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South Thornlie Primary School



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Newsletter: Term 1, Week 9

Thursday, 28 March 2024

Term 2 Planner

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	15 APR	16 APR	17 APR	18 APR	19 APR
	Pupil Free Day Students do not attend	First day of term 2 for students IMSS Flute Lesson Y5 9.30-10am / Y6 10- 10.30am Sibling Photo Orders Close 12pm	School Photos Senior Choir Practice 8-8.20am Junior Choir Practice 1.10pm	IMSS Brass Lesson Y5 1.30-2pm / Y6 2-2.30pm	Whole School Colour Run Event IMSS Guitar Lesson Y5 9.50-10.20am / Y6 10.50-11.20am

Principal's Message

Dear parents and caregivers, welcome to the week 9 newsletter edition. Term 1 has proven to be a busy and eventful one. I would like to say thank you to all our staff, P&C, parents, caregivers, university students and volunteers for your commitment in supporting our students and their learning journey. I wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable school holiday break and look forward to seeing you all in Term 2!

Last day of Term 1 – Thursday, 28 March 2024 | Students commence Term 2 – Tuesday, 16 April 2024

Harmony Day Assembly

Last Friday, B4 students presented a wonderful Harmony Day assembly. It was amazing to see all the traditional costumes from so many different countries. Thank you to all our families who joined us in celebrating cultural diversity. Congratulations to the students who won a raffle prize. Check out page #3 for a list of winners.

Summer Carnival

Last Friday, selected Year 5 and 6 students attended the annual Summer Carnival representing STPS in softball, cricket and volleyball. As always, a fantastic effort from our students! A big thank you to Chris Mattock for his time and organisation. Thanks also goes to our wonderful staff and parents who assisted in the lead up and on the day. Well done everyone!

Parent / Teacher Interviews

On Wednesday, we held a parent teacher interview afternoon. Through the interview process, teachers provided feeback based on student progress this year. Thank you to all the parents who participated in the interview afternoon.

School Photos – Date Change & Ordering Information

Due to unforeseen circumstances, our school photos have been rescheduled and will now be held on Wednesday, 17 and Wednesday. 24 April 2024 (term 2, weeks 1 & 2). A class photo schedule will be communicated to families as soon as possible. Photos must be ordered online by visiting: www.kapture.com.au. Use School Code - 3FLHQS and the Student ID which can be found on their unique order form. Families with shared parenting arrangements can request their child's Student ID by contacting the office on 92323600.

Sibling Photos - Sibling photo orders will now close at 12pm Tuesday, 16 April 2024. Limited time slots are available. Once maximum capacity has been reached and / or closing time has passed, no more sibling photos can be placed. Booking early is recommended to avoid missing out.

Class and Individual Photos - The last day to order class and individual photos is Saturday, 4 May 2024. Late fees will apply after this date.

Aussie of the Month

Our Year 5 Aussie of the Month Award went to Stevie H in C2. Congratulations!

Our week 8 raffle winner was Diana P from C2. Well done!

Megan Barnett

Principal



Week 8 Honour Certificates Awarded -Well done!

ECC1	Timothy Q	Havish S	B2	Evelyn G	Charlot	te G	Jordan B
ECC2	Reyaan M	Jolene G	B3	Orlando T		Salman	Α
A1	Mustafa A	Georgia E	B4	Sofea M		Kodee I	T
А3	Isabella W	Chanuki A	B5	Starna D			
A4	James M	Sophia E	C2	Stevie H			
A5	Marley M	Adam A	C3	Titan K			
A6	Imran A	Kaley R	C4	Jessica L			
B1	Riley H	Carly H	C5	Rani M			

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Congratulations to Deklan Ellery for earning a bronze medal in the area of shotput at the Little Athletics State Track and Field Championships earlier on in the term. Deklan competed with a large group of boys in the U11 age group, who are the best in this field, to take out third place. Deklan attends the South Thornlie Little Athletics Club and has been a part of the club for three seasons. This is Deklan's second state medal during his time at the club. Well done, Deklan!



congratulations



STPS TALENT SHOW UPDATE

South Thornlie Primary School talent show auditions were held in weeks 6, 7 and 8 for students in years 1-6. We had an astonishing number of students get involved with over 50 individual or group acts audition!

Each audition was extremely entertaining to watch. All of our students put in a tremendous amount of effort and should be proud of what they achieved. If they did not get through, we encourage them to audition again next year.



It was very difficult to make the final decision. It is with much excitement that we announce the Talent Show finalists for 2024...

Class	Name/s	Talent	Class	Name/s	Talent
А3	Divleen K	Singing	B5	Maya F & Sage B	Gymnastics
А3	Kaea H	Breakdancing	B5	Ruby C	Dancing
A4	Imanhi R & Sophia E	Gymnastics	C2	Soraya V	Ukulele
A6	Ella F & Lexcy V	Gymnastics	C2	Elyssa G, Kirra R, Stevie H, Ella F & Charliza P	Play
B1	Avayah F, Carly H & Lyla G	Cheerleading	C5	Hunter D	Keyboard
B1	Sophie G	Singing & Dancing	C5	Haidyn M & Robert L	Singing

The Talent Show will be held in Term 2 on Friday, 10 May 2024 at the week 4 assembly.

We can't wait to see the final performance, we hope you can join us!

Jacqueline Bell Deputy Principal



HARMONY DAY ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following students who were drawn as raffle prize winners at our Harmony Day assembly last Friday.



Maizee L	Halo M	Finn B	Deacon E	Kyeisha W	Kani T
Louise B	Lyn J	Johann L	Anne A	Imogen V	Angelo E
Laila J	Faaiz H	Ella F	Orlando T	Isla L	Santi D

HEALTHY HABITS

Sun Smart Tips

Australians generally apply too little sunscreen. This means they usually get less than half the protection stated on the product label. Children usually require approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon on each extremity.



Crunch&Sip



Make a rainbow in your tummy, by crunching the rainbow for your Crunch&Sip® break!

Different coloured fruits and vegetables provide us with different vitamins, minerals, and phytochemicals. By eating a rainbow, it will help you get the right balance of nutrients your body needs

Try to crunch a different coloured fruit and vegetable each day for your @CrunchandSip break.

Marieka Rendall

Teacher / Coordinator

BIKE & SCOOTER SAFETY



Students may ride or scoot to and from school each day. Please ensure that your child wears a helmet and adheres to road rules. A secure enclosed bike rack storage facility is available for students. Students are requested to lock their bikes and scooters with personal locks during the day. This facility is located on Discovery Drive near C Block. Gates are opened at 8.00am and 2.10pm each day. Gates remain locked between these hours.

Due to safety, students are asked NOT to ride their bikes and scooters through the school. Students are asked to walk their bikes and scooters when using the paths outside school, on cross walks and to be careful when crossing driveways.

Reporting Unsafe Behaviour

If you notice path and road users being unsafe, report it. A description can also be helpful when notifying your school or the police.



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 word we will be learning this fortnight is:

Moorditj (good)





Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

ATTENDANCE

Missing school means missing out! Regular attendance builds lots of other skills, not just learning. Schools help children to develop important social skills, such as friendship building, teamwork, communication skills and a healthy self-esteem. It also helps them to participate positively in regular school events that promote strong community spirit.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

School psychologists are registered health practitioners who support the work of schools in enhancing student achievement, engagement, and wellbeing. They apply their expertise in mental health, learning, human development, behaviour, and school systems.

Our school psychologist, Carl Tolomei, has been at our school for three years. He currently works on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Carl also works in private practice providing psychological therapies to children, adolescents, and families.



Carl is well equipped and experienced to provide school psychological services. However, he has particular interest and experience with:

- Supporting neurodivergent students and their families.
- Implementing evidence-based psychological therapy models to improve student wellbeing.
- Supporting students to develop healthy relationships with digital technology and understanding of cyber security issues.
- Supporting students to develop and maintain social connections.
- Interest of evidence-based numeracy interventions and increasing our knowledge of how students learn numeracy.

Further information about school psychologist services is available by contacting the school on 9232 3600.

ITALIAN NEWS

Over the past few weeks students in years four to six have been working on greetings and simple phrases to create cartoons.

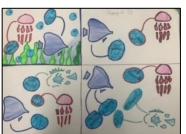
All students have been doing some great work! See below for some examples.

Buone vacanze e Buona Pasqua a tutti.

Saluti da

Signora Wills Italian Teacher















POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Teaching Your Child to Manage Screen Time Independently

When your child seems to want a lot of screen time, it's important to start good habits early. Here's how you can empower your child to manage their own screen time effectively:

Talk About Our Limited Time:

Sit down with your child and discuss how much time they spend on screens. Make a list together of other fun things they like to do. Help them see that too much screen time can take away from these other activities.

Discuss Screen Influence:

Explain to your child that apps, websites, and shows are made to keep them interested. Tell them how these companies make money when they use their stuff a lot. This can help them make smarter choices.

Set Limits Together:

Ask your child how much screen time they think is fair each day. Let them help decide the limit. They might surprise you and suggest a good balance!

Use Tools:

Decide together how you'll keep track of screen time, like using a timer or a separate tracker. If they have trouble sticking to the limit, talk about it again. This helps them understand that this topic can be ongoing until you find a solution that works for both sides.

Encourage Independence:

As they get older, let your child be in charge of their screen time. When the time is up, trust them to stop without reminders. This helps them learn to be responsible.

By involving your child in these decisions, you teach them important skills like managing time and setting limits. They'll learn to balance screen time with other activities to create healthier habits for the future.

Source: Nir Eyal, an instructor at Stanford University

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Health and Wellbeing Committee

POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS



Health and Wellbeing Committee

P&C NEWS

We held our AGM last Thursday and are excited to welcome all our members for 2024, especially the new members who have joined this year. We are still in need of a Vice President and a Treasurer. If you are interested or need more information about these roles please email: stps.president@gmail.com



Ride2School Day

Ride2School day was last Friday, 22 March 2024. We took a tally of how the students got to school that morning, this will be used as a starting point as we look to encourage alternate modes of transport and the effect it has on the environment.

Mother's Day Raffle - Donations Needed

We have our Mothers day raffle next term and are requesting donations from our school community, these can be dropped off to the office and will be used in our prize hampers. If you own a business or know of a local business who may be able to make a donation, please let us know. We will acknowledge all donations through the school newsletter and on our social media.

Special ANZAC Recess - A Taste of History

We are excited to run a recess order day in term 2, where students can pre-order ANZAC cookies and juice boxes. Forms have gone home with students and spares are available in the office. Orders close at 9am on Tuesday, 23 April 2024.

The money raised from this event will go towards establishing a historic display for students to learn more about the past. We will need some volunteers to pack and deliver orders, if you can help please complete the space on the order form and we will get in contact with you.

The P&C hope everyone has a safe and fun school holidays and we will see you in Term 2.

Melissa McBride P&C Secretary



EVERYDAY MATTERS PROGRAM

Everyday Matters, formerly known as Treasure Hunters, is 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.



COMMUNITY NEWS

DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE NEWS

School Holiday Closure

South Thornlie Dental Therapy Centre will be closed from Wednesday, 3 April to Monday, 15 April 2024. Should you require emergency care, please contact the following clinics:

Wednesday, 3 April – Bannister Creek Dental Therapy Centre – 9451 1761 Thursday, 4 to Monday, 15 April – Excelsior Dental Therapy Centre – 9256 4170

South Thornlie Dental Therapy Centre will re-open on Tuesday, 16 April.

Term 2 Change of Operating Hours

During Term 2, South Thornlie Dental Therapy Centre will be open from Tuesdays to Fridays (closed Mondays). For emergency care on Mondays, contact Campbell DTC on 9455 6322 or Excelsior DTC on 9256 4170.





Does your child have a PASSION for CRICKET, NETBALL OR TENNIS and want to develop their skills?

Our

SPECIALIST PROGRAMS

give students the opportunity to be part of an exciting program in their chosen sport under the guidance of professional coaches

Trial Dates (for Year 7, 2025):

Cricket	Already held
Tennis	Date: Thursday 30 th May 2024 Time: 3:30pm Venue: John Forrest Secondary College
Netball	Date: Wednesday 1st May & Wednesday 8th May 2024 Time: 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

Exciting opportunity • All ages • Regular competitions Teamwork and Leadership skills