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Important Dates: Term 1, 2019

20 February	6pm Years 3 - 6 Information Evening 7.30pm P & C Meeting
22 February	Stage 3 PSSA - Ruddock Park Stage 2 PSSA - BYE
26 February	School Photos
1 March	Clean Up Australia Day
2 March	Parents Social Evening—80s Trivia Night
5 March	2.20pm K – 6 Assembly
8 March	Zone Swimming Homebush
12 March	2.20pm Years 3 – 6 Assembly
15 March	Selective High School test
19 March	P&C AGM 7.30pm 2.20pm Years K – 2 Assembly
21 March	Harmony Day
23 March	P&C BBQ (State Election Day)
26 March	2.20pm K—6 Assembly Band Committee Meeting 7:30pm Staff Room
27-29 March	Stage 3 camp
2 April	World Autism Day 2.20pm Years 3 – 6 Assembly K – 2 Interviews 3-7pm
9 April	2.20pm Years K – 2 Assembly Years 3 – 6 Interviews 3—7pm
11 April	ANZAC Service 11:30am Principals morning tea Year 6 vs Teachers game
12 April	2.30pm Easter Hat Parade Stage 2 PSSA finishes

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TWPS is sending out all notes via email in 2019

Notes that have gone out this week/still outstanding:

- Permission to publish
- Oakleigh oval and bushwalking permission
- Gymnastics
- Seesaw (some classes)
- PSSA – Stage 2 and 3

If you are not receiving the notes, please contact the school office.

This Week's Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
Yesterday was the swimming carnival. Next week we will share the individual and house results. A big thank you to Mrs Part for her outstanding organisation. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped on the day. Congratulations to all the swimmers on their excellent effort. Please enjoy some photo highlights.



Deputy's Message

School Stream

At Thornleigh West there are many ways we communicate information and share successes with the community.

The school stream app gives us the ability to send out urgent messages, changes to expected plans or reminders for upcoming events.

Please see below for steps on how install the app on various devices. Additional help and tips can be found on the school stream website [here](#).

iPhone / iPad iOS

1. From your mobile device go to the **App Store** search for **School Stream**
2. Tap the **FREE/GET** button to the right of the School Stream listing
3. Tap the **INSTALL** button
4. Enter your Apple ID and password & tap **OK**
5. Wait for the install icon to change to **OPEN**
6. Tap the **OPEN** button
7. You will be prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select **OK**
8. Start typing **your school** into the search then **SELECT your school**



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Android / Tablet

1. From your mobile device go to the **Play Store** search for **School Stream**
2. Tap the School Stream listing
3. Tap the **INSTALL** button
4. Tap the **ACCEPT** button
5. Wait for the app to install then tap the **OPEN** button
6. Start typing **your school** into the search then **SELECT your school**
7. Tap the **DONE** button in the top left



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Windows Phone/Other Devices

Contact your school for your web link, and follow these instructions:

To pin a website on your **Windows Phone**:

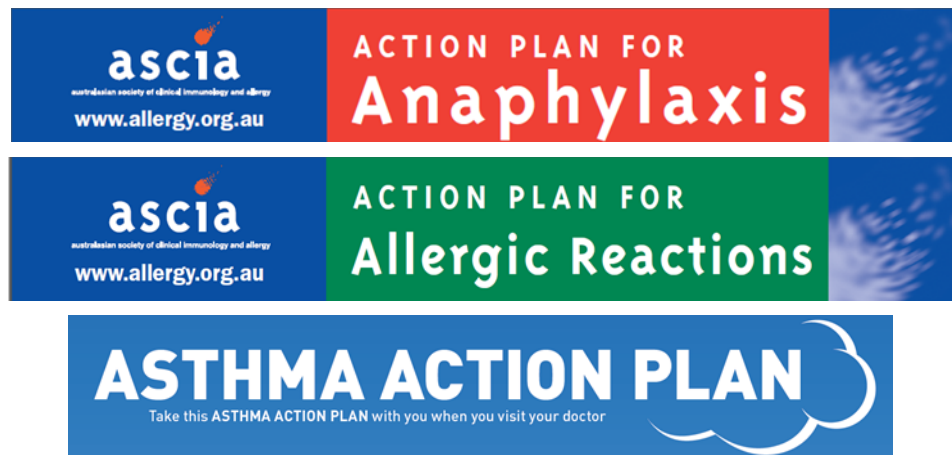
- Open the website you want to pin
- Tap More icon, then tap Pin to Start

You will be able to access all of your school's information, however you won't be able to receive notifications.

Note: Some devices may vary please follow your usual installation procedure for downloading and installing an app to your device.



Health Care



As a part of our annual review of health care plans we are required to update all information for allergic reactions and anaphylaxis. It is mandatory to update plans yearly.

If required, you will receive action plans which are printed in colour. Could you please complete for your child with your medical practitioner and return to your class teacher at your convenience. Please ensure contact names and phone numbers are included and accurate.

In addition, could you please make an appointment with your class teacher to discuss the requirements of the school and the procedures the school needs to follow to ensure the safety and welfare of your child.

Your teacher may be contacted through the school email address:

thornleigw-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or call the school on 9484 4242 to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Emergency Contacts

From time to time there are occasions where we need to be in contact to support a student through a first aid or other incident. It is important that emergency contact are both up to date and provide a contact that is within reasonable distance to the school. If you'd like to check which contacts you have or would like to update your contact information, please call the school office

Leadership Camp

One of the first responsibilities of our 2019 school captains was to attend the local area Network leadership camp. Ruby and Kinshuk learned about communication skills, leadership styles, decision making and action plans, public speaking, problem solving, team building activities and peer support.

*Ruby and I entered to suit cases growling on the harsh, hard ground. The lake had a diamond sheet jiggling like jelly at a disco. We already knew, we were in for a treat. We were greeted by our JC's (Junior Counsellor's) who took us to our fruit groups where we collaborated to create **real** leadership. We collaborated which made us more like leaders. The first stop on the trip was meeting a blind guitarist, his words, word for word were, "I don't believe in the quote: Never give up (he was a serious guy with some humour). As you should give up something to succeed your mission." Stop number two was life education we learnt that everyone is a leader. We ended with Marcel Bennard, a public speaker from Bondi. She was enthusiastic, ecstatic and ENERGETIC.*

- Kinshuk

Kinshuk and I learnt about planning events, working as a team and building friendships. But not only did we do leadership activities, we also spent some time outside. We swam in the cool waters of Vision Valley's pool, went on an epic waterslide and even did some activities with harnesses tied tight around our waists. The activities educated us about not only improving as a leader, but improving as a person. Personally, I was inspired by the anti-bullying message that one of the speakers taught us. Overall, the experience was a once in a lifetime opportunity.

- Ruby

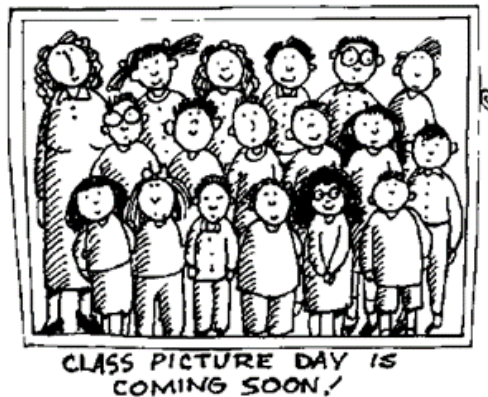


School Photos

School photos will be held on **Tuesday 26 February**. Order envelopes have been sent home 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 **formal 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.



Car park Safety

Could I please remind the community that student safety is paramount. We understand the main access gate on Giblett Ave is busy both before and after school. However, students and families are reminded and encouraged to use the path and front gate ONLY, and not use the carpark as a way to enter or leave the school. This term students are learning about road safety and it would be powerful to reinforce these messages at home.

Kind Regards,

Julie Granville

Deputy Principal

Hold my hand every time we cross the road

A note for my family,

My class is learning more about road safety and crossing the road. Because I am young please:

- **hold my hand** whenever cars are or could be about
- **talk with me** about how to cross the road safely every time we cross
- **practise** crossing the road safely with me
- **practise** crossing at pedestrian crossings and at pedestrian lights.

Some things to talk about and practise:

- holding hands every time we cross the road
- if you can't hold my hand, making sure I hold your arm, clothes, bag or the pram or trolley.



When we cross the road talk with me about:

- looking for pedestrian signs and lights or other safer options
- stopping one step back from the kerb
- always stopping completely
- what we need to look and listen for
- how long we need to look and listen for
- what could stop us or make it difficult for us to look or listen
- waiting for vehicles to stop before stepping on to the road at crossings
- why we think it's safe to cross
- when it's safe to cross, walking straight across the road and checking for vehicles as we go.

At pedestrian traffic lights talk with me about:

- the red and green pedestrian signals and what these mean
- stopping one step back from the kerb when the red pedestrian signal is showing
- pressing the button and waiting for the green pedestrian signal to appear
- only ever starting to walk across the road when the green pedestrian signal is showing
- understanding that cars are supposed to stop when the green pedestrian signal appears but sometimes they might not.



Band News

Band Fees – Information regarding band fees will be sent to your email next week, and invoices sent in Week 6.

Band Committee – Meetings are now in Wk 4 and Wk 9. We are still looking for volunteers, please

Each role is fully supported by the committee. If you have any questions, would like to volunteer or would like further information on a specific role, please contact email twpsband2011@gmail.com.

Band Workshops (see dates below) - These workshops are designed to assist the children to get back into the swing of band sooner, and to get all bands performing at higher music level earlier in the year. They will also assist our audition chances for the combined school concerts (SCB and Stage). Our students will have sectional tutorials and rehearsals similar to the band camp.

Dates for your Diary

- Saturday 16th March – JCB & SCB Band Workshop (afternoon)
- Tue 26th March – Band Meeting – Staffroom 7:30pm. All welcome.
- Saturday 30th March – Stage Band Workshop (afternoon)
- Band Camp 2019 – 23rd/24th May 2019.

Email is Band's primary form of communication so please contact us at twpsband2011@gmail.com if you are not receiving emails. *When emailing the band, please assist the committee by using the subject to address who it is for. E.g. TB Coordinator / Instrument hire / Treasurer.*

Further information can also be found at <https://twpsbandc.wordpress.com/band/>
Robin Beard (Band Convenor) and Nicole Ng (Assistant Convenor)

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.

Dates for Term 1 are:

5th March and 2nd April.

Any questions please contact Bronwen Cooper on 0422 503 408

LAST TICKETS THIS WEEK - Orders CLOSE FRIDAY 22nd FEB at 8pm SHARP

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

Prizes for
winning table,
best-decorated 80s
table, best-dressed
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and nibbles
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10 per table and
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Vanessa Erickson - P&C President



Do something life-changing this year

Teach ethics at your
local school



For around an hour a week, you can teach an ethics class at your local school and help children develop skills for life.

Ethics classes support children to develop the skills they need to voice their opinions, consider the ideas of others and to make decisions based on evidence and reasoning rather than habit or peer pressure.

In ethics classes, children discuss ethical issues using an approved curriculum designed for each age group and include topics such as Laziness, Voting, How can we work out what's true? and Imagining how others feel.

Volunteers are needed now to teach ethics classes at a school near you. Training and support is provided.

Only about an hour a week

Find out more at
PrimaryEthics.com.au

From the Community



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

Delivered by



ALL STUDENTS ARE INVITED:

The NRL are running FREE sessions prior to the Rugby League Skills Program at TWPS for ALL Students!

Dates:

Thursday 21st February - 3.15pm
on the top half of the Oval

Tuesday 26th February - 1.40pm
during Lunchtime on the Oval.

Giveaways and Prizes for those students who come along and participate!

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Tuesday 26 February 2019

4:00pm to 6:45pm



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2020 Year 7 Enrichment Class



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Test Date: Thursday 7 March 2019
9.00am - 11.30am

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60 TUESDAY
26 FEBRUARY 2019

OPEN NIGHT

5.15PM TO 8.30PM

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