

Ph: 1300 301 826

Email: Angus.Taylor.MP@aph.gov.au

Come and speak to the Baby Nurse!

Thank you



THIRLMERE TAHMOOR JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

2017 REGISTRATION

Come and play footy for the
MIGHTY ROOSTERS!

The Thirlmere Tahmoor Junior Rugby League Club is currently taking registrations for the 2017 season. Come be part of a successful club and play Rugby League!

REGISTER ONLINE NOW!

Early bird prices apply now until the end of January

To register visit:

www.ttjrl.com

and follow the link!



**Under 6s -
FREE REGISTRATION!**



LATE NIGHT SHOPPING IN PICTON

- **Wednesday 30th November 2016**
 - **open till 9pm**
- **Wednesday 14th December 2016**
 - **open till 9pm**

Many of Picton's shops will be opening for special pre-Christmas shopping nights on the 30th November and 14th December 2016.

Traders hope to encourage residents, their families and friends to shop in Picton, by buying local and help bring support back to the local businesses.

Winners of the school decorating competition will be announced on the night by a special guest.



PICTON COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROLS



6pm Saturday 3rd December

Victoria Park, Menangle Street. Gates open 5pm for 6pm start.

BBQ and drinks will be on sale.

Hosted by Picton Uniting Church in conjunction with

St. Anthony's Primary School & St Marks Anglican Church



Thank you to our Sponsors:

Picton Mall | Bendigo Bank | Wollondilly Council | Picton Bowling Club | Picton Rotary

Elders Real Estate

Christmas Toy Drive.

Brand new, Unwrapped toys needed to
brighten the lives of less fortunate children
this Christmas.

Elders Picton is proudly supporting Wollondilly Links this Christmas in
order to help the lives of local residents.

Please bring all to donations to

Elders Real Estate Picton.

8/2 Margaret Street,

Picton.

Monday thru Friday 8:30am – 5:30pm

We are accepting donations now until the 16th of December.

For further information please call our office on 46 771 958.

We thank you for your continued support.



It's time!
FOR A CHRISTMAS
PICNIC
at the Country Club
Sunday 4th December
10am – 4pm

FREE
entry
for all!

Don't miss
the special
visit from
Santa himself
11am – 1pm

Christmas
Picnic Lunch
from 11am

Sydney Funk Duo
will be singing
Christmas carols &
easy listening vibes
12pm – 4pm

Let the kids have a
jolly time on the
38ft Obstacle
Course
10am – 3pm

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