From the Principal

Hi Parents,

Week 6 already!

Thank you to those parents who arranged and attended a parent teacher interview about your child’s schooling. It is encouraging to know that the work we do here at school is supported so well at home.

Homework is coming back in both classes at lightning speed. Fantastic effort from everyone! Well done to those students who have completed each week so far.

The challenge has been thrown down for the senior class to improve their ‘reading log’ input.

Although we are great at completing the maths and literacy parts to our homework, we are a little less enthused about reading.

READ WHATEVER YOU WANT TO!!!

READ THE SAME THING EACH NIGHT!!!

WHATEVER YOU DO, JUST READ!!!

Let’s see how our challenge goes on Monday with everyone returning their homework.

Remember, the more you read, the better you’ll be at it!!

Next week is a \textbf{CRAZY} week, starting with our Book Fair set up in the library (see the notes from Mrs Sutherland in the library section of the newsletter).

We have our next P&C meeting at 7pm on Tuesday 10\textsuperscript{th} March and then on the 12\textsuperscript{th} March (Thursday) we have school photos. Friday 13\textsuperscript{th} March rounds out our crazy week with \textbf{CRAZY HAIR DAY}!

This is in support of the Leukaemia Foundation and all money raised goes to support sick children and the research into this horrible disease. Please keep working on your sponsorship forms and ensure they, along with the permission note are returned on the SHAPE / COLOUR day!!

There is one change to this day, we will not be having the shared lunch on this day, as our wonderful P&C have the second of our ‘return to tuckshop’ days.

The new order form is included in this newsletter for your child to return to school before next Wednesday.

The students are all working well and are settled into the routines of the school year. We are utilizing our Great Results Guarantee monies by employing Miss Edwards again to do small group intervention in the area of Spelling, this year also branching into number.

One sad note for our newsletter this week is that Mrs Kimberley Blackwood is no longer with us on Monday and Tuesday. Fortunately for us, when these permanent hours became available, Mrs Melissa Sutherland agreed to maximise here and she will be now at Thornton State School for the full five days a week. Mrs Blackwood was a very valued member of our teaching team, and although she won’t be here on a regular contracted basis, she will still visit us from time to time as a relief teacher aide. Thank you Mrs Blackwood and welcome Mrs Sutherland!!!

Thanks for reading this fortnights newsletter.

See you in a fortnight.

Erika
OTHER NEWS:

SCHOOL PHOTOS—NEXT THURSDAY
Our school photos are next Thursday 12th March. Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform. If you are wishing to purchase any of the photos, you will need to fill out the order forms and return them to the office prior to the 12 March. If you have any queries regarding school photos, please contact the office.

MOTHER’S DAY
All Mother’s Day money is due back tomorrow in order for us to be able to purchase the items on Monday. Thank you to the families who have brought their money in.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE
The chocolates have been ordered and are due to be delivered to the school between the 23 March—30 March. Once we have confirmation of when the will be available at the school, we will contact those families who have ordered and get you to pick them up from the school office.

LEADERS CORNER
As school leaders, Layla Millard, Archer Moss and myself, Noah Emmerson, want to make sure that every student in this school gets to have a say on how our school runs.

After our very cool leadership conference two weeks ago, we came back to school very excited about making a difference here at school.

This week we are signing students up for the second of our whole school competition – table tennis. Even the teachers are going to have a go! – good luck Miss Hassett!!!!

Later in the term, we will be organising and running a colouring in competition. Get your pencils ready!

And each fortnight it is our job to sort out the tuckshop order forms – PHEW!

We will keep an update in the newsletter when there are things we need to let you know.

Thanks,
Noah, Layla and Archer.

Our next P & C Meeting—Tuesday 10 March, 7:00pm
ALL WELCOME
GERMAN NEWS

Hello everyone and a belated welcome back to 2015! Students are working very hard in German lessons and have been learning about school and talking about their favourite subject as well as learning to tell the time in German. I have been impressed by the effort students have put in to learning to tell the time and also the focus and enthusiasm that students are showing in German lessons.

They will have two pieces of assessment by early next term, a written letter in the form of an in class test and a listening test which will occur during class time.

I am looking forward to working with students this year and in seeing their growth in their understanding of German.

Alles beste, Frau Chapman

LIBRARY NEWS

Bookfair
Bookfair will be held in on our library from the 9th March to the 19th March. Purchases can commence from Monday 9th March. I will be available from 8am until 8:20am then 2:30pm-4:00pm Monday to Friday.

We would like to invite all community members to come for a look and support our school library. All purchases go towards a commission for our school to purchase resources for the library. Novelty pens, rubbers, etc will also be available from as low as $1.00 each. With Easter just around the corner this could be a great opportunity to purchase a gift. A colouring in competition will be sent home for your children to complete and bring back to school, with a possibility of winning a $10 voucher so that they can spend at Bookfair.

We look forward to this event and would welcome you all to our library.

Bookclub
Bookclub will be sent home tomorrow and will be due back on the 16th March. Some advertised titles are available at the Bookfair.

Thank you
Mel Sutherland
School Awards:  Weeks 4 & 5

Junior:

Student of the Week:  Darcy Kelly (4) Spence Marshall (5)
English:  Phoebe Millard (4) Shaniah Boyes (5)
Maths:  Joe Foxlee (4) Jett Emmerson (5)
History/Geography:  Patrick Tydd (4)
Health:  Simone Tydd (4)
Reading:  Jennifer Beezley (4) Joe Foxlee (5)
Other:  River Hodgetts (5) Haylee Harris (5)

Senior:

Student of the Week:  Penny Taber (4) Noah Emmerson (5)
Music:  Jamal Selimich (4)
PE:  Noah Emmerson (4)
Civics & Citizenship:  Jett Emmerson (4) Patrick Tydd (5)
History:  Ashley Taber (4) Boe Millard (5)
Maths:  Lachlan Litfin (4) Ashley Taber (5)
Science:  Noah Emmerson (4)
Art:  Lachlan Litfin (4) Damien Jones (5)
Leadership:  Archer Moss (4) Layla Millard (4) Noah Emmerson (4)