



South Thornlie Primary School

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Newsletter: Term 3, Week 3

Friday, 2 August 2024

Term 3 Planner

| WK | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 4 | 5 AUG Principal's Morning Tea Y6 Camp Meeting 2.45pm in C5  | 6 AUG Running Club K-6 8-8.20am School Board Meeting 2.45pm-4.15pm Library | 7 AUG Senior Choir Practice 8-8.20am Australian Maths Competition Y3-6 Junior Choir Practice 1.10pm Lego Club 2.30-3.30pm Community Room | 8 AUG Ukulele Group 8-8.20am Pizza Day – Y6 Fundraiser Y5&6 Senior Robotics Club 2.30-3.45pm Community Room | 9 AUG A4 Assembly & Y2 Aussie of the Month 8.30am Interschool Cross Country Scholastic Book Fair in the library Pre-Primary 2025 Applications Due |
| 5 | 12 AUG Y6 Swimming Lessons Scholastic Book Fair in the library Y1&2 Science Inquiry Day | 13 AUG Y6 Swimming Lessons Running Club K-6 8-8.20am Scholastic Book Fair in the library | 14 AUG Y6 Swimming Lessons Senior Choir Practice 8-8.20am Scholastic Book Fair in the library Junior Choir Practice 1.10pm Y3-6 Science Inquiry day P&C Subway Lunch Day | 15 AUG Y6 Swimming Lessons Ukulele Group 8-8.20am Y5&6 Senior Robotics Club 2.30-3.45pm Community Room | 16 AUG Y6 Swimming Lessons Year 6 Dwellingup Camp Final Payment Due |

Principal's Message

Dear parents and caregivers, welcome to the week 3 newsletter. We are looking forward to our upcoming annual Open Night. This exciting whole school community event will be taking place on Wednesday, 21 August 2024 from 5.00-7.00pm. A flyer with all the details can be found on page #3.



Congratulations



I want to acknowledge and congratulate Larissa Waghorn, Science Teacher, for being a finalist in the category of STEM Educator of the Year in the Premier's Science Awards. Larissa is one of five finalists for the whole of WA! We are so excited and proud of her achievements. If you would like to read more about this award please click on the link below:

[2024 Premier's Science Awards finalists revealed | Western Australian Government \(www.wa.gov.au\)](http://www.wa.gov.au)

Staff News

I would like to congratulate Jo Anning, Education Assistant, on her recent retirement announcement! Jo has been a part of the South Thornlie Primary School community for over 24 years and has been a dedicated and caring team member. She will be missed! Please join us in acknowledging Jo's contribution to our school at the assembly on Friday, 9 August 2024.



Save the Date - Book Week Dress Up Day

Our Book Week Dress Up Day is coming soon! Students are encouraged to dress as their favourite story book character on Friday, 23 August 2024. The theme for 2024 is 'Reading is Magic'. Please join us for the Book Week assembly and parade at 8.30am. We look forward to seeing everyone in their costumes. Kindy A group students will have their dress up day on Monday, 26 August 2024.

Values

Our week 2 raffle winner was Leena A from A5. Well done!



Megan Barnett
Principal



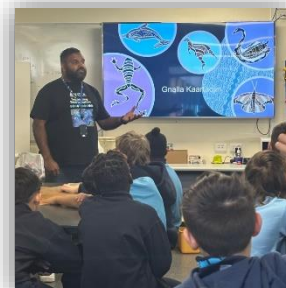
Week 2 Honour Certificates Awarded –Well done!

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| ECC1 | Emma T | Jacob E | Laila J | B2 | Croft L | Bailey H |
| ECC2 | Ian K | Declan D | | B3 | Viola H | Lillian W |
| A1 | Dylan R | | | B4 | Hee J | Max H |
| A3 | Malcolm F | Aiden T | | B5 | Jeremy B | Arafat A |
| A4 | Samuel W | Jonah C | | C2 | Jaxon S | Elyssa G |
| A5 | Leena A | Quinn K | | C3 | Riot M | |
| A6 | Ava H | Benicio D | | C4 | Ahmad F | Paxton L |
| B1 | Kaiden H | Kulsum S | | C5 | Haidyn M | Lhexxi B |

WATER CORPORATION INCURSION

On Monday, 22 July 2024, students in Years 2-6 participated in an insightful incursion led by the Water Corporation. The session, facilitated by Preston Culbong, focused on Aboriginal culture and their relationship with the land, water, language, and spirituality. Preston, sharing his personal experiences from growing up on Noongar country, discussed the traditional methods of water location and transportation, as well as Aboriginal connections to the land and animal knowledge. Students engaged with various props and artifacts and collaborated in educational games to demonstrate their newfound knowledge. This experience not only enhanced their understanding of water management and conservation practices but also inspired them to consider their role in future water conservation efforts.

Dorinda Truscott
Deputy Principal



ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER



On Sunday, 28 July 2024 a few South Thornlie Primary students participated in their cheerleading showcase for Extreme Cheer Allstars. These young ladies have been working tirelessly on their routines for the past 6 months in preparation for their competition season. Their first competition is next Sunday, 4 August 2024. We wish these superstars good luck as they hit the competition floor!

Well done to Avayah F, Ally P, Priya E, Savannah E, Charlize P and Rio D!



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 have been learning this fortnight are:

- Nyidiny (cold)
- Dabarkan (slow down/take it easy)



South Thornlie PS presents **OPEN NIGHT**

STUDENTS.... To start the fun, collect your 'Red Brick Road Passport' on the night at the entrance gate.

CLASSROOMS OPEN FROM 5:30

Visit your child's classroom and see the amazing work they have accomplished. Specialists classrooms are also open! Visit Science, Music, MiniLit, G&T and the PE games station!

The **School Choir** and **Ukulele Group** will be performing in the Arts Centre at **5:15pm!**

PARENT SURVEY 2024

Parent surveys will be available to complete on the night. Your opinion matters!

FOOD

Bring some small notes and coins on the night & support our fundraising efforts. Sausage sizzle, drinks & more! EFTPOS available with \$5 minimum.



STALLS OPEN FROM 5:00

The P&C / The Board / SOAR / School Partnerships / Social Justice / EALD / OSH Club / Rotary Gosnells / Scouts / Little Athletics / Majestic Calisthenics / City of Gosnells / Teddy Bear Hospital / Thornlie Library / Youth Care Treasure Hunters / Friends of Mary Carroll Wetland / Biscuit Making / Wellbeing / Thornlie Senior High and more!



PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS

Interested in having your own stall? Contact the office on 9232 3600. A \$20 donation for our fundraising efforts will apply. Limited spaces available, get in quick!




ENROLMENT INFORMATION

We will soon commence planning classes for 2025. If your child is not returning to South Thornlie Primary School next year, please let us know by sending an email to: souththornlie.ps@education.wa.edu.au or complete a 'pink' form which can be found in the front office.

All students in Kindergarten are required to apply for Pre-Primary 2025, Application forms can be collected from the office and are due by Friday, 9 August 2024.



 **2025 Enrolment Information**
South Thornlie Primary School

Dear Parent/Caregiver

We are requesting **all** families to complete the below information to enable us to organise classes for 2025. Please complete and return to school no later than **Friday, 26 July 2024**. Class requests are not yet open. When this process commences, it will be advertised in the school newsletter.

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Pre-Primary to Year 5 Students 2024

Please tick **one** of the below:

My child **will** be returning to South Thornlie Primary school in 2025.

My child **will not** be returning to South Thornlie Primary School in 2025.

He / she will be attending _____ primary school in 2025.
(Name of school enrolling in for 2025)

Year 6 Students 2024

My child will be attending _____ high school in 2025.

Parent/Caregiver full name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / 2024

Signature: _____

Thank you for your response.

Megan Barnett
Principal
17 June 2024

ATTENDANCE

A friendly reminder that classroom doors open at 8.20am and school commences at 8.30am each day. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time to give them the best start to the school day. Students in Year 1-6 who arrive prior to 8.20am are to wait in the undercover area where supervision is provided from 8.00am. Students are not permitted to arrive at school prior to 8.00am. On site before and after school care is available through OSH Club. More information about this service can be obtained by visiting www.oshclub.com.au or pop into the office for a flyer.



Parents/caregivers are required to inform the school if their child will be absent. Please SMS absentees to the school before 8.30am on 0438 579 518, include your child's full name, reason and date of absence. Alternatively, you can telephone the school on 9232 3600.

Have you noticed any of the following symptoms in your child?

- They don't always respond when you are talking to them
- They find it hard to listen
- They get easily distracted

If so, it may be an issue with their hearing.



Free hearing screening tests will be available Tuesday 3rd September-Thursday 5th September Week 8 at South Thornlie!

The University of Western Australia, Master of Clinical Audiology program, will be sending the graduates professional clinical audiologists to assess our students. The screening is highly recommended for 4-6 year old's and is available to all year levels. If you think your child may benefit from their hearing being checked and you would like them to be part of this program, please fill in the consent form and talk to the classroom teacher. Keep an eye out for the consent form coming home.

YEAR FIVE TELEPHONE INCURSION

On Monday, Year 5 students attended an incursion developed by John Paskulich from the Western Australian Historic Telecommunications Society. John brought an impressive display of telephones and communication devices, showing the changes in technology over time. John shared his knowledge with the students, detailing how telecommunications have evolved and changed over time.

John educated the students on the changes, from early communication strategies of carrier pigeons and smoke signals. The students explored the concepts of Morse code, telegrams, switchboards, telephones and mobile phones, comparing the similarities and differences in communication devices.

John shared photos of how telecommunications have evolved and allowed the students to interact with various models of telephones. Our students could ask questions about how telecommunications have evolved and clarify how the workforce has changed due to telecommunications and how technology has impacted how people communicate.

South Thornlie Primary School wishes to thank John for sharing his passion, experience, and knowledge of the evolution of telecommunications.

Dorinda Truscott
Deputy Principal



HEALTHY HABITS

Sun Smart Tips

Sunscreen should never be the only method of sun protection used. Nor should it be used to stay out in the sun longer, remember to use a combination of Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

Crunch&Sip



Crunch & Sip

South Thornlie is a Crunch & Sip school!

Did you pack water and a healthy snack today?

Give your child the chance to re-fuel in class with fruit or vegetables. This helps improve physical performance and concentration, as well as promoting long term health.

There are so many fruits and veggies to choose from!

What will you choose today?

Packed with Goodness.

Quick tips to save money at the supermarket

- **Buy in season:** fruit and veges are most affordable (not to mention delicious) when they are in season.
- **Plan your meals:** plan meals that share the same ingredients as this helps to cut costs and reduce food waste.
- **Write a list and stick to it:** write a list of all the ingredients you need and only buy from the list. Try to only go down the aisles you need to, this helps avoid impulse buys!
- **Cut back on costly snacks:** try to make your snacks at home using ingredients you already have on hand. Making snacks from scratch is often cheaper, healthier and more filling.
- **Use unit prices to find the best value:** unit pricing can help you compare the cost of products that come in different sized packets. This handy feature will tell you which items are the best value (not just the cheapest).



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Marieka Rendall
Teacher / Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

The South Thornlie Primary Book Fair is only one week away! Open Friday, 9 to Wednesday, 14 August 2024 before and after school. We will have books for sale starting from \$5.00. The more books you buy, the more new books we will get to put in the library. EFTPOS and cash will be accepted.

Mrs Rutley is looking for volunteers to help ensure the smooth running of the book fair, please pop in to see her if you are able to help.

Tania Rutley
Library Officer



BOOK FAIR

**Friday August 9 -
Wednesday August 14**

Open before school 8:00-8:30,
after school 2:30-3:00 and lunch time
Cash and EFTPOS accepted

If you would like to help at the book fair
please see Mrs Rutley in the library

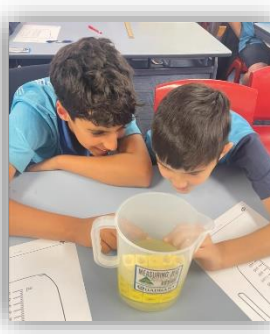
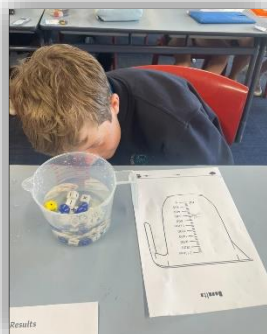
CLASS NEWS

Volume and Capacity in C4

The year 5/6 class in C4 have been learning about volume and capacity. We were investigating what happens to the volume of water when light and heavy things were submerged in 500ml of water. Did the volume of the water decrease or increase, or did it stay the same and why?

Jeanette Petersen
C4 Teacher

AMAZING!



B4 Cooking Class

Students in B4 have loved being a part of the cooking program these past few weeks with Lesley Winter, our School Wellbeing Officer. They have enjoyed making dishes such as French toast and sushi. Yummy!



Tegan Compson
B4 Teacher

SCIENCE NEWS

This term in Science we are looking at Chemistry. Chemistry is all about the properties of materials and the way that they change.

One of the ways you can help your child in this area is to ask them to describe the things that they encounter. This means making observations by using your senses to experience things, what do they look like, taste like, sound like, feel like and smell like. Ask them to pay attention to how these things can change. This can be changes like how water can change from a solid to a liquid to a gas or simply how something changes when it is cut, like watermelon. Ask your children to help you cook dinner and look at how the different ingredients change throughout the process.

Larissa Waghorn
Science Teacher



POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Filling your child's cup when they wake up:

- "I love starting my day with a hug from you."
- "Every day, I'm thankful for you."
- "I missed you when you were sleeping."
- "I can't wait to see how much fun we'll have today!"
- "You are so special to me."
- "You bring so much joy to our family."
- "I love you more than all the hairs on all the bears."



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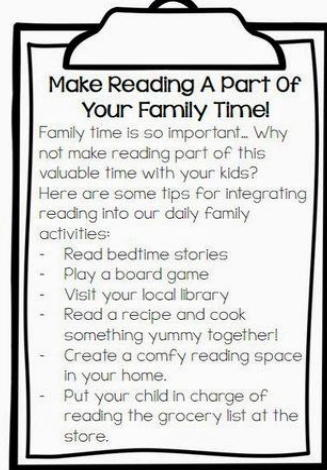


Reading At Home... Can Make A HUGE Difference!



Choose Books That Are At An Appropriate Reading Level For Your Child

- Use the five finger rule. Open the book to any page and ask your child to read. Put up a finger every time your child does not know a word. If you have put up more than five fingers before the end of the page, this book is too hard for your child.
- Choose books that match your child's likes and interests.



Keep plenty of reading materials in your home: books, magazines, newspapers, and comic books. Children enjoy having a variety of reading materials!

Wellbeing Committee

P&C NEWS

Father's Day Raffle



We will soon be holding our annual Father's Day Raffle. If you have any items, vouchers, etc. that you are happy to donate as prizes, please feel free to pop them into the office.

Subway Lunch Day

Kindy A Group and Pre-Primary to Year 6 students can order Subway for lunch on Wednesday, 14 August 2024. Online ordering closes at 9am on Friday, 9 August 2024. Visit www.myschoollunch.com.au to place your orders.

New Mats in Pre-Primary

The P&C have recently purchased replacement mats for Pre-Primary. Students are enjoying the brightly coloured mats every day!



Assembly Tea & Coffee

P&C members will be serving up tea and coffee at every assembly this term. Parents, caregivers and family members are welcome to grab a cuppa for a gold coin and have a chat with us.

Milo Toastie Lunch Day



To help make book week that extra bit special, the P&C are taking orders for a Milo Toastie Day on Friday, 23 August 2024. Order forms have gone home with students. Correct cash only and orders must be in by 9am, Wednesday, 21 August 2024.

Ideas or questions? You can contact the P&C via our facebook page or email stps.president@gmail.com

Melissa McBride
P&C Secretary



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VacSwim

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October program

Wed 25 Sep to Fri 4 Oct 2024

Lessons: 8 days (45 minutes each)

Cost: Single \$32.00* Family \$85.50*

Enrolments close: Wednesday 14 August 2024

Locations: Check website

October short program

Mon 30 Sep to Fri 4 Oct 2024

Lessons: 5 days (35 minutes each)

Cost: Single \$16.50* Family \$43.50*

Enrolments close: Wednesday 14 August 2024

Locations: Check website

Find a location near you and enrol
education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

*Concessions available. A family enrolment includes 3 or more children from the same address. Does not include pool entry fees. Information on the website is available in languages other than English. If you require an Interpreter or need assistance in completing an enrolment form, contact us at VacSwim on 9402 6412.



southern River college 2024 Science Fair

Wednesday 14th August

Come join us for a fun afternoon celebrating Science at Southern River College!

3pm to 5pm

R Block (Sue Rodway Building)

Stalls & Displays:

- ❖ Old Macdonald's Farm Petting Zoo
- ❖ Selfie Corner
- ❖ Friends of Mary Carroll Park
- ❖ Become a Scientist Corner
- ❖ City of Gosnells - Switch Your Thinking Team
- ❖ Science Games
- ❖ Blood Pressure Testing & Health Information
- ❖ Science Museum Display
- ❖ Free Native seeds & seedlings
- ❖ BBQ Sausage Sizzle

Student Projects:

- ❖ Years 7-10 projects
- ❖ Year 11 Human Biology projects
- ❖ Voting for your favourite student projects

Upstairs classrooms & downstairs courtyard

Community Event! All welcome!

CITY OF GOSNELLS

Family WORKSHOPS

PIZZA AND REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Dad Jedi Training: Mastering the Force of Positive Discipline

Date: Tuesday 10 September 2024
Time: 6.00pm - 7.30pm
Location: City of Gosnells Emergency Operations Centre, 16 Harley Road, Beckenham

Suitable for Dads with kids 3 - 12 years.

This free workshop on positive discipline and practical parenting tips aims to turn you into the Yoda of parenting; just without the backwards speech bit.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER SCAN THE QR CODE

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About the presenter:
Mike is a Psychologist, a Father, a Husband, a Motorcycle enthusiast, and a self-professed gigantic geek. His professional history includes working in the prison system; working with parents, partners and children of those impacted by mental health issues; private practice; and general practice with adults, teens, and couples.

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CITY OF GOSNELLS DADS GROUP

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The Department of Transport, in collaboration with the City of Gosnells, is running a

FREE 4-week bike course

Saturday 10, 17, 24 and 31 August 2024

1 pm to 3 pm (all sessions)

Richard Rushton Community Centre
24 Baron Way Gosnells

Registration is essential
events.humanitx.com/gozzy-pedal-palooza-family-fun-bike-adventure

Build your bike riding skills and have fun along the way!

Places are limited. Scan the QR code to secure your spot!

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This initiative is one of many helping you get around during the Armadale Line shutdown:
transport.wa.gov.au/armadale-line