From the Principal

Hi Parents,

It’s great to be back and into the routine of our wonderful school. Thank you all very much for your warm welcomes on my return and a huge thank you to Mrs Edwards and the great team we have here at school, who held down the fort in my absence.

Term 4 always disappears in the blink of an eye, with lots happening involving all of our school.

Please be sure to read our full newsletter to make sure you don’t miss anything that is happening here at school.

Today saw the first of our Pre-prep days for 2016 Prep enrolments. Unfortunately, we had no little preps to share our great school with.

If you know any families who are looking for a school for their prep child (or maybe older siblings), please let them know what you think about our school. It is word of mouth that will increase our numbers, and your experiences are the information prospective parents will treasure the most.

At the moment, our school numbers are looking very close to losing our second full time teacher, so any endorsements of our school and its wonderful opportunities would be greatly appreciated.

Next week (week 6) is a very important week for all students here at school. This is our formal assessment week where we will be asking your children to show us exactly what they have learnt this semester – in preparation for writing report cards.

Please ensure your child has a good night’s sleep all week and a healthy breakfast and lunch to keep their brain energised.

Report cards will be coming home at the end of week 9 this semester, as we are going on school camp for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of week 10 (Thursday and Friday are normal school days).

Due to the school camp, our Christmas concert will be the week earlier (week 9) also. Please mark your calendar and invite your family and friends to our big night (Tuesday 1st December).

You would have received an order form for your meals for this night. Please ensure you return that to school as soon as you can so that the P&C can make catering arrangements.

If you have extended family and friends attending, just let us know so that we can make sure everyone gets fed.

We are putting the old school photocopier up for tender (see page 2). Please have your bid and details in a sealed envelope, marked “Confidential – The Principal” into the office no later than Thursday 26th November, so that the winning bidder can collect the item before school breaks up on December 11. Thank you.

Have a good fortnight,

Erika
FOR TENDER........

Konica Minolta Dialta Di2011.

Comes with two new ink cartridges.

Take as is.

Pick up before December 11th, 2015.

Highest bid will win the tender. In a sealed envelope, labelled “Confidential – The Principal”, please write your name, contact details and your bid. Please hand the envelope in to the school office no later than Thursday 26th November.

NEWS FROM MRS EDWARDS

Well the time has come for me to sign off as Acting Principal and hand the reins back to Miss Hassett.

I have enjoyed the last 4 weeks but look forward to getting back into the classroom. I would like to say congratulations to the students for the way in which they conducted themselves during the last 4 weeks and in particular during swimming. Everyone has managed to keep their belongings together and not contribute to the lost property box at the swimming pool. A special mention needs to be made regarding the students conduct whilst travelling to and from swimming on the bus. It is lovely to be told by the bus driver that our students are the best group of kids that he has had on his bus as they are quiet and respectful allowing him to safely transport them to their destination.

Our students are truly displaying all of the qualities of a Thornton State School Student (Kind, considerate, helpful and respectful) when they are in the greater community. Well done and keep making us proud!

Cheers
Katrina
OFFICE NEWS

CAMP CURRIMUNDI, SUNSHINE COAST—7-9 DECEMBER
Final preparations for camp are being organised and we ask that any families who have not yet paid, to please finalise payment.

Thank you to the families who have promptly returned the medical details form for their child/ren. For those families who have not yet returned this form, if you could please ensure that this is done by Monday 16 November. We are required to have this form for medical emergencies whilst we are off school grounds.

Closer to camp more information will be sent out with the requirements of what you will need to bring and arrangements for travel.

In the meantime, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you all for your assistance.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL
The Small School Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 20th November at Laidley Swimming Pool. The cost of the day is $4.00 per child.

Attached to the newsletter is a permission note that we ask you to complete and return to the school office with your child/ren $4.00 fee.

BOOK PACKS FOR 2016 SCHOOL YEAR
Once again we will be providing book packs for the 2016 school year. Once we have calculated the cost or your child’s bookpack we will send this home so you are aware of how much your child’s pack costs. We will be calculating each individual child’s pack based on what equipment they will need for 2016, minus what they have remaining at the end of this year.

No payment is required until invoices are generated next year.

Thank you.

Lisa Crack
NEWS CONT.:

SECRET SANTA
Thank you to everyone for returning their Secret Santa permission forms so promptly. Last Friday, every student was given a note with another students name on to purchase for. Information to give you an idea of what you might like to purchase was attached. These are secret!! All gifts will be exchanged on the last day of school at 9am. Please have all gifts wrapped, students name clearly written on the gift from Secret Santa and returned to school no later than Friday 4th December.

LIBRARY NEWS
Library lessons are still progressing well with all students participating with enthusiasm. The senior class are learning about Reference books this term. With modern day technology we rarely use a referdex, phone book, atlas or encyclopaedias. Some of the students just said just use your GPS, phone and Google. The discussions are quite entertaining as well as educational!
The junior class are amazing at remembering all the authors we have been discovering in our library. We are all enjoying exploring different titles, illustrations and topics from our authors.

Mel Sutherland

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Our next P & C Meeting—Tuesday
17 November 6:30 pm. Help organise end
of year celebrations including P&C book
purchases for the students!!!

REMINDER: ALL RECIPES DUE BACK TO
THE SCHOOL BY 16 NOVEMBER!!!!!
School Awards: Weeks 2 and 3

**JUNIOR:**

Student of the Week:  Jett Emmerson (2) Joe Foxlee (3)
English:  Darcy Kelly (2)
Music:  Joe Foxlee (3)
Maths:  Shaniah Boyes (2) Joanah Millard (2)
Art/Drama:  Spence Marshall (2) Jett Emmerson (2) Rick Pollock (2) Connor Tydd (2) Shaniah Boyes (3)
Geography:  Spence Marshall (2) Patrick Tydd (3)

**SENIOR:**

Student of the Week:  Damien Jones (2) Noah Boyes (3)
Maths:  Archer Moss (2) Damien Jones (3)
Geography:  Penny Taber (2) Boe Millard (3)
Literacy/English:  Penny Taber (2) Ashley Taber (3)
Art/Drama:  Noah Boyes (2) Shannan Marshall (3)
Music:  Jada Phillips (2)