

Thurgoona News



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Term 3, Week 5

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Providing the foundations for life-long learning

Principal's Message

This week has been another very busy week with forensic science workshops, gymnastics and peer support sessions as well as the engaging and point of need learning activities happening in classes all across our vibrant school. It is wonderful that additional opportunities like sport gala days, spelling bees, gardening club and transition days can be offered to our students.

I would like to remind parents, carers and visitors that under no circumstances, are you to approach and reprimand a child, other than your own, on school grounds at any time. This is a serious issue and could result in civil action being taken against you by the parents or carers of the other child. If you have an issue involving a child other than your own, please let school staff know so that they can deal with the matter.

Principals can use the *Inclosed Lands Protection Act 1901* to deal with people who enter onto, or remain on Departmental sites without authority. This can involve prohibiting access to the school site if a person has engaged in inappropriate anti-social behaviour or has threatened physical violence. The Department has a legal obligation to do what is reasonably practicable to ensure its premises are safe for staff, students and other visitors and the use of the powers under the Act is an important tool in fulfilling that obligation.

Is your Stage 3 child coming home with news about playing Minecraft at school? If the answer is 'yes', please don't be concerned, because for science this term, they will be learning about the fundamental concepts of chemistry using the Education Edition of Minecraft. Please see the information below.

Theresa Kane

Principal

What's Happening in Stage 3 Science in Term 3?

This term, in Stage 3 Science lessons each week, students are learning about the "States of Matter". This topic introduces students to fundamental concepts of chemistry.

Students:

- > Investigate and compare the properties of solids, liquids and gases
- > explore that when materials are combined the result is either a mixture or a new substance, and
- > identify that mixtures can be separated using different techniques

To address the digital technologies side of Science, students will be using **Minecraft Education Edition**.

How is Minecraft Education Edition different than the game, Minecraft?

Minecraft Education Edition is a special version of the game developed specifically for educational use. This version adds features and controls for classrooms, allowing students to work individually or with other students in their class, in a world supervised by the teacher.

Minecraft Education Edition allows students to collaboratively problem solve, working through Science skills and content in a virtual environment. It gives students a choice in their learning, a method to express their thinking and a creative platform to show what they know. It creates a safe, risk-free learning space for students.

Students also learn about Digital Citizenship - the ethical and appropriate use of technology while online. Being a good digital citizen requires students to think critically, behave responsibly and interact safely in the digital world.

Miss Kristen Hiebl



Riverina Girls AFL

Seanna Nichols has been selected as a member of the Riverina Girls AFL team. This is an outstanding achievement!

Congratulations, Seanna!

From the Deputy Principal's desk

Today, students in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 participated in the forensic science workshops. There were many great questions being asked and students showed eagerness and enthusiasm as they were searching for answers. The activities were hands-on with students being able to use things like electronic magnifying glasses and forensic light sources to search for clues to solve the mystery.



Years 3 to 6 students enjoy today's A Case of Emergency forensic science workshops

2020 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2020. New families are invited to attend school orientation tours. The orientation tours are designed to allow new families to become familiar with the school facilities and discover opportunities that exist at Thurgoona Public School. Planned tours will be conducted on Monday, 2 September at 9:30 am and Thursday, 5 September at 2:00 pm. Please ring the office to make a booking. An information session for parents of students enrolling in Kindergarten in 2020 will be held on Tuesday, 24 September, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

Preschool Visits

Next week, we will welcome visits from Thurgoona Preschool students. They will be able to enjoy the facilities in our playground as well as visit our canteen. Students will also enjoy a visit to our current Kindergarten classrooms. Thank you to Mrs Conibear for organising this valuable transition activity.

This week's quote:

"Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow".

- Anthony J. D'Angelo

Miss Jessica Brooker
Deputy Principal

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Shining a light on K-2

This week, we are shining a light on two Kindergarten classes. It is always so exciting going into Kindergarten rooms and witnessing the learning that is taking place.

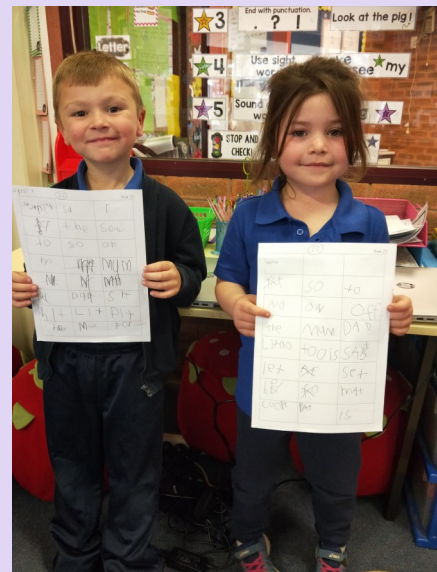
On Tuesday, Mrs Newton's class were learning how to 'count back' using a range of strategies. Aryan was 'holding' the biggest number in his head, then counting back to solve subtraction sums. Fletcher was rolling a dice, writing the sum, then using counters to count back to find the answer. All the students were working on different strategies at their individual point of need while having lots of fun telling me how they solved their subtraction problems.

Miss Margosis was feeling very proud this week when Queenie and Junior **doubled** the amount of words they could write from the last time they completed their writing vocabulary activity!

Kelly Grohmann



Aryan and Fletcher were enjoying their subtraction challenge.



Here's Junior and Queenie with their evidence.

Year 3 Camp – We're going to The Great Aussie Holiday Park!

Not long to wait now (only 5 weeks in fact) until we head off on the bus to The Great Aussie Holiday Park! We are all so very excited about the many fun activities we will enjoy and the great times we will have with each other.

We are, however, aware that this may be the first overnight camp experience for your child, so please take the time to talk to your child about it. They may have concerns about this camp but try to emphasise the positives and all of the fun they will have! Explore options and coping strategies they may use should they have any anxieties (i.e. home sickness) and make a concerted effort to emphasise that they can overcome any obstacles they may face, if they are resilient.

Further suggestions include sleep overs at friends', other relatives' or family members' houses to support and assist in preparing your child for their night away from their immediate loved ones. Here is the link for The Great Aussie Holiday Park, if you would like to have a look at their facilities.

<https://greataussieholidaypark.com.au/>

Keep an eye out for further information regarding the Year 3 Camp!

Thank you

Year 3 Teachers and Camp Organisation Committee

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Congratulations Merit Award Recipients



Years K to 2 Merit Award recipients – Term 3, Week 4



Years 3 to 6 Merit Award recipients – Term 3, Week 4

Attention Year 3 parents, students and families!

Term 3 sport for Year 3 will now be held each **Wednesday** for the remainder of the term. If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Thank you



School News

If you require our trained staff to administer prescribed medication to your child during school hours, please complete this form and provide it and your child's medication to the office staff. All medications need to be provided in their original packaging and clearly labelled with your child's name. Failure to complete and sign this form, will result in us being unable to administer any medication to your child.

Student's Name: _____



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Request for administering prescribed medication to the student

Note: if your child is to take more than one prescribed medication, please attach a separate request for each medication.

Name of prescribed medication:

Prescribed for (name of medical condition):

Prescribed dosage:

What are you requesting the school to do?

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Expiry date of the medication:

Note: if you can't provide this information now we will need to know the expiry date when the medication is given to the school.

Special storage requirements if any eg in refrigerator:

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Special instructions for administering the prescribed medication/s eg must be taken with food or with a glass of water:

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Through information you have obtained from your doctor or got yourself, are you aware of any likely side effects from the prescribed medication?

Yes ☐ No ☐ If Yes, Please provide more information:

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If your child administers his or her own medication at home, do you request that he or she self administers this medication at school?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Note: the Principal needs to approve a decision for a student to self administer.

If yes, please describe what support your child needs to administer the medication in a non emergency situation at school. You may like to include information about how you support your child at home to administer their medication.

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Secure delivery of prescribed medication is important for the safety of your child as well as for the safety of other students in the school.

Please name the person who will carry the medication to school:

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Note: if you are unable to deliver the medication to school, it is advisable that you nominate a responsible person, who is not a school staff member, to transport the medication to the school.

For some medications and some students it can be appropriate for them to carry their own medication to and at school. For example, asthma reliever medication and pancreatic enzymes for cystic fibrosis. If your child is to carry their own medication we want to be able to support this and request some information so that we are well informed.

Note: The school may still need you to provide the school with an additional supply of the medication for storage in central location/s within the school and for use if your child needs the schools help.

Would you like the principal to consider a request for your child to carry their medication?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Note: The Principal needs to approve a decision for a student to carry their own medication at school.

If yes, please describe where and how your child will carry this medication, for example, my child will carry it on their person in a medical pouch or bum bag.

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Note: Your child's medication should be clearly labelled with their name..

Parent/Carer Signature: Date:

Book Week

2019


Reading
is my
Secret
Power

This year's theme
for Book Week is

We will be celebrating
Book Week in Week 7
this term.

On Wednesday,
4 September, Thurgoona
Public School will be
holding the Book
Character Parade.

When: 2:15 pm
Where: Netball court



reading CLUB

is on every Wednesday morning
with Mrs Grohmann in the
library from 8:30 am.

Thanks for buying
books from

 **SCHOLASTIC**

Book Club


they help build our
classroom resources

**Book Club
Issue 5** has
been ordered,
we are just
waiting for the
items to arrive!



Thurgoona Public School's Book Fair starts on Monday, 2 September and will run until Friday, 6 September. The Book Fair will be held in the school hall at the following times:

- 8:30 am to 8:50 am every morning;
- 3:10 pm until 3:30 pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.



Come to our

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Canteen News

This term, the canteen will open every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Beat the winter chills and buy a cup of warm Milo for just \$1.00

Meal Deal - Week 6

Bangers and mash with a drink \$5.00



Week	Date	Time
T3 Wk 6	Friday 30 August	8:30 am to 9:00 am
T3 Wk 7	Wednesday 4 September	8:30 am to 9:00 am
T3 Wk 8	Friday 13 September	8:30 am to 9:00 am
T3 Wk 9	Wednesday 18 September	8:30 am to 9:00 am
T3 Wk 10	Friday 27 September	8:30 am to 9:00 am

EXCLUSIVE OFFER

BOYS SUIT PACKAGE

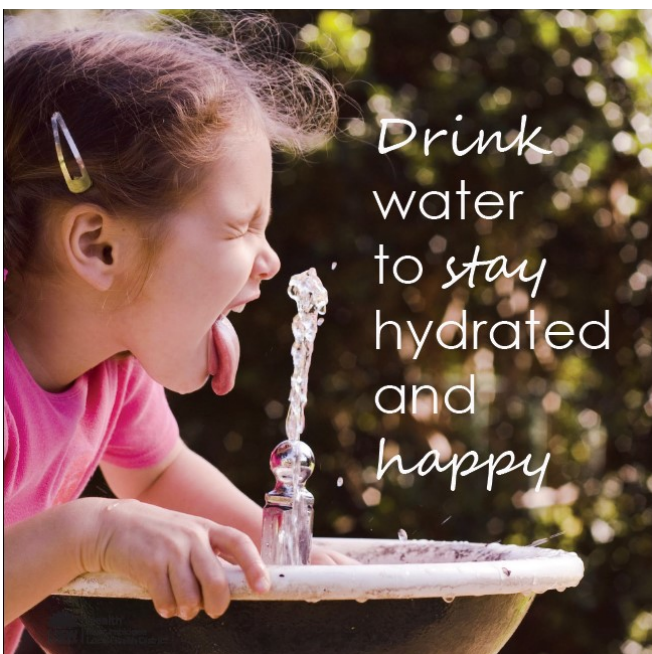
SELECTED SUIT SEPARATES

JACKETS \$69.95
TROUSERS \$29.95
SHIRTS \$29.95
BOYSTIES \$15.95
TOTAL VALUE \$148.80

\$115
NOW


SAVE \$30.80

*T&Cs apply. In-store only. While stocks last, styles may vary. Cannot be used with any other offer. Offer not valid for returned with Reg. One offer per person. See store for more details.



Drink water to stay hydrated and happy

Term 3 Calendar

Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5	19	20 Stage 1 Gymnastics Aboriginal Culture Parent meeting - 2:00 pm	21	22 A Case of Emergency Forensic Science Workshop (Yrs 3-6)	23 Yr 3-6 Peer Support program
Week 6	26	27 Stage 1 Gymnastics	28 Todd Woodbridge Cup - Tennis	29 Stage 1 Gymnastics	30 K-2 Assembly 11:50 am Bluebell and Cypress Primary Assembly 12:25 pm Scribbly Gum
Week 7 September	2 P&C meeting at 7:00 pm in the library BOOK FAIR	3 Stage 1 Gymnastics ICAS Digital Tech BOOK FAIR	4 BOOK FAIR Book Character Parade 2:15 pm	5 Stage 1 Gymnastics ICAS Science BOOK FAIR	6 BOOK FAIR Yr 3-6 Peer Support program
Week 8	9	10 Stage 1 Gymnastics ICAS Writing	11	12 Stage 1 Gymnastics ICAS Spelling School Disco 	13 K-2 Assembly 11:50 am Bluebell and Grevillea Primary Assembly 12:25 pm Wattle
Week 9	16	17 Stage 1 Gymnastics ICAS English Aboriginal Culture parent meeting - 2:00 pm	18 K-2 Responsible Pet Ownership	19 Stage 1 Gymnastics ICAS Maths JFHS extra transition	20 Yr 3-6 Peer Support program
Week 10	23	24	25	26 Yr 3 Great Aussie Holiday Park Excursion	27 K-2 Assembly 11:50 am Melaleuca Primary Assembly 12:25 pm Sports Yr 3 Great Aussie Holiday Park Excursion Last Day Term 3




REGISTER TO PLAY NOW!

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T. 0438 235 395 Mel

9th Oct 2019 - 12th Feb 2020

16 week competition

U12, U15 | Men & Women Senior | Premier

\$200- senior & premier \$165- u12 & u15
Includes uniform - Shirt and socks

\$25 off all new junior player registrations

'New players' is a player who has not played in the BIH competition since 2014

\$50 off all new senior player registrations

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
WODONGA SPORTS & LEISURE CENTRE

SAVE THE DATE



School disco: Thursday, 12 September

Term 4 Calendar

Term 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 October	14	15	16	17	18
Week 2	21 P&C meeting at 7:00 pm in the library	22	23	24	25
Week 3 October/ November	28	29	30	31	1
Week 4 November	4	5	6	7	8
Week 5	11	12	13	14	15
Week 6	18	19	20	21	22
Week 7	25 P&C meeting at 7:00 pm in the library	26	27	28	29
Week 8	2	3	4	5	6
Week 9	9	10	11	12	13
Week 10	16	17	18 Last day for students	19	20 Last day for staff