Thurgoona News

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Term 2 Week 8   Tuesday 17 June 2014

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“Tree Planting at TPS”

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Last week Kindergarten and Year 4 students spent the morning improving and learning about the natural environment of our school playground. The students eagerly planted 400 locally native understory plants to improve habitat; helped to install four wildlife nest boxes and got to look inside existing boxes via a special camera; learnt about weeds, their impact on the local environment and how some are controlled with ‘Bob the Burner’. The student’s efforts are expected to benefit local wildlife, particularly the Squirrel Glider which is a threatened native mammal that has been seen living in nest boxes on the school grounds.

The event was organised by the Albury Conservation Company, Albury City Council and NSW Crown Lands (Albury Environmental Lands) with support and funding from the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative and the NSW Government’s Environmental Trust.

Working with children checks from last year have now expired. If you wish to remain a volunteer helper at school you will need to have completed a new check through www.kids.nsw.gov.au/Working-with-children and provided the school with your approval number gained from the RTA. You need this check for canteen as well as school activities. If yours has expired, please take the ten minutes or so to do a new one. It is free to volunteers.

Thank you to all parents who have adjusted to our new payment for excursions/school activities. Please remember to write on the envelope child’s name, class, purpose of money and amount. And, remember all money comes to the office.

Joan Courtney
Relieving Principal

Our social skill for this week is:

This week students and teachers would like to invite their families to join in with our focus on:

ASKING FOR HELP

Steps to take when you need help:
- Try it
- Say I need help
- Be clear about what it is you need help with

Do you need to ask for help this week?

Notes home

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Cool Kid Winners – Excellent behaviour in the playground

Winners for this Week are: Joel Polkinghorne, Katie Hall, Jett Harrison, Bryson Daley, Isabella Power, Lucy Brennan, Joshua Collins, Conor Warchow, Blake Dennis.

RIVERINA CROSS COUNTRY

Last Tuesday the 10th June, 6 students from Thurgoona Public School represented Albury in the Riverina Cross Country Carnival in Deniliquin. Competing in the 3000m course were Sean Maguire (12/13yrs), Olivia Barber (12/13yrs), Lincoln Park Hardy (11 yrs) and Liam Rule (11yrs). Competing in the 2000m course were Rori Polkinghorne (10yrs) and James Deanshaw (8/9yrs).

James was successful in making it into the Riverina team to compete at the PSSA State Cross Country Championships in Sydney on the 18th July.

Good Luck James!

All students should be commended for the effort they put into training and racing on the day.
Stage 3 Fern

During Term 2 Stage 3 Fern have been learning about how Federal Parliament works. They have been participating in lots of Parliament role plays in class. These are some facts they have learnt along the way.

There are two houses in Parliament House. They are the House of Representatives and the Senate. - Joplin

There are 150 members elected to the House of Representatives and 76 members of parliament in the Senate. - Tyler

Australia has three levels of law-making, sometimes called the three levels of government: Federal Parliament, State and Territory Parliaments and local Councils. - Charlotte

On 1st January 1901, the Australian colonies united to become a nation. This is known as Federation. - Hannah

The House of Representatives is green and the Senate is red. They represent Australian native plants, such as eucalypts. - Tim

All clocks in Parliament House are set to the same time. - Hayden

When you address the members of parliament in the House of Reps, you have to say “Mr Speaker” or “Madam Speaker”. - Harry M.

In Parliament, a bill is a proposal for a new law or a change to an existing one. - Blake

Canberra is the local Aboriginal word for meeting place. - Samara

Susan Ley is the member representing us in the area of Farrer. - Brooke

Did you Know?
The Australian flag flown over Parliament House is about the size of the side of a double-decker bus, measuring 12.8 metres by 6.4 metres.

LOST PROPERTY

The Lost Property Basket will be emptied the end of this week.

Please check for any items that belong to you.

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WANTED – Games and Toys

Do you have any unwanted games or toys in the cupboard? We are looking for games and toys, suitable for all ages, that would be useful for quiet lunchtime play. Board games (not too many pieces), card games, building items...etc

Please drop off at the office or to Mrs Maguire

Movie Night – Thursday 26th June

Movie Night

You are all invited to Movie Night at the Hall on Thursday 26th June.

The movies we will be presenting are Frozen for infants and Despicable Me 2 for primary.

Movie times are: Infants 4:15pm Primary 6:15pm

A popcorn and drink combo will be for sale $1.00 (limited numbers)

Come and join us for a fun night.

Please bring something comfortable to sit on like a bean bag or pillow.

Students will be supervised by teachers.

2015 Kindergarten Parent Information Morning – This Wednesday

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Kindergarten parent information Morning
For children starting Kindergarten 2015

Thurgoona Public School is a welcoming and friendly school with strong links to the community. We provide strong academic programs, highly dedicated staff and excellent facilities in an environment where students are encouraged to reach their full potential.

Wednesday 18th June, 2014
9.30am to 11am

For more information contact the school office on 02 60 43 1944.
Thurgoona 2640

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P & C News

Thank you to all who attended last night’s meeting. It was great to see such a good turn out on such a cold night. It was a positive meeting and we were able to cover many items. Our next P&C meeting will be Monday 21st July. See you all there.

Thanks Jane and Committee.

FUNDRAISING: Thank you so much to all who gave up their time on Wednesday to assist in the sorting and packing of pies! It was a huge task and your help was greatly appreciated. The pie drive was a fantastic success. Our final figure for profit is $1371.60. Thanks to everyone who supported us and purchased a pie. No doubt you have been enjoying them!

UNIFORM SHOP INFORMATION

Friday 18th July   8.45am – 9.15am

Unwanted School Uniform donations would be most welcome. Please leave at the canteen.

Many thanks in advance.

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| Fri 20/6 | Peta Simic  
|          | Naomi Kentwell |
| Mon 23/6 | Lisa Tracey |
| Tue 24/6 | Volunteer Required |

CANTEEN – ROSTER

After receiving the results from the survey that went out last year, Amanda our Canteen Manager, has restructured the menu.

Many new items of food have been added, including a range of homemade foods, to make a much more varied and interesting choice for our students and staff. This has so far been very well received by all with lots of positive comments. All these changes are in line with the healthy eating canteen policy that we take pride in here at Thurgoona Public School.

Thank you for your continued and ongoing support.

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Focus On Riverina**

**2014 PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION**

Great Prizes
Five categories

Enter online at [riverina.lhs.nsw.gov.au](http://riverina.lhs.nsw.gov.au) by June 30 for your chance to WIN!

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**ARE YOU LOOKING AFTER CHILDREN?**
**DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO GET HELP?**
**DO YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION?**

**YOU ARE INVITED**
**TO A COMMUNITY INFORMATION & MORNING TEA**

PROVIDED BY UMFC AND WOOMERA

**WHERE:** Woomera Aboriginal Cooperation, 684 Daniel St Albury

**WHEN:** Thursday 19th June at 10:30am

If you need more information, phone Felicity on (02)60253475.

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