



THORPDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL 2966

NEWSLETTER

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

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CALENDAR

TERM 1 {Feb 2nd - Mar 31st}

March

- Tues 21st - Swimming sports (weather pending)
 - Fri 24th - Y&D Whole School Sports
 - Tues 28th - World's Greatest Shave
 - Wed 29th - Parent teacher interviews
 - Fri 31st - Last day or term (2pm finish)
- #### April
- Tues 18th - Start term 2

Notes sent home this week:

- Munchies - Due Wed 22nd March
- Hot cross buns - Due wed 22nd March
- Yinnar sports form - Due Wed 22nd March
- Parent teacher interviews - Due Fri 24th March
- Easter raffle tickets - Due Tues 28th March

Madison Braaksma
Memphis McQualter
Charlotte Pors



Principal's Awards:

Lena Blackshaw: You have received this award because of the wonderful way you go about doing all your daily tasks. You love learning new things and it shows. Well done, Lena.

Charlotte Wright: You have received this award because of the super job you are doing with your reading. You should be very proud of yourself. Well done, Charlotte!

Reave Brennan: You have received this award because of the thoughtful and sensible way you closed the big doors between your room and the 2/3/4 room without being asked to. Well done, Reave! P.S. I love initiative! **(This doesn't normally happen, but Reave has received a principal's award for the second week in a row. Well done Reave.)**

Icy Poles

JSC will be selling Icy Poles on days over 25 degrees for 50c. These will be available at lunchtime.



Principal's Prattle.

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who assisted us with our BBQ on Sunday at the Spud Festival. Congratulations must go to the organisers who did an absolutely super job with every facet of the event. Thorpdaleans, or should I say Thorpspudleans should be very proud of this event as it was first class. Our students and some of our ex-students were well represented in the awards and prizes handed out on the day. In the photography competition for primary school students we had Bomber Pors win first place, Will Donald came second and Lena Blackshaw came third. A clean sweep by the Thorpy kids. In the secondary school classification Conner Westbury was named in first place. We also had a winner in the hessians on the field with Lena Blackshaw taking out first place in the 16 and under "Most creative design - non wearing" category with her hessian pencil case. And finally in the Boys 17 and Under Spud Picking Comp we had our ex-student Allesandro Manuel take out the winner's prize. Well done to all the participants!

Swimming Carnival: Well, I suppose that if you praise something up enough finally something about it will go pear shaped. Our weather, which has been so wonderful over the last few weeks decided to have a 'hissy fit' on the day of our Swimming Carnival and at 11:00 am I made the call to postpone. I'm now sitting in my office typing this and thinking, well you got that one wrong!

The Swimming Carnival is now booked in for Tuesday 21st of March for a 12:00pm start. If the weather doesn't allow us to do our swimming on this day we will have to wait until the pool re-opens in fourth term to complete our carnival.

School Council News: School council met again on Wednesday evening for our annual AGM. I would like to announce to the school community our School Councillors for 2017. Our newly elected president is Stuart Jennings with Glenn Murphy as our Vice President. Our other committee members are: Tania Seccombe, Steve Letch, Kristy Guy, Ned Cvetkovic, Jenelle Donald, Brenda Murphy and Donna Powell. Jenelle Donald has taken on the role of applying for grants, so if you hear of any or see anything that may be good for the school please let Jenelle or myself know. Our finance committee will be run by myself, Glenn Murphy, Steve Letch, Tania Seccombe and Jenelle Donald. Congratulations and thank you to all these people for taking on these roles. If you have anything that you would like to bring up it is these people, your school councillors, who you need to get in contact with.

S.C. Working Bee: There will be a working bee on Sunday 30th of April. We would love as many families as possible to attend the day and children are more than welcome. A list of jobs that need doing will go out in our last newsletter of the term. In this way, families who are unable to attend can look at the list of jobs and nominate to do one in their own time during the holidays.

Easter Raffle

We are calling for more Easter Egg donations for our Easter Raffle. If you haven't already, could you please bring in your donation as soon as you can? Thank you. Tickets have gone home, please sell both sides of the tickets.

Classroom Awards

P/1/2

Bella Westbury: For being an outstanding student who is always happy and kind to others. You are listening well Bella, keep it up!

Alistair Conrad: For being a reliable student with exceptional manners who always does his best. Well done!

2/3/4

Sienna Leah: for her excellent attitude to all her learning. Well done!

Charley Jennings: For working independently and to the best of his ability. Well done!

4/5/6

Lucas Gange: Lucas it's great to see you setting goals in our Maths warm ups and achieving them. Awesome work!

Lena Blackshaw: Lena your competency as a Junior School Councillor is amazing. I know I can ask you to do any task and it will be completed to high standard.

Cubs

Cubs are running in Thorpdale every Tuesday night from 7pm-8.15pm.

- Ages 7-10years
- At the Multi Purpose Hall-Thorpdale Primary School
- Contact Brenda Donald for information 5634 7579

Chocolate

JSC will also be selling chocolates at recess for \$1.00

Science awards

This week the following four students have received an award for their outstanding work in Science:

Melinda McCarthy

Sienna Leah

Arielle Evans

Paityn Draper

Well done to these four and keep up the great work!

Art Awards

Reave Brennan: Reave, you put in a lot of effort into your rainforest drawing. You created a lovely picture.

Elise McKay: for putting effort into repeating patterns on your Zentangle picture. Your work shows great concentration!

Paityn Draper: congratulations on creating your picture Snake Net. The effort you put in to your work really shows!

PRINCIPAL'S PRATTLE...cont

Library Reorganisation: More Helpers needed. I mentioned that we would like to rearrange our library and I have had one family volunteer to assist with this next Thursday. If we were able to get another one or two able bodies to help move the books off the shelf and then move the shelves it could be done in less than a day. Thanks.

Yinnar & District Whole School Athletics Carnival: This will happen on **Friday 24th of March** at the Yinnar Recreation Oval. We still need more parent helpers to ensure that we can cover all our age groups as well as three high jump stands. If you are free could you please let Mr. Nic or one of the other staff members know. Thanks!

I thought I'd leave these two items in for another week!

Bus Travellers: Can I please remind parents about the right protocol regarding our bus travellers as we have lapsed into a few bad habits? If you have organised alternative transport or arrangements for your child who is a regular bus user, it is vital that we are notified at school. This is meant to be in writing, but I understand that this is not always practical so a phone call is okay when necessary. (The phone is always checked for messages prior to the bus departing.) For the students who are irregular travellers it is super important for us to know if they are meant to be on the bus or not. In the past two weeks we have had two incidents that highlight this issue. On one occasion we had students not getting on the bus because they were sure that their parents said they were going to be picked up and on the other occasion we had a child hop on the bus convinced that this is what he had been told to do by his parents that morning. Although, on both occasions things were sorted out quickly we have to ensure that these issues do not arise again as the safety of our students is absolutely paramount. **Irregular users will not be allowed on the bus unless we have been given permission from parents.** Thanks!

Early Arrivals: I would like to thank all our parents on assisting us with our no early arrivals policy, but thought it would be a good time to remind you of this. Students are meant to arrive at school at 8:45am, but there are times when things crop up and you need to drop your child off a little earlier. This should only be done if prearranged with the school.

Water Play Park

We're wondering if anyone has a water tub play park that they are no longer using and would be able to donate to the school please?



Hot Cross Buns

Please don't forget to hand back your Hot Cross Buns orders by Wednesday 22nd March. These will be delivered here at the school on Thursday 30th March.