THORNLEIGH WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Hello and Welcome Family and Friends of Thornleigh West Public School



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Important Dates: Term 3, 2018

Date	Events
27 September	1/2 at the zoo
	10.30am Principal's morning tea Drama Performances
28 September	Year 6 vs. Teachers
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14 October	Term 4 Begins Life Education Weeks 1 and 2 - all classes
16-26 October	
18 October	World Teachers Day
23 October	INVICTUS Games K-2 Assembly
26 October	Grandparents Day
29 October	Camp Quality Shows
30 October	3-6 Assembly
	P&C Meeting 7:30pm
1 November	Year 2 have-a-go Band morning
	Music Count Us In
2, 9, 16, 23	Kindergarten 2019 Transition
November	
3 November	Hornsby Band Festival
5 November	Band Information Night
6 November	K-6 Assembly
9 November	Remembrance Day Service
12 November	NBHS Clown Show
13 November	K-2 Assembly
16 November	Stage Band Auditions
20 November	3-6 Assembly
27 November	Mufti Day
	K-6 Assembly
29 November	Kindergarten Excursion—the farm
4 December	K-2 Assembly
	P&C Meeting 7:30pm
11 December	3-6 Assembly
13 December	Presentation Day
14 December	PHHS 'Oliver' Production
	Year 6 Farewell
19 December	Last day of 2018 for students

This Week's Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you for a great term! If you are looking for something to do with your children in the holidays here are nine easy discussion starters for parents of the APP Generation:

1. Name and Notice Thinking

Use the language of thinking to name and notice the thinking your child is using and thus make it more visible. *I like how you have used what you already know to make connections. That's a perspective I hadn't thought about.*

2. Develop a Growth Mindset

Develop a growth mindset in your child by focusing your praise on process, learning, and effort (You really worked hard on this and have learned a lot. You've really developed as a musician.), as opposed to ability (You're so clever. You're good at maths.)

3. Challenge but Don't Rescue

When your child encounters difficulties, don't jump in to solve the problem and rescue him/her. Instead, ask questions that will help him/her to think through the problem, identify, and choose a course of action to moving forward.

4. What Questions Did You Ask Today?

Our questions drive us as learners. Instead of asking your child, "Did you learn anything today?" you could say, "Did you ask a good question today?" This will encourage your child to be more invested in the types of questions they ask at school.

5. Focus on the Learning Over the Work

Learning is the goal of a project Take a moment to ask your child what the purpose of each project is, what do they think the teacher wants them to learn and get better at as a result. Then monitor the learning, not the work.

6. Support Your Child in Arguing Effectively and Persuasively

Research has shown that children who argue constructively with their parents by building a case and providing evidence for their position are more enabled to speak up, voice an opinion, and use evidence in other facets of life.

7. Provide Time to Pursue Passions

Students need time and space to pursue their passions and interests. Pay attention to your child's learning and passions outside of school and make time for them.

8. Make Your Own Thinking Visible

You are a model for your child of what it means to be a thinker and a learner. Model your own interests, passions, curiosity, reflection, learning, and thinking for your child.

9. What Makes You Say That?

By simply asking, "What makes you say that?" in a curious and non-judgmental tone after someone has given a response, we are able to get a window into the thinking behind that person's initial response.

Welcome Mrs Edwards

Next term we will welcome our newly appointed Assistant Principal Mrs Donna Edwards. She will teach STEM Years 3- 6 for Term 4 and supervise the Stage 1 team. We look forward to welcoming her to Thornleigh West Public School. Her skills and leadership will be an asset.



Tell Them from Me Survey

Please take the time to complete the Tell Them from Me Survey. It is an anonymous survey that will provide the school with effective feedback. It will close this Friday.

https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/survey/splash/2120



Selective High School 2020

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 14 March 2019.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2020, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from mid-September 2018 at <u>https:// education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/</u> <u>selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7</u>. The application website opens at that link on 9 October 2018 and closes on 12 November 2018. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 9 October 2018. You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Wishing everyone a fantastic holiday! Students return Monday 15 October.

Chantal Mamo

BTeach BEd MA Creative Arts



Deputy's Message

World Teachers' Day

October 5 is International World Teachers Day, although in Australia this falls in the holidays, we will think of the amazing teachers we had throughout our school journey, and acknowledge the commitment and passion for learning that our teachers at Thornleigh West have. We will celebrate this day on Thursday 18 October. It is a privilege to work alongside such caring, knowledgeable and ever learning colleagues, and to also include here the many parents and family in our community who also teach and share in the learning journey of students at other schools, II wish you all a Happy World Teachers' Day!

Athletics carnival

- TWPS came 7th out of 166 schools across the Sydney North Area!
- Beecroft zone came 2nd overall

Area Athletics Carnival – report

Congratulations to our TWPS Area Athletics Team who represented both our school and the Beecroft Zone on Monday, 17th September. We are so very proud of you!! They competed across a variety of Track and Field events at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre. The team consisted of the 10 students listed below with their results:

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Jessica R: Junior girls discus
Jessica G:
       10 years 100m – finalist
      Junior girls Long jump finalist and 1st place
Maddison M:
       11 years 100m, narrowly missed final - 12th out of 35
       11 years Long jump finalist
       11 years Discus – 11th out of 25
Sienna D: 11 years Discus – 10th out of 25
Sheridan B:
       12 years 100m - finalist
       12 years 200m - finalist
Lachlan B:
      9 years 100m finalist – 3rd place
      Junior boys Long jump finalist – 3rd place
      Junior Boys relay – 4th in final
Mason R:
      9 years 100m finalist
      Junior Boys relay - 4th in final
Toby H: Junior Boys relay - 4th in final
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Cooper R:

10 years 100m finalist and 3rd place Junior boys 200m finalist – 4th in final Junior Boys relay - 4th in final

Will A:

12 years Long jump finalist

12 years Discus finalist

12 years Shot put finalist and 5th place

12 years High jump finalist and 5th place

Our thanks also to Karen Mitchell for coaching the Junior Boys relay team. After coming 1st in the Beecroft Zone they qualified for the Area carnival. Seamless baton changes during their heat at the Area Carnival meant they qualified for the final (out of 24 school teams) where they came 4th - just 0.24 sec off qualifying for State. Well done team!



Special congratulations to these athletes who have progressed to State level at the NSW Athletics Carnival in October:

Jessica G: Long jump – 1st Lachlan B: 100m – 3rd Long jump – 3rd Cooper R: 100m – 3rd Will A: Discus – 2nd Long jump – 3rd

Congratulations to Will who was awarded "Senior Boys Age Champion" at the recent Sydney North Athletics carnival for coming 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 5th in his four events.

Life Education

Next term our students PDHPE core concepts will be reinforced through the interactive session of Life Education. Permission notes will be coming home today. Prompt return of these notes would be greatly appreciated as the session commence on the second day of term. A Parent session will be held on the afternoon of 24 October, 2.15 – 3.00pm, all parents welcome!

My Body Matters - Early Stage 1 (K)

Healthy food choices, importance of physical activity, safety.

Harold's Friend Ship – Year 1

Building friendships and care for others, feelings and emotions, safe and unsafe situations and people to turn to for help.

Growing Good Friends – Year 2

Exploring health messages, identify safety signs, explore how positive relationships benefit our health and wellbeing.

Mind your Medicine - Stage 2 (Yrs 3 & 4)

Understanding of medicines and their safe use, positive communication, strategies for managing conflict, stress, bullying and explores how feeling influence the choices we make.

Relate Respect Connect – Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6)

A unique, contemporary module that explores building positive, safe and respectful relationships.



Thank you for another term of learning, opportunities and growth at Thornleigh West. We appreciate your partnership and support. Wishing you all a safe a relaxing holiday break.

Kind regards,

Julie Granville

Deputy Principal R

Band News

Instrument Servicing – Just a reminder that instruments will be collected this Friday 28th Sept for those families who have received an email. If you did not receive an email, your instrument is not required this term.

Year 2 - Information will be sent home to each child in 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.



The TWPS P&C Band program is purely run by parents. Some of our parents on the committee are moving on at the end of this year. We definitely need some new parents to help our current committee members. Either current parents or those joining the Training Band next year please consider volunteering your time. Joining the band committee is very rewarding and you will be fully supported by the team around you. You do not need to have any musical background, we have all learnt on the job.

All committee roles will be selected at the Term 4, Week 7 meeting, however the following roles will definitely need filling, and if possible slowly introduced to in Term 4. If you interested, please contact Nicole Ng or email the band.

- Instrument Coordinator Organises the collection, issuing, repair and servicing of the band hire instruments for the school. Ideally this person would be available at school drop-off and pick up.
- Instrument Coordinator Assistant
- Treasurer Assistant this roll can be done in your own time at home
- Secretary attend meetings in Wk 2 & 7 on a Tuesday and take the minutes.

Dates for your Diary

- Tue 23rd Oct SCB Rehearsal 12:45pm (early lunch at 12:15pm) Note: 3:15pm rehearsal cancelled
- Tue 23rd Oct 2:15pm– SCB playing at K-2 Assembly Tue 23rd October 7:30pm Band Committee Meeting. Venue to be advised.
- Fri 26th October Grandparents Day all bands playing
- 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 have been emailed.
- Mon 5th November, 7:30pm 2019 Training Band Information evening. Sun 18th November End of year Concert (afternoon)
- Tue 27th November Last committee meeting of the year / AGM.
- Week 8 3-7th December Last week of rehearsals. Hire instruments to be collected if leaving the program or school.
- Thur 13th December SCB playing at Presentation Day. Hired instruments will be collected after this performance for students leaving TWPS.

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

Uniform Shop News

REMINDER THAT FLEECE JACKETS WILL BE 'SMART TAGGED' ON WED/THUR THIS WEEK

RagTagd will be here to sew Smart Tags into all Fleece Jackets on Wed and Thursday this week.

It's a one-off so don't miss out - Please make sure your child wears their Jacket to school on these days for tagging. You may also send in one spare Fleece Jacket with your child for tagging.

If your child is going to be away from school on BOTH days, you are able to drop their Jackets off for tagging, either at the Uniform Shop or Main Office, before 1pm Thursday.

Please make sure all Jackets are clearly marked with your child's name and class.

Any questions, please chat to Nicky at the Uniform Shop.

Book Club News

Apologies for delay of scholastic book club order.

Due to issue with the scholastic system, the delivery of the book club order issue 6 has been delayed than usual. **The book may not be arrived within this term.** We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Any question or inquiry regarding book club and order, **Please directly contact us** via **<u>twpsbookclub@gmail.com</u>** Thank you for helping our school.

Dianna C, Lisa M and Michelle L.

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: twpspandc@gmail.com

Vanessa Erickson - P&C President

TWPS Prayer Group News

Please join us as we pray for TWPS and our community. All are welcome, especially new friends. We meet on Tuesdays at 9am, at the canteen steps in week 2, 6 and 10. Dates for Term 4 are:

- October 23rd
- November 20th
- December 18th

Enquiries - Annie Mackie - 0435005216

twpsprayerteam@gmail.com

Please contact us directly if there is anything in particular you'd like us to pray for.

From the Community

INTERESTED IN JOINING A SWIMMING CLUB?



Bring on Summer at The Hornsby Aquatic Centre The new swimming club season is just around the corner





SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



BOOK: www.voyagertennis.com (Click Holiday Camps Tab) INFO: 0426 104 567 Rafael@voyagertennis.com

We also run after-school tennis programs during the term. Call us to arrange a FREE TRIAL.



Friday's 6-7pm, Thornleigh West school oval, Starting 19th October, 9 weeks. Registrations are open now, go to

<u>http://thornleighcricketclub.nsw.cricket.com.au you</u> will see a red cricket ball. Click on that and it takes you to the <u>playcricket.com.au</u> page.

Enquiries: thornleighcricket@gmail.com

OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY

BACKYARD BUGS WITH RANGERS ON THE RUN

This show is a wonderful introduction to the world of bugs. Children will have the opportunity to hold and touch many different bugs. Costumes are used to reinforce key points and we will have fun transforming into an ant colony.

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Pennant Hills Cor nity Centre Monday 8 October 230pm-330pm Cost: \$8.00 per child. Ages 3-6.

Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au

HOLIDAY STORYTIME

Join us for stories, songs, craft and refreshments

Hornsby Library Thursday 4 October 10am-11am Berowra Library Friday 5 October 10.30am-11.30am All ages welcome. Cost: \$2.00 per child for children 18 months and over No bookings required. Payment at door.



Wednesday 3 Octobe 6.30pm-7.30pm All ages welcome Cost: \$2.00 per child for children 18 months No bookings required. Payment at door.

KALEIDOSCOPE SCIENCE-THE

Join us in this high energy, educational and interactive science event that will feature foaming chemical reactions, explosions, liquid nitrogen, fineballs and lots of audience participation. A fantastic and engaging experience not to be missed!

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Thursday 11 October

10.30am-11.30am

Pennant Hills Cor

Wednesday 10 October 2.30pm-3.30pm

GREAT BIG SCIENCE SHOW

Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.





TENNIS CAMP & FREE OPEN DAY

WESTLEIGH – RUDDOCK PARK

Camp - details

WESTLEIGH 9am – 12noon Mon 8th to Fri 12th

OCTOBER 2018 For clinic bookings, contact Westleigh Newsagency 9481 9758



OPEN DAY DETAILS

SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER

9A.M. TO 12 NOON

 ANZ HOT SHOTS, FUN ACTIVITIES FREE COACHING CHILDREN & ADULTS BBQ , SOCIAL PLAY 0418 867 840 - JIM WATTS



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