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# THIELE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**APRIL 6, 2017**

**Newsletter No 5**

## TERM 1, 2017 DIARY DATES:

### Week 10

**Friday April 7**

12.00 pm – Assembly

### Week 11

**Tuesday April 11**

11.30 am - SMG Easter Event

**Thursday April 13**

2.00 pm - End of Term 1

**Friday April 14**

GOOD FRIDAY

## TERM 2, 2017 DIARY DATES:

### Week 1

**Monday May 1**

Term 2 begins

### Week 2

**Tuesday May 9 – Thursday May 11**

NAPLAN Testing for Year 3, 5 & 7

**Friday May 12**

12.00 pm - Assembly

6.00 pm - Campus Disco

### Week 3

**Tuesday May 16**

6.30 pm – Finance Meeting

7.30 pm – Governing Council Mtg

### Week 4

**Tuesday May 23**

ICAS Digital Technologies Test

**Friday May 26**

**PUPIL FREE DAY**

### Week 6

**Wednesday June 7**

School Photo's

Term Dates 2017	
Term 1	Jan 30 – April 13
Term 2	May 1 – July 7
Term 3	July 24 – Sept 29
Term 4	Oct 16 – Dec 15

## From the Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Recently a family friend was lamenting that their 4 year old child was swearing a lot and didn't know where he learnt "such language". A little bit further into the conversation the friend realised that, yes you guessed it, they had learnt the words from them.

Young children often swear because they're exploring language. They might be testing a new word, perhaps to understand its meaning. Sometimes swearing happens accidentally when children are learning to say words. Children might also be trying to express a feeling such as frustration. Or they might simply be saying the word because it sounds funny or gets a reaction. Children might also be imitating others when they swear, but does this mean we have to accept it?

Schools and communities are often competing against what children see / hear in the media, in the community or in online games. We do feel however, that our students and staff have the right to work in an environment not filled with colourful language or in some cases, verbal abuse. So how can you help?

- It's a good idea for the adults in your home to discuss and agree on acceptable language. For example, in some families, expressions such as 'damn' are OK, but other words are not.
- Discuss your family rules about acceptable language with your child. For example, you might say, 'Please use a nicer word', or 'We don't use words like that'.
- If you find it difficult to stop swearing yourself, try to find alternative words to use or another way to deal with the situation. Adults often swear when they're frustrated or angry. Instead of swearing, try to say something like, 'I feel really frustrated or angry'. This way you are modelling better ways of expressing feelings.
- Be aware of what your child watches, listens to and plays with. That means supervising and checking the ratings on TV, movies and other multimedia and music.
- Praise your child when you notice him / her dealing appropriately with anger or frustration. For example, if your child tells you that a playmate was using swear words to tease him / her, praise your child for walking away from the situation and not using those words himself / herself.

With the end of the term and change of season already upon us, please remember to have the correct uniform (e.g. windcheaters) for the start of next term.

Have a safe and Happy Easter with your family.

Cheers  
Shaun



Government of South Australia  
Department for Education and  
Child Development

## NOTES SENT HOME



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

- Notification of Impetigo (School Sores)
- Notification of Shingles
- Christian Options Program – Easter Performance

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

## CAMPUS SPORTS DAY

Last Friday we had a fantastic Campus Sports Day. The cooler weather made being outside all day very pleasant and ensured a higher participation rate from all the students. I would like to thank Maggie from the Canteen and their band of helpers who cooked the barbecue for all the hungry children and spectators. Thank you also to the members and volunteers of the Campus Events Committee who ran the coffee and cakes stall. On the day canteen raised \$1500.00 approximately and the Campus Events Committee raised \$970.00 approximately.

The results of the day are outlined in the table below.

CHAMPIONSHIP SHIELD	
First	MURRAY
Second	FLINDERS
Third	EYRE
Fourth	YORKE
SPIRIT SHIELD	
Equal First	FLINDERS / EYRE
Second	MURRAY
Third	YORKE

## NAPLAN TESTING

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN Testing for this year will take place in the second week on Term 2. The table below outlines the schedule of tests.

	Tuesday May 8	Wednesday May 9	Thursday May 10
Year 3	Language Conventions Writing	Reading	Numeracy
Year 5	Language Conventions Writing	Reading	Numeracy
Year 7	Language Conventions Writing	Reading	Numeracy

Information from the NAPLAN Website states that adjustments can be provided for students with a disability to enable them to access the tests on an equivalent basis as students without disability, and should be discussed with your child's school prior to the tests.

Some students with significant intellectual disability and/or those with significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests may be exempted from sitting the tests.

Some students who have been attending school in Australia for less than a year before the tests may also be eligible for exemption. Exemptions should be discussed with your child's school.

Parents or carers may withdraw their child from the tests to address issues such as religious beliefs and philosophical objections to testing. It is recommended that withdrawal be considered in consultation with your child's school. States and territories have different ways of managing student withdrawals, but formal notification must be received by the school principal prior to testing.

Wherever possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during testing week.

For further information please contact the school or visit [www.nap.edu.au/](http://www.nap.edu.au/)

## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

This year's National Volunteers Week is being celebrated from Monday **8 May to Sunday 14 May 2017**. A range of activities are planned to celebrate this special week so if you are interested, you are welcome to attend. These include:

- **National Volunteer Week parade**  
Walk in the parade with DECD volunteers and staff.  
Date: **Monday 8 May 2017**  
Time: 10.00am  
Where: Torrens Parade Ground, Adelaide
- **National Volunteer Week DECD thank you event**  
A free morning tea for DECD volunteers and staff who coordinate volunteers.  
Date: **Wednesday 10 May 2017**  
Time: 10.30am to 11.30am  
Where: DECD Gallery, 31 Flinders Street, Adelaide

## JAPANESE NEWS

**NEW VENUE!**

Japan Australia Friendship Association  
proudly presents  
The 22nd Annual

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## JAPAN FESTIVAL

2017

FREE PARKING

ENTRY \$2/PERSON  
\$5/FAMILY

COME IN JAPANESE COSTUME

2013 The City of West Torrens  
Community Event of the Year Award  
2013 The Australia Day Council of South Australia  
Community Event of the Year Award

MARTIAL ARTS • MAID O'AFE • IKBANA • KIMONO WEARING  
MOCHITSUKI DEMONSTRATION • ORIGAMI & CALLIGRAPHY • PERFORMANCES • BOMBAL  
GAMES • JAPANESE FOOD & DRINKS • MUSIC • TRAIN SIMULATION • AND MUCH MORE!

**SUNDAY 7 MAY 11AM - 4PM**  
**THE BARTON COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
CORNER SOUTH ROAD & ASHWIN PARADE, TORRENSVILLE

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# SA ATHLETICS ACADEMY

STARTING SUNDAY, 30TH APRIL 2017

LOCATION: SA Athletics Stadium, 145 Railway Terrace, Mile End 5031  
SQUADS: Bronze, Silver and Gold  
TIMES: Gold (11am-2pm), Silver (12pm-3:45pm), Bronze (2:15pm-4:45pm)

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athleticsa.com.au/SAAthleticsAcademy



## COMMUNITY NEWS



### Tennis Coaching

Southbank Tennis Club Hessing Crescent Trott Park

April School Holiday and Term 2 Programme

Free Trial to place your child into the correct group

Contact: Just N2 Tennis 0415 289 733

Visit Just N2 Tennis facebook for all the latest information on how to get your

Child into tennis

Starting from age 3.

Email: [hotshots@justn2tennis.com.au](mailto:hotshots@justn2tennis.com.au)

## Marion GP Plus Healthcare Centre



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