Principal’s Message
Thanks to all who were involved in the Year 6 Mini Fair on Friday. It was a successful event in terms of fun and fundraising. Special thanks to Mr Berwick, Mrs Stewart and the Year 6 students.

Principal’s Awards
Congratulations this week to the following students:
Tyler, Kyan, Zac, Harry, Brooke, Brianna, Jake, Catalina, Karl Erik, Josh, Lara, Henry, Charlie, Jimmy, Dominic, Briana, Hugo, Sarah, Holly, Tom, Jasper, Jorden, Veronica, Crystal Rose, Dylan, Jackson and Anna.
Their picture will soon be on our website.

Aussies Of The Month
Winners* and nominees for October are:
Early Stage 1
Dane*, Markos and Tahlia
Stage 1
Kelinda*, Savannah, Bowen and Jackson
Stage 2
Piper*, Ryan and Grace

Joggers’ Club
The following students have achieved “milestones”:
Rylan and Toby, both for 10km. Another picture to go on our website!

Kindergarten Orientation
Our newest students visited classrooms on Tuesday, while their parents experienced “information overload” in the assembly hall. I particularly thank our P&C members who not only provided the necessary information, but put on a lovely morning tea. We now look forward to enrolment on 29 January!

Year 6 Chocolate Sales
Some of our senior students may have fundraiser chocolates on sale in the playground. The fundraising target is the Year 6 Farewell and gift to our school. Items are $1 each.

A New Way of Coming and Going
A new gate has been installed along the Barbour Rd fence, giving access to our school via the rear security fence gate near the vegetable garden. This will be available each morning and afternoon, hopefully taking some of the pressure off Oaks Road. There are no parking restrictions on Barbour Rd, but please exercise care, as there is no marked crossing either.
**Security Gates**

Please note that the gate on Goodlet St near the bus bay will be locked between 9:15am and 2:30pm each day. Entry will still be available via the front gate on Oaks Road. This arrangement provides added security for our students.

**Parent/Carer Surveys**

The school is required to conduct cyclical surveys on various aspects of its operation. Results are published each year in the Annual School Report. The two surveys currently online are about Leadership and Environment. You are strongly encouraged to complete the online surveys, which should only take 2-3 minutes, by following the links below:

- Leadership: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/S9YZZJR](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/S9YZZJR)

**School Plan**

All NSW Public Schools are required to develop a 3 year strategic plan for 2015-2017. The foundation of this plan is the development, in collaboration with staff, community, and where appropriate students, of three strategic directions that state in broad terms what we are setting out to do. In that spirit, I am inviting suggestions from our school community (not just the P&C). The following is an example of three directions to get the discussion started:

1. **Raising expectations and enhancing the quality of student learning.**
2. **Fostering quality teaching and leadership.**
3. **Achieving new and better ways of doing business.**

Of course, the plan is more than the three broad directions. Each of them will be “unpacked” to identify:

- **Purpose** – why are we heading in this direction?
- **People** – building the capabilities of everyone in the whole school community.
- **Processes** – ensuring our systems work properly to deliver improvement.
- **Products** – achievement of the outcomes we are seeking.
- **Practices** – the embedded processes that will enable us to sustain our improvements.

Over to you. Any suggestions can be made in person, in writing or by email to thirlmere-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

**Helpers’ Morning Tea**

If by some chance, you have contributed in some way (no matter how big or small) to the school and your invitation has been overlooked, please consider yourself invited to join us on Thursday 4 December at 11am. We would love to see you and acknowledge your valuable support.

**Different types of writing**

You child may be asked to present an assignment in a particular text type. Text types mean writing according to a purpose or an audience. For example, factual texts inform and literary texts entertain. This fact sheet gives several examples and the purpose of different types of writing. Find more: [https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4108.pdf](https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4108.pdf)

**Choosing a book for your child**

What makes a good book for young kids? Usually anything that they want to read. Resist the desire to choose only books that you read as a child. Good books teach kids things subtly while still telling a great story.


**Does cartoon violence make kids more aggressive?**

Lots of parents question the violence in many of today's cartoons and video games, but many of us grew up watching cartoons where violence was also a key ingredient. What does the research indicate about exposure of our kids to violence?


Something to ponder – I’m sure our Teacher-Librarian Ms Gutjahr will like this one:

*Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.*

John Dewey

Enjoy your week.

Stephen Lord
Thanks and congratulations

I would like to thank all members of our school community for your efforts in assisting with fund raising for the Year 6 Farewell. We set out with a target to achieve by the end of the year, and at the beginning of Term 4 we were not where we needed to be. However, our requests for support for the Mini Fair and the Cadbury’s Fundraising, together with the Favourite rock Star Disco, the 15 Footballs Raffle and the Silent Auction was answered with amazing support. We have achieved our target, and our Year 6 students will have the farewell that we wanted for them – the farewell they deserve.

Throughout the year I have referred to the fact that all of our students will be in Year 6 one day, and they’ll all be raising funds for their own farewells. I’m confident in saying that the generosity and support that we received will be forthcoming for them when that time arrives.

Mr Berwick, Mrs Stewart

Sydney Aquarium
Stage 1 head to Sydney Aquarium this Friday. Students need to be at school at 7.30am in full school uniform. Please pack recess, lunch and a school hat in their excursion bag. We anticipate returning to school around 4pm. Keep an eye on Facebook on the day for photos and updates.

Uniform News
As the end of the year is fast approaching, it’s time to consider what uniforms you may require for the start of the new school year. Limited stock will be available to purchase through the uniform shop, but to avoid disappointment I recommend that you place an order. Orders can be left at the school office or placed at the uniform shop. Please provide a contact number on your order form so that I can let you know when your order is ready to collect.

Please remember that all payments must be cash or cheque only.
The shops opening hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 3pm.

Amanda Lee

Important Dates for Awards
Please take note of the following dates and ensure that all awards are handed into the office by the cut off dates. This will avoid any disappointment for your child.

- **25 Nov** – Was the last day for Merit Certificates to be handed to the Office
- **1 Dec** – Last Principals Awards given out at morning assembly
- **2 Dec** – All Banners and Principals awards to the office
- **16 Dec** – Gold Medal Assembly

Youth Banking News
We’re rewarding regular savings by sharing the Dollarmites latest find, precious prizes from the ancient Clam of Fortune.

- 40 GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 Slip N’ Slide Double Wave Riders

Entry into the promotion is a little bit different to those we have run previously. For every Youth Banking deposit made during the competition period, the student will receive one entry into the competition (up to a maximum of 6 entries). So the more they save, the more chances they have to win a prize. Competition period: 20 October — 30 November 2014.

For more information, or to view the full competition terms and conditions, visit commbank.com.au/deepseasavers

Life Education
Life Education lessons started yesterday and are being enjoyed by both students and teachers. If you want to find out more about this educational and engaging program, come along to a parent meeting on Wednesday 3rd December at 10am. Meet at the Happy Harold Van. A note regarding the Parent Meeting will go home to day with an RSVP slip. Please return the slip or contact Mrs Stevenson in person if you would like to attend this meeting.

Happy Harold Merchandise will be for sale to students at lunchtime on Tuesday 2 December. Prices range from 50cents to $15.

Mrs Stevenson
Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

All Students
Notes Home:
Life Education

Early Stage 1 (Kindy)
Notes Home:
Assembly Time Change

Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2)
Notes Home:
Assembly Time Change

Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)
Notes Home:
Asian Banquet
Left over Chocolate

Last Day to Pay:
Year 6 Farewell Dinner – Mon 1 Dec
Asian Banquet – Fri 5 Dec

Selected Students
Last Day to Pay:
Band Queen Victoria Building - Fri 28th Nov

NO PAYMENTS FOR EXCURSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER “LAST DAY FOR PAYMENT” DATE

CANTEEN ROSTER
TERM 4: 6TH OCTOBER TO 19TH DECEMBER 2014
Friday 28/11: Simone Hinton, Lisa Fava, Alison Tarrant
Monday 1/12: Lisa Williams, Elisha Hawkins
Wednesday 3/12: Diane Hunt, Meryl Cooper
Friday 5/12: Joanna-lee Mauro, Mel Moroz, Christie Henry
Monday 8/12: Shannon Apps, Millie Achis
Wednesday 10/12: Linda Cernik, Sharon Browning
Friday 12/12: Julie Bird, Simone Hinton, Louise Shannahan
Monday 15/12: Lisa Boyce, Tammy Parker
Wednesday 17th December: CANTEEN CLOSED
Payments and Excursions

All excursions and sporting events have a **last day to pay date**. Parents are asked to have payments to the office before this date, as our new system will not allow payments to be processed after the date. This will avoid any disappointment for your child.

**Last Day to Pay**
- Band Queen Victoria Building Excursion
  - Friday 28 December 2014
- Year 6 Farewell Dinner
  - Monday 1 December
- Stage 3 Asian Banquet
  - Friday 5 December 2014

**Youth Banking**

The last day for Youth Banking is Wednesday 3rd December 2014.

If you would like to join Youth Banking a representative from CBA will be at our school on Monday 2nd February between 8.45 and 9.45am to sign up students. Please note that applications can only be accepted from a Parent or Carer. Alternatively, a Sign Up Pack can be collected from the Office.

**Band News**

All band payments are now due. Payments must be made to the office by Friday 5th December 2014, so that the end of year accounts can be paid to the Tutor.

**Term 4 Band**

Band will run till Week 10 Monday 8 December and Tuesday 9 December. This is a 9 week program and the cost is $135

**Upcoming Band Events**
- Senior students will play at the Presentation Day and Gold Medal Presentation.
- Playing at the Queen Victoria Building on 1st December 2014. Cost is $5 for the bus.

**Afternoon pick-ups**

As the office is closed from 3pm each weekday, we request that parents make alternative arrangements with the student before coming to school if you expect you may be delayed in the afternoon. Please confirm with your child/ren that they understand your pick-up instructions or alternatively advise the class teacher in the morning.

**Partial Absences**

Student who are consistently late and/or consistently leave early will be followed up by the Home School Liaison Officer who visits our school on a regular basis.

Please remember that school operates form 8.55am to 2.55pm with a teacher on duty to supervise children in the playground from 8.30am. Students are expected to attend school for then the full day, that is 8.55am to 2.55pm. There is no supervision after 3pm.

Thank you
Administration Staff
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Child's Name____________________ Year/Class_______________________

Contact Name____________________ Contact No:_____________________

Please tick option for collection: Payment options are cash/cheque

I will collect from school  
Please deliver to my child’s class  
I will collect from the uniform shop

20 August 2014  Term 3 – Week 6  
19 November 2014 Term 4 – Week 7
MEMORABILIA ORDER FORM

LIMITED QUANTITIES
ORDER WILL BE SENT HOME WITH STUDENT WITHIN FEW DAYS

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You can view all above items in the school office.

Payment by cash only until further notice to the school office.
School Newsletter

Thirlmere Public School now deliver our newsletter by Email each week.

In the space provided below, please indicate the email address/es you wish to use to receive the newsletter.

The newsletter is also available to view on our school website:
www.thirlmere-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Student Name: ...................................................... Class: ......................................

1st Parent/Guardian Email: .................................................................

2nd Parent/Guardian Email: .................................................................

3rd Parent/Guardian Email: .................................................................

No paper copies will be issued.

Extra School Reports

In some households there is a need for a second report to be sent to another parent not permanently residing with the student.

Reports go home at the end of Semester One and Semester Two.

If you require a second report, please provide us with the following details.

Name: ....................................................................................................................

Address: .............................................................................................................

Relationship: ....................................................................................................

Email address: ...................................................................................................

If you have any updated Court Orders/AVO’s that you have not provided to the school yet, could you please arrange a copy as soon as possible.

We also require you to advise the ladies in the office if the structure at home has changed so that we can update our records accordingly.
Thirlmere Public School Hall
Monday & Thursday Afternoons
Ballet, Drama – Tap – Jazz
Modern – Lyrical
Hip Hop – Musical Theatre
Students trained for E.D.T.A.
Examinations & Stagecraft
Beginners from 3yrs to Advanced

Actors, Singers & Dancers
!!Now Booking for 2015!! For Ages 3 to Adult.

* Drama/Acting * Singing * Dance/Choreography *
AND * The Agency *

Class numbers are strictly limited. Saturday classes available.
Come in and join the fun today!! For more information call Sarah on
0415 995 225 or 4683 0163
www.s-t-a-d-s.com

Come to Playgroup and meet others in a relaxed and friendly environment.

A Playgroup is a place for you and your children aged 0-6 to have fun, make new friends and develop skills through play.

Thirlmere Playgroup
Thirlmere Public School Hall
Cnr Goodlet & Mason Streets
Thirlmere
Mondays 10am

Camden Local Area Command
Narellan Police Station
Camden Valley Way
“Open Day”
Sunday 30th November, 10am to 3pm

COPS ARE TOPS
NEW SOUTH WALES

Crime prevention
information
Dog Squad
Highway
Patrol
Mounted
Police
PCYC
Fingerprint
examiners

Sausage
sizzle

Become part of our Facebook community.
Get news, alerts and warnings.
Help us solve and prevent crime.
See what’s going on in your area.
Receive crime prevention information.

Go to www.facebook.com/CamdenAC and click the Like button.

Combined
Real Estate
Shop 1/100 Argyle St
Picton
Next to IGA
4651 2555

NOW OPEN IN
PICTON
Merry Christmas
- Four days of Christmas craft. You are going to receive an activity book full of colouring in, puzzles, craft ideas and Christmas cooking.
- Make a gift for your family and friends.
- Play Christmas games.
- Cook Christmas treats.
- Make decorations for your room, Christmas tree and house.

Beach / Water Week
- Bring a change of clothes and a towel because this week you are going to get wet.
- Water Balloon Baseball - 3 strikes and you are wet.
- Slip and slide across the backyard all week.
- Staff to challenge the children to a water fight.

Incursion 14-1-2015
The amazing Mick Conway will be showing you how to make a musical instrument using recycled materials.

Incursion 22-1-2015
This will be an awesome experience. You will get to touch a snake and crocodile and learn about Australian reptiles.

Let's Celebrate Australia
- Make and play your own didgeridoo.
- Make an Echidna out of clay.
- Make a digger’s slouch hat.
- Cook damper rolls to eat with vegemite or jam.

Party Day 27-1-2015
- PJ Party
- Pillow fights, Sock wrestling
- Movies, music, popcorn and ice cream

Make ice cream in a bag

Make a Wooden Snowman

Make a Snowman out of a sock

Game
There’s a Hole in my Bucket

Make Beaded Icicles

Make a shell and glass bead sun catcher
## Summer Program

**Wollondilly Vacation Care**  
66 Menangle Street, Picton  
Thursday 18 December – Tuesday 23 December 2014  
Monday 5 January – Tuesday 27 January 2015

### Activities by Day

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<td>Christmas Craft</td>
<td>Peppermint Crunch/Milk Chocolate Chip Cookies</td>
<td>Make your own snow</td>
<td>Balloon Christmas Candle Holder</td>
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<td>Hot Chocolate Spoons</td>
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<td>Balloon Modelling</td>
<td>Shell Jewellery</td>
<td>Plaster Casting</td>
<td>Sausage Sizzle</td>
<td>Sand Castle Competition Make a Beach Wall Hanging</td>
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<td>Slip and slide across the back yard</td>
<td>Rainbow Bubble Snake</td>
<td>Make sponge balls for water games</td>
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<td>Make a musical instrument</td>
<td>Make a straw Pan Flute</td>
<td>Incursion: Mick Conway ‘Music with Almost Anything’</td>
<td>Match Box Pets</td>
<td>Talent Quest</td>
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<td>Make a Rainbow Wind Mobile</td>
<td>Make a bouncy ball</td>
<td>Make a Paper Mache Mixed Media Heart</td>
<td>Make Fruity Yogurt Pops</td>
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<td>Start an Australian picture on large canvas</td>
<td>Aussie Sand Art</td>
<td>Make a Digger’s Slouch Hat</td>
<td>Incursion: The Reptile Man</td>
<td>Come dressed as an Aussie celebrity Make an Australian Diorama</td>
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<td>Make a Clay Echidna</td>
<td>Fruit Carton Abstract Art Work</td>
<td>Milk Bottle Mask</td>
<td>Make an Egg Carton Crocodile</td>
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<td>Australia Day Public Holiday</td>
<td>P.J Party Pillow fights, sock wrestling, movies, music, popcorn and ice cream</td>
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Please remember to pack a towel and a change of clothes each day!

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**Bookings Call:** 4677 8202 after 9:00am on Tuesday 25 November 2014  
(Note: 30 places available per day)

All care must be pre-booked. **ALL BOOKED CARE MUST BE PAID FOR.** The service will bill you before the program for the booked care. Childcare Benefit and/or Child Care Rebate fee reductions are available to all families. Applications via Centrelink. **Call: 13 61 50**

The Vacation Care Program operates between the hours of 7:00am and 7:00pm on the days indicated on the above program. Additional activities including art, craft, sports, drama and just plain fun are offered on a daily basis.

**Full Fee without Childcare Benefit:** $40.00 per day per child  
(all activities, including incursions/excursions, are included in this fee).  
A booking fee of $6.00 per family also applies.
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- **Thursday activities:** Lots of last minute Christmas crafts and presents to make and wrap. Make a hot chocolate spoon to stir through your hot chocolate on Christmas Day.

- **Friday activities:** Lots of last minute Christmas crafts and presents to make and wrap. Make a Snowman using a white sock, buttons and scrap Christmas material. Let's make some Peppermint Crunch/Milk Chocolate Chip Cookies.

- **Monday activities:** Winter Wonderland. Make your own snow, feel how cold it is and take it home in a jar. Make a crystal snow flake using borax. Make some Jelly Belly Biscuits.

- **Tuesday activities:** Make a Tea Light Candle Holder using a balloon and Christmas coloured wax. Make a sweet Christmas tree using waffle cone, green icing, smarties and some imagination. Make a tin embossed candle holder.

- **Monday activities:** Balloon modelling, learn to make some amazing things out of modelling balloons. Slip and slide across the back yard, bring a change of clothes and a towel.

- **Tuesday activities:** Make a Rainbow Bubble Snake using the top part of a drink bottle. Make some summer jewellery using shells. Make some Cheese Puffs using eggs, puff pastry and cheese.

- **Wednesday activities:** Take a plaster cast using a Chinese container, shells, rocks and plaster. Sponge balls - make a ball using cut up sponge, soak it in water then the fun begins.

- **Thursday activities:** Make a 3D Lizard using paper and textas. Make an ice sculpture using frozen coloured ice cubes with bigger blocks of ice. **Enjoy a summer sausage sizzle.**

- **Friday activities:** Create a Story Board about our Sand Castle Building Competition. Children will take the photos and write about their day.

- **Monday activities:** Make a musical instrument using recycled bottles, rice and contact. Make a Rainbow Wind Mobile.

- **Tuesday activities:** Make a Straw Pan Flute. Make your own bouncy ball using corn starch, borax, liquid glue and food colouring.

- **Wednesday activities:** Incursion: Music with Almost Anything - Mick Conway will be here to do a workshop showing children how to make musical instruments from recycled materials. Make a Paper Mache Heart using cardboard, tissue paper, buttons, old jewellery and glue.

- **Thursday activities:** Cooking with Cheryl - today you will be making Fruity Yogurt Pops. Make a matchbox pet using an old match box, felt, paper and wadding.

- **Friday activities:** Create a bracelet with the paper beads you've been making this week. Design and cover your own headband using flowers, tulle and buttons.

- **Monday activities:** Start our Australian picture on a large canvas. First we will come up with a design, and then we will use buttons to create the picture. Make an Echidna using clay and tooth picks.

- **Tuesday activities:** Let's do some Australian Sand Art. Do an abstract painting on a fruit carton.

- **Wednesday activities:** Make a digger's slouch hat 3d picture using cardboard and felt. Make a scary mask using recycled milk bottles, tissue paper and crepe paper. Let's make some Fairy Muffins.

- **Thursday activities:** Incursion: The reptile man is coming to show you some amazing creatures. Make a crocodile using egg carton, paint and eyes.

- **Friday activities:** Make an Australian diorama using a box and a variety of materials. Party Time! Come dressed as your favourite Australian celebrity.

- **Tuesday activities:** A day to relax and wear your PJs. There will be pillow fights, sock wrestling, movies, music, popcorn and ice cream.

If you are unable to get to a phone on the day bookings open you can email the dates to:

**yrc@wollondilly.nsw.gov.au**

Alternatively your bookings can be faxed to **4677 8213**.

A staff member will call or email you later in the day to confirm your bookings.

**Program subject to change**