



# THORPDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL 2966

## NEWSLETTER

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

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### CALENDAR

**TERM 3 {July 13 ~ September 18}**

**August**

- Fri 28th** - JSC Movie Night
- Mon 31st** - Pupil Free Day

**September**

- Tues 1st** - After School Sport 3-6 Begins
- School Council
- Father's Day stall
- Wed 2nd** - Father's Day stall
- Maths Night/Book Fair
- Tues 15th** - Life Ed Van

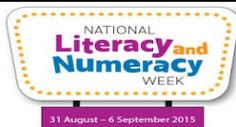
#### Notes sent home this week:

(This is a new section to our newsletter and we're hoping it will help to keep parents informed of what notes their child should have brought home this week.)

Father's Day stall	Due Fri 28th Aug
P/1/2/3 Dinosaur exc	Due Wed 2nd Sept
Book Club	Due Wed 2nd Sept
Munchies	Due Wed 2nd Sept
Life Ed	Due Mon 7th Sept
Grade 5/6 camp	Due Fri 4th Sept
Grade 3/4 camp	Due Fri 18th Sept



Riley Hillbrick



#### Maths Evening:

As part of our Maths and Literacy Week Celebrations we will be running a Family Maths Evening on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of September**. We would like to invite all our families to come along and play a variety of Maths Games set up in our classrooms. The evening will start at **6:30pm and will finish at 7:30pm**. These sessions have been very well attended in the past and have been enjoyed by both our students and their parents alike. The book fair will be open on this evening. Please bring a plate to share.

#### PRINCIPAL'S PRATTLE

**Don't forget that this Monday 31<sup>st</sup> of August will be a PUPIL FREE DAY. All staff will be attending a conference held at Lowanna College in Newborough.**

Firstly, let me thank everyone for their well wishes while I was off for the past couple of weeks. I know that many people have told me that I'm too old to play football, but what can I say. I enjoy it and it helps keep me fit and healthy. (Well most of the time!)

We have had a very busy and hectic "Book Week" with activities happening on most of the most days. On Tuesday our students worked in their house colours and did a variety of activities based on the books short listed by the Australian Council for Children's Books. The students and teachers also came dressed up as "Book Character" and there were some weird, wonderful, whacky, worthy, whimsical, wild and way-out costumes. (Wow, what a mouthful!)

On Wednesday we had an incursion from children's book author Susie Sarah. Susie worked throughout the day with all our students, showing them the various processes and stages of being an author and illustrator. The kids had a great day with her and we would love to get her back in future years. Thank you to Mrs Roulston for organising this event!

On Thursday our senior grade headed down to Federation Square in Melbourne to attend the show "The 65 Storey Tree House". The show featured an interactive display by Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton which showed the students how they approach writing a story. It proved to be a hilarious event. Unfortunately, their train was delayed and they didn't have as much time to see the illustration exhibition, but still had a really enjoyable day.

That leaves us with today (Friday). Our classroom programs ran as per normal, but the JSC have organised a Movie Night for this evening. This will start at 6:30pm and will finish at **8:30pm**. These nights are extremely well run and enjoyed by everyone. We generally have around 90% of our children attend and I'm sure this one will be no different. Thanks again to the JSC and Miss Reggardo for helping to organise the evening. Mrs Kenneth and Miss Brereton will be in attendance on the night.



Munchies helper for Friday, 4th September is **Narelle Murphy**

### **Principal's Awards:**

**Lincoln Murphy:** You have received this award because of the wonderful way you have been reading at school and at home. Well done, Lincoln!

**Lucas Gange:** You have received this award because of the super way you have looked after one of your classmates when you thought they needed help. You were very thoughtful. Well done, Lucas!

**Kate Lowater:** You have received this award because of the wonderful way you spoke to me and also your fellow bus travellers. Well done, Kate!

### **Father's Day Stall:**

The Father's Day Stall will be open on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> during morning recess and lunchtime. There will be a wide range of gifts available to the students to choose from and I'm sure that dad will just love and cherish each and every gift that he receives. Most of the gifts range in price from \$1.00 to about \$6.00. P.S. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to assist with the stall.

### **After School Sports Activities- Sporting School Program:**

The AFL afterschool program finished yesterday afternoon with most of our students enjoying the activities that were offered. With the busy lifestyles that most of us live now, we had a few issues with children being double booked with other activities after school. Hopefully we can overcome this problem for our next After School Activity which will be basketball. This has been offered to the students in Years 3-6 and will start next Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> of September and then run on Tuesdays and Thursdays for three weeks.

It looks like we will be able to offer lawn bowls, tennis and netball for next term, but I would like to send home a form to find out what nights are most suitable for most of our students.

### **Artists in Schools Program:**

Miss Reggardo is in the process of applying for a grant for the Artists in Schools Program as we would love to have a mural painted on either the walls of the Multi-Purpose Hall or the wall of the computer lab classroom facing the office depicting images of Thorpdale and its rich history. If you are aware of any artists in the area that you think may be up to the challenge, please let myself or Miss Reggardo know. Thank you!

**Thank you:** Just a quick thank you to Mr Ned Cvetkovic, one of our School Councillors! He came along last weekend and cut back and trimmed lots of our bushes and branches from various trees that were either hanging down or poking out where they could be a danger to our students' eyes or faces. He also finished off fixing our toy box in the sand pit area and fitted a couple of internal locks to some of the buildings.

Your efforts are much appreciated.

Thank you: A big thank you also to the parents who donated their old catalogues to the Prep/1 class. The students will put them to very good use.

### **Weekly Class Awards**

Weekly awards were presented to the following children. Congratulations to you all.

#### **Year Prep/1**

**Jye Lister:** Jye your writing in Big Write was amazing yesterday. I like how you took your time to make sure the writing was neat and well thought out. Amazing Job!

#### **Year 2/3**

**Jake Murphy:** You have received this award for your speech on "Soccer". You spoke clearly and confidently and it was great to see you bring in some of the equipment that is used. Excellent effort Jake!

**Charlotte Pors:** You have received this award for your speech on "Space". You presented your topic well and I loved the mobile you made showing some of the planets and other parts of Space. Fantastic job Charlotte!

#### **Year 4/5/6**

**Chloe Durkin:** You did an impressive job on your artwork whilst working with author "Susie Sarah" Well Done!

**Ian Linn:** Your oral presentation on Robert O'Hara Burke was well researched resulting in a good level of detail. Well Done!

**Y&D Champion's Day:** All our students competed extremely well at the recent Y&D Champions Day with six of our students going on to the next level which will be the Latrobe Valley District Championships. Students who won through to this event are: Georgia Murphy, Beau Melbourne, Ian Linn, Daniel Powell, Campbell Pinkerton and Clara Linn. I must mention that Clara competed in five events and came away with five first place ribbons. A wonderful sporting achievement! Congratulations to all of our students who made it through. This event will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> of September at the Joe Carmody Reserve in Newborough.

### **Thopdale Tennis Club**

There will be a Tennis Fun Day on the 19<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am, the first Saturday of the school holidays with a free BBQ afterwards. All welcome

