Our School Values are: Respect, Learning, Honesty, Fairness and Community

CALANDER
TERM 1 (January 28 ~ March 24)
February
Mon 22nd  - Swimming
Tues 23rd  - Swimming
Wed 24th  - No Preps
Thur 25th  - Swimming
Fri 26th  - School photos
- Swimming Carnival
  (whole school)

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PRINCIPAL’S PRATTLE
Aside from our swimming program, it has been a relatively quiet week here at Thorpdale. Students and staff have been working at their various tasks extremely well. The move to have our classroom teachers work across the school in a specialised subject has started off tremendously well with both the students and staff enjoying the change. On any given week now our students will have 6 different teachers teaching them. Our students now have specialist teachers in Science, Music, Lote/Asian Studies, P.E and I.C.T as well as their classroom teacher. This sort of format will be similar to what they will have when they go off to high school and this should allow for a smoother transition for them into the next stage of their schooling.

Swimming Program:  From chocolates to boiled lollies, that’s how the weather has treated our swimming timetable. With beautiful summery conditions for our first week of swimming I was hoping for another week similar, but unfortunately that didn’t happen. (I shouldn’t have mentioned how lovely our weather was last week.) We are still hoping that to have our Swimming Carnival next Friday 26th of February, but the forecast is not looking overly promising. If the carnival goes ahead as scheduled we plan to start earlier than we have in the previous few years to ensure that all events are finished well ahead of the end of the school day. Our likely starting time will be around 11:30am.

Yinnar & District Swimming Sports: Our eight student swimming team was decimated by illness on Monday and quickly became five, but boy did our five do us proud. Congratulations to our five competitors who came away with five firsts, five seconds and two third’s. Not a bad effort kids. Well done to Beau, Sydney, Reid, Chantelle and Lena.

Thorpdale Potato Festival

The Thorpdale Potato Festival is holding a meeting at Thorpdale Fire Station on Wednesday 24th February at 7pm.

 Representatives from all local community groups are encouraged to attend.

This is a fantastic event for the town of Thorpdale and in turn has been a huge benefit for our school in the past.

Munchies:

There will be no Munchies next week due to the Swimming Sports

Riley Letch
Keely McCabe
Mitilda Moore

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Weekly Class Awards:

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Will Donald: Will you have been a fantastic helper in the classroom this week. Thank you!

Year 2/3
Jayde Joyce-Luttgens: For being an enthusiastic and hardworking member of the class.
Jake Murphy: For your improved handwriting and great persuasive text.

Year 4/5/6
Sydney Blackshaw: Sydney you have been a good role model and you are always willing to help. Well done Sydney!
Ellie Varsaci: Ellie you always put in 100% with everything you do. You are always give anything a go. Well done Ellie!

Principal’s Awards:

Ellie Varsaci: You have received this award because of the great way you help everyone in the classroom. You are always first to offer assistance. Well done, Ellie!

Jayde Joyce-Luttgens: You have received this award because of the wonderful way you have settled into your new school. You have been working extremely well and you are a great role model in the classroom. Well done, Jayde!

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MAGAZINES

The school is looking for any unwanted magazines to use for cutting out. If anyone has any that they are willing to donate, could they please send them to the school? Thank you.

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Weekly awards were presented to the following children. Congratulations to you all.

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School Photos: Don’t forget about our school photos happening next Friday morning, the 26th of February. On the off chance that your child is sick on the day, I would have no problems if you feel that they could manage to slip into school for the photo shoot and head back to their sick bed. Thanks.

After School Sports: We will be starting our After School Sports Program next week. The sport chosen will be bowls (i.e. carpet/lawn bowls). This will happen on Tuesdays for our Prep/One/Two students and Thursdays for our Three/Four/Five/Six students. This program will run for four weeks commencing on Tuesday 23rd and Thursday 25th. It will finish on Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th of March. Information will be sent home with this newsletter.

Icy Poles: The JSC will be selling icy poles during lunch times. The cost for an icy pole is 50 cents.

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