



Executive News

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy term it is shaping up to be. Term two is well underway and we are having some glorious autumn days this week. In spite of the chill in the air, the sunshine continues to provide some warmth. A reminder that hats are still required when on the playground, at recess and lunch and for PE until May 31 End of May is Hats off day!

Over the last two weeks, teachers have been engaged in curriculum planning to develop their next inquiries for students using a conceptual framework. Developing a concept based curriculum helps to broaden their knowledge and understanding to be able to transfer this across all areas of learning. As part of our work in curriculum, our teachers carefully plan the explicit teaching to develop the necessary skills students require to thrive in their learning and teach students at their point of need. The inquiries across the school and provide opportunity for students to be highly engaged, supported and challenged in their learning. They look very exciting indeed!

This week years three and five students have been participating in NAPLAN assessments, which this year are being conducted online. NAPLAN is one piece of assessment we gather at Theodore to determine student growth; every day teachers are collecting evidence of learning and analysing what each student is able to do and where they need to go next in their learning. Analysing the growth made between year levels also provides us with information to stimulate discussion about the impact of our teaching programs. As we do not wish NAPLAN to be a stressful time, please assure your child that there is no need to be nervous. We encourage students to approach NAPLAN as they do their classwork on a typical school day and like any other day, encourage students to do their personal best. NAPLAN assessment continues into next week.

Our new senior playground construction finally gets underway next week! The temporary fencing will go up today to keep students away from the demolition and construction and keep them safe whilst on the playground. Students will be able to witness the building of their playground from the ground up and no doubt there will be some very eager students just waiting to christen the new equipment. How exciting!

Our school continues to monitor car park traffic and acknowledges the concerns of our community in regard to the safe drop off and collection of students at school. We continue to communicate with Directorate personnel and Traffics and Authority to bring about a positive outcome. Next week I am meeting with representatives from both sections to witness the issue first hand. Until we have a solution, I urge everyone to take particular care at these busy times. Student safety is our first priority and the responsibility of all.

- Please remember the carpark is 10kmh at all times
- Please park in the designated car parks on the preschool side of the car park, not at the front of the school entrance. This will assist in maintaining flow of traffic as students exit classrooms for collection.
- Do not park on the median strips and footpaths as these areas are access for students as pedestrians. This is particularly relevant for four wheel drives who are able to mount the curbs, as little students can't always be seen from larger vehicles.
- We have been advised that parking inspectors may be visiting at random times to address parking in our school zone and carpark entrance.

Kind regards,

Kerri Clark



Dates to Remember

16 May	NAPLAN- Writing Yr 5
17 May	NAPLAN- Reading Yr 3
17 May	Yr5 National Museum Excursion
18 May	NAPLAN- Yr 5 Reading
18 May	Yr 1 Assembly 12:20pm
18 May	Preschool Walkathon
18 May	National Walk Safely to School Day
21 May	Preschool Bus Wash Excursion
21 May	NAPLAN- Yr3 & Yr5 Language Conventions
22 May	NAPLAN- Yr3 & Yr5 Numeracy
22 May	Mingari Cupcake Day
22 May	Kindergarten information evening 6pm-7pm
24 May	Public Education Week- Pancake Breakfast
29 May	ICAS Science
29 May	Photo Day Possums & Bilbies
29 May	Preschool Music Man
30 May	Hats off Day
31 May	Photo Day Whole School
1 June	Yr3 Assembly 12:20pm
1 June	Preschool Music Man
22 June	Christian Education @ Theodore Primary

Notes sent home with this issue

4 May	School Photo Envelopes
16 May	Kadul Performance

Playground Tickets

Congratulations to the following students;

Kate R 3/4M, Sienna 4L, Cameron 4L, Halina 4L, Nathan C 1K, Holly, Hayley H 4L, Chase, Ellie KL, Bonnie KS

School News

Upcoming special event and opportunity

Fadden Primary School is hosting an evening for families with acclaimed psychologist Dr Michael Carr- Gregg. The evening, *The Ten Most Important Things You Should Tell Your Children to Build Resilience and Happiness*, is a wonderful opportunity for parents to hear the latest news from the science of Positive Psychology applied to raising children and teenagers. Dr Carr-Greg will share the importance of building resilience and establishing boundaries and expectations. The presentation will be followed by a question and answer session with the audience.

When: 7.00pm, Thursday 7 June

Where: Erindale Theatre, Erindale College, 115 McBryde Cres, Wanniasa

Cost: Tickets \$25 each

For ticket enquiries/ purchase please contact amy.blyton@ed.act.edu.au or call 6205 6011.

Public Education Week

*Save
the
Date*

24th May 2018

Pancake Breakfast

8:00am at the Kitchen





Preschool P&C News



Entertainment books can be purchased online by following the link www.entbook.com.au/2t4019 you can either receiving an electronic copy of the book or a hard copy (picked up from school).

If you wish to receive a hardcopy of the book and pay with cash please contact Jemima on 0422064597.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Uniform Stall

A preschool uniform stall will be held next Wednesday 23 May from 11.30am to 12.30pm. Please try and have correct change as we can only accept cash, sorry for the inconvenience.

Shirts are \$15 and Hoodies \$25

School Photos

A discount applies for families with 3 or more children. After purchasing individual packs for EACH child a sibling's presentation pack of your choice will be free.

Only children who present a siblings presentation order form to the photographer on photo day will have their family/ sibling photo taken. Envelopes for sibling photos are available at the School Office.