



# THORNTON THUNDER

**Thornton Public School and its local Community**

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## **A Big End to a Big Year**

A few reminders as we move into the last few weeks of the year. Next week sees the Celebration of Learning where every child receives a certificate of achievement. The junior and senior band will be performing as will the dance groups and the choirs. Year 6 will be enjoying their Orientation day at FGHS as well.

The following week we enjoy the Year 6 farewell on Monday evening at Easts Golf Club and Presentation Day ON Tuesday. Carols then rolls around on Thursday afternoon. With all students involved, it is a terrific night of carols, friendship and family.

On Friday we farewell our departing defence students with Monday being the final Diamond Lizzy Reward Day. Yes, a special guest will be arriving for the Diamond Lizzie kids on that afternoon.

Tuesday is party day where school uniform can be left at home.

Wednesday is then the last day of the year with the traditional clap out for all departing students and staff.

All in all a fitting end to a fantastic Thornton Year.

*We really do have a  
**Quality school in a Unique Environment***

## **Photo of the Week**

*Ready for the Newcastle Herald Newspaper Competition*



## **Dates from the Planner**

### **Monday 30 November**

Library Monitor Xmas party  
Prefect Speeches 12:00pm

### **Tuesday 1 December**

Canteen Meeting

### **Thursday 3 December**

ESt1, St1, St2 Celebration of Learning  
FGHS Orientation Day

### **Friday 4 December**

St 3 Celebration of Learning

### **Monday 7 December**

Year 6 farewell

### **Tuesday 8 December**

Presentation Day

### **Thursday 10 December**

Carols

### **Friday 11 December**

DSTA Farewell BBQ

### **Monday 14 December**

Diamond Lizzy Day

### **Tuesday 15 December**

Party Day

### **Wednesday 16 December**

Last day term 4

Clap out of students leaving...

## Premiers Reading Challenge Success

Did you know that we had 286 students complete the challenge?

Well done everyone with a special congratulations to Noah B who was awarded a gold medal for his efforts over the previous years.

## ASR Survey

Thanks to the 100 plus parents who responded to the Annual School Report telephone survey on Monday and Tuesday. The results will be published shortly.

Congratulations to Sarah and Geoff Rees who won the Hello World Package to see Hugh Jackman in Sydney next week. What a lucky couple!

## Aboriginal Cultural Day

What a terrific day we had on Thursday. From listening to Phil's explanation about the smoking ceremony to the engaging activities in the classroom to the fantastic performance of Fred Reid, all students gained insights into traditional and contemporary Aboriginal culture.

Thanks to all involved.



## School Uniform Design Feedback

The final consultation process has been completed. From the two styles of shirts displayed in the foyer, the feedback showed an overwhelming preference for Shirt One.

Lowes will now be contacted and the new shirts ordered.

The existing shirts will be price reduced as well.

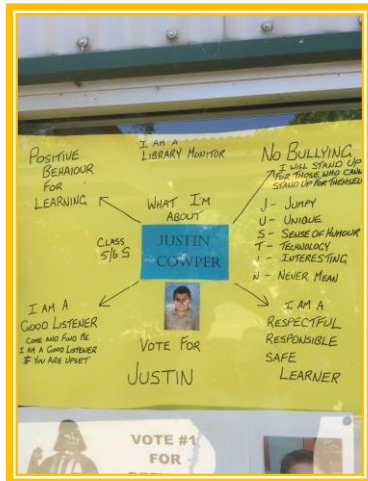
The new uniform should be in mid-way through next year.

From then a two year phase in process will begin.

Thanks to the working party and to the many parents who made their views known.

## What a Great Display

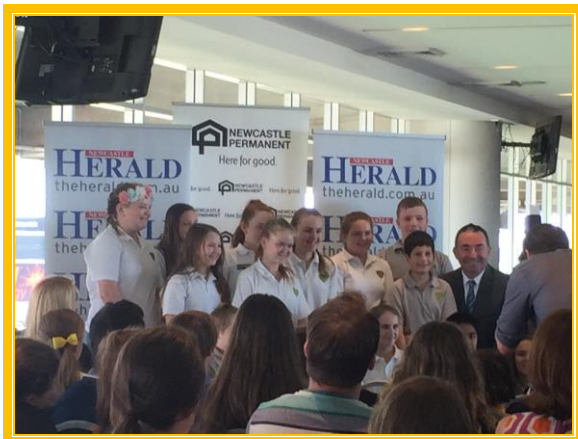
More Candidate's posters.  
Good luck!



## Prefect Speeches

Parents of prefect candidates are advised that the speeches will be given on Monday November 30 at 12:00pm in the hall.

## Pics From around the School



## Library News

Just a reminder that borrowing from the library has finished for the year and for students to return all library books as soon as possible.

## Reminders...

### Celebration of Learning

#### Thursday December 3

Early Stage One      9:30 am  
Stage One              10:30 am  
Stage Two              12:00pm

#### Friday December 4

Stage Three 9:30

At the Celebration of Learning, every student receives a certificate of completion. A number of musical items are in the program as well.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

### Presentation Day

#### Tuesday December 8

Stage Two and Three                      9:30am – 11:00am  
Early Stage One and Stage One          11:40am – 12:30pm

### P & C News

#### *Clothing Pool*

Our clothing pool is located in the SPR and open Wednesday afternoons from 2.45pm till 3.15pm and Friday mornings from 8.45am till 9.15am.

They are seeking donations of white logo school shirts please.

#### *Sale*

There will be a \$2 sale on jumpers and jackets next Wednesday and Friday ONLY.

#### *Christmas Raffle*

We are after donations for our school Christmas Raffle. If anyone wishes to donate could they please bring their donations to the SPR on clothing pool days so it doesn't get mixed up with the school Christmas appeal.

#### *We Need Your Help*

Unfortunately some of our Committee has had to step down and will be unable to continue for another two year term. Our AGM is in March 2016 where all positions will be made vacant. Although there will be four of us staying on for another two year term we will have some positions to fill.

The positions that are and will be vacant are:

- ★ Canteen Treasurer and Vice Secretary – vacant now and next 2 years
- ★ Vice Treasurer – next 2 years
- ★ Vice President – next 2 years

You do not need experience in any of these positions as there will be training and assistance provided.

We hope that you have a great week and thank you for your ongoing support.

Gill, Alissa, Allyson, Penny, Kristie-Lee, Sarah, Stacey and Korine

## 'Munch & Eat' News

The roster for next week is as follows:

Monday 30.11 – Renae  
Tuesday 1.12 – Tanya, Canteen meeting  
Wednesday 2.12 – Mel  
Thursday 3.12 – Kerrie  
Friday 4.12 – Elaine, Bruce, Jill

Thanks to all our helpers over the past week.  
Cheryl and Paula



**Beresfield Swimming Centre**

**FAMILY FUN DAY**

**FREE ACTIVITIES!**

**FUNDRAISING BBQ**

Celebrate the start of summer with a family fun day out at Beresfield Swimming Centre.

Activities and entertainment include:

- live music • Blackbutt Reserve critter encounters • Two giant inflatable obstacle courses!

**11.30AM - 2.30PM, SUN 6 DECEMBER**

**BERESFIELD SWIMMING CENTRE,  
ANDERSON DRIVE, BERESFIELD**

Beresfield Swimming Club will take registrations on the day and hold a fundraising BBQ.

Admission fees apply.  
Food and drinks available for purchase at the kiosk.

For more information visit:  
[www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au](http://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au)

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## Class Report – 1K



### 'The Colour Run'- 1K Reports

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of November Thornton Public School had a colour run. It was fundraising for gymnastics equipment. When I came home from the school colour run my mum was really grumpy because I was dirty. The path was on the oval you had to go to the right of the cones because the colour people were inside the cones. The colours were red, yellow, green and blue. Before the colour run started we had to get changed except Brodi into our white shirt because Brodi had his shirt on already.

Jackson C

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of November we had an ice block near 1C and 1G. We got coloured with blue, red, green and yellow. The path was on the oval. Miss Hughes coloured Jackson C and Helena.

Brodi

The kids in 1k had fun during the colour run. It made me happy. It was colourful and looked exciting.

Jorja

On Friday we ran in the colour run and we got coloured. We got coloured in blue, green, yellow and red. My dad came to watch me run. It was so much fun.

Cody

At the colour run we got coloured in red, yellow, blue and green. We had to do laps of the oval and some Zumba. It was fun.

Jasmine

On Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November it was the colour run. It was an awesome day and when we were going back to the class room we all got an ice block. Everybody in 1K got coloured.

Kael

On Friday we had a colour run. First we did Zumba and then we did 2 laps. At the end of the day we had an ice block and I went home early.  
Mackenzi

On Friday it was the colour run and I was coloured with red, blue, green and yellow. Then at the end we had ice blocks as it was very hot.

Erin

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of November Thornton Public School had a colour run. The colours were red, green, blue and yellow. I stayed with Shakitah. I got my hair coloured. If you handed in your booklet you might get a trip to Disney land. Miss Hughes coloured me and Shakitah. Before the colour run we had to change into our white shirts. We got to have an ice block.

Anabelle

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November we had a colour run. It was really fun. What we did exactly we started off with zumba then we did 2 laps.

Jackson N

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of November Thornton Public had a school colour run to raise money to get new gymnastics equipment. If you handed the booklet in you could win a prize to Disneyland. There were yellow, green, blue and red coloured powders. I got coloured in yellow, green, blue and red. When we were about to start the colour run we did Zumba and then two laps of grass 1 and the oval and then we did Zumba again. After that another two laps of grass 1 and then the oval then we had an ice block. All the parents were taking photos at the of the colour run. It was very exciting.

Helena

We had a colour run. We had to bring some white clothes. Miss Hughes was one of the colour 'squirters'. She was squirting us with the colour yellow. There was a plastic bucket filled of red and it was dropped on me.

Jeffrey

On Friday the 13th of November it was the colour run. The first time it got colour in my eyes. The adults were spraying powder at the children. It was coloured powder the colours were blue, green, yellow and red.it was very fun. I got very coloured.

Sarah

**On Friday the 13th of November we got coloured and used sauce bottles. I got coloured in green red blue and yellow.**

**Will**

Year 1 did the colour run and it was fun. I liked it. My shirt was white and it got coloured beautiful. My shirt was red, blue, green and yellow but first we did Zumba to warm up. So we could do the laps. My mum was watching me.

Matilda

On Friday we went to the colour run and got red, blue, yellow and green powder put on us. We did zumba and 2 laps. Then we had an ice block. I had fun.

Chloe

ON FRIDAY WE HAD THE COLOUR RUN AND IT WAS A VERY HOT DAY. WE DID ZUMBA FIRST. WE GOT COLOURED AS WE RAN AROUND THE OVAL. THE COLOURS WERE BLUE, YELLOW, GREEN AND RED. AT THE END WE WERE GIVEN ICE BLOCKS. I HAD LOTS OF FUN. I HOPE WE CAN DO IT AGAIN NEXT YEAR.

ELIJAH

On Friday at the colour Run I got coloured in red, green, blue and yellow. It was fun and exciting. At the end we were all given an ice block.

Charlie

On Friday we had a colour run. I finally was there and I got coloured. It had blue, green, red and yellow. I had a white shirt on because we needed to be coloured. The warm up was Zumba followed by 2 laps. My dad, my mum, sister and brother came to watch. Miss Hughes sprayed me with some coloured paint. It was on my shirt, shoes and pants. I was first to get colourful and we had to do 4 laps altogether of the oval. At the end we had an ice block. It was in November.

Jye

On Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November we got coloured and after we were given an ice block to cool us down. It was fun and exciting. I loved it. We got coloured with blue, red, yellow and green. We got lots of colours.

Neve

On Friday we had to wear colourful clothes and bring a white shirt to change into for the colour run. We did Zumba to warm up. At the end we got to have an ice block.

Shakitah



## Community News



# Carols in the Park

**Sunday 20th  
DEC  
5 6.30pm**

- Fireworks · Free Entry ·
- Visit from Santa ·
- Free Face Painting ·

**LINDSAY OVAL, BERESFIELD**



**C3 CHURCH  
HOPE**



## Summer Vacation Care

**Maitland Baptist Church Child Care Inc.**  
ABN 94 288 377 301  
PROVIDER APPROVAL NUMBER: PR-00007689

Ph 02 4939 1840    83 - 85 Weblands St Rutherford NSW 2320    Fax 02 4939 1849

17th & 18th December 2015 - Rutherford & Thornton Centres Only. 21st, 22nd & 23rd December 2015 - RUTHERFORD ONLY  
4th to 8th January 2016 -Metford, Rutherford & Thornton Centres Open  
Ashtonfield & Metford - 11th to 22nd January 2016 / Rutherford & Thornton - 11th to 25th January 2016  
Pupil Free Day Wednesday 27th January 2016 - Ashtonfield, Rutherford, & Thornton  
Open 6.30 a.m. - 6.00 p.m. Monday to Friday. Closed Jan 26th Public Holiday

**Quality care for Children 5-12 years, who attend infants or primary school.**  
Organised activities such as Craft, Sports, Indoor & Outdoor Games, Movies and Excursions.

**4 convenient locations - Ashtonfield, Metford, Rutherford & Thornton**

**"Child Care Benefit(CCB)" and Child Care Rebate (CCR) is available pending eligibility**  
Full fees will apply until CCB and/or CCR is authorised by "Dept of Human Services" (adjustments will then be made)  
Daily fees after CCB range from \$5.24 ( 1 child with 100% CCB ) to \$46.00 per child  
Plus excursion fee if applicable. Fees to be paid on first day of care each week.

**Bookings can be made at all of our centres and Main office from  
Monday 9th November 2015**

Sorry no phone/fax or email bookings (Original Booking Forms only)  
Please remember a 2016 blue enrolment form and a vacation care booking sheet must be completed before acceptance of any bookings

Please note: Bookings are essential and **5 FULL WORKING DAYS** (Working Days are Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm excluding Public Holidays) written notice must be given to book out or else full fees will be charged.

Supported by Community Services, Department of Family and Community Services NSW  
Maitland Baptist Church Child Care Inc - "showing Jesus' love to the Community"



**PLEASE DO NOT FEED  
OUR PRODUCTS INTO  
OUR SERVICES**

# *Frocks and Locks: Fundraiser Bus Trip*

Lovedale Long Lunch  
Hunter Valley  
14 & 15 May 2016 10am-4pm



Due to popular demand and overwhelming enthusiasm

Seats are now being reserved for the very first Thornton Public School bus trip to the Lovedale Long Lunch on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.

### **Numbers are limited**

To secure a place on the bus and take part in what is sure to be a fabulous day, please complete your details below and return it to the school office with a non-refundable deposit of \$20 per seat.

For more details about the event you can contact

Heather on 0488 136728 or P&C President Gillian 0400 832415

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Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ (number of seats) for the Frocks and Locks Thornton Public School P&C Association Fundraiser bus trip to The Lovedale long lunch on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Your name) understand that this is an expression of interest and that the final price will be determined closer to the date. Final pricing is dependent on ticket pricing to the venue although we estimate up to \$140 per seat.

This price will include your Meal and Wine Vouchers for the venues.

I understand that my deposit of \$20 per seat is non-refundable and must be paid to the school office along with this contact.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number \_\_\_\_\_