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THIELE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Friday July 8 - End of Term 2 - Early Dismissal 2.00pm

TERM 2, 2016 DIARY DATES:

Week 10

Friday July 8

End of Term 2

Early Dismissal – 2.00 pm

TERM 3, 2016 DIARY DATES:

Week 1

Monday July 25

Term 3 Starts

Sunday July 30

Pedal Prix race at Victoria Park

Week 2

Friday August 5

12.00 pm - Assembly

Week 3

Tuesday August 9

6.30 pm - Finance Meeting

7.30 pm –Governing Council

Friday August 12

Year 7 River Journey at Flinders
University

Week 4

Thursday August 18

Campus Showcase

Friday August 19

12.00 pm - Assembly

Week 6

Friday September 2

12.00 pm - Assembly

Week 7

Monday September 5

Pupil Free Day

Week 8

Tuesday September 13

6.30 pm - Finance Meeting

7.30 pm –Governing Council



Government of South Australia
Department for Education and
Child Development

From the Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

When I was young I went to school in Port Lincoln. One of the games we liked to play was British Bulldog. If you are not familiar with the game it is like Red Rover but quite physical. One day after playing this game at lunchtime I had all the buttons on my shirt ripped off and when I went home I desperately tried to hide the damage from my parents as I knew I would get into trouble. That's what we did back then; tried to not let mum and dad know what mischief we got into at school. They too, did not want to know everything that we got up to.

How times have changed! You might be surprised how many times we are asked by parents to tell them everything that their child does wrong at school. What we need is a balance.

Teachers are trained educators and are used to dealing with children. Teachers are basically in "loco parentis" which means that they would act in the best interests of the child in the absence of a parent. Just like parents, teachers can respond to a child's behaviour a number of times a day and these responses could be for strong or weak choices. It is part of what we do.

It is in the best interests of the child that parents are not informed of every single interaction across a day. You need to trust the teachers that they will deal with the low to moderate behaviours across a day and that when they feel a behaviour is continual or high level then they will contact the parents to discuss the situation. Children need to develop independence and resilience and having parents knowing every single thing they do reduces their ability to make strong choices and develop these skills. It would also be very time consuming for teachers to be feeding back to parents what their child has been up to every day.

So if you are a parent that thinks you need to know everything your child does at school, think back to when you were young. Didn't you do things you didn't want your parents to know about? I am sure there was.

Student Reports

The mid-year reports were sent home to families yesterday. If you have any questions relating to your child's report, please talk with your child's teacher.

Cheers
Shaun

NOTES SENT HOME



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

- Notice regarding student safety
- Whooping Cough
- Mid-Year Reports

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

NIHONGO NEWS

Konnichiwa

On Tuesday 28th June some of our Year 7 students met at Ginza for a Japanese banquet meal. The students ate in a traditional style room where they sat at low tables and enjoyed an authentic Japanese atmosphere. Firstly the students enjoyed an entrée tasting plate that had a variety of different foods to try, including Sushi of course! For the main meal there was a choice of Chicken Teriyaki, Ginger Pork or Tempura Udon and then there was green tea and ice cream for dessert. The students enjoyed themselves.



A big thank you to the parents who dropped off and picked up their children.

Sayonara,
Milani Sensei



PERFORMING ARTS SHOWCASE

Campus Performing Arts Showcase will be held in Week 4 of Term 3, on Thursday 18th August. There will be a Matinee and Evening Performance – forms will be sent home in Week 1 of next term with all the details, ticket orders, permission slips for participating students, etc., so please keep an eye out for this.

Last week auditions were held for individual and small group acts, with some very talented students across all three schools taking the opportunity to share their skills. Students are being notified this week as to whether their audition was successful, so it is a very exciting time.

We wish you all the very best for a wonderful holiday break, and look forward to sharing this exciting event with you next term.

The Performing Arts Committee

COMMUNITY NEWS

On the hunt for the write stuff

Onkaparinga Council is calling for entries to its Young Writers Competition. The annual contest showcases original writers. Youths can enter as many times as they like between July 1 and August 19. Entry forms are available at onkaparingacity.com/events/2016/07/01/young_winter_writers_competition.jsp

Going back in time at the Hub

Children will learn more about dinosaurs during guided tours of the Hub Library in July. Youths will be given a map that leads them on a trail through the library, stopping at stations to read about different dinosaurs. The sessions are part of the council's school holiday program and are at the library on Hub Drive, Aberfoyle Park, from July 11 – 22.

Details: 8384 0100

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