



Hello and Welcome Family and Friends of
Thornleigh West Public School

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Important Dates: Term 3, 2018

Date	Events
11 September	Public Speaking Competition 2.20pm K-2 Assembly P&C Meeting
18 September	2.20pm 3-6 Assembly
21 September	Mufti "Footy Fever" [CHANGE OF DATE]
24 September	1/2 at the zoo
25 September	1/2 at the zoo 2.20pm K-6 Assembly
26 September	1/2 at the zoo Drama Performances
27 September	1/2 at the zoo 10.30am Principal's morning tea Drama Performances
28 September	Year 6 vs. Teachers

This Week's Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This week we celebrate School Administrative and Support Staff. We acknowledge the contribution of these staff whether they work in the office, the library, in the school grounds, in a classroom setting or in other roles.

They play an important role in the daily running of a large school and contribute to improving student learning. We are grateful for their hard work and dedication to make TWPS a great place to work and learn.

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School Sport

Next term we will be trialing some offsite sport for years 3 - 6. We have many great local sport facilities to access and would like to take advantage of this. Sports on offer are:

- Tennis
- AFL
- Basketball
- Golf
- Dance
- Squash
- Gymnastics
- Swimming

Places are limited for each sport. We will do our best to accommodate requests. Please number each sport 1 – 8. One being your first preference. Thank you to Miss Redford for suggesting this idea and helping organise this for Term 4 it has been a massive task.

If you do not wish for your child to be involved please select school sport. School sport will be structured with various sports and games.

Outdoor Learning

TWPS staff have been working closely with Gibberagong Environmental Education Centre which is a Department of Education school based at Bobbin Head. Staff have been inspired to integrate more outdoor learning into their daily teaching. We have started a journey of professional development, pedagogical exploration, innovative research and strategically planning for the future.

We are brainstorming ideas for an outdoor Makerspace. We believe that a designated space in our school will be ideal to foster STEM learning. We are linking this notion to research and look forward to including the community ideas to begin designing a space of awe, wonder and possibility. We will involve the children in the development of the area, from the design to resourcing the area, to creating some basic rules.

Some ideas for our Makerspace:

- An appealing entrance
- Varied topography
- A vertical garden
- A meet-and-greet area
- Different tools and equipment for the children
- Trees, shrubs and long grass
- Sandstone boulders to write, draw and sit on
- A frog pond
- Loose parts
- A water pump and stream
- A mud kitchen

Some things we have already noticed after trialling outdoor learning:

- Conceptually connected learning in science, technology, reading, engineering, arts and mathematics
- High levels of student engagement, responsibility and empowerment
- important general capability of learning in the areas of critical and
- Creative thinking and design thinking
- Collaboration between students, colleagues and the community.
- Rich and meaningful language development

Planning Forward

As we plan forward into our next three-year strategic plan, we would like to authentically embed more local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander perspectives into our programs. We would like to plan more team teaching in our Makerspace. We aim to continue to develop the information we provide to parents and carers about the enormous benefits of rich, connected learning using 'maker' pedagogy and Nature Pedagogy.

If we want children to flourish to become truly empowered, let us allow them to love the earth before we ask them to save it.

(David Sobel, 1996).



Have a great week.

Chantal Mamo

Deputy's Message



Our Office Staff, SLSOs and general assistant play a crucial role and the face of Thornleigh West Public School. These staff are often the first point of contact for a new family or they are the person at the other end of a phone enquiry. Our SLSOs work collaboratively across the school to support student learning and wellbeing. We are thankful everyday to be surrounded and supported by such wonderful staff in the office and classrooms and would like to acknowledge your hard work and dedication to Thornleigh West Public School in SASS Appreciation week in particular. As well as all the 'big' things, the 'little' things you do are noticed and appreciated by students, staff and our wider community. Thank you!

Citizenship awards

Thank you for being such wonderful students and assets to our school.

	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Xander C			
Joshua T			
Joshua E			
Gabriel M			
Ryan C			
Sienna D			
Eamon M			
Noah H			
William V			
Jessica G			
Avi C			
Ava N			
Charlotte G			
Sohaaya H			
Maddie T			
Elizabeth F			
Yuzhuo W			

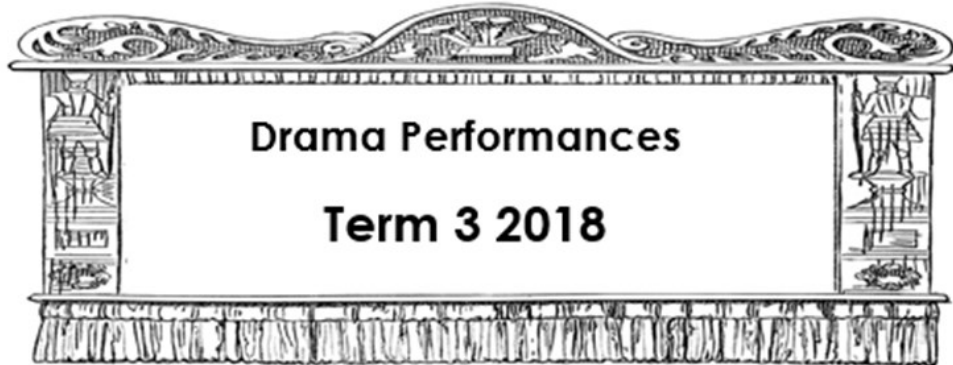


Aussie of the Month Term Three 2018

Class	Student
Rockets	Alec I
Stars	Eli Z
K Red	Jemma G
K Purple	Shane P
K Yellow	Daniel Y
1E	Grace C
1L	Ava H
1G	Holly M
1B	Luke H
1S	Asher T
2W	Rochelle L
2S	Matthew H
2Y	Elise M
3C	Charlotte F
3D	Tyler D
3W	Sophie K
4B	Ruby P
4D	Rachael P
4S	Noah G
5A	Benjamin M
5B	Levi K
5P	Maya R
6B	Alice G
6C	Edward W
6R	Aaron P



You're Invited



DRAMA PERFORMANCES TERM 3 - FAIRIES, LOVERS AND MURDER MOST FOUL

The plays are 'Much Ado About Nothing', 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', 'Macbeth' and 'Romeo & Juliet'. Students should provide their own simple costumes. These may be in the style of Shakespeare i.e. Elizabethan Theatre or other fancy dress. No masks on faces please.

Week 10 - in our amphitheatre



Wednesday 26 September				
10am	1L	2Y	4D	6C
11.30am	1E	1B	3D	5B
2 pm	1E	2W	3C	6R
Thursday 27 September				
10am	KP	2S	3W	5P
11.30am	KR	1G	4S	5A
2 pm	KY	1S	4B	6B

Monday 24 September

Rockets and Stars in the Support Unit COLA 12:30pm. All welcome.

Kind regards,

Julie Granville
Deputy Principal R

Band News

My child is thinking of joining the band. What instruments are available in the 2019 Training Band?



Band is open to all Year 2 and interested students from Years 3-5.

Choosing your instrument preference is a fun time. All Year 2 students enjoy the try-out morning and learning about the instruments. Whether your child is wanting to join the band or not, it is a great hands-on lesson.

If joining the band, each child will be able to nominate 3 instruments as their preferred choice. The band director and conveners will then decide on instrument allocation according to preference, physical ability and the balance of the band. Further information will be provided at the information evening.

How playing an instrument benefits your brain - Anita Collins (5min video) – How do we get fireworks to go off in your brain!

<http://ed.ted.com/lessons/how-playing-an-instrument-benefits-your-brain-anita-collins>

What instruments are included in a concert band at TWPS and are available to hire?

Woodwind instruments – Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone and Tenor Saxophone.

Brass Instruments – Trumpets, Trombone, French Horn, Euphonium, Baritone Horn, Tuba.

Bass Instruments – Bass Guitar, Keyboard.

Percussion (Glock only provided for home use) – Mallets (Glockenspiel, Xylophone), Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Tuned Percussion (Timpani), Auxiliary Percussion (triangles, shakers, whistles, wood block etc)

*The above instruments can be hired from the school. Other instruments can join the band, however will need to be discussed with the Committee and Band Director Mr David Bell.

Further Information will be sent home to each child in Yr 2 at the start of next term. If your child is in an older year, please email the band for this information.

Thur 1st Nov (morning)– Instrument blow test – For all Year 2 children and any older children interested in joining. Kids only.

Mon 5th Nov 7:30pm – Band Program Information Night for Parents. Senior Band will perform.

Band Dates for your Diary

- Sat 15th September – NWPS Music by Moonlight (evening)
- Tue 18th September – Stage Band playing at Assembly (TBC)
- Sat 27th October - Bunnings Cake Stall
- Thu 1st November – Have a go - Instrument Tryout day – Training Band 2019
- Sun 4th November – Hornsby North Festival – all bands. Times will be emailed in the coming week.
- Mon 5th November – 2019 Training Band Information night
- Sunday 18th November – End of year Concert (afternoon)

Further information can also be found at <https://twpsbandc.wordpress.com/band/> or email us at twpsband2011@gmail.com

Robin Beard (Band Convenor) and Nicole Ng (Assistant Convenor)

Library News

PRC finishes this week all of k-2 have completed their records in library lessons.

Well done to these following students : Liam Haughey , Madeleine Haughey, Sofiya Koppayer, Matilda Sinclair, Tyler Davies, Caitlin Kim, Hayden White, Isobel Kellett , Noah Tooker, Joshua Mackie, Hamish McLeod, Lilah Brown

P&C News

For up to date messages from the P&C, including meeting agendas, fundraising & general information follow us on Facebook.

www.facebook.com/TWPSPC

Any enquiries email: twpsbandc@gmail.com

Vanessa Erickson - P&C President



Zone Athletics

2018 Athletics Carnival Zone Entrants - BOYS

Event	Age	Event No.	Entrant 1	Entrant 2	Entrant 3	Reserve
100m	8 yrs	7	Sam T 3W	Asher C 3W	Noah B 3D	Edward K 2S
	9 yrs	9	Mason R 3D	Lachlan B 3D	Toby H 4S	Quinn O 3D
	10 yrs	11	Cooper R 5B	Ranush K 4D	Daniel C 4B	Keanu M 4S
	11 yrs	13	Kobe M 5P	Daniel S 5A	Chris S 5B	Hugo D 5B
	12 yrs	15	Lachlan T 6C	Sione M 6C	Luke R 6C	Lachlan C 6R
200m	Jnr	23	Cooper R 5B	Lachlan B 3D		Ranush K 4D
	11 yrs	25	Kobe M 5P	Daniel S 5A		Will B 5A
	Snr	27	Lachlan T 6C	Sione M 6C		Jack W 6C
800m	Jnr	1	Lachlan B 3D	Jack C 4D		Lachlan F 4B
	11 yr	3	Kobe M 5P	Cooper P 5P		Hugo D 5B
	Snr	5	Josh T 6C	Ed W 6C		Lachlan C 6R
Shot Put	Jnr (6m)	17	Mason R 3D	Ryan W 5B		Joseph K 4B
	11 yr (7m)	9	Byron R 5B	Noah T 5A		Hayden B 5P
	Snr (7.25m)	1	Luke R 6C	Lachlan C 6R		Ed W 6C
Discus	Jnr (18m)		Lachlan B 3D			
	11 yr (18m)					
	Snr (18m)		Will A 6C			
Long Jump	Jnr (3.20m)	5	Cooper R 5B	Lachlan B 3D		Mason R 3D
	11 yr (3.50m)	15	Daniel S 5A	Kobe M 5P		Will B 5A
	Snr (3.75m)	7	Lachlan T 6C	Sam G 6R		Toby E 6B
High Jump	Jnr	11	Lachlan B 3D	Cooper R 5B		Mason R 3D
	11 yr	3	Kobe M 5P	Levi K 5B		Isaac Z 5A
	Snr	13	Lachlan T 6C	Ed W 6C		Sione M 6C
Relay	Jnr 8/9/10	19	Mason R	Cooper R	Lachlan B	Toby H
	Snr 11/12/13	21	Kobe M	Lachlan T	Will A	Sione M

Res. Ranush K
Res. Daniel SL

From the Community

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weekdays TBA
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