



THORNTON THUNDER

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What a Week!

The week that was a week no one would like to repeat. Horrendous rain and wind, contradictory messages about the school being open, and staff being unable to get out of their homes, combined to make a perfect storm of confusion.

It appears that most of our community has power back on, have assessed the storm damage and have made some progress to getting life back to normal. Our thoughts are with those families whose homes have suffered damage or who have relatives who have homes that have suffered damage. Many people have had a terrible time.

On a positive note, Thornton school is open and running. Some areas have been cordoned off to maintain a safe distance around trees and all debris is slowly being cleaned up.

We all look forward to things returning to normal as soon as possible.

Photo of the Week



In the midst of the storm.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 27 April

P&C Meeting at 7pm in the SPR

Wednesday 29 April

Stage Two Assembly

4M Meet and Greet Ms Osborn 3:15pm

Friday 1 May

ES1 Assembly 1:00pm

S3 Assembly 2:30pm

Monday 4 May

Uniform Working Party

Tuesday 5 May

School Disco

K-2, 5:30- 6:30

3-6, 6:45- 8:00

Wednesday 6 May

ANZAC 2015 planning meeting

Thursday 7 May

Playground Working Party 3:15

Friday 8 May

Mothers and Munchkins Breakfast

Meet and Greet Ms Osborn

As parents of students in 4M know, Ms Osborn will be taking over the class for the rest of the year. A meet and greet afternoon will be held next Wednesday from 3:15pm. Come along and meet Ms Osborn and hear about the class routines.

Grounds work

Over the holidays we had some more work completed on the school. The concrete under the shelter has been completely replaced and the majority of the rest of the doors have been repainted. After the storm, there will more trimming and cleaning up of trees.

Year 5 Opportunity Class

Application for Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 opens on **Monday 27 April 2015 and closes on Friday 15 May 2015**. Late applications will not be accepted. Parents must complete their applications online. There are no paper applications.

All students seeking Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 will be required to take the Opportunity Class Placement Test on **Wednesday 22 July 2015**.

<https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/publicschoolsnsw/opportunity-class-placement>

Mothers & Munchkins Breakfast

Information notes will be going home next week. Please return the RSVP so we know how many delicious pastries and packets of Coco Pops we need.

Students will complete a portrait of their mother, or significant female. These will be displayed for sale for a gold coin donation.

All proceeds will go to the Pink Ribbon Foundation.

KU Pre School

KU preschool will be operating out of our SPR, starting next Tuesday. We look forward to seeing those children in our school.

ANZAC Day

What an excellent service we had today. With the catafalque party, our local member and mayor and of course the Beresfield RSL in attendance, it really was a very special day.



Any students wishing to attend the Dawn service at Beresfield tomorrow please meet at the Beresfield Cenotaph at 5.15am.

Notes Going Home

Just letting parents know there will be quite a few permission notes going home on Monday as well as our Mothers and Munchkins Breakfast invite.

Communication Communication Communication

Parents are reminded that the school will provide the most up-to-date information via the school APP. The login is *community* and password is *thorntonps*. (all lower case)

If possible, look for our face book page and make sure your email address and contact details are up to date.

Just a reminder next Monday, April 27, is not a public holiday and our school will be open.

Spellcheck

Is your child learning to spell? Struggling with the weekly spelling lists? Here are a few strategies that will help:

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/getting-your-child-used-to-writing>

Homework planner

Kids and families run more smoothly when there's a plan - so print out our 2015 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner>

Black Shoes, Too Right!

It seems those multi coloured shoes are slipping back into general use.

Black shoes are the uniform and are expected to be worn every day except sports day.

With the current style of shoe allowing for all forms of activity, there is no reason to wear anything but black shoes.

Munch N Eat News

Welcome Back!

We hope that you are all starting to get back to normal routine after the last few disasterous days. The canteen, somehow, came through the storms without losing power at all. So our canteen is up and running as usual.

The roster for next week is as follows:

Monday	27.4 – HELP NEEDED PLEASE, Canteen meeting
Tuesday	28.4 – Tanya
Wednesday	29.4 – Natasha, Felicity
Thursday	30.4 – Kerrie, Viva
Friday	1.5 – Elaine, Bruce, Salena (am)

Thanks

Cheryl and Paula

Community News





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