

*Thorpdale Primary School*



**Thorpdale Bowls Club**

Saturday 7th of November

at 7:00pm

Entry \$10.00 ; purchase your tickets  
from the school by 31st of October

BYO snacks | Drinks at bar prices

For more info phone: 5634 6325



# THORPDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL 2966

## NEWSLETTER

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

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### CALENDAR

#### TERM 4 {October 5 ~ December 18}

#### October

**Tues 20th - Sports in school P-3  
(Tennis)**

- School Council

**Wed 21st - 5/6 Ballarat Camp**

**Thur 22nd - Sports in school 4-6  
(Tennis)**

**Tue 27th - Wheelies day P/1**

**Wed 28th - Wheelies day 2/3**

**Thur 29th - Wheelies day 4/5/6**

#### November

**Tues 3rd - Melbourne Cup Day  
(no school)**

**Wed 4th - MNSC visit to Thorpdale**

**Thur 5th - Science night**

#### 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.)

Walk to school	Reminder form
Grade 5/6 Camp	Reminder form
Munchies	Due Wed 21st Oct
Trivia Night	Due Fri 30th Oct



Arielle Evans

#### Principal's Prattle

It has been a pretty quiet week here at Thorpdale Primary School with our After School Tennis program being the only thing going on outside of our daily classroom activities.

It is funny what jobs a principal has to do in a small rural school. When I arrived at school on Monday I had to be a plumber and fix a leaking tap in the girl's toilet. During morning recess I then had to rescue a young brush tail from our rubbish bin under our big oak tree. And finally, an hour later during lunch play I had to pick up and remove a rabbit carcass dropped by a passing wedge tail eagle. Just a normal day in the life of a rural Principal!

Well done to all our students who had their sunhats, I think that all our kids have now brought along their hats. When I am out doing yard duty I am often amazed at how exceptional our children are in the way that they get along and care and look after each other. As parents you should be so very proud of how you are bringing up your children. I would also like to complement our students on all being in uniform and I must say that it really does make me feel proud and privileged to be the principal of such a wonderful group of children.

Next week sees our Year 5/6 students head off to Ballarat for their annual school camp. They will be joined by students and staff from Narracan and Boolarra Primary Schools. This is a marvellous camp and the students will gain so much historical knowledge through the activities that they will be undertaking. Sovereign Hill is the basis of this, but Ballarat itself has so much history that was, and is relevant to the student's studies of Australian History.

#### Colour Photocopier

Thank you to the committee of the Thorpdale Potato Festival who made a donation to the school with monies raised from the event. We have used this money to purchase a much-needed new colour photocopier. The copier is available for use by the community for a fee to cover running costs.



# Life Ed Van

Late last term, the school received a visit from Jan and Harold the Giraffe in their Life Ed Van. This program aims to teach children important health and safety messages that will enable them to make educated choices in their lives. For the senior students the focus was on smoking and the dangerous effects it has on the body. The middle class learnt about the systems that operate within the body and how to make healthy lifestyle choices, while the junior students learnt about body parts and how to keep themselves safe. Jan and Harold present the program in an interactive manner making it an enjoyable experience for all that attended. Students will continue to build upon what they learnt in the Life Ed Van with activity class to be completed in class.



# Art Room Blinds

A big thank you to everyone who has contributed to our fundraising efforts, through things such as Munchies and the tea towel order, over the year. We have used some of this money to purchase new blinds for the art room which block out the glare and heat whilst still allowing some light to come in. The blinds are a great addition to the art room.



### Principal's Awards:

**Charley Jennings:** You have received this award because of the super way you have looked after your playmates during your recess and lunch time. You are a good friend. Well done Charley!

**Lucas Gange:** You have been working much harder to stay focused on your learning tasks of late Lucas. Well done and keep it up!

**Chloe Durkin:** You have received this award because of the strength in your convictions towards social justice in the playground. You saw something that you thought was unjust and you did something positive about it. Well done Chloe!

### Aussie of the Month



October

**Reid Melbourne:** Reid you are a great role model in the playground and classroom alike. You get along with your peers extremely well and can be relied upon to use your common sense and to make a positive impact on those around you. The junior students look up to and respect you. You should be pleased with your efforts. Keep it up, Reid, we proud of your efforts.

### Weekly Class Awards

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

#### Year Prep/1

**Jye Lister:** Jye I really like how you problem solved in Maths with your partner Riley this week. You both took the initiative to think about how something could be of equal mass. Fantastic to see.

**Riley Pickering:** Riley I really like how you problem solved in Maths with your partner Jye this week. You both took the initiative to think about how something could be of equal mass. Fantastic to see.

#### Year 2/3

**Year 3—**Charlotte, Daniel, Diesel, Keely and Rylea you have received this award for the way you have been trying so hard to master joined writing. It is wonderful to see you produce some beautiful handwriting. Keep up the fantastic effort!

#### Year 4/5/6

**Kate Lowater—** Kate you have proven yourself to be a contentious learner who is really thinking about their learning and focusing on achieving accuracy. Keep up the good work.

**Campbell Pinkerton—** Campbell I have been so impressed with the commitment you have made to your learning this week. It's great to see you putting in so much effort. Well done.

### Trafalgar Holden Museum.

You are invited to the First Birthday Celebration of the Trafalgar Holden Museum. Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th October 10am-5pm. Face Painting & Sausage Sizzle. Bring the family & friends!

## FOR SALE

**Excess Flat Screen  
Computer Monitors  
\$20 each**

