



# South Thornlie Primary School

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Newsletter: Term 1, Week 7

Friday, 15 March 2024

## Term 1 Planner

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8	<b>18 MAR</b> Y3&5 NAPLAN Y5&6 Talent Show Auditions 1pm Library 	<b>19 MAR</b> Y3&5 NAPLAN Harmony Day – KU1A Dress Up Day IMSS Flute lesson Y5 9.30-10am Y6 10-10.30am Y3&4 Junior Robotics 2.30-3.45pm School Board Meeting 2.45-4.15pm - Library	<b>20 MAR</b> Y3&5 NAPLAN Senior Choir Practice 8-8.20am Lego Club 2.30-3.30pm Community Room	<b>21 MAR</b> Y3&5 NAPLAN Ukulele Group 8-8.20am P&C AGM 8.45am in the Staffroom IMSS Brass Lesson Y5 1.30-2pm Y6 2-2.30pm	<b>22 MAR</b> Y3&5 NAPLAN B4 Harmony Day Assembly, Harmony Day Dress Up Parade & Year 5 Aussie of the Month 8.30am Summer Carnival Y5&6 IMSS Guitar Lesson Y5 9.50-10.20am Y6 10.50-11.20am
9	<b>25 MAR</b> Y3&5 NAPLAN Parent/Teacher Interview Bookings Close 3pm	<b>26 MAR</b> IMSS Flute lesson Y5 9.30-10am Y6 10-10.30am Y3&4 Junior Robotics Club 2.30-3.45pm Science Room	<b>27 MAR</b> Senior Choir Practice 8-8.20am Parent/Teacher Interviews Early Close 11.30am	<b>28 MAR</b> Ukulele Group 8-8.20am ISMS Brass Lesson Y5 1.30-2pm Y6 2-2.30pm Last day of Term 1 for students	<b>29 MAR</b> <b>Good Friday</b> <b>Public Holiday</b> <b>Students do not attend</b>

## Principal's Message

Dear parents and caregivers, welcome to the week 7 newsletter edition. Our dedicated P&C held a very successful disco last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many students attend across the two sessions. Events like these can't happen without the help of volunteers. As the saying goes, many hands make light work! I would like to extend a very big thank you to our P&C members, staff and volunteers who attended and helped make the disco an exciting and special event for our students.



## Parent / Teacher Interviews

Information has been sent home with students regarding the upcoming parent / teacher interviews and early school closure on Wednesday, 27 March 2024. Please ensure that return slips are returned to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. These are required even if you do not wish to book an interview. A copy of the information can be obtained from the front office or by logging into Connect for all the details. Interview bookings close at 3pm on Monday, 25 March 2024.

## Pizza Day Fundraiser

Thank you for supporting our Year 6 fundraiser! A grand total of \$858 was raised which will go towards Year 6 graduation.

## Harmony Day – Dress Up Day

Students are invited to wear traditional costume from their country of origin or orange to represent cultural diversity for our Harmony Day assembly on Friday, 22 March 2024 (week 8). Students in Kindy Unit 1A will have their dress up day on Tuesday, 19 March 2024. We look forward to seeing all the amazing costumes from different parts of the world!

## Principal's Morning Tea

Congratulations to the students who were selected for the Principal's Morning Tea held on Monday this week. Thank you for your hard work, dedication to learning and being an all round positive class member. Well done!

## Values

Our week 6 raffle winner was Arafat A from B5. Well done!

**Megan Barnett**  
Principal



## Week 6 Honour Certificates Awarded –Well done!

ECC1	Kaia S	Liam T	B2	Brooklynn H		
ECC2	Elexis M	Kade E	B3	Hudson H	Will M	Arianna G
A1	Alissa T	Daniel O	B4	Ollie R		Misan E
A3	Max J	Yahvee P	B5	Emerson G		Maya F
A4	Annabelle G	Cody C	C2	Soraya V		Calvin T
A5	Mia F	Sam M	C3	Aaliyah H		Kassidy B
A6	Keerat M	Alexandra P	C4	Miela G		Charlize P
B1	Aria S	Andrew N	C5	Robert M		Shaniqwa G

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

We are always looking for ways to improve our school for students, staff and the wider community. Look how fabulous our library is looking! We have new tables throughout that are all matching. Our busy gardener has also rejuvenated our Pre-Primary sand pit with sand we received for free from the City of Gosnells. Great job John!

To view our school improvements, visit our website by clicking on the link below.  
<https://www.souththornlieps.wa.edu.au/school-improvements>



### NOONGAR WORD OF THE WEEK

Our students have been learning an Aboriginal word from the Noongar Language each week to celebrate Aboriginal Culture. The Noongar Language is the spoken language of the Aboriginal people from the Southwest region of WA.

As part of our word of the week, each newsletter will feature words of the fortnight which you can practice at home. The words we will be learning this fortnight are:

- Mereny (food)
- Kwobidak (beautiful)



## Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

### ATTENDANCE

The Department of Education defines regular attendance as being 90% and above. Consistent attendance and participation at school are essential factors in achieving social and academic learning outcomes. Student attendance of less than 90% will have an impact on the child's opportunity to achieve their potential.

## HEALTHY HABITS



### Sun Smart Tips

Cancer Council Western Australia says: Be SunSmart!

- Slip on a shirt
- Slop on sunscreen
- Slap on a hat
- Seek shade
- Slide on some sunglasses



Protect yourself in five ways from skin cancer

Use a combination of these sun protection measures outside when the UV Index is 3 or above.

### Crunch&Sip

Want to know more about water bottle hygiene? Visit:

[https://d3abc5uv6qifh4.cloudfront.net/Resources/W%20BOTTLE%20Hygiene\\_Fact%20Sheet.pdf](https://d3abc5uv6qifh4.cloudfront.net/Resources/W%20BOTTLE%20Hygiene_Fact%20Sheet.pdf)



Marieka Rendall  
Teacher / Coordinator

### Healthy swaps

Kids concentrate best in the classroom when they have healthy snacks at recess and lunch. Try to limit the processed foods when packing the lunchbox and reach for these quick and easy wholefood options instead.

SWAP THIS						
FOR THIS						

Learn more at [crunchandsip.com.au](http://crunchandsip.com.au)

## PE NEWS

### Colour Run

Our first ever South Thornlie Colour Run is happening next term on Friday, 19 April 2024. Please register via the [funrun.com.au](http://funrun.com.au) site and share as much as you can to raise money for our school. Prize selection for students who raise money opens after the event. Thank you for an amazing start and lets keep our momentum going to aim for \$15,000!



Congratulations to B1 & B3 who were the classes who had the most profiles created in the first week!

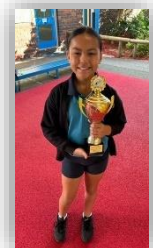


### Sports Stars

Congratulations to Aiden Rando and Thomas Stone who recently competed at the Under 11s state Teeball Carnival. They won 5 out of 5 games and were the Division A State Champions. What an amazing effort from you both! Zac Rando was also selected for the event in the Under 9s A Division and was a very strong member of his team, winning twice. Well done to you all.

### Wrestling Champion

Congratulations to Paris Unuwai who recently received an award for wrestling. Paris was named the 2023 Most Outstanding Junior Female Wrestler which is an award voted for by multiple selectors. What an achievement! Last year Paris also received 2nd place at the Youth National Championships in Adelaide. She trains at Luistro Academy and is making us all very proud!

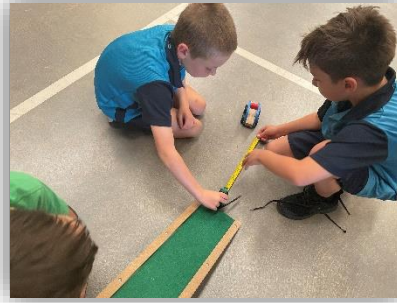
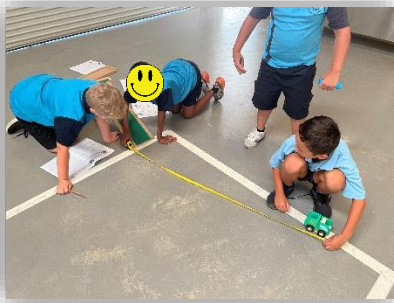


Chris Mattock  
PE Teacher



## SCIENCE NEWS

In the Science room this fortnight we have been doing lots of experiments. We have been experimenting to find out how different surfaces affect the distance a car will travel. We discovered that a long winged helicopter stays in the air longer than a short winged one. Our Year 6s investigated to find out which materials are electrical conductors and which are insulators. We also found out that materials feel different when placed in different temperatures. The Year 5s have made periscopes so that they can see round corners - better watch out, they might be spying on you! Ask your child what they have discovered and why that happens.



Our Junior Lego Robotics program has started for our Year 3 and 4 students. This runs after school on a Tuesday. We do still have some space if students want to join. Come and see me for a note if you're interested.

**Larissa Waghorn**  
Science Teacher

## CLASS NEWS

### B4 Cooking Session

Check out the amazing cooking skills of students in B4. They all enjoyed making corn fritters with Miss Thompson in our purpose built C Block kitchen.

**Tegan Compson**  
B4 Teacher



POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

# ★ Can You Swap ★ Perfect for Progress?

EMBRACING A GROWTH MINDSET



Can you practise turning perfectionist thinking into growth mindset thinking?

PERFECTIONIST MINDSET

GROWTH MINDSET

Example:

"If I don't get everything right, I'm a failure."



"I'm doing my best, and it's okay to not get everything perfect the first time. It's how I improve."

"I have to be the best at everything."



I will try my best, but I don't have to be perfect at everything. I'll focus on doing what I enjoy and will improve with practise.

LET'S PRACTISE FOCUSING ON PROGRESS, NOT PERFECTION

On the left side, see examples of limiting beliefs. On the right side, practise turning a perfectionist mindset into a growth mindset.

"If I'm not good at something, it's not worth doing."



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"I might make a mistake, so I won't bother trying."



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## P&C NEWS

### Disney Disco

Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who helped set up, supervise and clean up after our Disney disco! We couldn't have done it without you. Over 260 students attended both discos and the smiles and costumes were incredible - from Walt Disney himself to a real life dinosaur!



### AGM



Next Thursday, 21 March is our Annual General Meeting at 8.45am in the staffroom. If you are interested in playing a role within our P&C, we are opening all positions: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. There are membership forms in the office and the cost is 50c to become a voting member of our P&C. It is a great way to get involved in your child's school and support their learning while getting to know other parents in the school community. We hope to see you there.

### Mother's Day Raffle

Our Mother's Day raffle will be held in Term 2. We will again be asking for donations of items to be put into prize hampers. If you can help, gifts/vouchers can be dropped into the front office during office hours. Thank you for your support.



**Melissa McBride**  
P&C Secretary

## EVERYDAY MATTERS PROGRAM

Everyday Matters, formerly known as Treasure Hunters, will run by amazing volunteers during lunch times each Friday during the term in our Community Room.

This program is offered to students in Years 1-6. Permission forms are required to be completed prior to students attending. Students can obtain one from the office or from one of the friendly team members during a Friday session.

More information about the program can be found below.

**words matter**  
**friends matter**  
**thoughts matter**  
**YOU MATTER**

YouthCARE

**Everyday Matters**  
a fun lunchtime program

Games Activities Craft Bible Stories

**Day, Place & Time:** Friday lunchtimes in the community room

**Pick up your permission slip here:** Front office or from the team



## Community Health Nurses working with primary schools

### Who are Community Health Nurses?

Community Health Nurses (nurses) deliver school health services in primary schools across Western Australia. They are employed by WA Country Health Services or Child and Adolescent Health Service (in metropolitan Perth). Nurses work with children, families and teachers within each school throughout the year. Most families will have had contact with these health services from birth (through neonatology and child health services).

### Working with children at school

Nurses provide School Entry Health Assessments (SEHA) which assess hearing, vision, oral health, growth, development, and any other health and wellbeing issues that may be of concern.

- SEHA is offered to all children who are of school entry age. For the majority, this will be in kindergarten, however it could be done after school enrolment has occurred and prior to commencement of Kindy if a need is determined.
- For those children who did not attend Kindy, the SEHA will be offered in pre-primary. SEHAs are conducted throughout the school year.
- Nurses prioritise assessments after reviewing any concerns noted on the parent consent form and discussion with class teachers.

If a parent or teacher has a concern regarding development, health or wellbeing of a child that will not be receiving a SEHA they can contact the nurse via the school. Relevant age-appropriate assessments such as hearing, vision and growth can be undertaken with parental consent.

Nurses also conduct health assessments for children in the care of Department of Communities. These assessments are prioritised once a request has been received by the nurse from the Department of Communities.





CITY OF GOSNELLS

# HARMONY WEEK

Monday 18 – Friday 22 March

**FREE PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES**

## MONDAY • 18

### Baby Play

(0 – 18 months)

Cultural song and music

9.30am – 10.30am

or 11am – 12pm

Huntingdale Community Centre,  
Lesser Hall

Lot 1645 Holmes Street, Huntingdale

Harmony Week is the celebration that recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from different backgrounds. It's about respect, inclusion and a sense of belonging for everyone.

## TUESDAY • 19

### Play & Learn at the Shops

(3 – 5 years)

Cultural art project

1pm – 2pm

Maddington Central shopping  
centre

(opposite Coles)

Corner Burslem Drive and Attfield  
Street, Maddington

## WEDNESDAY • 20

### Baby Play

(0 – 12 months)

Cultural song and music

9.15am – 10.15am

or 10.30am – 11.30am

Richard Rushton Community  
Centre

24 Baron Way, Gosnells

### Park Play

(0 – 5 years)

Cultural dance performance

9am – 11am

Centennial Pioneer Park  
Astley Street, Gosnells

## THURSDAY • 21

### HARMONY DAY

### Story Time at the Shops

(0 – 5 years)

Cultural project

9.30am – 10.30am

Maddington Central shopping  
centre

(opposite Coles)

Corner Burslem Drive and Attfield  
Street, Maddington

## FRIDAY • 22

### Park Play

(0 – 5 years)

Cultural food and dance

9am – 11am

Robinson Park

244 Corfield Street, Gosnells

**SHOW YOUR SUPPORT BY WEARING ORANGE**

## DROP-INS WELCOME

All programs for Harmony Week are free and no bookings required. For more information, head to the City's website.







CITY OF GOSNELLS

# Multicultural Meet and Greet

Network with local cultural groups and service providers within the City of Gosnells to build relationships and explore opportunities to collaborate.



**When:**

Wed 6 March

Wed 5 June

Thurs 5 September

Wed 4 December

**Where:**

Connect@Kenwick  
Melaleuca Room  
82 Kenwick Road  
Kenwick

**Time:**

5.30pm  
to  
8pm

To register,  
please email  
[council@gosnells.wa.gov.au](mailto:council@gosnells.wa.gov.au)

Visit the City's website  
at [gosnells.wa.gov.au](http://gosnells.wa.gov.au) or  
phone 9397 3000 for  
more information





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INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

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**Trial Dates (for Year 7, 2025):**

<b>Cricket</b>	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 9:30am Venue: John Forrest Secondary College
<b>Tennis</b>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 3:30pm Venue: John Forrest Secondary College
<b>Netball</b>	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024 & Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 8:45am - 10:30am Venue: Morley Sport and Recreation Centre

**Register your interest**

by phoning 9473 4000 or emailing  
[JohnForrest.SC.SpecialistPrograms@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:JohnForrest.SC.SpecialistPrograms@education.wa.edu.au)

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