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

CALENDAR

TERM 2 (April 12 ~ June 24)

May
Mon 16th - Street Scene
Tue 17th - After school sport (P/1/2)
Wed 18th - Auskick
Thurs 19th - After School Sport (3/4/5/6)
Fri 20th - Subway Munchies
Wed 25th - Cross Country division
Fri 27th - JSC Disco

PRINCIPAL’S PRATTLE

It has been a very cold, damp and windy week here at Thorpdale and it has restricted the kids playtime quite a bit. In between the showers and the wind our Year Three and Year Five students have been working through their NAPLAN tests and our students coped extremely well with the test situation. We are firm believers here at Thorpdale that you don’t teach to a test, but we ensure that our students understand the process and styles that the tests take. To all our Year Three and Year Five parents, remember that this is only a snapshot of your child’s educational growth and doesn’t reflect the whole child and all the wonderful things that each and every child can do here at Thorpdale Primary School. Once all the NAPLAN results are sent to Melbourne they will be collated and analysed then returned to the school later in third term.

Thank you to our parent helpers who volunteered to assist us with our Mother’s Day stall. The kids love being able to buy something for their mother or that special female person in their lives. To all our mums; I hope everyone enjoyed their gifts and that all our mums, grannies etc. had a lovely Mother’s Day.

The Year Five/Six students returned back from their Melbourne camp and had a terrific time exploring Melbourne and many of the sites and activities that it has to offer. The weather was absolutely brilliant and made our travelling around much more enjoyable. On average, the kids walked somewhere between 12 to 15km per day. All the staff from the three schools commented on how fantastic all our students behaved and we received comments from the general public how well behaved and thoughtful our group acted.

Our After School Sports sessions are fully underway and with the Year 5/6 students back from camp the senior group will be a fair bit larger than it was last week. Thank you to all the parents for picking your children up so promptly. It is very much appreciated!

We had our second session of Auskick on Wednesday and unfortunately we had to hide out of the weather and use the multipurpose hall as our training venue. We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful facility on our school grounds to share with other Thorpdale community organisations. I’m sure there are many larger schools throughout the state who would be very envious of our facilities here at Thorpdale. The kids had fun and enjoyed their session as well.

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All CSEF forms should have now been returned. Please see Angie if you have any queries.

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Early/Late Arrivals

We still have a few students arriving early in the mornings before 8:45am. Remember that a staff member is only on duty between 8:45 and 9:00am so please ensure you child/ren arrive during this time. We thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Weekly Class Awards

P/1
Alex Carranza: Alex I have been impressed with how well you have worked in class this week. Keep up the good work!
Ocean McQuatter: Ocean I have been so impressed with your knowledge of letters and the sounds they make. Outstanding effort!

2/3
Indiana Burdon: For making good decisions about concentrating on his learning and excellent behaviour in the classroom.

All Grade 3 students: For doing a great job with all their NAPLAN tests. Well done!

4/5/6
Rylea Earle: Rylea you did a fantastic job on your poster about Australia whilst we were on camp. Fantastic job!
Ellie Varsaci: Ellie you always put others before yourself. This was evident at the Eureka Skydeck on school camp. Keep it up!

Principal's Awards:

Cadyne Earle: you have received this award because of the terrific way you went about setting and tidying your table while on camp without being asked. Your tablemates appreciated it. Well done, Cadyne!

Jett Boothman: you have received this award because of the wonderful way you talked about respect at our bus meeting. Well done, Jett!

Charley Jennings: you have received this award because of the excellent problem solving strategies you used when trying to figure out how to fix a problem. Well done, Charley!

Thorpdale Hall Recognition Evening

You’re invited: Friday 27th May at 7pm
Please join us for a light supper to help us say thank you to Ralene Millsom (an outstanding 27 years on the committee) and others who serviced our community on the committee for many years (Chris Gunn, Gail & Terry Cupples, Dale Ingleton, Lesley Walker & Jude Robinson).
Without these volunteers the hall would not have its doors open today to provide for local functions. So please spread the word and help celebrate with us.
Please RSVP by 20th May for catering purposes. RSVP to Mandy Durkin

Library bags

Students will need to ensure that they bring in their library bags every Wednesday. They will need these in order to borrow books from the library.