PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Coping With The Cold

Having been in Dubai a couple of weeks ago, where the temperature hovered around 45 degrees for most of the day and night, I can confirm that our current weather is cold and sometimes bleak. It is timely to remind parents to label your children’s uniform items, especially hats and jackets. Many are left lying around at the end of the day, and without a name they may not find their way back to their owners. I also remind students and parents that black shoes are expected on all days except for K-2 and 3-6 Sport, with grey socks for boys and white for girls. Socks should cover the ankles and be folded over.

Principal’s Awards

Congratulations this week to: Brooklyn, Keira, Katie, Kelinda and Jenna. Their picture will be on our website soon.

Aussies Of The Month

Nominations and winners for the month of June are: Stage 3 Kristina (nominee) and Harrison (winner).

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students from 4G and 2B:

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<th>Artist Of The Week</th>
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<td>Molly</td>
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<td>Taylor</td>
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<td>Olive</td>
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Look for their picture on our website!

Road Safety Issues

Wollondilly Council is involved in two projects to improve conditions for pedestrians and motorists around our school. One is for a raised threshold at the crossing, providing better and enhanced safety for pedestrians. The other is an awareness-raising campaign about school 40km/h zones and parking restrictions. In the near future, you will notice some signage on our school fence, and leaflets will be distributed from 12 August. Council advises me that the Police will be present during this campaign.
Kindergarten 2015
Where has the year gone? It is already that time again where I encourage families with children starting Kindergarten in 2015 to collect an application for enrolment from the school office. Staff will commence planning for Kindergarten transition shortly and we would like to ensure we are in contact with as many families as possible.

We have a busy week coming up (which week isn’t?). Don’t forget to take time during the hustle and bustle to enjoy some quiet family time.

Stephen Lord

Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

Stage 1 (Years K, 1 and 2)
Notes Home:
Making Bread (Year 1 Only)

Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4)
Last Day to Pay:
Stage 2 & 3 Performance – Thu 14 Aug
Year 4 Berry Camp – Full Payment 15 Oct

Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)
Notes Home:
Milo Cup Cricket
Girls 7a-side Rugby League

Last Day to Pay:
Stage 2 & 3 Performance – Thu 14 Aug

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

CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 3:
FRIDAY 15/8: Lea Blatch, Monique Liddle, Mel Ruddiman
MONDAY 18/8: Simone Hinton, Tania Willet
WEDNESDAY 20/8: Belinda Dodd, Linda Cernik
FRIDAY 22/8: Mel Moroz, Joanna Mauro, Zoe Stephens
MONDAY 25/8: Shannon Apps, Vicki Barrow
WEDNESDAY 27/8: Lisa Fava, Nicole Lewry
FRIDAY 29/8: Tania Willet, Lisa Williams, Simone Hinton
MONDAY 1/9: Amanda Lee, Amy White
WEDNESDAY 3/9: Diane Hunt, Meryl Cooper
FRIDAY 5/9: Kerry New, Cindy Hile, Lisa Fava
MONDAY 8/9: Vicki Barrow, Christy Greene
WEDNESDAY 10/9: Lea Blatch, Louise Shannahman
FRIDAY 12/9: Jo Tapp, Julie Bird, Lisa Boyce
MONDAY 15/9: Millie Achis, Helle Juske
WEDNESDAY 17/9: Deb Collings, Gail Burtenshaw
FRIDAY 19/9 CANTEEN CLOSED

Uniform News
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.

Please note that the uniform shop can only accept payments by cash or cheque. NO EFTPOS payments can be accepted as we do not have the facility.

Amanda Lee

Camden High School Inter School Equestrian Carnival
Camden High School will hold their Inter School Equestrian Carnival on 6 September 2014. Students wishing to compete in this event must complete an entry online at the Camden High School Website below:

www.camden-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Entries must be submitted by 22 August 2014. When students have completed their entry online, they must leave their name at the office for collection by Jo Tapp.
SCHOOL FINANCE & OFFICE NEWS

Payments
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.

Band News
Term 3 band fees are now due. There will be no established band lesson on Monday 1 September 2014, this will be made up on Friday 12 September 2014.

FOEI Forms
Recently a letter went home to selected families regarding the Family Occupation and Education Index. The majority of these forms have been returned to the office but we are still waiting on the remainder. If you haven’t returned the form to date, could you please forward it to the office at your earliest convenience as the information determines the amount of funding the school will receive.
If the letter has been misplaced, the ladies in the office can provide you a new one upon request.
We thank you for your co-operation in completing the form

Absentee Letters
Absentee letters are now coming home to families that have not provided a reason for absence to the school for their child’s absence.
We are still working through the new system and appreciate any information you could provide us if the dates on the letter should raise concern to you.

Thank you
Administration Staff

WOLLONDILLY WINTER APPEAL

Food Drive
Don't forget to bring in bottled, tinned or packaged food, and toiletries like, tooth paste or shampoo...in fact any item from your pantry.
The SRC are collecting these items to support those less fortunate in our community.
Goods are being collected in House Groups, so.. get busy Boronia and Banksia!
What are you waiting for Waratah and Wattle!
Start bringing items to school. Baskets are waiting every morning before school!
SRC

Crossing – Performance for Stage 2 and Stage 3
A reminder that payment for this play which will be performed at school on the 25th August will need to be paid by the 14th August. This is a very entertaining play which covers the early exploration of Australia. Payment after the 14th August will not be accepted.
Mrs Karolis

Drumbeat
Those students involved in the drumbeat program should be aware that Drumbeat will not occur on Monday 18th August because the instructor is not available on this day.
Mrs Mace
BOOK WEEK 2014

Monday 18th August
@ 8:55am - Reading Ambassadors launch Book Week at our morning assembly.

Tuesday 19th August
@ 5:45-7pm - Celebrate the national Reading Hour with hot chocolate in the library. BYO Pillows & PJs.

Wednesday 20th August
@ 9am - Come along to our P&C meeting in the library for the unveiling of our NEW 'Book Stop' for adults.
@ 3.15pm - The Wollondilly library team present the CBCA Books of the Year for families at our school library. Please RSVP for this great event.

RSVP and questions to Miss Gutjahr on gabrielle.gutjahr@det.nsw.edu.au

Thursday 21st August
@ 10am - dress up as a book character you feel connected to and pose with us for our photo shoot!

Parents and Pre-schoolers welcome to join the dress-up fun!

more details in next week's school newsletter

pinterest.com/missgutjahr /costumes/ for costume ideas
connect to reading
Book Week 📚
18 - 22 August 2014

We are looking forward to celebrating reading this book week!
The theme is connect to reading. This fits in with our school-wide reading and comprehension focus where we relate what we read to other texts, events happening in our world and our own life experiences.

To support students to create and discuss these connections, we have planned a few community events to take place during Book Week. We would love for families to come along and take part in these with us!

Monday 18 August @ our morning assembly 8.55am
Thirlmere’s own shortlisted ‘Books of the Year’ will be announced (nominations are being accepted all this week via our library blog) and voting will begin!

Tuesday 19 August @ 5.45 to 7pm in our library
We will be recognising the Reading Hour together in our school library. Please bring your book, something comfy to sit on and wear warm comfy clothes! We plan to make hot chocolate (and coffee for the more seasoned reader) so would appreciate RSVPs. This event is for families so all ages are welcome! http://www.love2read.org.au/

Wednesday 20 August @ 9am in our library
Come along to our P&C meeting and learn all about our new Book Stop for adults!

Wednesday 20 August @ 3.15 to 4pm in our library
The Wollondilly library staff will present to us the Children’s Book Council of Australia’s shortlisted titles for Book of the Year! They will explore a selection of these stories in greater detail. To help them cater for all ages, please RSVP to this event and let us know the ages of your children who are attending.
connect to reading

Book Week
18 - 22 August 2014

Thursday 21 August @ 10 to 10.55am

A favourite activity each book week is to dress up like a book character! This year we are simply coming dressed as a character that we can ‘connect to’. This is a character that we can understand and empathise towards. Parents and pre-schoolers are welcome to come along at 10am to watch our character ‘photo shoot’ and even have their own pictures taken!

Students can make the day extra special by ordering a Book Week meal deal from the canteen! Choose from the Captain Underpants meal or the Green Eggs and Ham meal. Please submit your orders by Monday 18th August.

The intention of Book Week is to have fun celebrating and encouraging reading. The purpose of each of these events is to stimulate discussion about books both at home and at school and to model positive reading behaviours to our students.

We appreciate your time and your support of these initiatives.

The local media may be present at any of these events so please contact Miss Gutjahr if you would not like your child’s photo taken for the purposes of media publication.

Book Week RSVPs

Please tick and return to Miss Gutjahr in the library, submit the form on the library blog [http://thirrmerepslibrary.edublogs.org](http://thirrmerepslibrary.edublogs.org), or email gabrielle.gutjahr@det.nsw.edu.au.

☐ The Reading Hour 19 August 5.45-7pm.
Number of people coming ________

☐ The Wollondilly Library ‘Books of the Year’ show 20 August 3.15-4pm
Number of people coming ________, their ages are ________________
**BOOK WEEK MEAL DEAL**

Please cut out your choice and paste to a lunch order bag. Orders must be in by Monday 18th August!

Correct money please. **$5**

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**GREEN EGGS AND HAM**

- Ham and cheese toastie
- Green apple
- Ice cream and green sprinkles
- Bottle of water

### Deal 2

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**CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS**

- Baked beans toastie
- Watermelon
- Ice cream and chocolate sprinkles
- Bottle of water
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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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<td>125th Book $20</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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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.
Macarthur CDC’s Spot Check!

Macarthur CDC’s Speech Pathologists are offering FREE screening services for children whose parents or teachers think they may have some difficulties with their speech, language or literacy skills but are not 100% sure!

This service is offered in term 3 on Thursday afternoons between 2.00pm-3.00pm. Bookings are essential as places are limited.

All parents and teachers will be asked to fill out questionnaires and consent forms prior to the child’s appointment.

Macarthur CDC’s speech pathologists will advise if further formalised assessment is required or refer to appropriate services.

Please contact us at:

P: 02 4648 0837
E: admin@macarthurcdc.com.au
Shop 6/ 38 Exchange Parade, Narellan NSW 2567

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

TAHMOOR DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB
Think of playing cricket?
Come and join
Registrations to play Cricket in 2014 – 2015 Season

Registrations open from 31st July 2014 (visit our website for registration form)
tahmoorcc.nsw.cricket.com.au
Or register in person on
✓ Sunday 10th August 10.00 to Noon at Tahmoor Sports Ground
✓ Sunday 17th August 10.00 to Noon at Tahmoor Sports Ground

Who can play?
Boys and Girls
Juniors and Seniors

Contact: Andrew Murphy 0418 612 054, Shane Eva 0415 906 270,
Jane Eva 0419 296 508, Kevin O'Ree 0417 448 161
Can your Students Climb Sydney’s Tallest Building?

We would love to invite your students to be part of the ‘School’s Challenge’ at this year’s Sydney Tower Stair Challenge on August 24. This is a great chance for teams of 4 to take on the 1504 stairs from Pitt Street Mall to the Observation Deck at the Sydney Tower Eye. **Participants have to be 12 years or older.**

Each stair climbed will assist Giant Steps who operate a school and intervention service for children and young people (2-20) who have been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

For more information and to register simply go to [www.active8change.com.au](http://www.active8change.com.au). Alternatively you can contact Steve Corrie at Active8Change on 0439 975 759 for specific event day information or Michelle Jocum at Giant Steps on (02) 9879 4971.