



THORPDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL 2966

NEWSLETTER

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

Newsletter, 14th October 2022

CALENDAR

Term 4: 3rd October - 20th December

October

Wed 19th - Curriculum Day (no school)

November

Tues 1st - Melbourne Cup (no school)

Fri 4th - P-2 Late stay/sleepover

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Kobe, Jemima, Reid, Aliya, Brax



We know that feeding children with the healthy foods helps support their growth and development. But there is a growing body of research showing that what children eat can affect not only their physical health but also their mood, mental health and learning.

The research suggests that eating a healthy and nutritious diet can improve mental health, enhance cognitive skills like concentration and memory, and improve academic performance.

[Find out more about the latest research from Monash University](#)

Giving your children a healthy lunchbox is a great start to boost their learning, concentration and active play.

[Click here to build a healthy lunch box with your children](#)



 WEST GIPPSLAND HEALTHCARE GROUP
Prepared by West Gippsland Healthcare Group –
Health Promotion Team 56243500

PRINCIPAL'S PRATTLE!

We would like to welcome our new family to Thorpdale Primary School. This family came to us from Trafalgar as they have heard how wonderful our little school is. All of the children have settled into the classrooms and have lots of smiles on their faces. If you see any new parents around, please welcome them to our community.

We are very excited to see the size of our school climb again. At the moment we have eight confirmed preps for next year and 40 enrolments across the school. If anyone knows anyone that is looking for a great school for their students to attend please encourage them to contact the school.

This week we had the principal and some teachers from Foster Primary School come visit us to watch how we teach spelling. They had heard of the great work and results we are getting from our Sounds Write program that the school has invested in and is teaching across the school for the last two years and wanted to see for themselves the learning. They were very excited to see the great spelling strategies our students were using and to see the new evidence-based way our teachers teach language. We will have a few more teachers from their school next week to again watch the teaching and learning. It is so great to know that our schools great reputation is reaching other schools in our community. Next week we will have a curriculum day on Wednesday so that the teachers can further strengthen and develop their skills around the best teaching of writing. We are currently reading research around the teaching of great sentence construction and are implementing a program called 'The Writing Revolution' which will enable the students to write beautifully constructed sentences.

On the last week of term our school joined with 3 other small schools; Rawson PS, Narracan PS and Yinnar South Ps in a fantastic beach camp at Waratah Bay. The students made new friends and had some great experiences. Students pushed themselves and took on some risk taking by participating in activities such as a giant swing and a crate stack (while wearing a harness students climbed on a wobbly tower of foam blocks). We also enjoyed long walks on the beach while investigating all the sea creatures that had washed onto the sand and into the rock pools. It was great to see all the students smile lots, socialise with new kids and take some risks. We are all looking forward to our next camp.



Notes gone home

Bus travellers - due 14th October
Melb food/wine - ASAP

MIRBOO NORTH
SECONDARY
COLLEGE

2023 YEAR 7 TRANSITION EVENT

Two days packed full of
fun and learning



TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER
TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

Castle Street, Mirboo North, Vic, 3871
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