



# THORPDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL 2966

## NEWSLETTER

Our School Values are: Respect, Learning, Honesty, Fairness and Community

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### CALENDAR

**TERM 2 {Apr 18th - June 30th}**

#### June

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| <b>Tues 6th</b>  | - Cluster Stem Day             |
| <b>Mon 12th</b>  | - Queen's Birthday (no school) |
| <b>Wed 21st</b>  | - P/1 Wheelies Day             |
| <b>Thur 22nd</b> | - 2/3 Wheelies Day             |
| <b>Fri 23rd</b>  | - 4/5/6 Wheelies Day           |
| <b>Tues 27th</b> | - Fire Brigade visit           |
| <b>Fri 30th</b>  | - End of Term 2 (early finish) |

#### Notes sent home this week:

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| Munchies (potato) | - Due Wed 14th June |
| 3/4 Camp          | - Due Fri 16th June |
| P/1/2/3 Excursion | - Due Wed 28th June |

Munchies helper next week  
Sharmaine McQualter



Charlotte Wright



#### Woolworths MARVEL HEROES

Grade P/1/2 are collecting the MARVEL HEROES from Woolworths as a classroom set for the children to play with. Please drop in any unwanted MARVEL HEROES to either the office or P/1/2 classroom.



#### THANK YOU:

Thank you to all our students who helped clean up some of our fallen Autumn leaves. They did a great job on the basketball court. We also had Steve Letch and Helen Porch come in over the weekend to do a second clean up of leaves around the asphalt and concreted areas. This has made these areas so much safer for everyone. The down side is we still have a couple more weeks of leaves falling before the leaf downpour is over. If you have some spare time, we'd appreciate more help to clean them up.



#### Thorpdale Tennis AGM -

Monday 17th July 7pm at the Fire Station

Please ensure you pop this date in your calendars. All parents of 2017 players and prospective parents need to attend - it shouldn't be a long meeting. Enquiries or apologies to Paul McLure (President).



#### Principal's Prattle

We had a nice quiet day on Monday with nothing happening outside of our normal classroom, but the same can not be said for Tuesday as we hosted all of the Year 5/6 students from our fellow cluster schools. All in all we had close to a hundred extra people at our little school on Tuesday and it was absolutely wonderful to see all the students from throughout the cluster get along so well. Unfortunately Winter has definitely arrived and the kids have been stuck inside during some of their play times. On that note could I please remind all our families to check out your child's/ren's shoes to ensure that they are okay for the upcoming winter. I have had to repair 3 pairs of shoes this week with tape and unfortunately the tape doesn't last very long. Thanks. :)

**CLUSTER STEM DAY:** A very successful day was had at Thorpdale on Tuesday when approximately 90 Year 5/6 students descended on the school to have our second STEM cluster day event. The weather was very kind to us and enabled all the kids to get out and explore and play in a different setting. Our four cluster coaches did a great job organising the activities and all the students were extremely engaged throughout the day. Thank you to all the teachers and staff from across the cluster for the assistance they gave our coaches and helping out with the baked potato lunch.

**YEAR 7 SCHOOL PREFERENCE:** Just a reminder to our Year 6 parents that they need to return the form sent home recently about your child's Secondary School preference. This needs to be returned to school ASAP. Thanks.

**QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY:** Don't forget that we have a public holiday on Monday 12th of June.

**BUS TRAVELLERS:** Just another reminder about students who are on the bus list. If your child is not meant to go on the bus can you please ensure that we know about this at school. This ensures that we do not spend time holding up the bus looking for a child who has already left the school. We now have a permanent list and a casual list: if your child is on the casual list you must let us know that they will be on the bus and for our permanent bus travellers, parents must let us know when they will not be on the bus. If a child, who to our knowledge is meant to be on the bus is not there our protocol will now see us making phone calls to ensure that they are safe with their parents. This will eliminate any issues or uncertainties regarding our bus travellers.

## Principal's Awards

**Charlotte Durkin:** you have received this award because of the super way you have been treating your friends at school of late. You have been a really good role model. Well done, Charlie!

**Will Donald:** you have received this award because of the wonderful way you helped out your fellow students when playing football. You shared the ball around and encouraged all your fellow footballers. Well done, Will!

**Jacob McKay:** you have received this award because of the great way you showed your community spirit by helping Mr Nic and playing with your peers. You were a great encouragement. Well done, Jacob.

## Classroom Awards

**P/1/2**

**Madison Braaksma:** For doing a FANTASTIC job with her M100W words & reading. Keep up the great work!

**Lincoln Murphy:** For his "OUTSTANDING" job with his journal writing this week! Keep up the great work!!

**2/3/4**

**Phoenix Evans:** For being enthusiastic towards doing his maths activities and working well in a group. Great job!

**Riley Pickering:** For making great improvements in his reading and handwriting. Well done!

**4/5/6**

**Rylea Earle:** Rylea I am super impressed with the gains you have made in your learning about 3D Shapes. You should be very proud of what you've achieved.

**Charlotte Pors:** Mrs Kenneth was very impressed with the skills you have shown in mediating problems in the yard. Very mature of you!

## Do kids need snacks?

Young children have smaller stomachs than adults, so they need to eat every few hours to keep up their energy levels and get the right amount of nutrients. Teens get particularly hungry during periods of fast growth and healthy snacks are important.

Snacks based on fruit and vegies, reduced fat dairy products and whole grains are the healthiest choices.

It is important to limit snacks that are high in sugar, salt or saturated fats – such as chips, cakes and chocolate – which can cause children to put on excess weight. These 'extra foods' should only be offered occasionally.

For more info go to:

[www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/home/fact-sheets/eat-fewer-snacks-and-select-healthier-alternatives.aspx](http://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/home/fact-sheets/eat-fewer-snacks-and-select-healthier-alternatives.aspx)



Health Promotion 56243500



## Paityn Draper

Paityn you have a positive attitude to everything that you do. You are such a friendly member of the school who gets along with everyone. You are a conscientious student who completes all learning tasks to a high standard.

## WOOL DONATIONS

KOGO (Knit One Give One) are knitting woollen items for the coming Winter season and are looking for donations of wool. Thorpdale Primary School will now be a drop off point for anyone wishing to donate some wool to this wonderful cause. There is a box in the office for donations and any amount (even smaller bits) will be most appreciated.

Thank you

