Term 1  Week 2  10 February 2015

Theodore Primary School
"Meet the Teacher BBQ"

When: Wednesday 11th February
Where: Shade Shelter
Time: 5.00pm to 6.30pm

This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and other members of our community. The school will supply sausage sandwiches.

What to Bring
- The Whole Family
- Picnic Rug
- Water bottle /drinks

Information packs will be handed out during this time. Please pick your pack up!!
### SCHOOL DATES AND INFORMATION

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#### Notes sent home with this Newsletter

- Preschool Possums & Koalas Bus Wash Excursion
- Preschool to Yr 6 Term Calendar
- Yackatoon Yr 1/2 Library News
- Yr 4 to Yr 6 Kulture Break

#### Notes and Money to be returned

- 16 Feb Nomination Form for SRC & House Captain 2015
- 20 Feb Kulture Break Note & Money
- 23 Feb Possums & Koalas Bus Wash Note only

#### Assemblies and Awards

**Time - 12.20pm to 12.50pm**  
**Where - School Hall**

- **Friday 13 March** - Yr 3/4 & 5/6 Assembly & Student of the Month awards
- **Friday 27 March** - Harmony Day Yr 1/2 Assembly & Artist of the Month awards
- **Friday 10 April** - Kindy Assembly & Academic of the Month awards
School News

KULTURE BREAK 2015

We are again working in partnership with Kulture Break to offer students in Years 4 to 6 an opportunity to participate in the Dance Nation program. The program will run from Week 5 of Term 1 to Week 9 of Term 2. The program consists of a one hour dance lesson, taught by a Kulture Break dance teacher and supervised by Theodore staff on a Monday morning at 8.00am in the school hall. A performance will then be held at the end of term 2 with all the other schools involved. The cost is $115.00. Permission notes will be sent home with all Year 4 to 6 students today. Places are limited to 20 so offers will be made on a first-in basis. Please contact Tracey Stewart if you have any queries/concerns.

BREAKFAST CLUB starts again this Friday 13 February

Time: 8.30am to 8.55am

Menu: Cereal, toast, fruit and hot chocolate

Where: Kitchen

ALERT: CAMPS FOR YEAR 3-6

Thank you to the families who have returned camp notes (agreement and medical form). As camp is looming it is really important that these notes are in as soon as possible. THE RESPECTIVE CAMP ORGANISORS HAVE INFORMED US THAT WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION YOUR CHILD CANNOT ATTEND. Notes can be returned to Ms Follett or preferably to the front office.

Science Term 1 - Over view

Year 5/6

This term in Science the 5/6 students will be using their scientific thinking and working skills to address the question ‘What is a micro-organism?’ In order to investigate this question we will be exploring both yeast and mould.

Year 3/4

This term in Science the 3/4 students will be focussing on the questions ‘What are the main features of flowers?’ and ‘What is the life cycle of plants?’ Students will begin the term exploring fundamental knowledge around plants before moving into further developing their scientific thinking skills through the development of their own experiments.

Kindy to Year 2

This term in Science the K-2 students will be focussing on how we care for animals both at home and in our environment. Students will participate in a number of CSIRO CREST activities to earn a CREST award. CREST is a science teaching resource developed by CSIRO to encourage the development of scientific thinking skills in Primary Schools.
COOL LITTLE KIDS PROGRAM (Children with anxiety)

The Cool Little Kids program is designed for children from 3 to 8 years. The program was developed by the Macquarie University Emotional Health clinic to address anxiety problems in children. Anxiety in children is common and affects around 1 in 10 children. Anxiety can effect children and cause them to perform below their best, experience problems with their peers, and miss out on activities such as sport or sleepovers.

Participation in the Cool Little Kids program will give parents strategies to assist their children to build confidence and develop skills to help them manage their anxiety and other negative emotions as they grow.

The details for the group are as follows:
10:00am 11:30 am on Wednesday mornings

- **Session 1:** 25th February
- **Session 2:** 4th March
- **Session 3:** 11th March
- **Session 4:** 18th March
- **Session 5:** 25th March

**Week's break**

**Last Session:** April 8th

If you have any questions or would like to enrol, please contact the Tuggeranong Child and Family Centre on 62078228.

Private Piano & Guitar Lessons held at School

Is your child interested in learning a musical instrument? Private piano and guitar lessons are held at the school starting this week.

If you are interested please contact the music teacher to book a place.

- **Guitar Teacher - Harley**
  Mobile - 0423 108 895
  Cost: $30 half hour

- **Piano Teacher - Kerrie Keun**
  Mobile - 0416 091 295
  Cost: $30 half hour

Playgroup @ Theodore Primary School

Are you interested in bringing your child/ren to a playgroup at Theodore Primary School on Wednesday mornings? Have fun with your child as we sing, play, read, laugh, talk and enjoy being parents. The playgroup will be run each week by a qualified teacher and all are welcome from babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers through to parents, grandparents and carers.

**All Welcome!**

Theodore Playgroup will recommence this Wednesday 11th February at 9am in the Music Room (next to the kitchen). Bring your little ones along for 90 mins of fun, play and books (and the opportunity to meet other parents and carers!)

For more information phone the school on 61423100 or speak to Rowan at the school.
P&C News

All welcome to the P & C Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday 18 February 2015 in the Theodore Primary staff room. The AGM provides an opportunity for parents and carers to actively engage with the Theodore P&C, incorporating both the Preschool and the Primary School, and seek nomination to a variety of roles which support the school community throughout the year.

For those parents and carers who may consider actively joining the P&C we can advise that the P&C convenes eight meetings across the calendar year with meetings occurring in Week 3 and 7 (normally) of each term. Meetings usually run from 7.00-9.30pm. There are a range of roles within the P&C related to activities such as administration, fundraising or liaison which could suit your time constraints and personality.

The meetings are held in a relaxed and fun atmosphere and are open to all members of the school community and provide an opportunity for parents or carers to share their views, or gain better insight, on school events and objectives.

Theodore Primary - School Board

We want YOU for the Theodore Primary School board! If you’re keen to contribute to the governance of Theodore Primary School, you should nominate for the vacant parent representative position on the board. No prior experience is necessary. Meetings are held twice per term at 3.15pm on a Wednesday and run for around 1 hour. Nominations open 2 Feb and close 16 Feb 2015

The functions of the school board are to:
• Establish strategic direction
• Monitor and review school performance
• Develop and review policies
• Develop, maintain and review curriculum for the school and approve the school budget.

Nomination forms are available at the Front Office.

Student Banking

Welcome back everybody!

Hope you all had a wonderful restful break, that didn’t include too much spending!

For those who are familiar with school banking we are restarting Wednesday 11th February. For those that are new or haven’t quite got you children bank accounts, now is the time! I can even help you get the accounts opened; it doesn’t get easier than that!

This is how it works; I collect the bank books from the office on Wednesday morning before 9.15am and return them to the office for collection by the students or family member that afternoon around 2.45pm.

If you wish to start an account there should be account application forms at the front office.

If you have any questions please call
Annalisa 0431 980 561
Student Banking Officer

Metro Canteen

Metro Online Canteens starts up again THIS WEEK. Lunch is available Wednesday to Friday by ordering online ONLY at www.flexischools.com.au.

New families can register just by clicking on the Canteen Orders link and following instructions from there.

ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 9AM on day of delivery.

VOLUNTEERS ARE DESPERATELY SOUGHT FOR 2015. It only requires 45minutes on your chosen day to collate orders and hand out to students.

All Canteen enquiries can be made to Wendy Stevenson 0416402859 Wendyanne08@gmail.com

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Community News

Brindabella Blues Football Club

Come and play the World Game with your local Club. Registrations are now open to play for Brindabella Blues Football Club in 2015. Please visit our website http://bbfc.org.au/ where you will find all information you will need to register for the upcoming season, grading dates for U10's up, as well as all Club officials contact details.