



THOMAS MITCHELL WEEKLY

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THOMAS MITCHELL DRIVE, ENDEAVOUR HILLS.

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July 23rd 2020



Sunday	2/8	Last Day for online payment for ICAS
Thursday	20/8	ICAS Science – Years 2 to 6
Monday	24/8	ICAS Digital Technologies – Years 3 to 6
Thursday	27/8	ICAS English – Years 2 to 6
Monday	31/8	ICAS Mathematics – Years 2 to 6
Thursday	3/9	ICAS Spelling Bee – Years 2 to 6



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

As we continue through this most difficult period of COVID-19, I would again thank all our families for their support and understanding as we work together to keep everyone safe.

We have been made aware that Gleneagles College will be closed for 3 days from Thursday 23rd July due to a student from their school testing positive for COVID-19.

Our most recent information is that close contacts – both staff and students – will be contacted and advised to be tested. Other staff and students will be advised to be tested if they are showing symptoms of COVID-19.

If you have any concerns, please contact The Department of Education's coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline on 1800 338 663, Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm or the Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080, which is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Staff News

Yesterday was Nurse Robyn White's last day at Thomas Mitchell. We thank her for all that she has done for students and staff during her 2 years at our school, and wish her well for the future.

Wearing Masks at School

A reminder that all adults are required to wear masks when visiting the school. No primary school students need to wear masks at school, although they can if parents want them to.

Staff do not need to wear masks when teaching, but are required to at all other times when at school.

John Hurley
Principal



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have received further advice from the University of New South Wales in regards to ICAS testing. If you are considering enrolling your child in the ICAS Competitions, a second testing window has been announced to help safeguard against the uncertainty with COVID-19. If the existing test window in August and September does not go ahead, we can complete the tests from 12-23 October. This will provide greater security for parents as the payment window closes soon. The Parent Payment System has been extended and will now close on Sunday 2nd August.

2020 Participation

In 2020 students in years 2–6 have the opportunity to participate in the following subjects:

*****(please note Digital Technologies is only available for students in years 3-6)*****

Subject	TMPS Sitting dates
ICAS Science (Years 2-6)	Thursday 20 th August
ICAS Digital Technologies (Years 3-6)	Monday 24 th August
ICAS English (Years 2-6)	Thursday 27 th August
ICAS Mathematics (Years 2-6)	Monday 31 st August
ICAS Spelling Bee (Years 2-6)	Thursday 3 rd September
ICAS WRITING	WITHDRAWN FOR 2020 DUE TO COVID-19

Cost per test: \$15.95 including GST

If you would like your child to participate in any of the subjects listed above, please visit the new online Parent Payment System to make a direct payment to UNSW Global. The Parent Payment System is a simple and secure online payment service specifically for parents to purchase ICAS Assessments. **Please be aware that we will not be accepting any payments via the Thomas Mitchell Office.**

The web link is: <https://shop.unswglobal.com.au/pages/pps>

Our school's unique access code is: EVG020. Online parent payment closes Sunday, 2nd August.

IMPORTANT: Please enter your child's name accurately into the System as it will appear on their ICAS certificate.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Mark Reid & Joe Rasantane

ICAS Co-ordinators



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Year 6 Camp

Thank you to all families who have paid the deposit for their child to attend the Year 6 camp.

The camp will go ahead later this year providing we are allowed to and our staff and children will be safe.

If you haven't yet paid the deposit of \$50, could you please contact the school office urgently on 9706 2254 as we may not be able to add your child at a later date.