Principal’s Message

The Gold Level Reward day went smoothly on Friday, despite some uncertain weather. By all accounts, the movie was good and the behaviour was exemplary. Similarly, a great time was had by Year 6 on their visit to Jamberoo Action Park on Tuesday. They even managed to coax their principal onto the Taipan ride! From what I can gather, Kindergarten also enjoyed themselves thoroughly at Symbio and managed to avoid any unpleasant weather. And to finish the day on a highly positive note, Picton High School’s Presentation Night featured a parade of Thirlmere ex-students taking the lion’s share of the major awards, including the CWA Tertiary Scholarship (Natalija), the 2013 Dux (Caitlin) and the Young Humanitarian Award (Morgan). In addition, three of the four School Leaders at PHS for 2015 are from Thirlmere (Morgan, Liam and Piper). We must be doing something right here.

Super Savers
Congrats to Brianna and Jessica for their good saving habits. They obviously have an eye on the future.

Joggers’ Club
The following students have achieved “milestones”: Sarah, for 25km. Another picture to go on our website!

Some End Of Year Changes
Teachers have voted to have two extended staff meetings on 8th and 15th December, which means that we will have only one School Development Day after the students finish on Wednesday 17 December. The school will be closed on Friday 19 December.

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.

Teach your kids to be waterproof
As temperatures rise, the risk of drowning increases too. Review these water-safety tips to help keep your family safe this summer.

Coming Events

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Ready for high school
Can you recall what you were most apprehensive about when you started high school? This video of Year 7 students explain why teens shouldn’t be worried about starting high school, and how they can get off to a great start in the first few days.
Watch the videos:

Choosing school shoes
Are expensive school shoes the best option for happy feet? Let's face it. School shoes have never been at the cutting edge of fashion. In fact if you look at what your parents were wearing, the humble school shoe really hasn't evolved much at all.
Tips for choosing shoes:

Road safety reminder for parents and carers these holidays
Remember when walking near roads, on footpaths, near driveways and in car parks always: hold your child’s hand, talk to your child about road safety and point out road safety dangers and differences in new environments.
The best way to keep your child safe on or near the road is to hold their hand. Talk with your child daily about road safety. For further information visit:

Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas.
Calvin Coolidge

Enjoy your week – one to go!
Stephen Lord

Year 7 2015 Picton High School Book Packs
Book packs are available for purchase from Picton High School for $25. Please note that these book packs are tailored to the requirements of Picton High School and book packs purchased elsewhere may not meet these requirements. These can be paid for over the phone and left aside for pick up.
School fees and Camp deposit can be paid in person or over the phone up until the 17th of December.

Chantelle Hager
HSIE Teacher, Year 7 Year Advisor 2015
Picton High School

Uniform News
It’s time to decide what uniforms you may require for the start of the new school year. Please place orders for any uniform items you require for next year now to avoid disappointment.
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 Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesday 27th January 2015 from 10am to 2pm. This is our staff development day. The shops usual opening hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 3pm.
Amanda Lee

Sausage Sizzle
The band will be running a sausage sizzle on Tuesday 16th December 2014. A note to preorder a sausage sizzle will be sent home this week.

Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

**All Students**
Notes Home:
Presentation Day Assembly

**Selected Students**
Notes Home:
Gold Medal Assembly

Last Day to Pay:
School Swimming Scheme – Mon 9 Feb 2015
NO PAYMENTS FOR EXCURSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER “LAST DAY FOR PAYMENT” DATE

Centre for Community Welfare Training (CCWT)
The CCWT is the training arm of The Association of Children’s Welfare Agencies. Each Year the CCWT provide training to people and communities in order to build a better society, particularly with the care and welfare of children. We have now received the calendar outlining the courses the CCWT have available between February and June 2015. Anyone interesting can contact the office for more information or visit their website: www.acwa.asn.au.
SCHOOL FINANCE & OFFICE NEWS

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.

All 2014 School Payments are now due. Please pay any outstanding school payments by Monday 15th December 2015

Last Day to Pay
School Swimming Scheme is Monday 9 February 2015
If you would like to hold a position in the swim scheme you must pay a minimum $30 deposit when you hand in your note.

Band News
All band payments are now overdue. Payments must be made to the office immediately, so that the end of year accounts can be paid to the Tutor.
Upcoming Band Events
• Senior students will play at the Presentation Day and Gold Medal Presentation.
Band will resume for established members on Monday 2nd February 2015 and Beginners will start within a few weeks.

Youth Banking
Youth banking is now closed. Thank you to all students who participated in Youth Banking during 2014. Youth banking will resume on the 4th February 2015
If you would like to join Youth Banking a representative from CBA will be at our school on Monday 2nd February 2015 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.

Awards Information
All Merit Certificates. Principals Awards and Banners should already have been handed into the office.

The Gold Medal Assembly will be held on the
Tuesday 16th December at 9.30am

CANTEEN ROSTER
TERM 4: 6TH OCTOBER TO 19TH DECEMBER 2014
Friday 12/12: Julie Bird, Simone Hinton, Louise Shannahan
Monday 15/12: Lisa Boyce, Tammy Parker
Wednesday 17th December: CANTEEN CLOSED
## THIRLMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP
### PRICE LIST/ORDER FORM 2014

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**TOTAL $**

**Childs 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 [ ]
## 125th 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.
The Oaks Pony Club
Do you ride? Would you like to make new friends to ride with and improve your riding as well? Then come and join The Oaks Pony Club. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month and riders are involved in flat work, dressage, jumping, sporting and games. We have a yearly camp, go for visits to Silver Hills for Cross Country, have the opportunity to compete in all types of competitions and generally have a great time. Come join us! Registration is on Sunday 1st February at Dudley Chesham Oval The Oaks. For more information go to our website: theoaksponyclub.org.au

We are conducting a summer holiday cricket T20 Blast camp in January @ Raby Oval. Could you please pass on the below + attached information to all parents and students, that would be greatly appreciated.

CAMPBELLTOWN T20 BLAST HOLIDAY CAMP
Date: Thursday 15th & Friday 16th January 2015
Time: 9.00 a.m - 1.00 p.m
Venue: Raby Sports Complex
Cost: $99
Targeted towards 6-12 year old boys and girls!
Every participant will receive a pack which includes a hat, t-shirt, stickers and drawstring bag!
Each day will contain around 2 hours of skills and 2 hours of games.
Delivered by qualified, accredited Cricket NSW Staff as well as the Campbelltown-Camden Ghosts
Contact: Herman Lotey
herman.lotey@cricketnsw.com.au / 0418 363 835
Bush Christmas 2014
Wirrimbirra Sanctuary
3105 Remembrance Drive, Bargo
Saturday 13th December
Commencing at 6.00pm

** Free Entry **

** Christmas Music **
(Wollondilly Country Music Club)

** Plenty of Hot and Cold Food **

** Christmas RAFFLE **
(tickets sold & drawn on the night)

Join in a true-blue Aussie Celebration of Christmas!
Enquiries—4684 1112
CFN 123076

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NOW OPEN IN PICTON
Facebook and Twitter for Beginners
Communicate with family and friends and make new contacts as you set up your own Facebook and Twitter accounts. Learn about and be more confident using social media. Participants must have an email account.
Monday 15th December | Picton Library | Free 10-11.30am | Bookings essential 4677 8300.

Calling Christmas Crafters
Enjoy making Christmas crafts? Be inspired by making hand-made Christmas gifts and personalized crafts. Children welcome (they will be making preschool craft with Julie Abrahams).
Friday 19th December | 10-12.30pm | Picton Library $5.00 per person | Bookings essential, 4677 8300

Tech Savvy Computer and Internet Course
Our next Tech Savvy course will commence on Thursday 5th February 2015 at Warragamba Town Hall. Topics covered include navigating the internet, emails, attachments and social media. Places are limited.
6 Thursdays commencing 5th February | 10.30-12.30 OR 1.30-3.30pm | Warragamba Town Hall | Contact the library to book your place

Preschool Storytime
Come along to Preschool Storytime on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10.30am, during school term. Suitable for ages 0-6 years. No need to book just come along.
This months storyline themes are:
2-4 Dec Memories | 9-11 Dec Christmas
16-18 Dec Christmas

Twitter Discussion Group
Join the discussion this month about #retroread. We will be focusing on all things retro in this discussion. Retro is such a delightful, positive word. It is the best of times gone by, or, if not the best, the funniest or most sweetly nostalgic. While you are reading, playing or watching your #retroread, you might like to tweet about it using #retroread and #rwpchat.

In the Spotlight: Downloadable Ebooks and Audio Books
Your reading can still continue over our Christmas closure. Remember you can borrow through Overdrive...
Step 1: Sign up for Overdrive. Go to overdrive.com.au
Step 2: Get the Overdrive Media Console app, available for iPhone, iPad, Android, Windows Phone & Windows 8
Step 3: Login to Overdrive using your library borrower number and pin
Step 4: Search for specific titles or browse the collection. Download your Ebook or Audiobook.
For more details ask one of our friendly staff or call 4677 8300

Christmas Crafternoon
Ages 5+
Join us to make a range of Christmas crafts in our free Crafternoon session on Thursday 11th December from 4-5.30pm. Limited spaces, bookings are essential.
Build your own FREE website
Learn how to build your own website using simple and code free website builders. Come prepared with images or text to start your website design. Basic computer skills required and participants must have an email account.
Wednesday 14th January | 10-12.30pm | Picton Library | Free workshop | Places are limited. Bookings 4677 8300

Summer Reading Program 0-18 yrs
Join our Summer Reading Program for your chance to win some great prizes. The more you read the more chance you have of winning. Pick up your goody bag from Monday 1st December 2014 when you register at Picton or the Mobile Libraries.
*Entries close Saturday 31st January 2015.
*Prize presentations 12th February 2015.

‘Sharpie’ Tie Dyed Crafts 8+ yrs
Spend a morning creating some tie dyed crafts using ‘sharpie’ pens, including a t-shirt, a pillowcase, a bag or some wall art.
Thursday 8th January | 10.30-12.00pm
Picton Library | Cost: $5.00 | Bookings essential

Teen Crafts 12+ yrs
Calling all teens! Half way through the holidays and running out of things to do? We have the answer. Grab your friends and come along to the library to make a range of crafts including a bulletin board.
Thursday 15th January | 10.30-12.00pm | Picton Library
Cost: $5.00 | Bookings essential

Mad Hatter’s Tea Party Storytime 5+ yrs
Come along wearing a hat to our very special Tea Party storytime. Stories, games, activities and food. A prize will be given for the most imaginative hat!
Tuesday 13th January | 10.30-12.00pm
Picton Library | No need to book | Free event

Christmas closure
Picton Library will be closed from:
12pm Wednesday 24 December 2014 and re-open at
10am Monday 5 January 2015.
Mobile Libraries will be closed from:
4pm Tuesday 23 December 2014 & re-open at 9.30 am on
Monday 5 January 2015.
Normal timetable services will resume Monday 5 January.

Wollondilly Library Services
Blog: http://wollondillylibrary.wordpress.com/
# FROM THE BUSH TO THE BEACH!

**FREE!**

**GETTING THERE**
- Warragamba - Weir St (Neighbourhood Centre) 7:00am
- The Oaks - John St (opposite Post Office) 7:25am
- Bargo - Noongah St** (opposite Railway Station) 7:55am
- Tahmoor - Remembrance Dve (outside KFC) 8:05am
- Thirlmere - Thirlmere Way (double bus sheds north of roundabout) 8:10am
- Redbank - outside Grove’s Funeral Parlour 8:15am
- Picton - Shire Hall 8:20am
- Douglas Park - outside shop 8:40am
- Wilton - outside Wilton Shops 9:00am
- Arrives at Wollongong North Beach 9:45am

**COMING HOME**
- Pick up from Wollongong North Beach 2:25pm

**Arrives at:**
- Wilton - outside Wilton Shops 3:10pm
- Douglas Park - outside shop 3:30pm
- Picton - St Anthonys 3:50pm
- Redbank - opposite Grove’s Funeral Parlour 3:55pm
- Thirlmere - Thirlmere Way (double bus sheds north of roundabout) 4:00pm
- Tahmoor - opposite KFC 4:05pm
- Bargo - Noongah St** (opposite railway station) 4:15pm
- The Oaks - outside Post Office 4:45pm
- Warragamba - Weir St (Neighbourhood Centre) 5:10pm

*There is only one pick up time from Wollongong Beach in the afternoon. If you miss this pick up you must find your own way home.*

Please note that this is an unsupervised bus service. There will be NO ADULT SUPERVISION ON THE BUS OR THE BEACH and no responsibility will be taken for people who miss their scheduled departure time. Children 13 years and under must be accompanied by an adult.

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TAHMOOR UNDERGROUND

GLENCORE
SUMMER PROGRAM
WOLLONDILLY VACATION CARE
66 Menangle Street, Picton
Thursday 18 December – Tuesday 23 December 2014
Monday 5 January – Tuesday 27 January 2015

Thursday 18/12/14  Friday 19/12/14  Monday 22/12/14  Tuesday 23/12/14  Wednesday 24/12/14
Christmas Craft  Peppermint Crunch/Milk Chocolate Chip Cookies  Make your own snow Make a Snow Flake  Balloon Christmas Candle Holder
Hot Chocolate Spoons

Monday 5/1/15  Tuesday 6/1/15  Wednesday 7/1/15  Thursday 8/1/15  Friday 9/1/15
Balloo Modelling  Shell Jewellery  Plaster Casting  Sausage Sizzle  Sand Castle Competition Make a Beach Wall Hanging
Slip and slide across the back yard  Rainbow Bubble Snake  Make sponge balls for water games  3D Lizard

Monday 12/1/15  Tuesday 13/1/15  Wednesday 14/1/15  Thursday 15/1/15  Friday 16/1/15
Make a musical instrument  Make a straw Pan Flute  Incursion: Mick Conway ‘Music with Almost Anything’  Match Box Pets  Talent Quest
Make a Rainbow Wind Mobile  Make a bouncy ball  Make a Paper Mache Mixed Media Heart  Make Fruity Yogurt Pops  Design and cover a headband

Monday 19/1/15  Tuesday 20/1/15  Wednesday 21/1/15  Thursday 22/1/15  Friday 23/1/15
Start an Australian picture on large canvas  Aussie Sand Art  Make a Digger’s Slouch Hat Incursion: The Reptile Man Come dressed as an Aussie celebrity Make an Australian Diorama
Make a Clay Echidna  Fruit Carton Abstract Art Work  Milk Bottle Mask  Make an Egg Carton Crocodile

Monday 26/1/15  Tuesday 27/1/15
Australia Day Public Holiday  PJ Party Pillow fights, sock wrestling, movies, music, popcorn and ice cream

Please remember to pack a towel and a change of clothes each day!

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.