



THORNTON THUNDER

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Another Great Week at this Wonderful School

This week was Science Week and I visited a great Robotics Presentation!

Thank you Mrs Welsh!

Next week is Book Week and I am looking forward to the visit from Maitland Library organised by Mrs Forster.

Parents who read stories aloud to their children provide a strong, positive influence and build a foundation for a lifetime of significant benefits. It helps with language development, listening skills, attention span, concentration, expression, curiosity and imagination - not to mention a fun, enjoyable way to spend time with your children!!

Thank you to all of the students that uphold the school values of being Safe, Responsible, Respectful Learners.

This week's focus is Safety - being in the right place at the right time!

Sharon Palmer

Picture of the Week



Dates for your Diary

Week 6 – Book Week

Monday August 22

Libby Hathorn – Maitland Library

Tuesday August 23

Maitland Library school visits

Tuesday August 30

Father's Day Stall

Wednesday 31 August – Friday 2 September

Year 5 to Aussie Bush Camp

Friday September 2

Big Blokes & Ankle Biters Breaky

September 14 – 15

School musical

Thank you to Wirraway for donating funds to supply all of our wonderful Tadpoles with T-Shirts!

Kindy 2017

With over 80 kindergartens already on our books for 2017, the school is in a very healthy position. If there are any students for 2017 out there, please come into the school and collect enrolment forms from the office.

Don't forget to ask for a Wirraway T-Shirt when you hand your enrolment form in!

SMS Notification

Just a reminder to parents that class rolls are marked at 9am in the morning. Students arriving after this time need to be signed in at the office. If they are not signed in an SMS will be sent to parents asking for an explanation. This is a requirement of the Department of Education and ensures the accountability of students coming to school. For example, that they are not spending longer at the skate park or in the shopping centre. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Notifications are also sent for all unexplained whole day and partial absences. Parents are able to reply to the SMS to explain the absence.

Big Blokes & Ankle Biters Breaky

The invites for our Fathers Day Breaky went home today. Come along and enjoy a bacon/sausage sandwich and a cuppa. RSVP's need to be returned to the school office by Tuesday 30 August.

School Assemblies

Due to preparations for the School Musical there will be no further school assemblies this term.

Musical Costumes

Students need to have their costumes for the musical to the class teacher by Friday 2 September. All costumes need to be in a plastic bag with name and class.

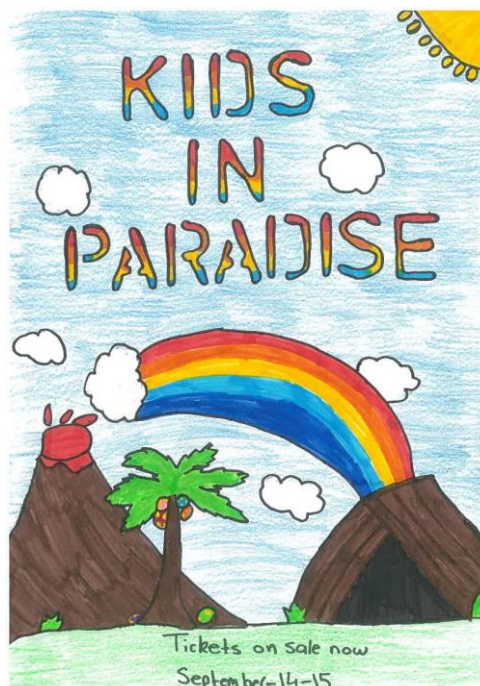
Riding Scooters to School

Thank you to the students with scooters who show respect, responsibility and safety by entering and leaving the school through the correct school gate, and walking scooters on the school grounds.

Your efforts and consideration are appreciated! Thank you!

School Musical

Don't forget to purchase your tickets.



What's Due & When?

Event	Year/Class	Activity Date	Amount	Due Date
Swimming Scheme First Payment	Yr 2	24/10 – 4/11	\$25.00	26 August
Swimming Scheme Second Payment	Yr 2	24/10 – 4/11	\$25.00	16 September

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.

Library News

Book Fair Thank You

Thank you for your support with our recent Book Fair. Many students bought great reading material and our library was able to purchase more books and resources through funds raised. A big thank you to Leanne Fitzsimmons and Maree Wardle for their help.

Apologies to those who are still waiting for their back orders from the Book Fair. Orders were sent home today. If any student still has not received their order please contact the Library

Premiers Reading Challenge

PRC finishes Friday 19 August. K – 2 will have their books logged by the library. Years 3 – 6 must log their own books. Please make sure this is done by Friday. If any student has difficulty please come and see me.

Book Week



Next week we will have a small celebration of Book Week. Maitland Library will visit on Tuesday to perform skits on some of the favourite books shortlisted for Children's Book Council Awards. The theme for this year is Australia: Story Country. Stories not only tell us who we are, they tell us where we've come from and where we might go. We tell ourselves stories from when we're young and others tell us and show us stories as we grow. We learn and expand our imagination. This would be a great time to share your own stories or your favourite story books with your children.

Tournaments of the Mind

Last Friday our TOM team went to a Critical and Creative thinking workshop. They came away with lots of ideas on how to improve their science and technology challenge that will be presented at Newcastle Grammar School on Sunday 28 August.



'Munch n Eat' News

The roster for next week is as follows:

Monday 22.8 – Leanne, Mel
Tuesday 23.8 – Tanya
Wednesday 24.8 – Alissa
Thursday 25.8 – Rachel, Kellie
Friday 26.8 – Stacey

Thanks to all our helpers over the past week.
Cheryl and Paula



EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!



Class Report – 6A



Who is who?

The students of 6A and 5/6A spent a great couple of afternoons designing and making masks that reflected not only themselves but the spirit of the Rio Olympics. Can you figure out who is who? Hint the pics are only of 6A students. ☺









Community News

EAST MAITLAND ATHLETICS AND LITTLE ATHLETICS CLUB



East Maitland Athletics and Little Athletics Club
Po Box 247
East Maitland

Registration Nights

Tuesday 16/8/16 5:30-7:30pm- Fun Night/Rego at East Maitland McDonalds

Tuesday Aug 23rd 2016 5:30 -7:00pm at Metford Recreational Reserve, Metford

Tuesday Aug 30th 2016 5:30-7:00pm at Metford Recreational Reserve, Metford

Tuesday 6/9/16 5:30-7:30pm-Fun Night/Rego at East Maitland McDonalds

Register Online prior to attending a Rego night

Cost: \$90 for Tiny Tots & \$100 for all other age groups.

Bring child's birth certificate or proof of age.

Season will commence on
Tuesday 13th September 2016 6:00pm

Registration are to be done online at:

<http://www.emalac.org.au/>

Facebook

www.facebook.com/eastmaitlandlittleathletics

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