



THORNTON THUNDER

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A Day In the Life

The article below gives a small insight into a typical teachers day. Being a teacher in the 21st century is obviously more complex than the job was 20-30 years ago. With the advent of individualised instruction, a greater number of children needing that special pastoral approach and of course the increasing numbers of students with special needs, the teacher's job has never been so important or so complex.

Being in a school such as Thornton where we like to provide many opportunities for students means there are always meetings to organise the many activities that have been planned. For instance, over this week teachers have been involved in meetings for Presentation Day, a new BYOD class, the Big Blokes Breakfast and the technology needs of the school.

Of course this is all happens against a backdrop of quality teaching and learning. Being prepared for engaging lessons, adjusting the teaching for individual students needs and participating in professional learning means the students of Thornton school enjoy the best learning environment and have access to all the great extra curricular activities we offer.

<http://www.theage.com.au/national/education/day-in-the-life-of-a-kindergarten-teacher-20150806-gistje.html>

Photo of the Week

Our Harvest Rockers in full swing.



Dates from the Planner

Tuesday 18 August

School Disco

Wednesday August 19

School Council

Thursday August 20

Playground working party meeting

Monday 24 August

Book Week Parade

Wednesday 26 – Friday 28 August

Year 5 to camp

Wednesday 26 August

Newcastle Maths Comp

Thursday 3 September

Sports Photos

Fathers Day Stall

Friday 4 September

Father's Day Breakfast

Father's Day Stall

Sunday 13 September

Spring Fair

Farewell Mrs Allen

This week, we farewelled Mrs Allen as she went on to Maternity Leave. We wish her and Mr Allen all the very best and look forward to meeting their new baby.



Flu Season Has Struck

This week has seen many students and staff struck down by the latest cold/flu virus. Sore throats, headaches and flu like symptoms have kept many students away. While we attempt to cover all classes when staff are away, at times we simply cannot find a casual teacher. In these rare instances, we must split the class across the similar stage of classes.

Let's hope everyone is back next week healthy, happy and ready to go.

We Love our Discos

Remember the disco on Tuesday evening.

Theme is **Stars and Stripes**, or any other disco clothes you can think of.

- K-2 5:30-6:30
- 3-6 6:45- 8:00

\$5:00 entry gets you disco entry chips and a drink.

Parents may use the back entry off Hausemann Drive. Please be careful as it is quite narrow.

All proceeds go towards the year 6 gift.

Looking forward to a great night.

No, we are not buying cheese graters for the school!

At last week's assembly, the students were told that money raised by the Spring Fair would go towards the redevelopment of the stage one asphalt area. Some teachers in stage one call this area the Cheese

Grator because of the injuries on knees and hands when a child falls on it. The message has gone home that we are buying cheese graters for the school.

So far we have some great designs for this area and we are very excited about making it a safe place to run and play. And ... we will get rid of the Cheese Grator!!!

Big Blokes and Ankle Biters Breakfast

Look out for the invites which will go out next week. Remember, all significant men are invited.

Library News

Parents are invited to our Book Week celebrations on Monday 24 August. A fun morning of activities is planned and we would like students to come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

An invitation with times and activities is going home on Monday.



Our visit by Aaron Blabey last Friday was inspiring. Mr Blabey treated our students to reading some of his new stories, showing students how he created his illustrations and answering questions about himself. He was very entertaining and students thoroughly enjoyed the hour spent with him.

School Council Meeting

Thornton school is indeed lucky to have a vibrant and engaged School Council. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday August 19 at 3:15pm. Agenda items include the schools financial status, sponsorship opportunities and relevant policy discussion.

Dates for your Calendar

It may seem a long way off but the following dates may help families get organised for term 4.

Colour Run Whole school fund raiser	13/11
Celebration of Learning	3/12
Reports out	4/12
Year 6 farewell	7/12
Presentation day	8/12
Carols	10/12

Diamond Lizzy Reward Day	14/12
Party Day	15/12
Last day for students	16/12
School Development Days	17/12 and 18/12

What's Due & When?

Event	Year/Class	Activity Date	Amount	Due Date
Swimming Scheme – Payment 1	Yr 2	9 - 20 Nov	\$20.00	21 August 2015
Stage 2 Camp – Final Payments	Yr 3 & Yr 4	15-16 Oct	\$40.00	9 September 2015
Swimming Scheme – Payment 2	Yr 2	9 - 20 Nov	\$20.00	11 September 2015
Swimming Scheme – Payment 3	Yr 2	9 - 20 Nov	\$20.00	23 October 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

- Spring Fair meetings are on every Monday night at 6.30pm in the SPR.
- The newsletter will come out weekly to every family at our school. Thank you to A1 Exhaust and Mechanical for being our Major Sponsor and printing our beautiful newsletters.
- In regards to the Pre sale of the unlimited rides wristbands they will be on sale next week from the office only! Eftpos, Cash and Online Payments (only on the school website - \$MakeAPayment) will be available to purchase these.
- We no longer need jars so please stop bringing them in. But please accept our very big gratitude to those who did contribute to bringing them in.
- We are now in need of plants. If you are able to help with this please take them to Karen Brown the land care lady.
- Thank you to all the families that have brought in their Spring Fair Donations already we are very grateful for your assistance.

P & C Meeting

- Our next meeting will be on the 31st of August at 7pm in the SPR where child minding and a light supper is provided.

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

Gill, Alyssa, Allyson, Penny, Kristie-Lee, Sarah, Stacey and Korine.

‘Munch & Eat’ News

The roster for next week is as follows:

Monday	17.8 – Leanne F
Tuesday	18.8 – Penny, Christine
Wednesday	19.8 – Mel
Thursday	20.8 – Sarah, Viva
Friday	21.8 – Toni, Kylie, Berlinda

Thanks to all our helpers over the past week.

Cheryl and Paula

Community News



Thornton Public School Spring Fair



Krispy Kreme Fundraiser

All order forms and payment to be returned to the school office no later than **Tuesday 25 August 2015 by 3pm.**

All orders will be available for collection near the canteen on **Spring Fair Day, Sunday 13 September** between 10am and 3pm.

Name: _____

Contact number/s: _____

Original Box = \$17.00 (12 original glazed doughnuts)

Number of boxes	x \$17.00	Total \$
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Classic Assorted Dozen=\$23.00 (includes 6 original glazed, 2 choc iced, 2 choc iced with sprinkles, 2 strawberry iced)

Number of boxes	x \$23.00	Total \$
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Total amount owing	Total \$
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Payment Options: (select one)

- ☐ I will pay at the office with Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS
- ☐ I have filled out my credit card details below for TPS to process my payment.

EFTPOS payment authority

CARD HOLDER NAME: _____

CARD NUMBER: _ _ _ _ _

CARD EXPIRY DATE: _ _ / _ _ SECURITY CODE _ _ _ (last 3 digits on back panel)

SIGNATURE: _____

THORNTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

SPRING FAIR

10am-3pm SUNDAY 13th September 2015



Wrist bands are now available for purchase from the school office.

The cost for a pre-sale wrist band is \$25 each for unlimited rides on Spring Fair Day.

EFTPOS CASH ONLINE PAYMENT

(via school webpage - \$makeapayment)

Conditions of Purchase

- ★ **Wrist bands will be given out at time of payment**
- ★ **No replacement of lost or stolen wrist bands will be given**
- ★ **Any forged or attempted duplicating of wrist bands will not be accepted by the school or rides people**
- ★ **Wrist bands are to be purchased one per person and not to be shared**

A GREAT FAMILY FUN DAY

RIDES
GAMES
PRIZES
FOOD
CONTESTS
LIVE MUSIC

TICKETS
UNLIMITED RIDE PASS
\$25 Presale or \$30 on the day



Thornton Public School
Spring Fair 10am-3pm Edition #5
Sunday 13th September, 2015



★ SHOW ★

Unlimited Ride Pass

Pre sale passes are now
available to purchase at the
Schools office.

Presale \$25

On the day \$30

* Eftpos is available



Best Dressed Teddy Bear

Bears voted best dressed in each of the 5 categories
will win a prize!

Movie characters

What is your favourite movie?

Dress your bear as your favourite character

Sports star

Who is your favourite sports star? maybe it is you?
Dress your bear in their colours, numbers or Sponsors

Princess

Dress your bear fit for the ball, she may find her
Prince!

International

Lets travel the world!
Use Flags, colours or traditional dress. What country
will your bear be from?

Olden day Bear

How did you dress for the Australia day parade?
Your bear wants to play dress ups to.

Teaddy bears will be
displayed in the hall during
the Spring Fair.
Gold Coin Entry fee per Bear.
Please bring your bear into
the hall by 10:30am on
Spring Fair.
Early drop off can be
arranged

**WE NEED
YOUR
HELP!**
please hand your
volunteer sheet back
to your class teacher!

FIRE, FIRE

The Local RFS will be
on Display! Be sure to
have a look and grab a
show bag.



Orders and Money due back to the
office by 25th August
Eftpos is available



Raffle Tickets!
will be sent out next week

Thornton Public School Spring Fair Raffle 2015



Are \$1.00 each

Here are just some of the many prizes available

Anytime Fitness One year membership valued at \$800

Set of 4 Tyres (for small to medium car) from A1 Exhausts and Mechanical
valued up to \$400

**Intencity Deluxe Party (up to 20 people)
valued at \$320**

Adam Prowse P.T sessions – valued at \$340

Intencity Super Session (up to 20 people) valued at \$300

A1 Exhausts and Mechanical Thornton Minor Service – valued at
\$200

ALS Hair Pack – valued at \$100

Timezone Family Fun Pass - valued at \$80

AND SO MUCH MORE!!!!

All tickets must have name and phone number printed clearly on them. Tickets must be returned with correct money to the office by 4/9/15. Raffle is to be drawn on Spring Fair Day at 1.30pm. If the winner is not present your allocated prize will be held for you and you will be notified within 5 days of completion of draw. Major prize winners will be also announced in the newsletter following Spring Fair. All money raised goes to Thornton Public School's P&C Association. Good luck everyone and thank you for your support.