



THORNTON THUNDER

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Term 2, Week 10
No 20

26 June 2015

Happy Holiday!

What a great term we have had at Thornton School. Some of the things the students have been involved in include,

- Lots of sport such as Cricket, Netball, Soccer, Rugby League, Touch Football, Daily PE, Friday sport and Developmental Play.
- A fabulous Mother's Day Breakfast and Stall.
- Excursions to the Zoo, Reptile Park and Canberra.
- The Planetarium visit and the visit of the Petting Zoo.
- The series of NAPLAN testing days.
- The continuation of the Passport to Success.
- Some excellent dancing at the school disco.
- A most successful Tadpoles Program.
- And always, great learning opportunities in all classes on all days.

It is hoped that all Thornton families, students and teachers have a relaxing, safe and refreshing holiday so we are all ready for another term at Thornton School.

We are all about,

Learning, Caring Opportunities

Photo of the Week

A cold evening outside of the War Memorial



Dates from the Planner

Monday July 13

Staff return

Tuesday July 14

Students return

Friday July 24

Musica Viva

Tree Day

Week 2.3.4

Focus on Facts

Wednesday July 27

Basketball Gala Day

Week 3

Book Fair

Friday July 31

Australia day Re-enactment

Friday 7th August

Aaron Blabley Author visit

Week 6

Tuesday 18th August

School Disco1

Uniform Survey

With over 180 survey returns from our 330 families, we have a clear idea as to the most popular shirt designs.

The working party will meet early next term after which the most popular three will be made public. Thanks to everyone who supported the survey.

Staffing Update

Mr Brin Bogdanovs (Mr B) will be teaching 6A when Mrs Allen goes on maternity leave. This will occur midway through term three.

Mrs Hooson will be on long service leave for the first three weeks of term three. Ms Allport and Ms Clulow will be teaching 2H during this time.

Mrs McGeachie and Ms Clulow will be covering Ms Burgin's maternity leave later in term three as well.

Term Three Reminders

A reminder that Monday July 13 is a school development day. Students return on Tuesday July 14.

If buying new shoes for your children, please purchase black runners so the children are comfortable and ready for the many sporting activities that happen in the week.

NAIDOC Week

On Friday July 17, we are lucky enough to have a local Aboriginal man coming into the school to run a series of workshops for our students. Reuban will discuss Aboriginal history, customs and culture in a way that all children will understand and relate to.

There is no cost for these workshops

Year Six in Canberra





What's Due & When?

Event	Year/Class	Activity Date	Amount	Due Date
Aussie Bush Camp – 3rd Instalment	Yr 5	26-28 August	\$50.00	24 June 2015
Kindergarten Gymnastics	Kinder	Term 3	\$23.00	24 June 2015
Stage One Gymnastics	Yr 1 & Yr 2	Term 3	\$23.00	24 June 2015
Aussie Bush Camp – Final Payments	Yr 5	26-28 August	\$50.00	29 July 2015
Stage 2 Camp – 2nd Instalment	Yr 3 & Yr 4	15-16 Oct	\$50.00	12 August 2015
Stage 2 Camp – Final Payments	Yr 3 & Yr 4	15-16 Oct	\$40.00	9 September 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.

P & C News

Hi Everyone

Spring Fair

We have a meeting on Monday 13 July at 6.30pm in the SPR with child minding available. We only have 12 weeks to go now and we are seeking volunteers for the day so if anyone can help (even for an hour) could you please email the P & C on thorntonps.p.and.c@gmail.com and let us know.

Entertainment Books

These are still available from the canteen or you can purchase the digital copy from the Entertainment Book website.

Australia Day – Friday 31 July

We need parent volunteers to help with catering on the day. It will be sausage on bread rolls and other catering for our distinguished guests. The help will be needed in the canteen from 8.30am till about 1.30pm. If you can help please see Paula or Cheryl at the canteen to get your name down so a roster can be drawn up.

Plants for Spring Fair

Karen Brown requires plants for the Spring Fair please so any donations would be greatly appreciated. All plant donations can be left at the greenhouse near the office.

P & C Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on 27 July at 7pm in the SPR with child minding available and a supper is provided. Come along and see what is happening in our school.

We would like to thank Yvonne Fletcher and John Gillam for coming on Monday night at our last meeting to give us all the details of what will be happening for our Australia Day celebrations on Friday 31 July. It has been an amazing journey that Yvonne and John have taken us on and we are lucky to have such dedicated people in our school. Looking forward to a great day.

We hope that you all have a fantastic but safe holiday and we will see everyone next term.

Cheers

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

‘Munch & Eat’ News

Well, we have had a very big term 2, with a very successful sausage sizzle day and hot dog day. Keep your eye out in the first newsletter in term 3 for upcoming special days. We would like to thank all the volunteers that have helped out in the canteen over the past term.

Also a huge THANK YOU to KRUST BAKERY at THORNTON MALL for supporting us on the hot dog day.

The roster for next week is as follows:

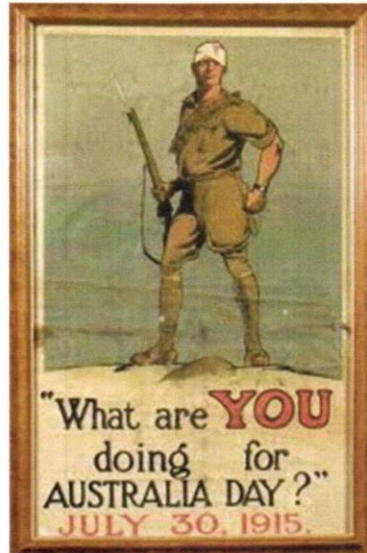
Monday	13.7 – Staff Development Day – no students
Tuesday	14.7 – Katie, Berlinda
Wednesday	15.7 – Alissa
Thursday	16.7 – Tonia, Maree
Friday	17.7 – Tracy H, Kellie, Jill

Enjoy the break!

Thanks

Cheryl and Paula

“AUSTRALIA DAY”
Thornton Public School
FRIDAY JULY 31, 2015



What was “Australia Day” 1915?

Australia Day, January 26, has only been celebrated since the 1930s prior to this it was called either “Anniversary Day” or “Foundation Day”.

In 1915 the Australian people began raising money for those affected by the war overseas. These took the form of themed “Days”. These National “Relief Days” were held to raise funds for the comfort of widows, orphans and poor including:

English (England Day)
Belgians (Belgian Day)
French (French Day)
Poles (Polish Day)
Serbians (Servian Day)
Montenegrins (Montenegrin Day)

In 1915, following the Gallipoli landing, Australia needed to care for its own and this event was called

“Australia Day”

The day was held on either the 30th or 31st July in 1915 and was held nationally. The day had a standard format of a morning parade and a sports afternoon. Money raised went to the newly formed Australian Red Cross to help the wounded soldiers and those families who had lost a husband and father.

Consequently, as part of its Centenary of ANZAC activities the school will be conducting a themed parade and sports afternoon to re-enact these events.

Why re-enact this day?

The day links with the school's ANZAC and local history units of work and educates our students not just about war but about Australia one hundred years ago, our identity as Australians and the role women, children and the men left behind played in supporting the war.

The day falls within Education Week and it will provide a different way to involve the school and broader community in a unique commemoration of the Australian Home Front.

Features of this historic day.

The Parade:

A parade will be held with students marching in their classes. Our school student leaders will lead the procession carrying the Centenary of ANZAC flame, the massed flags of Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and Turkey. Members of the emergency services, re-enactment groups such as the Light Horse, bands, historic vehicles, members of the Defence Forces and Veterans will be participating.

Students, parents, teachers and community members are encouraged to dress in period costumes for the parade and sports afternoon.

The Sports Afternoon

After the parade students will break up into class groups and undertake the rotational sporting activities of 100 years ago.

Static Displays

A number of static displays will support the learning of our students.

Commemorative Pin

Each student will be presented with a commemorative pin as a souvenir of participating in this historic day.

What do I need to do?

Provide your student with an outfit to "dress up" in on the day. Don't worry, it's easy - some ideas are attached.

Come along, bring family and friends and join in a uniquely Australian day.

Assist your child to be part of the various themed competitions that will be held on the day. These include: The Best Decorated Bike, Best Dolly in a Stroller, Most Patriotic Teddy and Most Attractive Hat. Vote for your favourite with a silver coin.

GO GOLD GO AUSTRALIA 100 years ago it was a mile of pennies. In 2015 we aim to turn our map of Australia gold. Students are asked to bring in a gold coin to place on our map of Australia.

All money raised will go to DefenceCare who helps current and ex-serving members of the Australian Defence Force and their families in times of injury, illness or crisis. <http://www.defencecare.org.au/>

Australia Day Dress Up Ideas

There is no need to go to any special trouble for the day. What's in your child's wardrobe can be easily adapted with a bit of mix and matching.

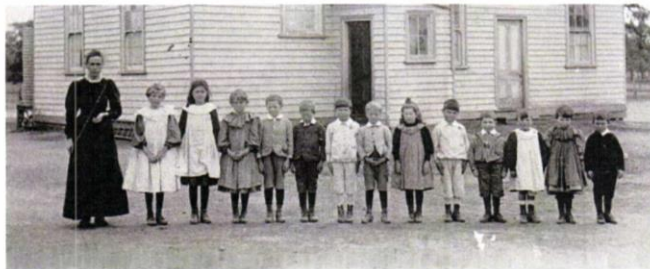
Girls

Simple dresses or skirts, tights and boots plus a hat. Curls and big bows were also popular.



Boys

Shorts, long socks and boots a collar shirt and a hat. If you have braces all the better. Boys didn't get long pants until they were teenagers.



Ladies

Long to calf length skirts or dresses with tights and boots plus a stunning hat.

Gentlemen

Long pants, collar shirt (or take the collar off for grandpa look) braces if you have them and a hat.



Community News

KIDS DISCO DANCE PARTY

Monday 6th July - Rainbow Room
Show Time 10.30am - 12.30pm

Tickets only \$5

(Every Child will receive one free drink and lolly at the Disco)

**Includes 2 hours of fun with dancing and games
and prizes to give away.**

All children 0 - 12 years of age (under 12 months free)

Tickets available now - on sale at Reception



BERESFIELD BOWLING CLUB
Anderson Drive Beresfield
Telephone: 4966 3361





Thornton Public School
2015 Spring Fair Newsletter
Edition #1



Welcome!

to

the 1st edition of the Spring Fair
Newsletter 2015

The Spring Fair is our major fundraising event that the P&C runs every 2 years. This year it will be held **13th September, 2015** in the school grounds between 10am -3pm.

This is a huge event that needs the whole community to get behind and support. The funds raised this year will be put towards much needed revitalising and resurfacing of the kinder- yr 1 playground (the dreaded cheese grater) and also to include a sensory and natural play area.

Please keep an eye out every week for updates about the Spring Fair.

We look forward to bringing you a fantastic 2015 Spring Fair
regards, P&C



Whats the BuZZ!!

What are you looking forward to at this
spring Fair?

"Getting my face painted &
the rides" - Kayla 1C-

"I want to Spend the whole day on
the yoyo" - Jasmine 5WS -

"LaSer Tag" - Brodie 5/6S

"Haunted House"
- Eaden 2H -

UNLIMITED RIDE PASS

\$25 Pre Sale

\$30 On the Day

The presale ride pass will
be on sale during the
start of term 3.

Sale days TBC

The pass will be sent home
the week before Spring
Fair.

NEXT MEETING SPR

13TH JULY

6:30PM

**Many hands make light
work**

Enquiries email: thorntonps.p.and.c@gmail.com



Sports Camps Australia SCA Junior Mountain Biking Camp

Camp Co-Directors: Michael Brown and Michael Crummy



Location: Wylde Mountain Bike Trail, Cecil Park

Dates: 29-30 June 2015

Times: 9am-3pm

Fees: \$160

Location: Old Man's Valley, Hornsby

Dates: 1-3 July 2015

Times: 9am-3pm

Fees: \$240

Location: Mt Stromlo MTB Park, Canberra

Dates: 6-7 July 2015

Times: 9am-3pm

Fees: \$160

Location: Glenrock Trail Alliance, Newcastle

Dates: 9-10 July 2015

Times: 9am-3pm

Fees: \$160

The camps caters for both boys and girls aged between 8-16 years who are competent at riding a bike un-assisted.

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