Relieving Principal’s Message

This week we are celebrating SASS recognition week at Thirlmere. Our SASS staff are all of the non-teaching members of our staff. Specifically they include Mrs France, Mrs Benson, Mrs Canning and Mrs Peachey in our office; Mrs Eckler and Mrs Cugalj who work as Learning Support officers in our classrooms and Mr Karolis who works as our General Assistant. To use a cliché term these members of staff are the unsung heroes of our school. Without them to answer the phones, receipt your payments, mow the lawn, order resources and supplies, help those students that require a little extra support, provide first aid and photocopy our school would be a very different place. As a matter of fact you wouldn't be reading this newsletter without them! When the staff were planning our recognition luncheon we wanted to find a theme and fittingly “Superheroes” came to mind. I’d like to take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge and thank these exceptionally valued members of staff. Mrs France and her team are some of the finest people I’ve had the privilege of working with. They each go a long way to making Thirlmere the great place that it is.

This Sunday provides us the opportunity to recognise some other very important people in our school community – our dads, stepdads, pops and granddads. To all of you I wish sizzle in your snags, bite in your bacon, caffeine in your coffee and petrol in your mower. Have a great day Sunday and be sure to treasure your time together as a family (including the special gifts your little people purchased at the father’s day stall.)
Extravaganza
One week and counting! There is a limited number of seats available for the evening performance but still a great deal for the matinee. I would encourage all families to attend one of these performances as both staff and students have been working exceptionally hard to deliver a quality show. Families are welcome to purchase additional seats at either of the performances through the trybooking website.

Zone Athletics Carnival
Our school was well represented at the Zone carnival last Thursday and Friday when talented athletes from Razorback Schools came together to compete for a place on the Razorback athletics squad. I had the pleasure of attending the carnival on Friday and was proud to be associated with our students, their behaviour and uniform. Congratulations to Luke who placed first in the 11 years 100m and second in the 11 years 200m. He will compete at the regional carnival.

Oracy Finals – Buxton Public School
Best wishes to our Oracy Finalists Summer (ES1), Peter (S1), Annise (S2) and James (S3) who will represent our school next Monday at the Zone finals at Buxton Public School.

Ruby Day
Save the date!!! For some time now we’ve known we have a special little girl in our community who, together with her family, is fighting hard to beat a terrible illness. As a school we’d like to join together to do our little bit (or perhaps BIG bit) to help the Smith family. Friday 23rd October we will be holding “Ruby Day’. It will be the day to paint the school red. Please keep your eyes peeled for further updates. We will be appealing for everyone’s support to make this day an amazing success!

Technology Survey
Thank you so much for the outstanding response we received to the Technology survey. It will take some time to collate your thoughts and feedback but rest assured we will be doing that and working to incorporate ideas and suggestions into current practice and future planning.

Staff Professional Development
At the conclusion of the 2015 school year staff finish with two days of professional learning and development. This year these dates are Thursday 17 December and Friday 18 December. In order to better facilitate our professional learning and use these days to inform our teaching practice this year staff will instead participate in professional learning for an extended time on two evenings. The second of our evenings was held Monday night this week. Topics included interactive whiteboard resources, the school plan and school excellence framework and integrated planning using the new syllabus documents. As staff have all completed these two evenings the school will be closed on Friday 18 December.

Kindergarten 2016
Interview bookings are open. Please follow the instructions you received in your letter to book an interview time for your child. If you did not receive a letter please contact the office.

Earn and Learn
These stickers are in the final weeks. Please collect as many as you can and send them into the school office.

Staff Leave
Mrs Pauline Reason will take a period of long service leave from 7 September to 15 October 2015. During this time we welcome Miss Melissa Moutos back to the school to teach K/1R.

Principal’s awards
Summer, Bowen, Tess, Caleb and Piper

Aussie of the Month - August

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Term 3 – Week 8
2 September 2015
Excursions, Notes and Payment Due Dates

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

*Payments due*
- Berry Camp – Fri 23 Oct

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

*Payments due*
- Jamberoo Excursion – Fri 6 Nov

**All Students**

*Notes Home:*
- Movie Extravaganza Parent Information
- Father’s Day Stall

**Selected Students**

*Notes Home:*
- Netball B Gala Day
- Soccer B Gala Day
- AFL B Gala Day

*Payments due*
- Jamberoo Excursion – Fri 6 Nov
- Netball, Soccer and AFL B Gala Day – ASAP
- Band Tour – Fri 4 Sep

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

**ICAS Spelling Results**

Year 3 - Jessica - Distinction
Year 4 - Tsehay - Credit
Year 4 - Tye - Credit
Year 6 - Jazmin - Participation
Mrs Mace

**Students on Bronze and Silver Level**

These students names will be published in next week’s Newsletter.

**Senior Assembly Changes**

Week 10 Assembly has been moved to Thursday for that week only.
Mrs Collins
Year 6 Mini Fair

Every year at Thirlmere Public School the Year 6 students organise, run and coordinate the MINI FAIR. It’s a great event that is lots of fun and one that the whole school enjoys.

As part of the mini fair some of the students will be running a trash and treasure stall. If you have any trash and treasure items that you are able to donate to the stall, there is a box at the office where we are now collecting any donations.

Other stalls the students are coordinating include a beauty/ make-up stall – therefore any nail polishes, coloured hair sprays or fake tattoos would also be greatly appreciated.

Finally any novelty pens, pencils, erasers or novelty stationary items would also be gratefully received.

We are very grateful for all of the donations we receive and we look forward to seeing all the students participating in this fantastic event.

More information to follow. Keep your eyes peeled.

Fathers Day Stall

Gifts ranging from $1 to $15
All profit goes back into “your” school
Thursday 3rd September

“A Father is a Son’s first Hero,
And a Daughters first Love”...
**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 system will not allow payments to be processed after the date. This will avoid any disappointment for your child.

**Father’s Day Stall**
Tomorrow, 3rd September 2015

**Gala B Day – Soccer, Netball, AFL**
If payment has not been made, please arrange payment to the office as soon as possible.

**Established Band Tour**
Last Day To Pay is
Friday, 4th September 2015

**Band News**
Term 3 Band Fees are now **overdue**, please pay as soon as possible, as the Band Tutor must be paid.

**Extravaganza**
Tickets Selling Fast
Buy Online Only
Once sold, no extra seating will be available

**Year 4 Berry Camp**
Last Day for Full Payment is
Friday, 23rd October 2015.

**STUDENT SCHOOL BANKING**
Last Student Banking Day for Term 3 is
Wednesday, 16th September 2015

**Jamberoo**
The Last Day to Pay is
Friday, 6th November 2015

Thank you
Administration Staff

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**Thirlmere Public School Equestrian Team**

The Annual Camden High School Equestrian Carnival is being held at Bicentennial Park, Camden on Saturday 12nd September.

This event has been running since 2003 and attracts students from State, Non-Government and Catholic Schools. This year entries will be via Nominate Equestrian. Please go to Camden High School’s Website and it will direct you to the entry form on the Nominate website.

If you are interested in entering this even please contact Mrs Collins. It is a great event and so much fun. So if you have your own horse & float and you would love to represent Thirlmere public school at this event come and have a chat. The classes are from Kindergarten to year 6, so something to suit everyone.

Thirlmere Public School Equestrian Team
Contact Cherry Collins Thirlmere-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Movie Extravaganza

Wednesday, 9th September

Parent information – Notes have either been sent home or will be soon. Could you please advise your child’s teacher if you are able to provide the equipment required.

Tickets on sale now $5 each

Tickets for the Movie Extravaganza are now available to purchase online. Each family will initially be able to buy 2 tickets to attend either the matinee or night performance (2 matinee tickets or 2 evening tickets or 1 matinee and 1 evening ticket). The cost of each ticket is $5.

There are only 270 spaces available for each performance. If additional tickets become available after the initial offer we will advise the school community.

To purchase tickets go to

1. [http://www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com)
2. Click on Buy Tickets
3. Search Thirlmere Public School
4. Click on 2015 Extravaganza

Extravaganza - Sibling Tickets

Dear Parents,

In our latest newsletter tickets for our Extravaganza were promoted as two per family. It also stated toddlers were not able to sit on laps during the performance. We are extremely conscious of numbers in the hall and wanting the audience to enjoy the show in a comfortable environment that is not overcrowded. However, we are also aware this restriction may impede parents from being able to attend the show.

In order to support our families and their attendance at this event we have devised a plan to accommodate a limited number of siblings at both performances.

Families that wish to bring a non-school aged sibling (newborn – 4 years) to the show will need to come into the school office to obtain a “sibling ticket” (free). This child will have to sit on the lap of a person in a ticketed seat. No young children will be able to sit on the floor at the front of the stage or down the main aisle. This interferes dramatically with Work Health and Safety guidelines and with items that will use this floor space as part of their performance.

Each performance will have a limited number of sibling tickets that can be obtained. Unfortunately when we have exhausted the allocation of sibling tickets for each performance we will not be able to permit any further entry. Tickets will be issued on a first come basis.

Prams will not be able to enter the school hall at all as there is definitely no space for this. There will be a designated pram bay on the outside of the hall for prams to stay during the performance.

Please contact me at school if you wish to discuss this further.

Selena Gandy
Do you like drawing? We are looking for a student to design the cover for this year’s extravaganza program.

**Thirlmere Public School Movie Extravaganza 2015**

**Design the program cover competition**

On the cover you will need to put the title:-

Thirlmere Public School Movie Extravaganza 2015

As well as drawings which can include characters from movies such as Toy Story, Westerns, Bollywood, Hollywood Handshakes, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Happy Feet etc.

Entries need to be in by Friday 4\textsuperscript{th} September, 2015.

The winner’s entry will be used as the front cover of this year’s program.

Entries to be given to Mrs McLachlan 2M
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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.
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**Go4Fun** Healthy Kids Program

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- FREE PROGRAM FOR KIDS AGED 7-13 ABOVE A HEALTHY WEIGHT
- FAMILIES LEARN HEALTHY EATING AND EXERCISE WITH FUN GAMES
- BUILDS CONFIDENCE AND SELF-ESTEEM
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**GO4FUN TERM 4 2015: SOUTH WEST SYDNEY**

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1800 780 900 www.go4fun.com.au

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**Douglas Park**
**Little Athletics**

Our Season starts on Fri 11th Sept at 5.30pm

**Registration Days:**

- Bingara Gorge Info Centre - Wilton  
  Sunday 16th Aug: 11.00am - 1.30pm
- Picton Mall - Picton  
  Saturday 22nd Aug: 12.30pm - 2.30pm  
  Saturday 5th Sept: 12.00pm - 2.00pm
- Douglas Park Public School (Library)  
  Friday 28th Aug: 4.30pm - 6.00pm

**Cost:** Tiny Tots & Under 6 - $80.00, Under 7-Under 17 - $100.00  
Cash or cheque accepted

**Contact:** Sharon Ganchevski - 0431930923, 4630 8121 or azzie1@bigpond.com

Proof of age must be shown for all NEW members
## Everything Gardening Week

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<td>Make a Bird Feeder Shape</td>
<td>Make Some Stick People</td>
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## A Week of Cooking

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**Bookings Call:** 4677 8202 after 9:00am on Tuesday 25 August 2015  
(Note: 30 places available per day)

ALL BOOKED CARE MUST BE PAID FOR. WE DO NOT ACCEPT CANCELLATION OF YOUR ORIGINAL BOOKING. 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:** $42.00 per day per child  
(all activities, including incursions/excursions, are included in this fee).  
A booking fee of $6.50 per family also applies.

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Program subject to change  
PTO