THOMAS MITCHELL WEEKLY

THOMAS MITCHELL DRIVE, ENDEAVOUR HILLS.
Issue No. 18

ON BEHALF OF THE PRINCIPAL

School Curriculum Days – Thursday 9th June & Friday 10th June
The two days before the Queen’s Birthday long weekend – Thursday 9th June and Friday 10th June are Curriculum Days. Children do not attend school on these days.

Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday – Monday 13th June
Reminder to our families Monday is the Queen’s Birthday public holiday.

Indonesian Day
Last Thursday we had a very successful Indonesian Day at school. There were lots of different activities which helped develop students understanding of the Indonesian culture. Thank you to Steph Mackenzie for organising the day and to the parents who assisted.

Prep 2017
We are now accepting enrolments for Prep 2017. Please see the office for enrolment papers and more information.

25th Birthday Photo
As mentioned last week, all staff and students had the 25th Birthday Photo taken on Monday 6th June. We look forward to seeing the finished product.

Giselle Cassar
Assistant Principal
**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

**Year 6 Hooded Windcheaters**

We have 2 new hooded year 6 windcheaters for sale, 1 size 12 and 1 size L at a discounted cost of $50.00 each. If you would like to purchase either windcheater please complete the form below and return to school with payment.

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**THOMAS MITCHELL PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**YEAR 6 HOODED WINDCHEATER**

I would like to purchase the following windcheater:

- 1 Size 12 Year 6 Hooded Windcheater @ $50.00
- 1 Size L Year 6 Hooded Windcheater @ $50.00

Child’s Name:  

Class:  

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**Uniform – Price Rise**

As of the 11th July (1st day of term 3) there will be a price rise to all uniform shop items. If you wish to still purchase items at the old prices you will need to purchase items before the last day of term 24th June.

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**UNIFORM SHOP OPEN TIMES – Term 2 2016**

Every Friday morning 8.30am to 9.30am:  

17th, 24th June

Each 1st and 3rd Tuesday afternoon 3.00pm – 4.00pm  

21st June

*Sally Opie  
Uniform Shop*
**SPORT NEWS**

**Basketball Victoria Hoop Time**

Next Friday the 17th June, we have three teams entered in the Hoop Time basketball competition. The teams are made up of year five and year six students. The teams will play against schools in the Endeavour Hills district, in a round robin tournament. The tournament is located at Dandenong Basketball Stadium. We wish both teams the best of luck!

**Regional Cross Country**

Congratulations to Ela, Andrew, Claudia, Mitsuki and Jess on making it to the Regional Carnival. They placed in the top ten and will now compete at the next level, on Thursday June 23rd at Ballam Park in Frankston.

**Cross Country Training**

Students wanting to train for the Regional Cross Country Carnival, or any students who would like to train to improve their fitness, the following training dates are available:

- Wednesday 15th June - 8:20am
- Monday 20th June- 8:20am

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

**Year 6 Interschool Sport**

Well done to our year six students who have completed their first term of interschool sport. All results will be finalised next term. In term three we move on to different sports and students will be in a new team. The sports are football, sofocrosse, volley stars, softball and basketball. We look forward to another successful term in interschool sport.

**Round 7 Interschool Sport Results:**

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*Have a great week!* 😊

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.

5c Fundraiser
Thank you to everyone who has been supporting this amazing fundraiser! There are only 2 weeks to go now so please continue to donate your 5c coins via your class teacher each morning. The amount of coins donated from each class is still 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!! Due to the success of this fundraiser, we’ve decided to award a smaller prize to the winning class from each year level as well so please keep up the great work!
Due to the long weekend, we don’t have this week’s leaders calculated as yet. However, stay tuned for an update before the end of the comp next week!

School Banking
We had 82 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 Flying Snake Tail reward has SOLD OUT and is no longer available. Rewards still available are: Mud Splat Handball, Outback Pat Bag Tag, 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.

Competition - 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 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
Rowville Hawks Football Club are running a girls free 6 week ‘Come and Try’ program. For any enquiries or to book your place in this programs please contact Tony on 0409 6910969 or tony.costanzo@rowvillefc.org.au
Year 5
Gold Rush and Parlour Games

Gold Rush and Parlour Games

Today I learned something new,
That the old gold fields once grew and grew,
All the kids and adults worked day by day
Only some got extra time to play.
Now I am grateful for what I have,
At least I got to see my dad.

By Sienna SCJ

In-House activity

We had an incursion about the Gold Rush.
Girls had to dance with boys, my face flushed.
Teacher instructs us to move with agility:
Fast, stumbling steps question ability.
Hula-hoops and activities,
Feel as hard to move as bricks.

Eliza is from Sovereign Hill,
A place where people make many deals.
Eliza said she lived through the Eureka Stockade.
She says that by her many laws, have been obeyed.

By Sienna SCJ
GOLD RUSH ACTIVITY – Sarah, SSP

On the 6th of June, SSP participated in an in-house activity on the ‘Gold Rush’. A woman dressed in colonial day clothes from the 1800s came in to do some activities with us. She taught us lots of amusing games like ‘Panning for Gold’ and ‘Pass the Orange’. She also taught us an unusual dance which involved bowling and some sort of a game involving each other.

One thing that I enjoyed was digging for gold. Something I learnt was that if people in that time didn’t have enough money for a mining licence, they would pan for gold anyway and risk the chance of being caught and thrown into jail.

I thought the whole session was amazing!

A-Z Poem on the Gold Rush In-House Activity

By: Amy, Ally and Cathy – SSP

Activities played by kids in the 1850s
Brilliant games
Chin to chin at
Drop the handkerchief once they were
Fantastic fun
Great and exciting
Highly amusing games
Interesting and
Joyful games while learning
Kinaesthetic learners would have
loved the activity
Making a long story short
Nevertheless we were still
on task and learning
Panning for gold
Quite hard to do
Run for your life
So you don’t get caught from the
Trampers!
Unless you have a miners licence you’re
very safe.
We enjoyed playing the game, however people who have
Xenophobia would not.
You wouldn’t have learnt much!

OUR GOLD ALPHABET POEM

A day in the goldfields, was as harsh as can
Be, with the licencing laws and the penny-pinching troopers
around, nobody
Could possibly be safe.
Diggimg for gold was hard because
Everyone pushed and shoved you out of the way. Was the
Famous
Gold, worth this? How would we know we’d never find any
Holman, Governor Holman that is
Implemented those harsh laws, so the miners unthematized
him. The miners also hated the troopers, when they saw them
they would loudly call out
Jool Jool This saved the great many that didn’t have
Licences. The
Kids of the miners were so bored on the goldfields
Living on the goldfields was a drag so
Many children played games with what they could find
Nobody liked it down by the goldmines, where they had to
sleep
On the cold hard floors of nature
People came from near and far believing their luck would change
Queues would make their way through the camp for the
Monthly licence that few could pay
Rich men and women were rare, just as gold was to find
School wasn’t always fun or enjoyable for those few children
That attended the National School on the fields
Under the Southern Cross, the democracy of Eureka!
Yippee changes came from the Eureka Stockade
Which changed the lives of many on the goldfields
X-ray machines weren’t about during this time so many lay in
pain with their broken limbs after the 15 minute rebellion
Yet, all went back to normal just the very next day. Panning
and searching for gold just as they’d done many days before.
Zero tolerance of the dictation from the troopers and
Governors were taken from them on.

By Czarni, Aleksia and Sasha – STP