



# THORNTON THUNDER

**Thornton Public School and its local Community**

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**Term 4 Week 7**

**24<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

This week has been full of exciting opportunities for our students. K-6 classes went to the hall to watch Aboriginal performer Troy Allen use dance, song and art to show students how Aboriginal people traditionally looked after the land. We have also been lucky to have Mr Graham White work with students on an engineering program this week. Students have been investigating the use of pulleys to lift heavy objects.



"We got to see how two sticks could be rubbed together to make fire. We were told not to try it at home." - Karla

"I loved the dancing - it was incredible." - Amelia

"In Engineering, we used Lego pulleys to turn cogs and wheels. Mr White was able to lift 10 kilo weights with them!" - Jacinta

"Mr White showed us some cool ways to use pulleys. The cogs spun in different directions." - Kaelyn



## TPS Term 4 2017 Calendar

<b>WEEK 8</b>	
Wednesday 29.11.17	FGHS Yr 7 2018 Parent Information Evening 5:15-7pm
Friday 01.12.17	School and P&C <b>COLOUR RUN</b> Information coming soon!!
<b>WEEK 9</b>	
Tuesday 05.12.17	FGHS Yr 7 2018 Orientation Day
Thursday 07.12.17	Celebration of Learning Assemblies
<b>WEEK 10</b>	
Monday 11.12.17	Volunteer Breakfast; Year 6 Farewell
Tuesday 12.12.17	Presentation Day K-2 and 3-6
Wednesday 13.12.17	Party Day for all students K-6
Thursday 14.12.17	Carols Night
Friday 15.12.17	Last Day of Term 4 for students

### BOOK CLUB

Book Club catalogues have gone home this week and they are due by Friday 24 November.

You can place your order online at [www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub](http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub) using the new quick and easy LOOP system. No late orders accepted. Please note if you are paying by cash that all orders must have the exact money enclosed. No change is available at the library.

### Library

A reminder that this week is our last week to borrow from our library. Please return all books next week. What great readers we have at Thornton – over the year we have borrowed over 15,000 books! Well done to 2D who managed to top the list, borrowing 1,009 books. Thornton Public Library have a great selection of resources for you to borrow over the holidays.

Caroline Foster  
Teacher Librarian

## 5/6O Water Watch Program



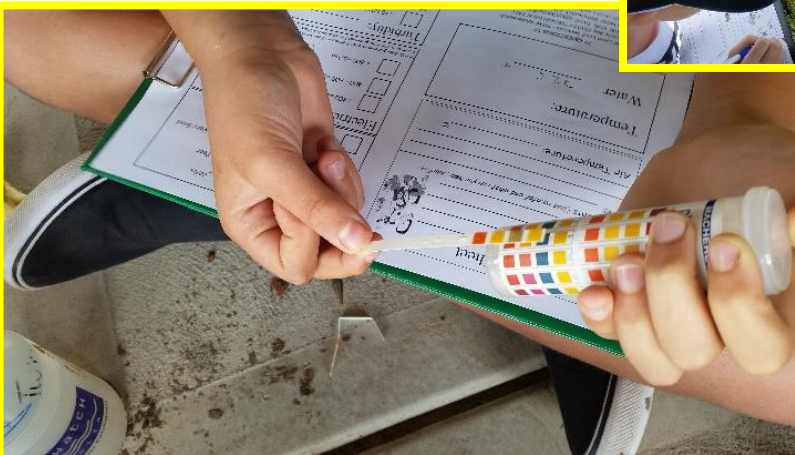
On Monday 5/6O participated in water testing to help determine the effectiveness of a constructed wetland which will be built as part of the Wirraway housing development at Thornton.

Jane Lloyd-Jones, School Engagement Officer from Hunter Local Land Services, firstly visited us in our class and talked about storm water pollutants in the catchment and simple, everyday things we can all do to help

protect the quality of the Hunter River. We also learnt about purpose of the constructed wetland in the housing development. We were then planning on visiting the site to test the water, but the weather wasn't very nice, so instead Ms Lloyd-Jones brought the water to us.

We tested samples of water taken from both upstream and downstream of the constructed wetland, to see if there is any difference in water quality between the 2 sites. The purpose of the constructed wetland is to improve water quality of the storm water runoff from the surrounding urban area. The wetland will have a rich diversity of plants and animals which can act as filtering systems, removing sediment, nutrients and pollutants from storm water before it reaches the Hunter River. The wetland will also reduce the peak rate of runoff, helping to prevent localized flooding and reduce streambank erosion downstream.

Next year Ms Osborn plans on continuing to work in conjunction with Hunter Local Land Services to enable students to monitor the quality of the water in our local waterways.



THORNTON PS PRESENTS

# MAD NIGHT 2017

MUSIC ~ ART ~ DANCE

## FEATURING

DRUM CORPS  
DANCE ENSEMBLE  
IRISH DANCE GROUP  
HARVEST ROCK  
ENSEMBLE  
GIRLS ROCK GROUP  
BOYS ROCK GROUP  
GUITAR GROUPS  
3-6 CHOIR

TICKETS SALES  
AT THE DOOR ON  
PERFORMANCE  
NIGHT ONLY

**\$5**  
PER HEAD

**6 - 8 PM**

**TPS SCHOOL HALL**

NON-SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN FREE

SNACKS AND DRINKS AVAILABLE  
TO PURCHASE ON THE NIGHT



ALL PROCEEDS TO GO TOWARDS THE  
SCHOOL CAPA PROGRAM

**DEC  
7TH  
2017**

# Thornton Public School Christmas Carols

When: Thursday 14th December 2017

Time: 6.00pm (Gates open at 5pm)

Where: Thornton Public School Netball Court



TPS P&C will be selling cold drinks, snacks and a sausage sizzle.

**Come and join our Christmas festivities. Bring your chairs & picnic blankets.**



## Samaritans



### Early Learning Centre Woodberry

We provide high quality care for children aged from 6 weeks to 5 years Monday to Friday 8.00am to 5.30pm.

**Taking enrolments now for 2018**  
phone: 4914 0401

# Year 7 2018

## Parent Information Evening

# When



**Wednesday 29 November**  
**5:15pm**

## LIBRARY

Free BBQ followed by information session

Principal, Deputy, HT Wellbeing and Year Advisor will  
be in attendance

Year 7 School Fee 2018= \$50

Book packs available on the night = \$50

Year 7 Camp = \$66

Representatives from Harvey Norman –BYOD

Uniform Shop representative available

**School tour optional at the end of the meeting**

# Where





## TPS Colour Run 2017

### Friday 1st December

Excitement is building as we lead up to our Colour Run. **This is our major fundraiser for the year!** Students are encouraged to fill out sponsorship forms and return them and money to the school office by 6th December to go into the draw for the chance to win some amazing prizes.

The P&C and our amazing staff are working hard to ensure the event is a great success and fun for all.

#### Proposed program for the day:

9-11.30am	Normal class routines, no sport for stages 2 and 3
11.30am	Extended lunch
12.30pm	Students line up in normal assembly areas
12.45pm	Runners will be sent off to their first rotation. Rotations will run for 45 minutes
2.30pm	Conclusion of event. Remember to sign your child out before you take them home!

Students are going to be placed into 3 groups alphabetically to allow them to run with their families, including parents and siblings. While one group is running the other two groups will be participating in either Zumba or a range of other fun activities.

- Students who are NOT participating in the Colour Run will participate in ZUMBA and other fun activities.

#### This is an **out of uniform day**.

- Students may come in light coloured or white shirts and old shorts OR they can come dressed up as colourful as possible. White t-shirts are ideal.
- **REMEMBER** they are going to be coated in colour!!!!
- Students should bring in a change of clothes and a plastic bag or two to make sure buses and cars don't end up coloured as well! Students catching the bus will need to change before catching the bus.
- Students will be running with their family members. They can only run once.
- Students are permitted to go home with their parents after they run. Please make sure you sign them out at the office as per normal and return the white slip to their classroom teacher.
- Those families who have pre-ordered their sausage sizzle, will collect them from their nominated classroom at 11.30am. The P&C will be selling other 'colourful' food at lunch.

#### **ENTRY IS STILL OPEN**

**Entry to our fantastic event is still open.**

Entry fee is \$10 per student or \$20 per family.

Payment details: cash or EFTPOS at the office or online via the school website

# Mega Draw

Colour Run 2017



FOR EVERY \$10 SPONSORSHIP MONEY YOU RAISE  
YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE TICKET INTO OUR MEGA

DRAW

Knights Family  
Season Pass

Prize Baskets

Laser Tag  
Passes

Cinema  
Voucher

Tararongo Zoo Passes

Maitland Gaol  
Tour Passes

OAKVALE FARM  
FAMILY PASS

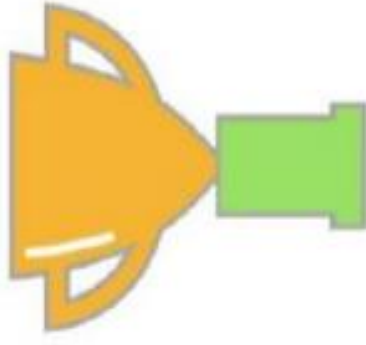
Accommodation  
Voucher

MONO CRUISE

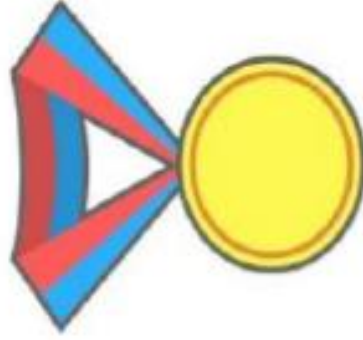
Escape Room  
Passes

PLUS MORE.....

# Highest Fundraiser



Highest Fundraiser  
from K-2  
wins a  
Family Pass to  
Hunter Valley Zoo



Highest Fundraiser  
from 3 - 6  
wins a  
Family Pass to  
Treetops

SPONSORSHIP MONEY MUST BE HANDED IN AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY  
3PM WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

TO BE ENTERED INTO THE MEGA DRAW SPONSORSHIP MONEY MUST BE HANDED INTO THE SCHOOL  
OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2017





**Thornton Public  
School**

**2017**

**Colour Run  
Sponsorship  
Form**

Use this form to record your sponsors for our Colour Run.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Sponsor Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Please write cash or POP receipt number</b>
<b>TOTAL raised</b>	<b>\$</b>	

Record your sponsor's name and phone number and the amount they are planning on sponsoring you for.

Please make sure that you get **permission from your parents** to ask for sponsorship from others.

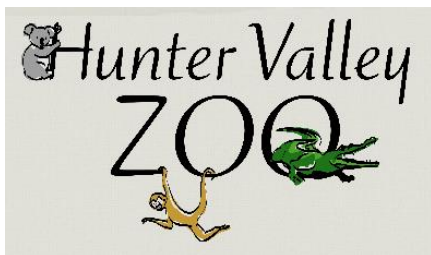
The **highest fundraiser from Kinder – year 2** receives a family pass to Hunter Valley Zoo

The **highest fundraiser from years 3 – 6** will receive a family pass to Treetops Adventure Park

Remember **for every \$10** you raise in sponsorship money you will get an entry into the **second chance draws**.

Remember **all** sponsorship money needs to be returned to the office by **3pm Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December** for your entries to be put into the draw.

**Sponsorship money** needs to be paid at the office please



## MUNCH N EAT NEWSLETTER

### COLOUR RUN (RED DAY)

All orders should have now been back to the canteen for the Colour Run Sausage Sizzle for catering purposes.

**THERE WILL BE NO OTHER ORDERS ON THE DAY – ONLY PRE ORDERED SAUSAGE SIZZLE.**

We will also have other colourful food for sale on the day including Cupcakes, Colourful slushies, Coloured popcorn etc.

The roster for next week is as follows:

Monday 27/11/17 Leanne F

Tuesday 28/11/17 Allyson

Wednesday 29/11/17 Kelly

Thursday 30/11/17 Megan Capp

Friday 1/12/17 Rachel, Leanne, Maree- COLOUR RUN SAUSAGE SIZZLE – No other orders

Thanks to all our helpers over the past week

Thanks

Cheryl & Ann

# Thornton Netball Club 2018 Season Registration Information



## Important Dates:

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2018 10am – 1pm at Thornton Public School SPR (access via Taylor Ave)  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018 10am – 1pm at Thornton Public School SPR (access via Taylor Ave)  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018 5:30pm – 7:30pm at Thornton Public School SPR (access via Taylor Ave)

**Meet the Coach date:** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 5:30pm – 7:30pm at Thornton Public School under shelter.

**TNC Online registrations will open in January and final online registrations will be accepted on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> of March.** Get your registrations in early to avoid late payment fees.

Club contact details are as follows:

President: Kim Hooson 0422 220 667 Registrar: Renee Muddle 0404 690 369

Email: [thorntonnetball@hotmail.com](mailto:thorntonnetball@hotmail.com)

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Thornton-Netball-Club-310809352289307/>



**Maitland District Netball Association Competition is due to commence on Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2018.**

\*\*\*\* REMEMBER YOU CAN USE ACTIVE KIDS REBATE \*\*\*\*



**MAITLAND TENNIS CENTRE**



**JANUARY 2018**

## **SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC**

Great outdoor fitness for all ages...Have fun and make new friends

Learn and improve on your tennis skills

Receive free racquet when you join Maitland Tennis Centre

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**Where:** Maitland Tennis Centre, Cnr Page & Lawes St, East Maitland

**When:** 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> January (Mon, Tues, Wed) Week 1

22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> January (Mon, Tues, Wed) Week 2

**Time:** 9.00am to 10.30am per day

**Price:** \$60.00 for 3 days per child (Family Discounts Available)

**Age:** 4 years to 16 years Beginner to intermediate

*BOOK NOW: PH 0431188367 or*

*Email: [info@maitlandtenniscentre.com.au](mailto:info@maitlandtenniscentre.com.au)*

**Available all year round**

**All levels Jnr, Adult, Group coaching and private lessons.**

**Jnr comps, Men's and Ladies social comps.**





Australian Government  
Department of Defence



## Welcome to Williamtown!

### Defence Community Organisation Hunter is hosting a family expo

ADF members and families are invited to join us for a family fun day where there will be community information available plus a variety of FREE activities, including face painting, a balloon artist, photo booth, roving magician and more. A fun day for everyone!




**WHERE** Medowie Christian School, 6A Waropara Road, Medowie

**WHEN** Sunday 25 February 2018, 10.00 am–12.00 pm

**RSVP** by Friday 9 February 2018 via email to [dco.hunterRims@defence.gov.au](mailto:dco.hunterRims@defence.gov.au), please include

- \* members name and PMKeys number
- \* number of adults and number of children
- \* contact number and email address

**MORE INFO** [www.defence.gov.au/dco](http://www.defence.gov.au/dco)

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