**THOMAS MITCHELL WEEKLY**


**THOMAS MITCHELL DRIVE, ENDEAVOUR HILLS.**

**Issue No. 14**

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**May 12th 2016**

**NAPLAN Testing**

- Tue – Thurs 10-12/5
- Friday 13/5

**Special Whole School Assembly – 9.00am in Gym**

- Year 6 Interschool Sport – TMPS Gold V TMPS Blue Home
- Year 6 Secondary School Transition Forms due back

**Monday 16/5**

- 2AB, 2MC and ½ 2JR Excursion – Como House

**Tuesday 17/5**

- School Council Meeting – 7.30pm in staffroom
- ICAS Digital Technology Competition
- Year 6 Excursion – Royal Botanic Gardens, Cranbourne
- Year 5 & 6 Assembly – 2.40pm in Gym

**Wednesday 18/5**

- Prep – Write Away With Me ‘Storytelling’ Workshop at TMPS

**Thursday 19/5**

- Last Day for 2nd Hand Uniform Items to be handed in

**Friday 20/5**

- 2DF, 2WR and ½ 2JR Excursion – Como House
- Canteen Special Lunch Day Money and Orders due back
- Divisional Cross Country – Toomuc Recreation Reserve, Pakenham

**Monday 23/5**

- 1SB, 1NW and 1JW Excursion – Melbourne Museum
- Year 3 Activity – Young Australia ‘Frane Lessac’ Workshop

**Tuesday 24/5**

- ICAS Science Competition
- Year 4 Activity – Young Australia ‘Mark Greenwood’ Workshop
- Year 6 Literacy Activity – Screening of ‘Holes’ (rated PG)

**Wednesday 25/5**

- 1JW & 1JX Melbourne Museum Excursion

**Tuesday 31/5**

- 2nd Hand Uniform Sale 3.00pm – 4.00pm outside Library

**Wednesday 1/6**

- Year 6 Literacy Activity – Screening of ‘Holes’ (rated PG)

**Tuesday 7/6**

- Canteen Special Lunch Day

**Thursday 9/6**

- Curriculum Day – **Students do not attend school**

**Friday 10/6**

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**YEAR 2 AND 4 SINGING CONCERT**

Last night I was most fortunate to attend the Years 2 and 4 Concert at River Gum Performing Arts Centre in Hampton Park.

What a joy it is to see such enthusiastic performers participating in songs that they obviously love to sing. It is wonderful to have an appreciative audience to see the culmination of all their practice. Thank you parents and family members.

Many thanks to Jenni Entwistle and all the staff involved in the performances.

**SPECIAL ASSEMBLY – PRESENTATION BY HON. ANTHONY BYRNE – 9.00AM FRIDAY 13TH MAY**

Tomorrow, Friday 13th May, at 9.00am, we will be holding a special whole school assembly where Hon. Anthony Byrne, Federal Member for Holt will be making a presentation to our school. All parents are welcome to attend.
CIS (Council Of International Schools) Visit
Parents would be aware that last week we had 3 international visitors from the Council of International Schools. Our visitors had the opportunity to meet with a broad range of the school community – school council members, students, parents, staff and members of the Education Department.

We were pleased with the visit, and our visitors had nice things to say about our school. We will receive a formal report in the next couple of weeks.

Enrolments For 2017
We are now accepting enrolments for 2017. Please contact the office for more information.

John Hurley
Principal

Welcome to Mohsen (5BS) who commenced at Thomas Mitchell Primary School this week.

NOTICES SENT HOME THIS WEEK

- Year 6 Literacy Activity – Screening of ‘Holes’ (rated PG)
- Letter to 3JC from Focus Photo
- SRI (Special Religious Instruction) Invoices to participating students

CSEF Applications

If you have not yet submitted your application for the Camps, sports and Excursions funding, please do so as a matter of urgency. All you need is to be a recipient of a Health Care or Concession Card from Centrelink – see the office for more information.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students

How to Apply
- Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the CSEF or TMPS website.

Please note:
Prep children who have been approved for CSEF are entitled to specific school uniform items free of charge.

All Prep families who have received the 2016 CSEF funding have been contacted. If you still need to submit a CSEF application please do so urgently. We will then contact you to discuss your free uniform package options.

Tracey Etherington
Business Manager
2016 SRI Classes

Invoices for the Christian and Islamic Special Religious Instruction classes have been sent home with participating students today. Please forward your payment in the envelope provided and return to the office by Friday 20th May.

If you believe your child is no longer participating please contact the office, alternatively SRI consent forms are available from the office should your child wish to attend these lunchtime classes.

Please note there are no Christian SRI classes for prep students.

School Photos

School photos have been distributed to all students who ordered and prepaid their photos.

Unfortunately, due to a printing error, the photo packs for 3JC have been delayed and will be sent shortly. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

If you have any issues or enquiries regarding school photos, please contact Focus Photo directly on 5250 6275.

Canteen Special Lunch Day

On Tuesday 7th June, the canteen will be holding a Special Lunch Day for the whole school. Order forms have been sent home previously.

No other lunch orders will be available on this day.

If you would like to order a Special Lunch, please return the order form and money by no later than 4.00pm on Friday 20th May. Late orders cannot be accepted.

Canteen Staff

School Fees Receipts and Credit Card Authority from Prepayments

We had an excellent response from families who opted to pay their school fees using the prepayment method in the days leading up to book collection day in January this year.

We have many uncollected receipts and credit card information that is to be collected by parents, or children authorised to do so. The information is sensitive and cannot be distributed via mail or via children without your permission.

Could parents please arrange to call into the school office to collect their information as soon as possible. Alternatively, please use the form below to arrange for your child/other representative to collect it on your behalf.

| ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………… authorise the following |

| person ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………... to collect my book list receipt and credit card authorisation and information as provided for prepayment processing in December 2015/January 2016. |

Signed:………………………………………………………………………………………………………….. ………/…….../2016
UPCOMING DATES FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP 2016 - TERM 2

Friday mornings 8.30am – 9.30am
13th May
20th May
27th May
3rd June
17th June
24th June

Tuesday afternoons 3.00pm – 4.00pm
17th May
7th June
21st June

2nd Hand Uniform Sale
Tuesday 31st May
3.00pm – 4.00pm
Outside Library, Cash Only

EFT & credit card facilities available (minimum transaction of $15)

2nd Hand Uniform Sale
A 2nd hand uniform sale will be held on Tuesday 31st May 2016 between 3.00pm and 4.00pm outside the library. Please note that it will be a cash sale only. No EFTPOS, credit card or cheques will be accepted.

Thursday 19th May will be the last day of accepting any items to sell at our 2nd Hand Uniform Sale. Please make sure all clothes are laundered, bagged and returned with a completed 2nd Hand Uniform Sale form which is attached to this newsletter. Please leave bags at the office.

THOMAS MITCHELL PRIMARY SCHOOL PHONE APP
Thomas Mitchell Primary School’s own iPhone/Android App is now available from the App store/Play store as a free download. If you are downloading the app to your iPhone/ iPad you will need to search for the app using the App store. If you are using an Android phone search for the app using the Playstore, then download it onto your device.

The app is designed to allow TMPS parents to access and receive information about events and activities at the school. We trust that you will enjoy the convenience that this app will bring you. If you have any queries, please contact us at school ph: 9706 2254, or via the school’s email thomas.mitchell.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or the app (if you have successfully downloaded it) under the requests tab.

THOMAS MITCHELL WEBSITE
Our website http://www.tmps.vic.edu.au/ has lots of useful information about our school including copies of newsletters, excursion notices, forms, price lists, enrolment information etc that can be downloaded for your use.

A feature of the web is the ability to subscribe to our weekly Newsletter as well as excursion notices. If you would like to take advantage of this feature, click on the parents tab on our website, select ‘newsletters’ and then click on the “Email me updates” link on the right hand side of the page. This link will ask you to fill out your name and email address and each week you will automatically receive an updated copy of the newsletter once we have added it to the webpage.

To receive excursion notices and forms repeat the same process by clicking on the School Notices & Excursion forms tab. Please go and visit our new web page and tell us what you think, we would appreciate your feedback.
Cross Country Training
Students wanting to train for the Divisional Cross Country Carnival or any students who would like to train to improve their fitness, the following training date is available:

- Wednesday 18th May 8:20am

All students are to meet in the gym foyer and training will be conducted on the oval.

Year 6 Interschool Sport – Friday 13th May
Please see below for game fixture:

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### House Points - Weekly House Points Results

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### Total House Point Results for 2016

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Olivia Goder  
Physical Education Teacher
**Fundraising Target**
All our fundraising this year will be going to the Art Department to help with the purchase of a new Kiln! We hope everyone will continue to support the efforts of the Parents Club and help us work towards achieving this goal. We’ll be so happy if we can contribute $10,000.

**Jamberry Nails Fundraiser – Extended!**
We are running a Jamberry Nails fundraiser this term in conjunction with Mayuri Wickramarachchi. The school will receive 20% commission on all sales made using the link below. Products must be ordered before 31st May. Jamberry Nails are also donating $3 from all special Autism wraps sold, to Autism Spectrum Australia. If you’d like to find out more, please check out the flyers posted up around the school or call Mayuri on Mb:0422 621 187. Please use the following link to make your online purchase and select Thomas Mitchell Primary at the checkout. Please check the online newsletter through the school website if you wish to click on the link directly instead of typing it in!
[https://aussiejammy.jamberry.com](https://aussiejammy.jamberry.com)

**Mothers’ Day Stall**
Thank you to everyone who purchased gifts from our Mothers’ Day Stall. We hope all the Mums had a great day on Sunday!!

**5c Fundraiser**
Thank you to everyone for continuing to support this fundraiser! We love a bit of healthy competition but it’s just a game so please keep it fun! Please continue to donate your 5c coins via your class teacher each morning. The amount of coins donated from each class is being recorded once a week. The class which has donated the most coins by 17th June will receive a special Pizza lunch in the last week of Term 2!! Therefore, please keep looking for all your spare 5c coins under the couch, in the car etc and bring them along to school each morning.

**School Banking**
We had 88 deposits this week. Thank you to all our regular savers and welcome to our new savers! Remember, the Commonwealth Bank rewards the school with 5% commission on each deposit made (as well as $5 for each new account registered). The new rewards now available are Mud Splat Handball and Outback Pat Bag Tag. Other rewards still available are: Flying Snake Tail, Wildlife Writer Set, Dollarmites Moneybox (2014), ET DVD (2015), Outerspace Money Box (2015), Intergalactic Rocket (2015) or Galaxy Glider Frisbee (2015). Please include a note and 10 silver tokens (or 1 gold token) with your banking if you’d like to claim a reward. Remember the competition is still running as well to win a family trip to Australia Zoo!! Just make 15 or more deposits before the end of Term 3. Further details are available on the Commonwealth Bank website.

**Entertainment Books**
We are now selling the 2016/2017 Melbourne Entertainment Book. For only $65, you get over $15,000 worth of valuable offers that can be used straight away. The vouchers are valid up until 1st June, 2017!! $13 from each book sold will go towards TMPS’ fundraising. You can order an Entertainment Book online [https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1876q86](https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1876q86) or pay by EFT/Credit Card or correct cash at the school office. A copy of the Entertainment Book is available at the office for viewing.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Thomas Mitchell Playgroup – Tuesday Mornings - 9.15am – 10.30am

The school is running a Playgroup for 0-5 year olds each Tuesday morning from 9:15am – 10:30am during the school term again this year. We ask for a gold coin donation to participate and for parents to please bring a nut free snack for their child/ren.

It is a great opportunity to meet other parents of children attending our school or local families and for your younger children to meet other children who may be joining the school in the future.

Please feel free to bring a friend along, or if you know someone with younger children, who would like to join this group, please let them know.

Fun activities include: playdough, painting, pasting, stories, music, singing and games.

Look forward to seeing you at Playgroup.

Thomas Mitchell OSHC 12th May 2016
OSHC Telephone Number - 0415 326 328

Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea
A big thank you to all that attended, we raised close to $100.00!

Curriculum Days 9th & 10th June
At this stage if you require care please book online or by calling the customer service team on 1300 105 343
Janice & the OSHC team 😊
Please return this form with the goods for sale to the school.

Family Name: .................................. Child’s Name: ............... Class: ............
(Please Print Clearly)

Items submitted for sale (Must be school uniform pants, logo on tops, hats etc.)

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- All items have been washed and placed in a plastic bag prior to delivery to school.  
  - Yes

- I acknowledge the school will attempt to sell my uniform items at a cost based on condition of quality. (Each article will be inspected and priced according to quality)  
  - Yes

- I acknowledge the school will retain $1.00 per item as sales commission. This amount will be deducted from the money due to me from sales.  
  - Yes

Please choose one of the following items only (tick relevant box):

- I would like to donate these items if not sold at the sale
- Please retain any unsold items for next sale (to be held each term)
- Please return unsold items if not sold at this sale

Signature: ________________________________  Contact Phone No: ________________
Narratives (2WR)

The Three Little Pigs

Our supply line is always empty.

We could use more food.

Information Reports (2DF)

Bob's Shocks

What they look like

They have long hair.

Some are yellow while others are brown.

Some have tails.

Some are black.

Some have red hair.

Some are in red.

We are in their house.

They are happy.

I think they are happy.

Making Inferences (2AB)

Think things in a yard because there are lots of people and cars. It's also very close to them. And there are lots of tall buildings. I think many people are happy to be older.