THORPDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

From the Principal...

Another enjoyable week has past as the cold snap of weather hits the Thorpy hills. The students and staff have found their rhythm again and we look forward to a few events popping up on the school calendar. But before I touch base on them, I'd like to look at a few positives over the past week.

Firstly with the opening of the bike track. We carved out a beautiful course for the students to wind around, and everyone had a ball. The crowd of parents was also great, as they watched Jimmy cut the ribbon and the students (led by Rydah) jumping on their bikes and scooters to enjoy one last play before the weekend.

The second (today) was to celebrate 100 days of school. Mrs Powell did a great job organising the event and the parade and the parents and kids did a BRILLIANT job in dressing up as 100 year olds. The first 100 days is a bit of a milestone for the Prep students and we are very proud of the way they have started their schooling journey and look forward to the next 100+ days with them:)

Lastly, the Lions Club held their Junior Public Speaking event at the school on Tuesday. The Grade 3-6's stood up in front of teachers and/or students to tell a story. Public speaking can be a real challenge and we loved the positivity the students brought to the challenge. There were some great stories and confident speaking with the final winners being judged as Marlon Archipow and Bailey Hammond. Well done to the boys and to everyone who took part.

PJ Day

PJ Day will happen on Monday the 24th with students dressing in PJ's for the day. Please bring a gold coin donation which will go towards supporting Foster Care organisations.

Book Fair 2023!

The Book Fair is back. There will be a range of books to purchase from the 1st-4th of August in the Library. You can have a browse (and a purchase) from 8.45-9.00am or 3.30-3.45pm for each of the days.

Final one from me is... it is my First 100 Days celebration as well!! I am feeling excited to see where the school is heading, so grateful to be given the role as Principal of the towns' school and so positive about the staff, families and students that make up this school community. Let's get into the next 100:)

Calendar

Term 3

24/7: PJ Day

26/7: Life Ed Session @School

31/7: Curriculum Day 1/8 - 4/8: Book Fair

1/8: School Council 7pm (finance)

and 7.30pm (main)
10/8: Buddy Activity

14/8: Science Week starts21/8: Book Week starts

22/8: Possum Magic excursion to

Warragul Arts Centre 24/8: JSC Movie Night

28/8: Dental Van Week starts

7/9: Parent/Teacher interviews

13/9-15/9: Melbourne Camp

On the following page you will see photos from our recent events - and one of Bailey at a 'make-shift' desk:)













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The Thriving Kids and Parents Schools Project - An exciting offer for schools

The Commonwealth funded Thriving Kids and Parents Schools Project aims to strengthen partnerships between schools and families by offering three interconnected Triple P — Positive Parenting seminars for parents - FREE of charge. A complementary brief webinar, and a summary of the strategies will also be made available for teachers of participating schools. Providing parents and teachers with a shared set of strategies and a common language aims to strengthen the home-school partnership through a collaborative effort to foster the learning, wellbeing, and resilience of Australian children.

All seminars will be delivered online via video conferencing software by experienced practitioners (at no cost to the school). To further minimise school workload, seminars will be centrally organised by the project team.

Seminars topics

- The Power of Positive Parenting seminar helps parents and teachers to understand why kids behave the way they do, while also introducing practical strategies to support children's social and emotional development.
- The Helping Your Child to Manage Anxiety seminar is designed to equip parents and teachers with the skills and strategies they need to support children manage their emotions and overcome challenges.
- The Keeping your Child Safe from Bullying seminar helps parents and teachers maintain good communication with the children in their care, develop positive relationships, and address conflict and bullying.

What's involved?

You can register through the following link:

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- Visit the project website to find out more.
 https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/pfsc-sa/triple-p/
- Professor Matt Sander's invitation to parents: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2aC9rpf ZHg