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From the Principal's Desk



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for working with us to ensure South Thornlie Primary School are following direction from the Department of Education with Phase 3 for COVID-19. Details of Phase 3 were sent home in a note with your children on 5 June 2020. If you require clarification the note is below.

Canteen

The canteen is operational again. Students from Pre Primary to Year 6 can order their lunch on Wednesdays and Fridays. Order forms and bags are available from the office or your child's classroom.

Camp

The Year 6 camp to Rottnest in Term 4 will go ahead as planned. Please see installments schedule below;

Camp Payment Schedule		
Instalment Number	Due Date	Amount
Deposit	Friday 27 March	\$75 (Non-refundable)
2nd instalment	Friday 8 May	\$65
3rd instalment	Friday 12 June	\$65
4th instalment	Friday 24 July	\$65
Final payment	Friday 25 September	\$65
Total payable		\$335

Please make all payments directly to the school office or by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). Please ensure all EFT payments include the student's full name and CAMP 2020. Electronic transfers can be made directly to:

Account name: **South Thornlie Primary School** BSB: **016002**
 ACCT NO: 198966272

All payments must be made no later than **25 September 2020** to enable your child to attend.

School Hats

Please ensure you are familiar with the uniform policy and purchase items as required. This includes school hats, broad brimmed or legionnaires, as we have a 'No Hat – No Play' policy. Please note that **caps are not permitted** as they do not meet the Sun Smart or school uniform policy requirements.

Water Bottles

Please ensure all students bring water bottles to school. Water fountains can be used to refill bottles but not drink directly from at this stage.

Kindy Applications

We are currently taking enrolments for Kindy in 2021. Your child must be born between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017. Forms can be collected from administration or downloaded on our school website to complete and return with Immunisation records, birth certificate and proof of residence.

Kindy to Pre Primary Applications

If you are currently enrolled in Kindy at South Thornlie PS and wish to make an application for Pre Primary in 2021, forms have been sent home for completion and return. Updated immunisation records from your My Gov account need to be attached.

Year 7 Thornlie Senior High School Applications

If your child is attending Thornlie Senior High School in 2021 applications are due to be returned by the end of Term 2. Application packages have been sent home with all current

Year 6 students. If you require another package please contact TSHS on 9376 2100.

SMS System

This is a Departmental SMS form of communication, which allows parents to connect directly with the school via a mobile number.

As parents you can now send messages to advise the school that your child is arriving late or if they are absent or unwell.

- The number you need to use is **0438 579 518**

Our school will communicate with parents individually, class groups or send whole school messages. These may include student absences or concerns, event reminders, award recipients, community concerns, special events or date/times changes.

Megan Barnett
Principal

Attendance Message



Strategies to get to school on time every day!

Every now and then, we have chaotic mornings but having a regular routine assists and improves student attendance, here are some suggestions which are based on setting regular routines:

- Have a set time to be out of bed
- Have a set time to go to bed
- Have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- Make lunches the night before
- Have a set time for starting/ending breakfast
- Set a daily time for homework activities
- Be firm, children must attend school
- Provide lots of positive encouragement
- Be firm, a birthday is not a holiday
- Turn the TV on only for a set time, and if appropriate

Time arrival at school to coincide with bell time and leave quickly.

Kim Pedrick
Deputy Principal

Steam Room Opening



This week we had the pleasure of opening the fully renovated STEAM Room. This room has undergone significant improvements after a successful grant Larissa Waghorn submitted on behalf of STPS. This grant resulted in a full renovation of the existing learning space including new storage, flooring and resources.

It has involved a significant amount of work from many people to support this process and special mentions should go to Larissa Waghorn (grant application and overseeing the project) Lisa Harbron (management of the renovations) Chanel Waghorn (Larissa's daughter who donated multiple days of her time to organise the space), Susie Sheridan (who also volunteered in her own time to see the project to this stage and set up for the opening) Wendy Fisher (labels and posters also completed in her own time) Leanne Tapper and many of the amazing STPS Education Assistants who all worked to plan, organise, store and pack away resources over the past few weeks.

These contributions are typical of the staff and community at South Thornlie PS who give of themselves - for our students. A huge thank you to you all and everyone else who assisted in big and small ways!



Serena Gosnay
Deputy Principal

Covid19 Reflection



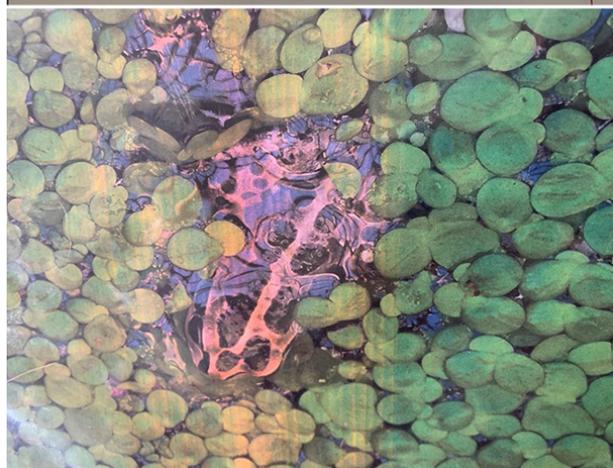
During the isolation period our Year 2 student Lawrence Liu reflected on his thoughts about the Corona Virus and expressed his feeling in the form of art work. Please see attached the fantastic work done by Lawrence. Thankyou for sharing your artist expression Lawrence.



Ian Leeks our Year 5 student entered a photo competition called "What's in your back yard." Ian recently was notified that he was the winner for WA. Congratulations Ian on your brilliant photography.

While I was being homeschooled, during Covid 19, I entered a photo competition called "What's in your back yard." It was run by Junior Landcare Australia. I took a picture of a motorbike frog in our lotus pond. I found out last week I am the WINNER for WA!

It makes me feel very proud and VERY lucky.



Kim Pedrick
Deputy Principal

Kindy

Our Kindy students recently enjoyed participating in the WA day activities. They made anzac biscuits, planted vegetables in our raised garden bed and planted flowers in the sensory garden. They also created a new play area in the rainforest. The students loved the cubby and look forward to newly planted vines growing to cover the tepee and up the fence to enhance the rainforest environment.



Denise Tjhung
Class Teacher

Italian

Salve a tutti



Thank you for the children, staff and parents who have asked how my relations are doing in Italy during this devastating world crisis. Having frequent contact with the relations and knowing that they are fine and managing as best as they can be, is reassuring.

My cousin who works in Milan has been in lockdown since February and is working from his apartment. I have total admiration for another cousin who is in the frontline, she is a nurse at the main hospital in our town and is working long hours. Luckily, there haven't been too many cases of COVID-19 in our region compared to what has happened in the northern part of Italy.

My 82-year-old Aunty didn't leave her home for months to be safe. Last week my cousin sent a video of her out for the first time since February doing her favourite pastime, dancing.

I am so grateful I went to Italy last year with my family and have memories of such a wonderful time enjoying the festivities in our home town. Sightseeing in places like Rome and Pisa felt like pretty much the touristic experience was shared with every other person in the entire world. So many tourists! But now I look at photos and see the tourist hot spots bare. It is heartbreaking.

The Italians have been hit with this crisis but they still have their spirit just the same as we all do here in our school community.

Their motto is *Distanti ma uniti, insieme vinceremo.*

Distant but united, together we will win.

Saluti da Signor Wills

Mary Wills
Italian Teacher

Lost Scooter

A scooter was left on the Thornlie High School grounds earlier in the year and handed in to the office. If your child has lost a scooter it is waiting to be collected from Thornlie Senior High School. The scooter must be correctly described before claiming.

Uniform Shop

Due to stocktake taking place uniform orders will not be filled until Term 3. Apologies for any inconvenience cause. The administration office has a small supply of polo's and hoodies in the meantime to purchase. Please provide correct cash.

Parents & Citizens News

South Thornlie Parents and Community

(STPS P&C) is made up of supportive school parents and involved citizens for the purpose of providing support to our school community. Not only does our P&C contribute to the funding of facility upgrades, student resources and exciting ventures, we also have an equally important role in adding to the social fabric of our school community. The key to all our initiatives is team work. Whether it is a fundraising event, providing feedback to the Principal or organising an event that brings parents, students and teachers together.

It is important to state you do not need to take on a formal role with the P&C to be actively involved. There are many ways to support the P&C and its ventures, so come along to a meeting to see just what we have planned, meet some new friends, contribute to the school community and have a lot of fun.

If you do wish to take on a role, it can be personally rewarding and a helpful education on committee procedures and operations. (Very handy if studying Education)

Canteen

Students can order from the school canteen every Wednesday and Friday. Menus have been sent home with your children. Please write your child's name, class and lunch order onto the order bag, or an envelope if you don't have a bag. Place the order into their classroom order bag at the commencement of school with the correct money.

For more information please contact the P&C on stps.pac@hotmail.com

Fiona Johnson
P&C President
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Forest Lakes 3s Plus Kindy

Forest Lakes 3s Plus Kindy is a not for profit community pre kindy program providing early education for over 25 years. We are now taking enrolments for 2021 classes. If your child is born 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, contact us for enrolment information by calling 9493 3122, email info@familycentre.com.au or find us on Facebook.



Enrol Now



"We Learn as we play"
Forest Lakes 3s Plus Kindy



Applications for 2021 Classes are now open

For an enrolment package please visit the centre Monday to Friday 9:30am to 1:30pm or message us your email address and we will send it to you.1

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