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Respect, Creativity, Excellence, Resilience

From the Principal Ms Dora

Welcome back to an exciting Term 2 with a whole school focus on developing our Persistence and Emotional Resilience Keys for Success to become powerful learners. We hope that you had an enjoyable holiday break with family and friends.

It is National Volunteer Week and we thank all of our amazing volunteers who support our students and staff with our teaching and learning programs.

At the Education Leaders' Day

Some of the priorities outlined by our Minister for Education, Susan Close included: How Early Childhood Matters, Equity and Opportunity, High Quality Teaching and Learning, Life-long learning and Partnerships with Community. Our DECD Chief Executive Rick Persse promoted our one team statewide initiative to build a coherent education system.

Professor Michael Fullan shared his research and strategies to develop our collective efficacy to create an integrated networked education system that improves learning for children.

The drivers that underpin the Coherence Framework to promote deep leadership and deep learning are described at: <http://michaelfullan.ca/>

Numeracy and Literacy Results Plus

Site leaders engaged in ongoing Results Plus Professional Learning sessions to lead improvement in teacher practice and student learning outcomes. These are some of the key messages to develop our powerful learners:

Getting our students thinking.

Providing learners with a greater challenge in learning.

Positive failures in learning are informing, interesting and motivating.

Diary Dates		
8-12 May		NAPLAN Yrs 3, 5, 7
12 May	Fri	Mother's Day Breakfast
17 May	Wed	Bookclub orders due
19 May	Fri	9.00am Assembly R/1 Ev, Yr 3/4 Genna
26 May	Fri	Return of Secondary School Applications
29 May	Mon	9.15am School Tour
3 June	Sat	Quiz Night
Sub Committee Meetings – All Welcome		
9 May	Tues	6:15pm OSHC
15 May	Mon	9:00am Canteen
		4:15pm After School Sports
16 May	Tues	6:30pm Parents & Friends
18 May	Thur	3:30pm Finance
23 May	Tues	7:00pm Governing Council

Staff Updates

Mr Ian Altmann will be on long service leave during term 2 and we welcome Kelsea Simpson back to continue working with the Reception/Year 1 class. Margaret Harrison has won a position at Dame Roma Mitchell Secondary College for the next three terms.

Artist in Residence – R-7 Mural Project

Connie Giacomis will be working with R-7 students and staff in Term 2 to promote Visual Arts and skills in concept mapping, team work, design, drafting, creating, painting and decorating a mural made from clay mosaic. Aboriginal Artist Violet Cooper will share some of the dreamtime stories related to our Kaurna Plains along with storytelling, symbolism and art.



Homework Policy and Parent Surveys

Last year our staff researched the value of homework and reviewed the existing policy. The TPPS Homework Policy 2016 is provided to all families in this newsletter edition. Our teachers are seeking some feedback from parents/carers via a survey to help inform relevant homework tasks outside of school hours.

Practising reading and spelling regularly is a useful strategy for our learners to become more confident and fluent readers. Homework can be a supportive way of assisting students to develop self-discipline, organisation and time management skills and positive study habits. These experiences are negotiated with students and parents with the aim to purposefully consolidate learning.

It is an opportunity for parents to share in their child's learning experiences and students to take increased responsibility for their own learning. We welcome any further feedback – email dora.iuliano627@schools.sa.edu.au

Behaviour Education Policy and Procedures

Staff and students are reviewing our Rethink/Reflection process and developing appropriate consequences as well as recognition for appropriate classroom and yard behaviours. We aim to work in partnership with parents and carers to support students to make strong choices. Staff are implementing Restorative Practices, Circle Time, Play is the Way Program, Program Achieve, What's the Buzz and Child Protection Curriculum to develop students' pro-active choices and positive social skills.

Public education statement released

A statement about public education in South Australia – what it is, what it stands for, its foundations and its characteristics – was released at the Education Leaders' Day by Professor Alan Reid AM, Chair of the Minister's Public Education Advisory Committee.

Find out more -

<https://www.decd.sa.gov.au/department/about-department/public-education-statement>

2017 Public Education Awards.

Nominations are open to recognise the talented and dedicated people working in public education and the impact they have on the lives of children in South Australia.

It is an opportunity to acknowledge the impact of individuals and teams who demonstrate strong leadership, community engagement, innovation, and outstanding outcomes in non-teaching roles.

Nominations by 31 May -

www.decd.sa.gov.au/awards

Parents and Friends' News

Fundraising this year raised money for refrigerated water fountains in the Thiele Building and outside the gym. Future fundraising activities will target a new stage for performances. The Kyttons Lamington and Hot Cross Bun drive raised \$281.

Security and Safety

To ensure student safety during school hours we will lock the back gate on Linda Drive between 9.15am and 2.30pm each day and the front gates from 9.00am to 4.00pm. Visitors are to report to the front office during school hours and sign in as it is a Health and Safety requirement.

Reminder - Mother's Day Breakfast

Mothers, grandmothers, aunts and daughters are welcome to be spoiled with a hot breakfast.

When: Friday 12th May, 2017

Time: Serving from 7:30am

Finish: 8:30am

Where: Bradman Gym

RSVP: 9th May, 2017



Labelling Items

Please ensure all items of clothing, hats, lunch boxes, drink bottles and students' personal belongings are clearly labelled.

School Tour

Join the Principal and Student School Ambassadors on a School Tour on Monday the 29th May, 2017 at 9:15am in the Gym. Please contact the office to book in.

School Disco

This term the Student Leaders are planning a school disco for Week 8 Friday 23rd June in the Gym. Reception - Year 2 from 6:30-7:15pm & Years 3 – 7 from 7:30-8:30pm. More details to follow.

Entertainment Book

Entertainment Books are available from the front office. You can choose between the traditional book or the Digital Membership. The book costs \$70 with \$13 from each copy sold going to the school. So don't miss out!

Years 1/2PP UPDATE

How to make a sandwich

Goal: To make a sandwich

Materials



Bread 2x
Beans 5x
Corn 10x
Tomato 2x

Steps

- 1 put the beans in the bread
- 2 spread the corn
- 3 break the tomato
- 4 put the tomato on the bread
- 5 put the 2nd bread on the everything
- 6 eat it




Last term we learned all about Procedures. We learned how to correctly follow and create a Procedure-making sure we used all the correct structural and grammatical elements in our writing.

We read the book Strega Nona, a story about a little old witch who makes potions to help people in her village, and we used creativity to make up our own potions. We could choose the ingredients in our potion however we needed to make sure that our potion was created to help someone do something.

Once we had some practice reading procedures it was time to follow a procedure. We were given a recipe to make dough and attempted to follow it. We discovered that if you add more flour to the mixture it went thicker and if you add more water it becomes runny. We needed to figure out the best portions of flour and water and then record them. We had a great time getting all 'floury'!

We also created our ideal sandwich and published a sandwich recipe on the computer. We then made a sandwich from paper to match our recipe.

We had a great time learning all about Procedures and when they are used in everyday life.

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A Potion To Help Others See

Goal to make people see.

Materials

- 5 eyeballs
- 3 dead flies
- 4 glasses
- Water
- pot
- bowl

Steps

1. Boil the 5 eyeballs in hot water and then put them in the pot.
2. Put the glasses in the pot.
3. Put the dead flies in the pot and stir.
4. Pour it all in a bowl then you're finished.



STORM TROOPER POTION

Goal: To make a storm trooper



Materials:

- 1. 1 cup of flour
- 2. 1/2 cup of water
- 3. 1/2 cup of salt
- 4. 1/2 cup of oil
- 5. 1/2 cup of sugar
- 6. 1/2 cup of butter
- 7. 1/2 cup of yeast

Steps:

1. Pour the flour in the bowl.
2. Add the water.
3. Mix the flour and water together.
4. Add the salt and sugar.
5. Add the oil.
6. Add the yeast.
7. Mix it all together and you will have your storm trooper.





How to make a sandwich

Goal How to make a sandwich

Materials you will need

- . a container
- . some Nutella
- . some butter
- . some bread

Steps

1. First you need to spread the butter on to the bread.
2. After that you get the Nutella and put it on the bread.

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SPORTS DAY 2017

We had a terrific end of term Sports Day that was officially opened by John Gardner MP Member for Morialta. We appreciated the efforts of Julian Leak our PE teacher and our Sports Day working party in collaboration with staff to organise an active and interesting range of sporting activities.

We thank the Student House Captains for their co-operation and leadership of their teams. The Health Hustle, Team Chants, Tabloid Events, Sprints and Relays showcased our students' skills and reflected the high level of practice behind the scenes. Congratulations to the Blue Team for winning the Sports Shield and Team Spirit Award reflecting our school values and positive sportspersonship.

Overall all students responded in a respectful and responsible manner throughout the day.

The final tally which was really close-

- Blue** 3340 points
- Red** 3300 points
- Green** 3280 points
- Gold** 3250 points

The shields will be updated and on display in the front office. The weather was glorious and we thank parents and families for their support. It was a wonderful community event with parent volunteers providing lunch, snacks and refreshments. As part of our continuous improvement cycle we seek your feedback about Sports Day, in particular what worked well and suggestions for next year. Please email your thoughts to: admin@thornpkps.sa.edu.au



Parent Volunteer RAN Training

RAN Training is to be held at the following schools. Please contact the schools listed below to book in.

Monday 15 May

Magill Primary School 6.00-8.00pm

Tuesday 16 May

Vale Park Primary School 6.30-8.30pm

Tuesday 30 May

Trinity Gardens Primary School - 1.00-3.00pm

Friday 2 June

Stradbroke School 9.00-11.00am

Thank you

Thank you to the Student Environmentalists for their efforts with recycling at our site.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program this term will be modified while STEM Works are in progress and due to the lack of appropriate facilities

Student Talent Show

Students are planning lunch time auditions and a Talent Show for R-7 students in Term 3. Watch this space for more information.

Canteen Roster 2017

Wed	10/5	Jason H	Amisha	
Thurs	11/5	Stella	Penny L	
Fri	12/5	Stacey	Andrea	
Fri	12/5	Stella	Narelle	
Mon	15/5	Jason R	Alison	Hedda
Tue	16/5	Anna	Tania C	
Wed	17/5	Nicole	Evenia	Adriana
Thurs	18/5	Stella	Daniela R	Amreeta
Fri	19/5	Anna	Narelle	

After School Sports

After School Sports in Term 2

The following After School Sports clinics have started this term.



Netball in the school yard.

Reception to Year 3

Wednesday 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Netball

Years 4-7

Tuesdays 3.15pm – 4.15pm



Football on the school oval

Reception to Year 7

Mondays 3.15pm – 4.00pm

At this stage the clinics are aimed at teaching the children the skills required for the various sports. As the students progress we are hoping to establish teams to play in local competitions.

As these clinics are run by school staff and parent volunteers there is no cost for student participation.

If your child is interested in taking part in these clinics and has not already registered please contact the front office.

Simply Football

Simply Football will be running soccer clinics on a Thursday after school for Reception – to Year 2's for more information and costs involved contact Adrian on 0402 418580 or email info@simplyfootball.com.au

School Office Opening Hours

The Front Office is open from 8:30am until 3:30pm Monday to Fridays. Parents wishing to contact the school outside of these hours are encouraged to either phone the school on 8337 2050, leave a message on the answering machine or email the school and an admin staff member will respond to your request at the earliest convenience.

CANTEEN - HELP WANTED

We require parents/caregivers to volunteer to serve in the canteen at lunchtimes.

If we can not get volunteers to work during lunchtimes then unfortunately the canteen will be closed.

If you are able to help in the Canteen from approx 12.40pm to 1.30pm during the week, (yes, only 50 minutes!) could you please return the tear off slip below. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Canteen volunteers will need to have a current DCSI Working with Children Screening Clearance and have completed Responding to Abuse and Neglect (RAN) Training. Clearances can be arranged through the school. The Responding to Abuse and Neglect training is organised through the school office and available at neighbouring schools this term.

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I can assist in the canteen on

**Monday Tuesday Wednesday
Thursday Friday**

(please circle/ tick which day/s)

one day a term **two**
days a term

one day a week **one day a**
fortnight

one day a month

Name.....

Contact Phone No:.....

Student
Name.....
Class
Teacher.....

QUIZ NIGHT

**SATURDAY,
3 JUNE 7pm**

*Thorndon Park Primary
School*

Bradman Gym, Thorndon Park Primary School
71 Stradbroke Road, Athelstone

\$10/person

entry

BYO supper
and drinks

- * Silent auction
- * Door prize
- * Coin toss and other games

Please purchase your tickets in advance from the school office

All money raised to go towards purchasing stage blocks for school events.