



THORNTON THUNDER

Thornton Public School and its local Community

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Term 4, Week 3
No 33

23 October 2015

DADS Awesome Day

Friday November 6 is the DADS Awesome Day, sleepover.

The evening will start with setting up of the tents from 5:00pm. The rear entrance will be open for easy access.

A sausage sizzle will be served from 6:00pm followed by a range of games and night activities. If the men and children have bikes, bring them along as this year we will be enjoying a Trivia Track. (ride around the school bush area, in daylight)

Weather and permissions allowing, we will have a fire with camp songs and stories to finish the evening.

Dads and kids may choose to sleep in their tent or in the hall.

Breakfast will be served from early with everything finished up by around 8:00am.

To confirm numbers please return the note sent home last week. Notes and payment of \$5:00 per head to be given to the office.

This program has grown each year and reflects the importance of Dads and kids having a great school related time.

Come along and get involved.

Photo of the Week

Our Aboriginal Breakfast



Dates from the Planner

Monday 26 October

P & C Meeting

Friday 6 November

Mufti Day, DADS Awesome Camp Over

Yoga Story Time

Kindergarten to Thornton Library

Monday 9 November – Friday 20 November

Year 2 Swimming School

Wednesday 11 November

Remembrance Day

Friday 13 November

Colour Run

Thursday 26 November

Aboriginal Cultural Day

Thursday 3 December

ESt1, St1, St2 Celebration of Learning

Friday 4 December

St 3 Celebration of Learning

Tuesday 8 December

Presentation Day

Thursday 10 December

Carols

Our Year 6 Are Ready to Leave Us

For those parents around the school, you may have noticed our year 6 students wearing their year 6 shirts. The children really like these shirts and are wearing them with pride. With many of them enjoying O'Days in their high schools soon, there is certainly a sense that they are ready to go.

Francis Greenway High school is our partner school and runs a series of very successful transition days. We are indeed lucky to have such a great partner high school.

We are excited for our year 6 students, but in many ways will miss them as well.

Absences from School

If your child is absent from school for any day/s, could parents please phone the office on 4964 1369 and advise the reason for the absence. The office will phone parents when a child is absent for 3 consecutive days seeking explanation.

Pink absence letters will be sent home each week for all unexplained absences from the previous week. Please return these pink notes to the office.

Group and Sport Photo Orders

Order forms have been sent home for group and sport photos. All orders must be received back at school by 30 October 2015.

Music and Band Fees

All music tuition fees and Rock Ensemble fees for terms 2 and 3 are now overdue. Parents are asked to please ensure payment is made as soon as possible.

Year 7 Selective High School 2017

If parents are seeking enrolment for their Year 5 child in a selective high school in 2017, the enrolment forms, on line, will be available soon.

Please keep an eye on the website www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

Applications are now open and will close on **16 November 2015**. Applications can only be made online through this website at that time. Read the [application information](#) and the [parents' overview](#).

A paper information pack is available from the school.

We Help Those In Need

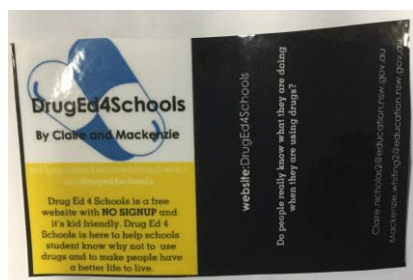
As in previous years, we are gratefully accepting donations from our school community for the St Peters Emergency Relief Fund.

Donations of tinned ham, custard, puddings and other food items can be dropped at the office from next week.

Thank you!!!

Well Done 6Y

Class 6Y went to the university on Tuesday to participate in the Digital Sparks competition. The students had put together Youtube clips, webpages and posters promoting topics such as Anti Bullying, Drug Education and the Problems of Being a Teenage girl. See business cards below.



Shop-a-Holics Bus Trip

Just a reminder the bus trip is 2 weeks away this Sunday. We would love to have you join us.

Warehouses we will be going to are:

- 🚗 Victoria's Basement
- 🚗 FWS Shoes
- 🚗 MBU Clothing – mens, ladies
- 🚗 Surf Warehouse
- 🚗 TD14 clothing
- 🚗 New Balance and Puma
- 🚗 Manchester Warehouse
- 🚗 Shire Sweets and Gifts
- 🚗 KB Toys

Deposit was \$40 with the balance \$91.60.

This needs to be paid by 31 October.

Please contact Alissa on 0402750515 to book your seat.

Headlice

Unfortunately we currently have a problem at school with head lice. Would you please check your child's hair as soon as possible and continue to do so on a regular basis. If lice or eggs are detected commence a recommended treatment.

Colour Run!

Sponsorship forms have gone home this week.

We will be holding the inaugural Colour Run on Friday 13 November! This will be a major fundraiser so the school can purchase some Gym Mats to support the K – 6 PE Program in 2016. All students are asked to get sponsored through the Adidas Fun Run program.

Students in Years 3 - 6 will run from 9:30am-11:00am. They will run a set track with music, dance, games and aerobics. If students would like to be coloured, they must wear a white T shirt. (and old shoes and shorts). This will identify them as *Coloured Runners*.

Students who do not wish to be coloured can wear crazy coloured clothes.

Students in K - 2 will run from 12:00pm -1:00pm and **will not** be coloured.

They will run the course in crazy coloured clothes and enjoy the music, dance, games and aerobics.

Students who raise just \$10 or more will receive a reward for effort. In the Sponsorship Form you will also find many other benefits like the chance to win a family holiday to Disneyland!

Further information to follow.

What's Due & When?

Event	Year/Class	Activity Date	Amount	Due Date
Music Tuition Fees		Term 3		Overdue
Swimming Scheme – Payment 3	Yr 2	9 - 20 Nov	\$20.00	23 October 2015
Dads Awesome Sleepover	Whole school	Friday 6 Nov	\$5.00 pp	4 November 2015

Payments made to the school office must be received by 3pm and online payments must be made by 6pm on the due date. No late payments can be accepted unless prior arrangements are made with the office. If you have not received a note for any activity, these are available from the Office or the school's website.

Yoghurt Containers

Miss Varley, our science teacher is in need of empty single serve yoghurt containers to be used in some exciting science projects for this term. Just leave them at the office.



Stage Two Boys at Creative Play

Stage Two Camp



Stage 2 enjoying camp



Camp meeting place



Trying archery and the high swing



My favourite activity was called the challenge ropes. It was fun and scary but exciting too. There were lots of obstacles and it was very high. We put on helmets, harnesses, ropes and wires for safety. The camp people were there to help you. We also used teamwork.

Caitlyn



On Thursday 15 and Friday 16 October Stage 2 went to Central Mangrove Mountain for camp. One activity was the challenge ropes and the first thing was to put on the gear. All the gear was a helmet, a harness, ropes and clips. Next we practised what we had to do for the course. My partner was Hayden. After the practice we went on the course. It was really fun, especially my face.

Jacob



Having the best time

P & C News

Hi Everyone

P & C Meeting

Our next meeting will be on this coming Monday night 26 October at 7pm in the SPR Room where a light supper will be provided. There will also be child minding available.

Clothing Pool

- Wednesday afternoons 2.45pm – 3.15pm
Friday mornings 8.45am – 9.15am

Clothing pool is seeking donations of school shirts please.

Sale

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

Christmas

We will be after donations for our Christmas Raffle in the coming weeks. These can be left at the school office.

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	26.10 – Jenny C
Tuesday	27.10 – Berlinda
Wednesday	28.10 – Alissa
Thursday	29.10 – Maree
Friday	30.10 – Robyn (am), Viva, Tracy, Kellie, Jill

Thanks to all our helpers over the past week.

Cheryl and Paula

Creative Writing

Our budding authors hard at work. Planning, drafting and publishing their stories. Completed works will be read to Kindergarten with copies left in their class libraries. Copies will also be donated to our school library. Thornton Public School children are amazing!! Thank you to Mr Carter and Ms Clulow for their support and guidance.



SCHOOL SHORTS

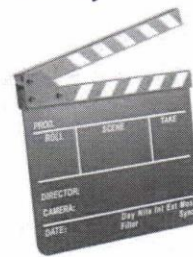


Education

VIDEO MAKING WORKSHOPS & FESTIVAL

Years 5 & 6 - December 2nd, 3rd, 4th - The University of Newcastle

Following the success of last year's workshops, primary school students are invited to nominate for participation in this years workshops!!



Who? Year 5 & 6 Students from Public Schools in the Hunter Central Coast Region

When? December 2nd, 3rd, 4th - 2015
Where? The University of Newcastle



STUDENTS AT THE WORKSHOPS

What Happens?

You spend 3 days making your own short film!!!

Cost? \$120- includes tutor costs, equipment hire, and dvd of your production

Nominations Close 6th November 2015.

*Limited to 50 places...

APPLY NOW!!

Want to be a Movie Maker?



STUDENTS AT THE WORKSHOPS





VIDEO MAKING WORKSHOPS & FESTIVAL
December 2nd, 3rd, 4th - The University of Newcastle



INFORMATION

www.newcastle.edu.au

OVERVIEW

DAY ONE- Pre-Production

Students watch some examples of what they should be looking to create. They create and develop a 3-5 minute storyboard. Students will then prepare their shoot by choosing appropriate locations and prepare props that are required.

DAY TWO- Production

Student will spend the day in production with their group. This will include the setting up and use of cameras, tripods, microphones, sound and lighting equipment in various shots and locations.

DAY THREE- Post-Production

Students will spend the day editing their projects on computers. Skills such as the adding of audio and video effects, use of digital editing suites and software, the inclusion of transitions and titles within their works will be developed on this day

SCREENING- (Date to be advised)

Students and their families are invited back to the University of Newcastle to view a screening of all Video Projects created during the workshop.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Transport

Transport to and from the venue on each day is the responsibility of the student's care giver.

Groups

Students from the same school will not necessarily be grouped together.

What to Wear

Students are expected to wear their school uniform. Costumes are permitted on day two only.

Selection Process

All applications are to be emailed to shane.bransdon2@det.nsw.edu.au or **faxed on (02) 4968 1986**, no later than 3pm Friday November 6th. Successful applicants will receive an offer via the school on Wed 11/11/15. Payments are to be made by 25/11/15.

These workshops are a collaboration between the NSW Department of Education, and the University of Newcastle (School of Education and School of Communication) utilising state of the art HD Digital Video Equipment.

If you have any further enquiries, please contact Shane Bransdon by phone on 49 601836 or by email; shane.bransdon2@det.nsw.edu.au

Late applications will not be accepted due to the short turn around and payment period.