From the Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

In 2015, our school participated in an External School Review. One of the recommendations from the review, was to improve the consistency across the school in relation to “what” is taught in English and Mathematics and “how” it is taught. The “what” is taught is obviously guided by the Australian Curriculum but the “how” is related to pedagogy.

To improve our consistency we developed whole school agreements in English and Maths where staff are committed to providing students with common and consistent learning experiences underpinned by shared understandings of what research says is good pedagogy.

Over the last couple of years we have also being implementing the Art and Science of Teaching which is a common based language of instruction within the High Reliability School’s (HRS) Framework. This framework has 5 levels:
Level 5 – Competency Based Curriculum
Level 4 – Standards Referenced Reporting
Level 3 – Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum
Level 2 – Effective Teaching in Every Classroom
Level 1 – Safe and Collaborative Culture

To achieve competency as a school in each of these levels takes a number of years. So the HRS framework improves the school as a system and the Art and Science of Teaching (ASOT) is the language of instruction. An example of this is that within your child’s classroom you may have seen posters such as WALT (which stands for we are learning to..) and WILF (we are looking for..). These posters are used to outline the learning intentions of what is being taught. If you would like to know more about HRS or ASOT visit the Marzano Institute of Australia – www.marzano-institute.com.au

NAPLAN
The students NAPLAN results are being sent home today. If you have any questions in relation to your child’s results, please talk with your child’s teacher.

Cheers
Shaun
Hiragana Reading Competition

On Wednesday 10th August twelve Year Seven students participated in the 13th Annual Hiragana Reading Competition held at Woodend Primary School. The competition consisted of Year 7s from Woodend PS, Sheidow Park PS, Woodcroft PS, Hawthorndene PS, Calvary PS, Thiele PS and Hallett Cove South PS. The morning began with the National Anthems of Australia and Japan and then the teams split into two to participate in a round robin competition. The top four teams from each group played off in the finals.

The students did a great job representing the school. I was a very proud sensei 😊

Alysha Milani
Japanese Teacher

NOTES SENT HOME

Over the past fortnight the following notices have been sent home.

- Festival of Music Ticket order form for selected students
- Canteen Special Lunch order form (final day to order Wed Aug 24)
- Whopping Cough (via email)

If you have not received any of the above, please request a copy either from your child’s class teacher or Thiele Reception.

JAPANESE NEWS

We are looking for some voluntary assistance in the Library, specifically working on the circulation desk, and/or re-shelving books, and shelf tidying. No prior experience is necessary, we are happy to train volunteers. The only requirements are Police Checks (as with all Campus volunteers), there is no cost involved. We are need of help at the following times:

- Thursday 8:45am - 10am
- Friday 8:45am - 10am

If you are able to assist with these activities at those times on a regular basis please contact the Library staff. Either drop in to visit us or ring through to the Library via your school.

With an emphasis on providing a safe working environment, we cannot provide an appropriate environment for volunteers to bring along young, pre-school children.

Thank you to all our current volunteers, your support as always is much appreciated.

Maureen Dickson

PEOPLES CHOICE COMMUNITY LOTTERY

We have 45 books to sell so we would appreciate any interested Thiele Primary School families that would be willing to sell a raffle book please collect one from Jayne at the Thiele Front Office.

Help support Campus and be in the draw to WIN! Campus is again taking part in the People’s Choice Community Lottery for 2016. Tickets are still only $2 each and your family is welcome to sell a book or two (10 tickets per book) to be in the running to win some fantastic prizes. With 100% of all sales going directly to the Campus, it's a win/win for everyone. First prize is the fabulous Hyundai Tucson Elite ($40,454 incl on roads). Second prize is a $35,000 shopping spree from Harvey Norman and 3rd prize is the Hyundai i30 GD4 Active Auto ($24,904 incl on roads). But that's not all. There are over 150 prizes worth over $360,000. Lottery closes on 31st August and prizes are drawn on 4th October with all winners notified. We only have limited tickets allocated to the Campus so if you didn’t get a book, please head to www.peopleschoicecu.com.au/aberfoyle-park-primary-school-campus

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PARENTS in EDUCATION WEEK
12–15 September 2016

Parent engagement helps children learn best
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