Welcome to Term 2.

To our seven new families, nine students and three staff who have joined us this term, we extend a very warm welcome to Thurgoona Public School.

With the increase in our enrolments I am hoping that we will receive the eighteenth classroom during the term. Kurrajong has taken up residence in the P & C room for now until their room arrives. They have a lovely bright, airy and cosy room to call home for now.

Kurrajong has also welcomed Miss Carly Margosis as their new teacher. Miss Margosis replaces Mrs Percy as a permanent member of our staff. Also joining our staff this term are Mr Stephen McMullen – School Counsellor and Ms Edwina Beer - School Psychologist. The main difference between a school counsellor and school psychologist is that counsellors have a teaching background. Ms Beer will start with us tomorrow.

It is with mixed feelings that I announce that I will retire at the end of this term. More information will be forthcoming later about who will replace me.
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Miss Carly Margosis          Mr Stephen McMullen

Thank you to all parents and students who represented our school in the ANZAC Day March. On a very rough head count we had about one hundred and thirty students march with our school. I think this is the biggest group we have ever had. Our Captains and Vice Captains went on to the service at the monument after the march to lay a wreath on behalf of our school. Thanks to Mr Burgess and Mr Clark for being our school coordinators for the march. All children who have marched with the school will receive a special merit for the community badges.
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This week we have our Kinder and Stage 1 Fun Day at Oddies Creek on Thursday and Cross Country on Friday for Stage 2 and 3. In advance, ‘Thank You’ to all parents who are coming along to support, assist or attend. We appreciate your involvement.

Next week is NAPLAN testing for all students in Year 3 and Year 5. Tests will start on Tuesday with Language Conventions and Writing. Reading is held on Wednesday and Thursday, Numeracy. Friday is a catch-up day for anyone who has missed any of the tests. Good luck to all students. Please remember it is another avenue of assessment used to see what your child can do. It is given under totally different conditions to other assessments we do during our learning cycles.

Finally congratulations to Caitlyn Martin who, I am reliably told, played a brilliant role in the recent show ‘Oliver’ produced by the Albury Wodonga Theatre Company. I admire her resilience in maintaining her learning at school plus rehearsing for the show. What an enormous commitment. Congratulations Caitlyn!

Beechworth Excursion Time Change - A reminder to Stage 2 parents that the arrival time of students back to school from the Beechworth excursion on Wednesday 25 May is **4 pm**.

Joan Courtney
Relieving Principal

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**NOTES HOME**

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Notes are also available on the website – [www.thurgoona-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.thurgoona-p.schools.nsw.edu.au) under TPS - Communication

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**HOW2LEARN**

Meet Strategex

He is highly self-aware and reflective.

Strategex uses clever strategies to remember important things about what he is learning. He can look at things from different angles and draw out the main ideas from what he has learned. He will use this to make decisions about what to think and do next.

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News from Stage 3 Waratah

Term 2 is going to be a busy term with many different things for us to experience and learn. Some of the things that will be happening this term are PSSA, Knockout games, public speaking finals, debating competitions, creating an art piece for the auction, our assembly item, NAPLAN, our class novel, cross country, creating a peace poster for the Lion’s Club competition and lots of challenges and new learning.

GRACE ARMSTRONG: I am excited for NAPLAN, PSSA and public speaking competitions because I enjoyed those activities from previous years.

BIANCA WHYMARK: This year I’m looking forward to PSSA, cross country and knockout games because sport is my favourite subject.

JOSHUA HUGGARD: The things I’m looking forward to this year are PSSA, debating, creating a peace poster for the Lions club and Peer Support.

RHYANON KELLY: The things that I am looking forward to this term include PSSA, NAPLAN, debating, public speaking and cross country.

TINE READ: I am looking forward to eating the carrots I have grown at school.

HARRISON McGR Donovan: I am looking forward to playing in the footy knockout games, PSSA soccer, cross country and art.

HANNAH LANSDOWN: The things I am looking forward to are art, cross country, PSSA netball, our class novel, and learning new things.

JAKE HOLMES: The thing I looking forward to is PSSA and creating my peace poster.
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STEPHANIE COOPER: What I’m looking forward to this term is PSSA sport, cross country and making the peace poster.

SHARNI CARDONA: What I’m looking forward to this term is cross country, PSSA sport, and making the peace poster.

CURTIS BURNSIDE: The things I am looking for this term are PSSA, cross country, and watching the movie “Goodnight Mister Tom”.

AARON ESLER: I am looking forward to running the cross country, PSSA soccer and watching the movie “Goodnight Mister Tom” when we have finished reading the book. I am interested in the differences between the book and the movie.

KRISTAL SPARKES: Kristal is absent but we know she is looking forward to playing netball in the PSSA competition.

TRISTAN TONKS: This term I am looking forward to PSSA soccer and reading “Goodnight Mister Tom”.

JORGE BEAVAN: What I’m looking forward to this year is cross country, PSSA and watching the movie ‘Good night Mr Tom’.

WIL McINNIES: I’m really looking forward to cross country because I’ve been practising a lot.

ALEX ROACH: I am really looking forward to cross country, PSSA, knockout matches and an art piece for the art auction.

BILLY HORSELL: What I’m looking forward to is PSSA sport, cross country and watching the movie “Goodnight Mr Tom”.

TYSON FITZGERALD: I am really looking forward to cross country, PSSA footy and the year 6 Peer Support.

SKYLAR McGLYNN: This term I am excited about PSSA netball, cross country and performing our class assembly item.

AMELIA SPINKS: I am looking forward to teaching smaller kids during the Peer Support program and I am excited about our class item.

JAYDEN WAYENBERG: Playing in the PSSA football comp, running in the school cross country and going off to district for the athletics.

TAHLEE TRACEY: This term I am looking forward to district athletics, playing in the netball knockout, running in the cross country and the Peer Support program.

SHALEY TICKELL: I am looking forward to our class item, the cross country and I hope to get into the PSSA netball team.

KEELY HOLROYD: I am excited about the cross country because I have been training really hard and performing our class item for assembly.

HAYDEN LESKIE: I am looking forward to PSSA, our class item for the assembly on Friday and creating my PEACE poster for the Lion’s Club competition.

BLAKE DENNIS: I am looking forward to our assembly item, reading the “Goodnight Mister Tom” novel and writing my persuasive letter to Mrs Courtney about the starving children in the world.
Our next P&C Meeting will be held next Monday 9 May at 7pm in the P&C Room. Come and join us for a cuppa and informal get-together. Welcoming all past, present and new families/parents/carers.

Mr Brad Russell the new Director, Public Schools NSW will be attending the meeting.

Wanted - P&C – Canteen Treasurer

If anyone is interested in the above role within our P&C, please contact Alison on the following number: 0434 252 166

There are no pre-requisites for this role; anyone who is interested would be very welcome and fully supported to carry-out such duties (payment to suppliers, wages, spread sheet updates – a few hours per week.) All P&C Volunteer roles are flexible and can be worked around other commitments/schedules.
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Community News

POSITION AVAILABLE - CANTEEN SUPERVISOR

Albury West Public School Canteen requires a Canteen Supervisor to work in our canteen. We seek an honest, trustworthy and reliable person with a friendly manner and enthusiasm for the role. Applicant must have own vehicle for weekly shopping.

- 3½ hours per day from 10.15am – 1.45pm, Wednesday to Friday
- Award rates are paid including superannuation

A Police check is mandatory for all workers in NSW schools.

A more detailed job description is available by calling AWPS on 6021 2288.

Applications, including two references, to:-
Albury West Public School P&C
Canteen Supervisor Committee
PO Box 3245
ALBURY NSW 2640

Applications close at 3.00pm on Friday May 20 2016

“AIRLS ONLY Auskick”

“GIRLS ONLY Auskick will start on Monday 9th May at Norieul Park Oval. Girls aged 5 – 13 are encouraged to participate. Registration cost of $45 includes all 4 sessions, a pink footy, and a t-shirt. Girls will also go in the running to play on the SCG! The sessions will run from 4pm – 5pm.  For further information email: Jack.bradley@afl.com.au”

Tennis

Saturday Morning Match play has started at the Wodonga Tennis Centre. It runs from 9am to 10.30am every Saturday Morning. Cost is $7.
It is a great way to keep your tennis skills up and have fun. It is for all levels and ages from 5 years to 14 years.
Each Saturday morning children are placed into round robin draws with children their own age and standard.
It is not compulsory each Saturday Morning. For information - 0422137891.
Hello Albury!

Challenge Community Services has over fifty-seven years’ experience providing community support to people with disabilities, foster carers and children. We are pleased to invite you along to this free information session about our disability choices and children services.

All members of the public are welcome to attend so come along and experience first-hand how Challenge can help make a difference in you and your loved ones lives!

Date
Tuesday, 10th May 2016

Time
6.00pm - 8.00pm

Where
Hovell Tree Inn - 614 Hovell St, Albury

RSVP
Phone: Katrina Campbell 02 6763 1806
Email: Katrina.Campbell@challengecommunity.org.au

Want to know more about foster care?
Interested in local disability choices?
Free Birth Certificate for Aboriginal young people who are:

- preparing to attend pre-school
- preparing to attend primary school
- preparing to attend secondary school
- transitioning from school to the workforce
- transitioning from school to further education

A parent or carer of the young people applying is also eligible.

For more information about applying and the ID requirements visit our website
www.pathfinders.nso
or phone Maria or Lyn 02 6788 2123

Where: Albury Local Aboriginal Land Council, 917 Chenery Street, Glenroy

When: Tuesday, 10th May 2016
Time: 10am - 3pm

Fun - Fitness - Friends - Family

Try a new sport

U9's Hockey Squad
Start your hockey career here......

Games: Saturday 9.45 - 10.45
Contact: committee@wombatshockey.com
* or *Andrew 0428 619 115

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**Term 2 2016**

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