

THIELE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Acting Principal.....

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Later this term we will be participating in the online NAPLAN readiness trial. Online NAPLAN testing will allow students to be presented with questions that best suit their ability. This is achieved by the computer program selecting different pathways to the bank of questions. For example, in reading if the students begin having difficulty reading the questions the student will be assisted by having the computer generate questions which will be read to them.

The trial will enable us to not only familiarise the students with this style of testing, but also assess our capacity to administer this test with the internet and computers available to us within the school. Our students have been participating in online

testing for the past four years in the areas of PAT Maths and PAT Reading, but NAPLAN have developed familiarisation units for classroom teachers to access so to orientate and familiarise the students with this process.

We will continue to use the computer room for this testing which means that NAPLAN testing will occur over a 9 day period and we are currently budgeting to upgrade these computers over the next two to three years.

Over the year the NAPLAN, PAT M and PAT R assessments have provided us with important information to inform classroom practice, provide intervention programs and support to students so that they can strive to reach their true potential.

Reading and reading comprehension is imperative to the success of your child. Listening to your child read, reading to your child, encouraging them to read regularly, being a reading role model and showing interest in what your child is reading by asking questions and supporting them to make links and connections to real life experiences is one of the most important ways you can support your child to be successful.

Kind Regards
Sharon Willoughby
Acting Principal

Congratulations

Congratulations to Leani who won her category for Mountain Bike Riding at the State Championships - Leani is the 2018 U13 Girls State Champion.



Congratulations!

Year 6/7 Canberra Camp

On Sunday 28 October 2018, 60 Thiele students set off for an exciting tour of Canberra. The trip provided an invaluable opportunity to participate in a variety of fun activities, with a strong focus on Australia's history, heritage, democracy and culture. From the moment we arrived at Camp Warrambui we ventured out to explore the wonderful things Canberra has to offer. Starting with tours inside Parliament House and bumping elbows with professional athletes at the Australian Institute of Sport. We even went to visit Government House. However, we just missed out on speaking to the Governor General Sir Peter Cosgrove.

The following days were a nonstop adventure as we explored Canberra's Space station and actively participated in CSIRO's interactive learning experience. Students were able to learn more about our history of money as we visited the Royal Mint and paid our respects at The War Memorial, which was the highlight of the trip for many of us. As well as the many educational activities, camp was an amazing experience that many students will remember forever.

Dale Bliss
Year 6/7 Teacher



Year 6/7 students from our school undertook an educational camp in the national capital, Canberra. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. They travelled by bus to Canberra, leaving on the afternoon of Sunday 28th October and arriving back to school on the morning of Friday 2nd November (Week 3, Term 4).

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$60 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Year 7 in High School

Recently, the government has confirmed that year 7 public school students will be taught in high school from term 1, 2022.

The move will align South Australia's public schools with the national curriculum taught in high schools making it easier to deliver subjects and improve outcomes for students.

Access to dedicated facilities and resources and exposure to different teaching styles will also give each year 7 student opportunities for deeper learning, greater peer interactions, and greater independence and responsibility.

For more information visit <http://www.education.sa.gov.au/7tohs>

Campus Canteen Happenings Term 4

Weeks 4 & 5

Paddle Pops \$1.00

Chocolate, Banana and Rainbow

Over the counter sale - no pre-orders needed



Week 6

Hot Dog & Ice Mony

Lunch order \$5.00



Weeks 8 & 9

Christmas Reindeer

Mini Muffin Treat 50 cents

Over the counter sales - no pre-orders needed



Order forms for the Week 6 lunch order were sent home in Week 4

Connect, Coach and Take Charge - FREE Parenting Workshop

How to connect, coach and take charge... when kids get frustrated, non-co-operative and distressed.

Dates: 6 Wednesday evenings from 24 October to 28 November 2018

Times: 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm

Place: Thiele Primary School
Campus Drive
Aberfoyle Park
SA 5159

Cost: Free

Facilitators: Carolyn DiFiore and Suzanna Hodgson

(Places limited and full 6 week commitment required. Bookings only confirmed on return of paperwork).

Bookings essential Phone: 8357 1711



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For information about our counselling services go to: www.developingminds.net.au

For information about our online supports go to: www.calmkidcentral.com

Please visit the Thiele Skoolbag App for more information.

Important Dates to remember

- Year 6/7 Assembly - Friday Dec 7 12.00 pm
 - Year 7 Graduation Tuesday 11 Dec
 - Thursday December 13 - End of Term 4 - Early Dismissal 2.00 pm
 - Friday December 14 - Pupil Free Day
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Thiele Assembly Schedule

Term 4

Week 4 - T2 / Mrs Allen / Mrs Fletcher class

Week 6 - Student Representative Council (SRC)

Week 8 - Year 7 Graduates

Thiele Student Free Days

This year we have scheduled student free days for

- Term 4 – Friday 14th December

Campus Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open on Campus, the hours are:

- Mondays 2.30 pm -3.30 pm
- Wednesdays 8.30 am - 9.30 am
- Fridays 8.30 am - 9.30 am.

Thiele Second-hand Uniform Shop

The Secondhand Uniform Shop is open on Thursday mornings from 9.00 am - 9.45 am in the Art Room (Heysen Building).

Notices sent home

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

- Chickenpox Alert
- Campus Canteen Happenings - Term 4

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

Term 4 Diary Dates, 2018

Week 4

Friday November 9

12.00 pm Assembly - T2 / Mrs Allen's class presenting

Week 6

Friday November 23

12.00 pm Assembly - SRC presenting

Week 8

Donations of non-perishable food items for the Salvation Army

Tuesday December 4

6.30 pm Finance Meeting

7.30 pm Governing Council Meeting

Friday December 7

12.00 pm Assembly - Year 7 Graduates presenting

Week 9

Thursday December 13 - End of Term 4 - Early Dismissal 2.00 pm

Friday December 14 - Pupil Free Day

	Term Dates 2018
Term 1	Jan 29 - April 13
Term 2	April 30 - July 6

Term 3	July 23 - Sept 28
Term 4	Oct 15 - Dec 14

Term 1 Diary Dates, 2019

PUPIL FREE DAYS

Friday March 8

Friday April 12

Week 4

Monday February 18 - Friday February 22

R - 5 Swimming

Week 7

Tuesday March 12 - Friday March 15

Year 6/7 Aquatics

Term 2 Diary Dates, 2019

NAPLAN

Monday May 14 - Friday May 24

Year 3, 5 & 7 NAPLAN

	Term Dates 2019
Term 1	Jan 29 - April 12
Term 2	April 29 - July 5
Term 3	July 22 - Sept 27
Term 4	Oct 12 - Dec 11



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