PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

A Future Southern Star?
Our very own Mackenzie is in Barooga on the Victorian border this week, representing Sydney South West Girls Cricket team at the State Carnival. In the team with her is our former student Kate, who attends Tahmoor Public School in the Opportunity Class. We wish them all the best as they compete for State selection.

Principal’s Awards
This week’s winners are Jenna, Eliza, Charlotte, Brianna, Gabby, Isabella and Ryan. Congratulations, their picture will soon appear on our website.

Assembly Awards
Congratulations to the following students:

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<th>Artist Of The Week</th>
<th>6S</th>
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<td>Jade</td>
<td>Levi</td>
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<th>Mathematician Of The Week</th>
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<th>Writer Of The Week</th>
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<td>Byron</td>
<td>Charlotte</td>
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Kindergarten Bus Safety
Our Kindergarten students were visited by Senior Constable Scambary, Bus Driver Dave from Picton Buslines and an NRMA representative on Tuesday. The children learned about stranger danger, good pedestrian habits and safe bus travel, including a ride on a real bus! They were almost as excited as the Principal.

Scripture Classes
These are provided by clergy and volunteers from local Protestant and Catholic churches, with Jehovah’s Witness lessons being organised by the children’s own parents. Whilst your right as parents to choose not to participate is respected, I encourage families, whether they attend church or not, to consider allowing their children to attend Scripture. The message contained within both Protestant and Catholic programs is towards positive morals and values rather than a theological history lesson. Whilst supervision is provided for non-Scripture, no teaching can occur during this time. Parents wishing to change the preference indicated on enrolment should contact the school office.
Oaks Road Parking
Please observe the parking signs in front of the school, especially during peak morning and afternoon times. Cars should not be left unattended during these times, as it compromises the safety of other students being picked up or dropped off by their families.

Homework help
Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practise their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments?
The free School A to Z app has been created by the Department of Education and Communities to help parents and their school-aged children, wherever and whenever they have homework and study questions.
Find out more: http://www.schoola-to-z.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/school-a-to-z

Homework and multi-tasking
Somewhere along the line we seemed to have absorbed the idea that teenagers can multi-task perfectly because they're digital natives. Can kids really do their homework and multi-task?

When lunch comes home again – uneaten
Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children's resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds.
But it's a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it.

Help with English
Does your child need help with spelling or writing? Here are some resources that may help.
Find out more:

Maths
Struggling to remember everything you learnt in maths? If you need a refresher course, here are some tips and tools to help you to help your child.
Find out more:

Have a great week, and please accept my apologies for the swimming carnival results. I was not quick enough to catch Mrs Stewart on Tuesday. They will be in next week’s edition!

Stephen Lord

Student Health
A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child’s health.

Please remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts. Also, information about any new medical conditions such as allergies, asthma, diabetes, anaphylaxis and other health related issues should be provided to the school by parents. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child’s health and wellbeing.

Band News
The invoices for Term 1 Band fees were sent home this week for all children who have joined the band. The fees are $135 for the term and must be paid as soon as possible.
Students will need to ensure they bring their instruments on the day of their lesson as well as their music book and manuscript.
SCHOOL FINANCE

The admin staff would like to thank you for your patience with our new finance and Student Wellbeing System.

There continues to be a number of issues with the system, but we are getting there.

Band statements have been issued this week, these fees can now be paid by cash or eftpos.

Information will be sent home shortly about a parent portal application. You will be able to login to the portal once you receive a login and see outstanding accounts.

Thank you, The Admin Staff.
Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

Early Stage 1 *(Kindergarten)*

**Last Day to Pay:**
Footsteps – Thur 6 Mar

**Notes sent home this week**
- Steam Festival
- Footsteps Dance Program

**Stage 1** *(Years 1 & 2)*

**Last Day to Pay:**
Footsteps – Thur 6 Mar
Swim School *(Year 2 Only)* – Fri 7 Mar

**Notes sent home this week**
- 2H – Mrs Hunt’s Leave of Absence
- Steam Festival P&C Update
- Footsteps Dance Program
- Steam Festival Street March

**Stage 2** *(Years 3 & 4)*

**Last Day to Pay:**
Footsteps – Thur 6 Mar
Swimming School – Fri 7 Mar

**Notes sent home this week**
- Zone Swimming Carnival
- Steam Festival P&C Update
- Footsteps Dance Program
- Steam Festival Street March

**Stage 3** *(Years 5 & 6)*

**Last Day to Pay:**
Footsteps – Thur 6 Mar
Swimming School – Fri 7 Mar
Full Payment Bathurst camp-Fri 14 Mar

**Notes sent home this week**
- Zone Swimming Carnival
- Steam Festival P&C Update
- Footsteps Dance Program
- Steam Festival Street March

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

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CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1 2014

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<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Canteen Roster</th>
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<tr>
<td>Fri 28th February</td>
<td>Kerry New, Millie Achis, Zoe Stephens</td>
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<td>Mon 3rd March</td>
<td>Tania Willett, Vicki Barrow</td>
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<td>Wed 5th March</td>
<td>Sharon Browning, Shannon Apps</td>
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<td>Frid 7th March</td>
<td>Julie Bird, Mel Ruddiman, Chris Ahumada</td>
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<td>Mon 10th</td>
<td>March Lisa Boyce, Lee Blatch</td>
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<td>Wed 12th March</td>
<td>Lee-anne Armstrong, Deb Parker</td>
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<td>Frid 14th March</td>
<td>Mel Moroz, Christie Henry (til 1pm), Millie Achis</td>
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<td>Mon 17th March</td>
<td>Lisa Williams, Jo Chivers</td>
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<td>Wed 19th March</td>
<td>Shannon Apps, Diane Hunt</td>
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<td>Fri 21st March</td>
<td>Mel Ruddiman, Tania Willett, Lisa Boyce</td>
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<td>Mon 24th March</td>
<td>Helle Juske, Tammy Parker</td>
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<td>Wed 26th March</td>
<td>Leonie Schlosser, Vicki Barrow</td>
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<td>Fri 28th March</td>
<td>Lisa Fava, Monique Liddle, Nicole Lewry</td>
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<td>Mon 31st March</td>
<td>Amanda Lee, Amy White</td>
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**Friday 11th April** LAST DAY OF TERM – CANTEEN CLOSED

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Uniform News

Our winter uniform is now available from the Uniform Shop. The shop is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 3pm. If you are unable to access the Uniform Shop during these times, orders can be placed through the office.

If any families have any extra plastic shopping bags, please pass them on to the uniform shop for re-use.

Thank you. Amanda Lee
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<th>ITEM</th>
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<td>Girls Summer dress</td>
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<td>Girls Winter tunic</td>
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<td>Polo shirt short sleeve</td>
<td>4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20,22</td>
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<td>Microfibre jacket</td>
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<td>Zip cardigan</td>
<td>4,6,8,10,12,14,16</td>
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<td>Emblem jumper</td>
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<td>Grey cargo shorts</td>
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<td>Girls skorts</td>
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<td>Sport shorts</td>
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<td>Sports shirt short sleeve</td>
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<td>Microfibre track pants</td>
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<td>Skivvy</td>
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<td>Netball skirts</td>
<td>6,8,10,12,14,16</td>
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<td>Tights</td>
<td>4-6yrs, 7-10yrs, 11-14yrs</td>
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<td>Polar fleece scarf</td>
<td>One size</td>
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<td>Ankle socks (pack 5)</td>
<td>9-12, 13-3, 2-8 grey or white</td>
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<td>Art smock</td>
<td>One size</td>
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<td>Football socks</td>
<td>9-2, 2-7, 7-10</td>
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<td>School badge</td>
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<td>Excursion Bag &amp; Drink Bottle</td>
<td>Sold as a set ONLY</td>
<td>$12</td>
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**TOTAL $**

Childs Name________________________________________ Year/Class________

Contact Name________________________________________ Phone 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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<td>To be purchased through Uniform Shop</td>
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<td>125th Book</td>
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<td>Includes pictures of all current students and our schools history – focusing on last 25 years</td>
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**Total $**

You can view all above items in the school office.

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

To embrace the technological nature of society, our newsletter is now being delivered by email. In the space provided below, please indicate the email address/es you wish to use to receive the newsletter.

1st Parent/Guardian Email : ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

2nd Parent/Guardian Email : ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

3rd Parent/Guardian Email : ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

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 STEAMS THIS WEEKEND!!!!!

And community thoughts turn to the famous Devonshire Tea stall… held in the picturesque grounds of our very own Thirlmere School.

We need your help, parents/careers… Please join Ms Pearce and the P&C, on Sunday 2nd March in the school canteen. Just an hour or two would be great! If you can assist please call Lea on 0420445710, leaandfive@gmail.com or leave your details at the office.

Don’t forget to get DRESSED UP and GET DOWN to the parade, for A JOURNEY THROUGH THE DECADES, 11.45am near the IGA. Now where did I put my bubblegum jeans…must be with my uggys and flanno…

See you there,
P&C.
FOR SCHOOLS IN THE WOLLONDILLY AREA

WOLLONDILLY SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS PCC (Bjelke Petersen Club)
Classes resume 2014 on Wed 12th Feb at CWA Hall, York St, Tahmoor as follows

Preschoolers 3.45pm
5-8 Yrs 4.15pm
9-12 Yrs 5.15pm
13-16 Yrs 6.15pm
2nd Yr & Open Sens 7.15pm
Ladies 8.15pm

Your age group is the age you are on the 31st August this year

Registrations for Year: Preschoolers $25
Fees: Payable by the term Preschoolers $4 per week

5Yrs & over $75
5 Yrs – 16 Yrs $8 per week
2nd Yr Sens Opens & Ladies $10 per week

FIRST LESSON FREE TO ALL NEWCOMERS
FAMILY DISCOUNT AVAILABLE
YEARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT AVAILABLE

Enquiries: Diane Gardiner: Ph: 0246810015
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Email: fussy-di@bigpond.com

Can you help?
We would really appreciate any volunteers who are able to help out in our library on Thursday mornings!
We would love some assistance with jobs like contacting books, organising/tidying shelves and book repair!
If you can join us, or have any questions, just drop by the library or email Gaby Gutjahr gabrielle.gutjahr@det.nsw.edu.au

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

PATRICIA YVONNE
ACADEMY OF DANCE,
DRAMA & THEATRE ARTS

THIRLMERE
THIRLMERE PUBLIC SCHOOL HALL
MONDAY & THURSDAY AFTERNOONS
BALLETT- DRAMA – TAP – JAZZ
MODERN - LYRICAL
HIP HOP - MUSICAL THEATRE
Students trained for E.D.T.A.
Examinations & Stagecraft
Beginners from 3yrs to Advanced

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