Swimming Carnival - 6 March

Dear Parents,

Just a reminder that the 2015 Theodore Swimming Carnival is coming up for all students from K-6 at the Queanbeyan Aquatic centre this Friday 6th March. Please ensure your child’s permission note has been handed into the front office.

Students in competitive races (turning 8 years and older), house and vice captains and some senior students will depart school at 9:15am and then all other students will depart at 10:15am. All students will then return to Theodore at approximately 2:30pm.

On Friday please send your child wearing their swimmers and house colours (or school uniform) and pack their goggles, towel, spare underwear, and anything else they need for swimming and a plastic bag to put their wet clothes in once they get changed. All students will get changed into dry clothes before getting on the bus to return to school.

Students will need to have a packed fruit snack, recess and lunch, along with a sun smart hat and sun cream.

There will be no canteen on the day.

All students will be involved with a range of structured aquatic activities in the toddler pool, shallow end of the deep pool and on the grass, some students will also be involved in some competitive races earlier in the day. The Theodore swimming Carnival and Aquatic day is aimed at providing all students with fun, safety and enjoyment and we therefore encourage all students to take responsibility and try their best and support each other and your houses to ensure we have a fantastic day. We would also like to encourage as many parents, family members and community members to join in the fun and see your child/ren being safe in and around water.

This year we are hoping to have a teacher/parent/student relay so If there are any parents/carers that are interested in participating please leave your name at the front office or let a teacher know.

Good luck and have fun!

If you have any concerns please come and see me.

Thanks

Brooke Wood
## SCHOOL DATES AND INFORMATION

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### 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 & house Captains and Vice Captains presentation
  - **Friday 27 March** - Harmony Day Yr 1/2 Assembly & Artist of the Month awards
  - **Friday 10 April** - Kindy Assembly & Academic of the Month awards

### BREAKFAST CLUB ON EVERY Friday

- **Time**: 8.30am to 8.55am
- **Menu**: Cereal, toast, fruit and hot chocolate
- **Where**: Kitchen

### Term 2 Starting Dates

Please be advised that due to ANZAC Day (25 April) falling on a Saturday, Term 2 2015 will commence for all ACT Public Schools on Tuesday 28 April.
School News

Student Injury - Insurance & Ambulance Transport

The ACT Education and Training Directorate does not provide any insurance cover for injury, disease or illness to students resulting from school activities or school-organised excursions. Claims for compensation are met where there is a legal liability to do so. Liability is not automatic and depends on the circumstances in which any injury, disease or illness was sustained.

As there is no automatic insurance cover for personal injury if your child is injured at school or during a school organised activity/excursion you should therefore consider whether taking out personal insurance cover for your child is warranted. This insurance might cover contingencies including medical/hospital expenses, ambulance transport outside the ACT, and cancellation of transport/accommodation or loss of/damage to luggage.

The ACT Ambulance Service provides free ambulance transport for students who are injured or suddenly become ill at school or during an approved school organised activity within the ACT.

Theodore Primary School collects information about injuries and incidents which occur at school or on school-organised activities, on behalf of the ACT Education and Training Directorate. Some of the information may be personal information as defined in the Privacy Act 1988 and the Health Records (Privacy and Access) Act 1997. The information is usually included in a Student Accident/Incident Report or Notification of a Critical Incident together with any accompanying witness statements.

The purposes for which the information is collected include notifying the Territory’s insurers and legal advisers of injuries and incidents and ensuring that the school itself has accurate and complete records.

The Directorate usually provides the form and any other information relevant to the accident/incident to the ACT Insurance Authority and the ACT Government Solicitor. Information may also be provided to Worksafe ACT in accordance with the ACT Work Health and Safety Act 2011.

Schools have a duty of care to keep students safe. Where an injury or incident occurs schools have an obligation to determine what has happened and therefore may question students. Schools may also ask students to make statements in writing and to sign these statements.

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INFORMATION SESSION FOR PARENTS

The National Disability Insurance Agency will be holding information sessions for parents at:

- Wanniassa School on Wednesday 4th March @ 6.00pm
- Mt Stromlo High School on Tuesday 17th March @ 6.00pm.

These information sessions are particularly targeting high school and college families, and staff. Information sessions for parents of children in primary schools will be held at a later date, HOWEVER, if it is convenient to attend the high school session there will be an NDIA representative in attendance to talk about the primary school rollout.

These information sessions will cover the complete process of applying for an NDIS package and what it means, information packages will be available and NDIA representatives to talk to.
Enrolments Opening Soon for Theodore Preschool 2016

Online Enrolments for 2016 prospective students will open on the first day of term 2, Tuesday 28 April 2015.

The closing date will be Friday 5 June 2015.

www.det.act.gov.au

Preschool Committee Meeting

All welcome to come along to the next Preschool Committee meeting.

When: 11 March
Time: 11.50am
Where: Theodore Preschool

P&C 2015 EASTER RAFFLE

REMINDER KEEP DONATIONS OF CHOCOLATE FLOWING IN.

GREAT WAY TO CELEBRATE EASTER
Hello everyone,

My name is Liset and I am the P&C President for 2015 and I hope you have all settled in to what will be a great 2015. This is my third year of being involved with the P&C and my first year of being President. I have two boys enrolled at the school - Matiu in Year 3, and Mana who has just started pre-school. When Matiu started at the school I was interested in helping out with the P&C and having some form of involvement in the various activities that help in creating a better environment for my children. But being a working mum I was reluctant to make a commitment to the P&C, especially with the little free time I have available. I soon realised that everyone within the P&C shared the same commitment to helping the school out where we can, as well as making sure that it doesn’t have a negative impact upon our own family time. The P&C meet in the evening twice a term for approximately 2 hours and you can take on as little or as much responsibilities as you want. The role of the P&C is to work together with the principal for example to organise fundraising events from which the money raised will go towards purchasing additional education equipment such as the sensory garden. I also would like to introduce my fellow P&C members who are all listed below.

We still have vacancies within the P&C and the more people that get involved; the more we can achieve for our kids, and the more we get to share the load. So if you are a Mum, Dad, Uncle, Aunty, Grand parent, or simply want to help out your school, please contact me on 0429 678 568. You don’t need to have any special skills, just a willingness to help out. I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

The next meeting will be held in the staff room from 7pm on Wednesday 18 March 2015

President            Liset de Koeijer
Vice-President        James Bruce
Treasurer             Annalisa Ross
Vice-Treasurer        Vacant
Secretary/Public Officer
Executive Committee Members
Louise Wilson
Emma Brown
Rebecca Stevens
Fundraising Committee
Wendy Stevenson (Chair)
Dani Searle
Louise Wilson
Emma Brown
Uniform Officer       Vacant
Student Banking       Annalisa Ross
Canteen Liaison Officer
Calwell High School Liaison Officer
Louise Wilson
P&C Council Delegate
Vacant
Fundraising Committee Preschool
Alicia Bailey (Chair)
Helen Haley (Secretary)
Kiara de Rooy (Finance Officer)
SYNC Theodore Primary School Calendar to your phone. Keep you up to date with all of your children's Important School Dates and Events.  

http://www.theops.act.edu.au/our_community/icalendar_sync

How to subscribe to Calendar feed

Using Microsoft Outlook - Windows

- In Outlook, at the bottom left hand corner, select Calendar
- In the top menu bar and select tab Tools
- From drop-down menu select Account Settings
- In the ‘Account Setting’ window select the Internet Calendars tab and click [New] icon
- In the ‘New Internet Calendar Subscription’ window paste your schools URL in the field e.g. http://www.theops.act.edu.au/thdp_-_nested_content/ical_feed  
  note: above URL is a sample, ensure you use your schools URL
- After pasting your school URL, click the [Add] button
- A pop-up window will appear - rename the calendar and click [OK] and Close

Note: If you only download the link and do not subscribe, you will not receive iCal updates

Using Apple Mac

- Open iCal
- In the bottom left corner click the + to add a new calendar, rename calendar to school name
- Right click or Control click to open the dropdown menu and choose subscribe
- Paste your school URL e.g. http://www.theops.act.edu.au/thdp_-_nested_content/ical_feed  
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- Click subscribe

Note: Optional: Sync apple devise with your iTunes to migrate calendar across all devices

Using Apple Mac – Handheld devices

- Locate the [Settings] icon and select
- Scroll to Mail, Contacts, Calendars and click the option
- In the ‘Accounts’ selection and click Add Account
- A choice of options will appear, choose Other; and
- From available options select Add Subscribed Calendar
- In the field titled Server place your schools URL e.g. http://www.theops.act.edu.au/thdp_-_nested_content/ical_feed  
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Click [Next] and [Save]
- Select newly created calendar

Using Android

- Open up and log into your personal Google account at http://www.google.com/calendar
- On the left hand side of the page select other calendars and select the drop down arrow
- Select Add by URL
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