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## Important Dates: Term 1, 2019

<b>14 February</b>	Year 1 Rugby clinic
	Year 2 Rugby clinic
<b>15 February</b>	Stage 2 PSSA Starts - Pennant Hills Oval Stage 3 PSSA Starts - Pennant Hills Oval
	Years 3 – 6 Swimming Carnival. Year 2 students who turn 8 this year and swim 50m confidently
<b>19 February</b>	2.20pm Years K – 2 Assembly 6—6.45pm Years K—2 and Support Unit Information Evening
<b>20 February</b>	6 – 6.45pm Years 3 - 6 Information Evening
<b>26 February</b>	School Photos
<b>1 March</b>	Clean Up Australia Day
<b>5 March</b>	2.20pm K – 6 Assembly
<b>8 March</b>	Zone Swimming Homebush
<b>12 March</b>	2.20pm Years 3 – 6 Assembly
<b>15 March</b>	Selective High School test
<b>19 March</b>	P&C AGM 7.30pm 2.20pm Years K – 2 Assembly
<b>21 March</b>	Harmony Day
<b>26 March</b>	2.20pm K—6 Assembly Band Committee Meeting 7:30pm Staff Room
<b>27-29 March</b>	Stage 3 camp
	World Autism Day
<b>2 April</b>	2.20pm Years 3 – 6 Assembly K – 2 Interviews 3-7pm
<b>9 April</b>	2.20pm Years K – 2 Assembly Years 3 – 6 Interviews 3—7pm
<b>11 April</b>	ANZAC Service 11:30am Principals morning tea Year 6 vs Teachers game
<b>12 April</b>	2.30pm Easter Hat Parade Stage 2 & 3 PSSA finishes

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## This Week's Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is great to be back! My son started kindergarten and all went well. The other evening I asked him how the day went "Oh mum I love learning". This was music to my ears.

At Thornleigh West Public School we focus on learning and not work! This year we will continue to focus on building a culture of thinking. The staff at TWPS are committed to promote engagement, understanding, and independence for all learners. By questioning, listening, documenting, and using thinking routines we as educators can support the thinking of our students and thus their learning. In classrooms daily, teachers focus on the broader goal of promoting deeper learning and understanding for students. As a result, thinking is valued, visible, and actively part of the classroom. I am extremely proud of the exceptional teachers at TWPS.

Thank you to Mrs Granville who relieved me in my absence. I appreciate her hard work and dedication to get things up and running for 2019. I am grateful to have an executive team who work together in a way that makes knowledge accessible.

### **New playground**

We are excited about our new Year 3 – 6 natural playground. After school students are using this area under the supervision of parents. I request that only Years 3 – 6 use this area and that no student is to climb and sit on top of poles. Students know the rules and follow them during the day. These rules need to be followed while on school site after hours.

### **P & C President Congratulations**

Congratulations to Vanessa Erickson who has been nominated for the title of "NSW P&C Volunteer of the Year 2018". She has been successfully chosen as a finalist in the North West Sydney electorate. This is an amazing achievement. Vanessa's leadership and passion for making a difference to the TWPS community is to be admired.

Have a great week.

Chantal Mamo

BTeach BEd MA Creative Arts



## Deputy's Message

### Parent Information Evenings

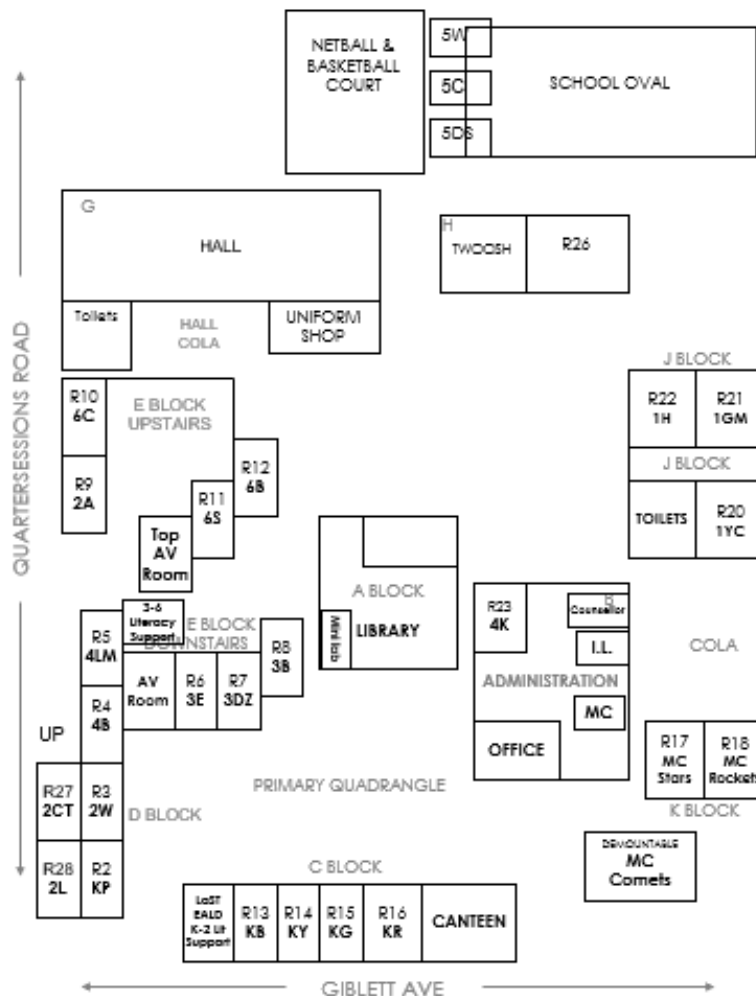
We are looking forward to meeting you at the parent information evenings. Please go directly to your child's classroom. Your child's classroom teacher will address: equipment needed, class expectations, homework, class parent and grade routines.

A map has been provided to help you locate the classroom. Please note this is not time to have an individual interview with your child's teacher. We request that children do not attend this event as there is no supervision provided in the playground

If you have children both on the same evening you are welcome to visit both classrooms. The messages presented are very similar. It is a good opportunity to add your details to the class list and meet families in the same class.

Date	Classes	Time	Location
19 February	Years K-2 Support unit	6pm – 6.45pm	Your child's classroom
20 February	Years 3-6	6pm – 6.45pm	Your child's classroom

### **THORNLEIGH WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL MAP 2019**



## Leadership Camp 2019

The Hornsby and Hills Public Schools Leadership camp this year was held in Wesley Vision Valley, Arcadia. Three of my (the captains are writing up a piece here – I'll add tomorrow)

## Ed Smart

We are using a new system of paperless permission notes. If you are not receiving emails, please contact office.

You should have received:

- Permission to publish
- Oakleigh oval / bushwalking
- Gymnastics
- Swimming carnival
- Seesaw (selected classes)
- PSSA—Stage 2 and 3

## Scripture and Ethics

Classes commence in week 6. Please note that to start the year there may a waiting list for some groups.

If you think your child has attended the wrong class, or if you have any questions regarding your child's placement, please contact the class teacher or me at school.

## School Photos

School photos will be held on **Tuesday 26 February**. Order envelopes will be sent home today and need to be **returned on photo day only please**. The photographer's instructions also indicate that an **envelope** needs to be **returned separately for each child, but only if not ordering online** (in that case an envelope does not need to be returned at all, please see envelope for instructions). **Family photos** will also be taken and **order envelopes for those are available from the office** on request.

**Group photos** will include school captains and prefects, sports captains and vice-captains, a complimentary Year 6 group photo and photos of each of our school bands. Could band students please bring their instrument on the day. The group photos will be available for viewing online after the photo day and orders can then be made directly online (no envelope required). The complimentary Year 6 group photo will be given to Year 6 students at the end of the year as part of their graduation package.

Please ensure your child is wearing their **fomal school uniform** on the day. Photos will be taken of all the children whether they have returned an envelope or not. This allows for late orders if applicable. Please note that the purchase of photos is not obligatory and is optional.



Finally ... Remember, our school website at [www.thornleigh-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.thornleigh-p.schools.nsw.edu.au) is a good source of information, from P&C activities to policies and calendars. Please consider book marking it for easy access. The DET website at [www.det.nsw.edu.au](http://www.det.nsw.edu.au) is also a great source of information for parents.

Kind regards  
Julie Granville  
Deputy Principal

## Band News

Important Note:

Band Committee Meetings will now be held in Weeks 4 and 9 of each term on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm in the school staff room.

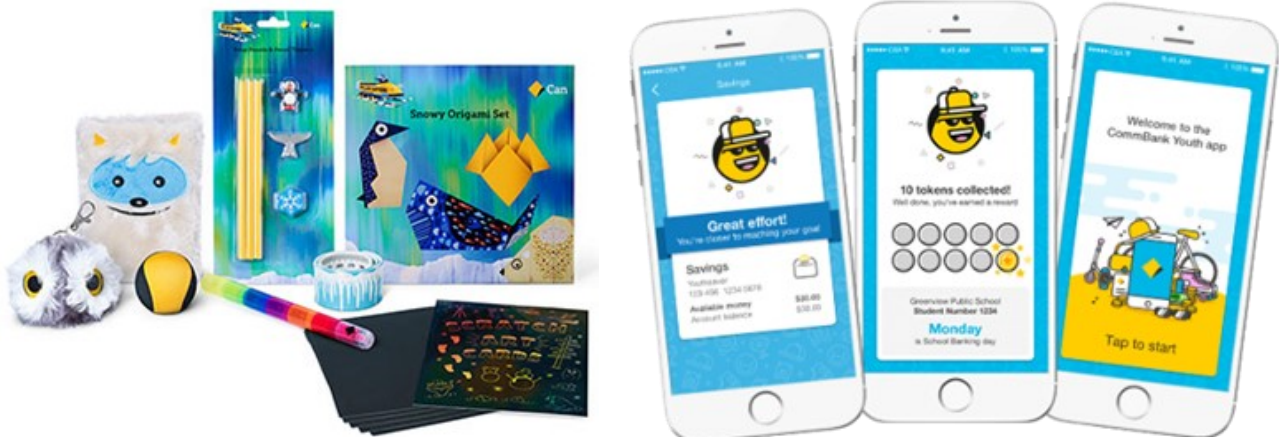
This term however, there will be no meeting in Week 4.

## School Banking News



Welcome back for another exciting year of School Banking!

With a new year of school banking also brings new rewards for 2019, the Polar Saver rewards. For this term we have the Scented Stackable Highlighters & Snowy Origami Set available for redemption.



Banking is on Friday's! Please ensure that your deposit slip is fully completed with your student number, along with the correct money and no foreign coins please!

As this will be my 6<sup>th</sup> and last year for co-ordinating the school banking program, I will be asking for anyone that would be interested in taking over this role to contact me.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact school banking co-ordinator Lyndal Staff [schoolbankingTWPS@ashlyn.com.au](mailto:schoolbankingTWPS@ashlyn.com.au) .





Start saving for Polar Savers rewards.

Here's how you redeem the rewards below:

1. Make 10 School Banking deposits – you'll receive one silver Dollarmites token each time you make a deposit (maximum one token per week).
2. Choose one of the rewards below and fill in the coupon that goes with it.
3. Put your chosen reward coupon and your 10 tokens in your Dollarmites deposit wallet and take it to school on your next School Banking Day.


**Some simple rules:**

- To reward individual saving, Dollarmites tokens can't be combined with other students' or siblings' tokens.
- Rewards can be redeemed during the specified school term, while stocks last.

School Banking rewards are not suitable for children 12 years and under. For safety reasons, remove any tape, labels and packaging before use and refer to the usage instructions.

Commonwealth Bank of Australia, RBN 68 121 12124.

**Scented Stackable Highlighters** ❄️  
Available Term 1 2019



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Iceicle Slapband Ruler** ❄️  
Available Term 2 2019




Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring** ❄️  
Available Term 3 2019



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Water Skimming Bounce Ball** ❄️  
Available Term 4 2019



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Snowy Origami Set** ❄️  
Available Term 1 2019



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yeti Fluffy Notebook** ❄️  
Available Term 2 2019



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scratch Art Cards** ❄️  
Available Term 3 2019



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers** ❄️  
Available Term 4 2019



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

## P&C Update

P&C Parent Social Night! All welcome! \$30 per ticket and includes: All you can eat Pizza - cooked fresh on site, Trivia Master, Prizes. BYO Drinks & Nibbles. Book per ticket or per table via Flexischools. Table numbers strictly limited.



Thornleigh West  
Public School  
Parents' Social

**80s Trivia Night**  
Saturday 2nd March

5.30pm  
ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT  
PIZZA  
7.30pm  
TRIVIA STARTS

80S MUSIC

PRIZES TO WIN

Ticketed event  
\$30 per head

Tables are strictly  
10 per table and  
seats are limited

Book your table  
or ticket at  
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team PLUS more!

BYO drinks  
and nibbles  
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*Back to the 80's*

## 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](http://www.facebook.com/TWPSPC)

Any enquiries email: [twpspandc@gmail.com](mailto:twpspandc@gmail.com)

Vanessa Erickson -

P&C President





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Violin Incl. Piano (VIP) Music est. 1984 [www.learnmusicatschool.com.au](http://www.learnmusicatschool.com.au)

## get active

Participate in a non-contact  
Rugby League skills program  
in a fun & friendly  
environment.

**START** 28 February 2019  
**TIME** Thursdays 3.30pm  
**LENGTH** 6 weeks  
**AGE** 5 - 12 years  
**COST** \$60  
**WHERE** Thornleigh West PS  
Giblett Ave  
Thornleigh NSW 2120



Register and receive your NRL pack  
[PLAYNRL.COM/JUNIORPROGRAM](http://PLAYNRL.COM/JUNIORPROGRAM)

Delivered by



### Join the Little Stags Program:

Girls & Boys aged 4 - 6  
5 week program | 45 min session  
Starts 19th February @ 4.30pm.  
Greenway Oval, CHERRYBROOK  
● ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER ACCEPTED

register online today at  
[www.playnrl.com/play](http://www.playnrl.com/play)



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