



Thirlmere Public School

Newsletter

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Coming Up

TERM 4 WEEK 10

12 DECEMBER 2017

Week 10

Wed 13 Dec

- Yr 6 Jamboree 7.30am - 4.30pm
- Volunteer Thank you Morning Tea 9.30am

Thu 14 Dec

- Talent Quest

Fri 15 Dec

- Last day for students

Week 11

Mon 18 Dec

- Staff Development Day- No Students

2018

Term 1 Week 1

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Mon 29 Jan

- Staff Development Day- No Students
- Uniform Shop open 10am-2pm

Tue 30 Jan

- Year 1-6 Return

Wed 31 Jan

- Kindergarten First Day: Start-9.15am Finish-2.30pm

Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that this is our last newsletter for 2017. I feel like I have blinked and the year has gone. Overall, 2017 has been a great year, with many highs and successes. There was also odd struggle as we learned to manage our changes in direction whilst ensuring we value what we love about our school. I'm certain 2018 will be even bigger and brighter.

There are many people I would like to thank for their efforts during the year:

- The students of Thirlmere Public School who make each day a joy to come to work. Your manners, smiles and hard work are a credit to you and your families.
- Parents, Carers and the community who work in partnership with us to help make our children the best they can be.
- P&C who work so hard to make our school a better place. You truly go above and beyond.
- Staff who teach our children and work to maximise each child's potential while caring for their welfare. Our staff are a great team who collaborate to make sure our students have as many opportunities as possible.
- The Administration staff who greet people with a smile and work hard in the background to make sure that events run smoothly.
- The Cleaners and our GA who make our school a pleasant place to be.
- The Executive team who lead our school in the direction we know will be the best for our children.

I would also like to say a huge thank you and farewell to two very valued teachers. Miss Lang will not be returning in 2018 as she has decided to embrace the travel bug and has been successful in gaining a teaching position in London for 2018. Ms Jankovic is also going to follow her heart next year and move to Queensland to be closer to her family. A sad farewell to Mrs Natasha Peacock from the office who has been successful in gaining fulltime employment in 2018. I would also like farewell Miss Brittney Phillips, one of our most valued casual teachers who leaves us to take on a long term temp position at another school. We wish them all the best of luck in their new adventures.

Year 6 Graduation

Congratulations to our wonderful graduating class of 2017! Thursday night was a very special evening, celebrating the end of seven years of schooling. I have never seen a more spectacular Year 6 Graduation in all my years as a teacher. The children looked incredible. The room was decorated with such thought and effort put into every detail that I felt like I was attending a wedding, not a school event. An extra special thank you to our Year 6 teachers, Miss Gutjahr and Ms Moutos. The effort that went into the event is second to none; our students and families are very lucky to have you touch the lives of these incredible students.

A very big thank you to Mr and Mrs Parker, Mrs Kennedy with Harry, Mrs Boon with Kurtis, Ms Mardesic, Ms Williams and Ms Laidlaw for helping organise the event at Bargo Sports Club as well as all the other parents who contributed throughout the year with fundraising. A special thank you also to Mrs Lewry for the fabulous graduation cake.

We could not be more proud of the group of students who are about to embark on the journey ahead. On behalf of all the teachers and students at Thirlmere Public School we wish you all the very best for your future.

Thank you everyone for a wonderful year. Happy holidays and please stay safe.

Regards,
Lisa Whitfield
Principal



Payments Due

Term 4 Band Fees are now due.

Term 3 Band Fees are now overdue-please pay immediately.

Science Fair

The 2017 UOW Illawarra Coal Science Fair was a tremendous success, with over 1000 students from 84 primary and high schools attending on the day and a record-breaking 590 projects on show. This year our very own Jimmy Tzortzis and Tsehay Hawkins represented Thirlmere P.S.

There was so much positive feedback from the judges on the standard of work being presented, so students should be very proud of what they have achieved. Jimmy received a highly commended award for his project on Solar Power and Tsehay received a participation certificate for her project on Insulation. A massive congratulations to both students who were fabulous ambassadors for our school.

Mrs Tann

Notes Home

Stage 1

- 2K Secret Santa

Enrolments 2018

It is that time again when we are looking at classes and teachers for next year. However, before we do that, we need to establish our enrolment numbers. We ask that you please inform the office if;

- you are moving out of the area
- you have a child who is starting Kindergarten in 2018 and you have not already enrolled, or
- you know of any families who are moving into the area and intend to enrol their children at Thirlmere Public School. Please ask them to contact the school also.

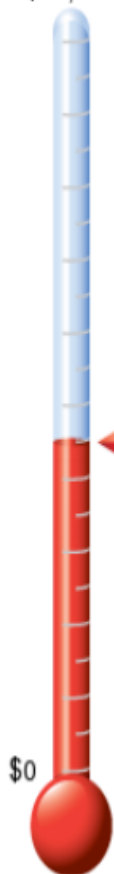
Principal's Awards

Krai E, Katie R, Thomas A, Cooper I, Lucas P, Abbey B, William V, Ruby C, Bryce P, Karl Erik A, Darcy P, Jenna L, Annise B, Cooper R, Finley W, Daisy W, Aisata B, Imogen R, Mara L, Daniel H, Jimmy T, Elissa Y, Eve S, Jayden B, Kaylum B, Grace S, and Holly R



Fundraising Goal

Goal
\$10,000



\$4,460
Raised

\$0



Dance Concert Program - Dance2bfit

28th Nov 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are having the Dance2bfit Program at our school in Term 2 2018. The Program is energetic, innovative and a fun way for our students to get fit, learning the latest dance styles to great music tracks. This is a great program to improve the fitness levels of students while they are having a fun time. Dance2bfit will be preparing our students for their 2018 Concert Performance which will focus on the theme of World Cultures. Students will learn dances from around the world.

Dance2bfit has been developed specifically for NSW Primary Schools under the PDHPE syllabus. Each class will learn a professionally choreographed dance routine suitable for their age and ability level as well as develop their confidence and skill in this area of the Arts.

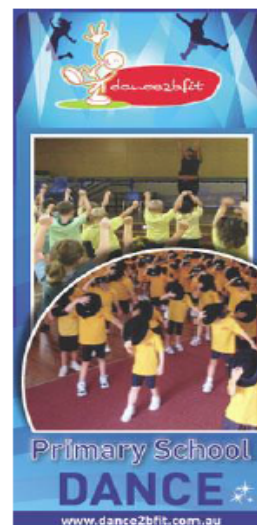
For your child to participate you will need to complete the permission note which will be handed out at the beginning of the year and pay \$40 to the school by Week 9 2018. Family Discount: only two children in a family pay. Students will learn their class performance routine, a whole school finale item and rehearse both of these items throughout the term.

We hope that all students are able to participate in this program.

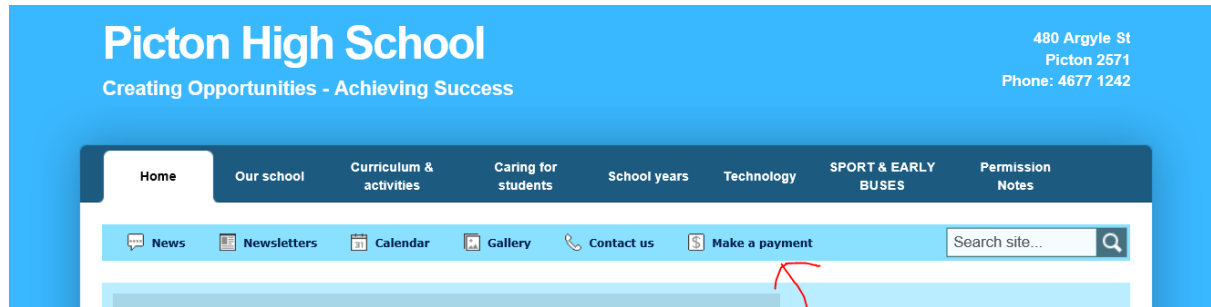
Kind regards,

Mrs Lisa Whitfield
Principal

Mrs Desi Karolis
Program Coordinator



Dear Picton High School Parents for 2018,
 Anyone wanting to pay school fees, buy book packs and pay for camp can beat the queues by paying securely online through our website link.
 Go to our Picton High School website at: <http://www.picton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/> and then click on 'Make a payment'. Any questions about finances please contact our front office at 4677 1242.



Millennium Marching Band

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE 2018 NSWPS MILLENNIUM MARCHING BAND!

The NSW Public Schools Millennium Marching Band is one of The Arts Unit's many ensembles within the Department of Education. It is a dynamic group full of energy and drive with a focus on fun and entertainment. The Marching Band provides a unique opportunity for students from Year 7 to Year 12 (Year 6 in Term 4) to make new friends and perform both nationally and internationally. Rehearsals are one weekend each month at Cumberland High School, Carlingford.

This youtube link shows students an insight into what the band is all about. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zSCwbjK17sA>

You can also see more photos and videos of the band at <https://www.facebook.com/nswmmb/>

APPLY TODAY

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/music/music-ensembles/millennium-marching-band>

If you have any queries please email katrina.andrus@det.nsw.edu.au or call 0409 929 908.

Canteen Roster

We encourage and welcome new volunteers to our Canteen roster. We are one of the last schools in the district to have a fully volunteer- run canteen. Because of this, the price of our food is lower and all the profits go back to the school. It is a good way to meet other parents and grandparents whilst serving interesting and healthy food to the students of Thirlmere PS. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Roster Co-ordinator, Vanessa Zahra on 0408 650 319 or mummavz@yahoo.com.au.

Term 4 - 2017

Week 10			
Wed 13 December	Theresa Young	Lani Nairn	
Fri 15 Dec	CLOSED- Last day of term		

Term 1 - 2018

Week 1			
Wed 31 Jan	Lee-Anne Armstrong	Deb Parker	
Fri 2 Feb	Lea Blatch	Felicity Sneddon	Annie Down
Week 2			
Mon 5 Feb	Sarah Fishpool	Lani Nairn	
Wed 7 Feb	Di Hunt	Meryl Cooper	
Fri 9 Feb	Mel Anderson	Joe Anderson	Michelle Ferguson
Week 3			
Mon 12 Feb	Julie Bird	Amber Shortus	
Wed 14 Feb	Cindy Hile	Volunteer needed	
Fri 16 Feb	Sam Letic	Tracy Digger	Volunteer needed
Week 4			
Mon 19 Feb	Kathryn Davidson	Amanda Lee	
Wed 21 Feb	Lani Nairn	Millie Achis	
Fri 23 Feb	Bianca Long	Jess Hayes	Volunteer needed
Week 5			
Mon 26 Feb	Bianca Lace	Neen Donnelly	
Wed 28 Feb	Fiona Groves	Cindy Hile	
Fri 2 March	Lea Blatch	Annie Down	Volunteer needed
Week 6			
Mon 5 March	Alison Tarrant	Amber Shortus	
Wed 7 March	Di Hunt	Meryl Cooper	
Fri 9 March	Kristy Sharp	Mel Anderson	Joe Anderson
Week 7			
Mon 12 March	Amanda Lee	Kathryn Davidson	
Wed 14 March	Lee-Anne Armstrong	Lisa Boyce	
Fri 16 March	Tracy Digger	Annelie Davis	Lani Nairn
Week 8			
Mon 19 March	Sarah Fishpool	Amber Shortus	
Wed 21 March	Cindy Hile	Millie Achis	
Fri 23 March	Mel Moroz	Deb Collings	Volunteer needed
Week 9			
Mon 26 March	Bianca Lace	Neen Donnelly	
Wed 28 March	Lani Nairn	Tracy Digger	
Fri 30 March	CLOSED	PUBLIC	HOLIDAY
Week 10			
Mon 2 April	CLOSED	PUBLIC	HOLIDAY
Wed 4 April	Di Hunt	Meryl Cooper	
Fri 6 April	Mel Anderson	Joe Anderson	Volunteer needed
Week 11			
Mon 9 April	Julie Bird	Amber Shortus	
Wed 11 April	Deb Parker	Fiona Groves	
Fri 13 April	CLOSED	LAST DAY	CLOSED

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MULTI SPORTS HOLIDAY CAMPS



Picton Tennis Club

5 Camps from 8th Dec through to 25th Jan

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The Beach Bus 2018

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The Beach Bus is a hop on, hop off bus service for all ages running one day a week in January. Running from Warragamba to Wilton to Wollongong North Beach, & now includes Appin, there will be a pick up at a bus stop near you.

For more info contact Council on 4677 9613 or youth@wollondilly.nsw.gov.au

Please note that this is an unsupervised bus. There will be no supervision at any of the venues.



Wollondilly
Shire Council

Kids in the park



Sydney's largest school holiday program, Kids in the Park, returns this summer school holidays! There are 50+ fun-filled activities to keep kids active, outdoors and entertained. A range of activities are free or under \$25, making it affordable to discover Sydney's most exciting playground, Sydney Olympic Park, this holidays.

Archery – School Holiday Programs
All Day Holiday Recreational Program
Science and writing workshops
Gymnastics
Mega Mix Circus & Flying Trapeze

DrumzBuzz Dragon Drumming
Sports Star and Dance Star
Sport & adventure camps
Kids in the Park Film Festival
.....and lots more

Full details at www.kidsinthepark.com.au

It would be greatly appreciated if you could include the above activities in your school newsletter.

Kind regards

Sydney Olympic Park Team

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