

Week 6

THEODORE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Acting Principal
Debbie Martens

Term 1



Deputy Principal
Helen Cox

15 March 2019

'A great place to grow up'

NEWSLETTER

Executive News – Year 1 & Year 2

Welcome to Week 6. It is hard to believe we are halfway through the term already!

Most of you will already know me as I have been at Theodore Primary school for a number of years now, however, for those new families I would like to introduce myself. I am the executive teacher in the Year 1 and 2 unit (Yackatoon) and I am amazed at the work the students and teachers accomplish every day. All of the children's learning goes hand in hand with our commitment to caring for each student's social and emotional and wellbeing. We see ourselves as one big 'school family'.

This term we have had a big focus on being **safe, respectful learners** and what that means for all of us, all of the time, at school. We have also looked closely at our school values of **respect, integrity, personal best and compassion**. In addition we have been working hard to crunch numbers, measure, be scientists, study the world around us, write, read and create!

We would like to say thank you to all of the parents and carers who came to our 'Get to know you' interviews. We love to hear all about your little people and how we can do our very best to support their learning.

Lastly, we look forward to continuing working with all of you throughout the year. Please do not hesitate in coming to talk to either your child's teacher or myself about anything connected with your child's 'learning journey' this year.

Corinne Follett

Executive teacher Year 1 and 2

Message from Debbie Martens

We would like to congratulate our school's recently appointed two deputy principals, Helen Cox and Nathan Pepper. Helen is well known to you all as a member of the Executive Team and Nathan Pepper, who has been an acting Principal at Caroline Chisholm School will start at the school in the coming weeks. Nathan attended camp with the 5/6 students last week, which was a great way to get to know the students and some of the staff. Please join us in congratulating Helen and Nathan.

The staff have been working hard on the next step of our Positive Behaviours for Learning journey and we look forward to sharing this with you all at an information evening on 27th March, followed by information in our newsletter.

If you have any questions or concerns about anything to do with your children at Theodore please let us know. Your child's teacher is the first place for you to go, but you are also welcome to make a time to see an executive staff member. The front office will assist you with this. Alternatively, you can contact the Education Directorate's Family and Students, Complaints and Feedback Unit on 62055429 or through the website www.education.act.gov.au.

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Dates to Remember

- 15 Mar** Swimming Carnival – CISAC
- 21 to 22 Mar** Year 3/4 Camp Birragai
- 22 Mar** Yr 5 Assembly 12.15pm to 12.45pm
- 27 Mar** Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL) Parent Session
- 5 April** Yr 2 Assembly 12.15pm to 12.45pm
- 12 April** Last day Term 1
- 28 to 30 May** Kindergarten Health checks

P&C News

Joining the P&C is a great way to get involved in your school community, keep up-to-date with what's happening at the school, contribute to your child's education and make new friends. The P&C Association is a group of volunteers working together to improve the facilities and opportunities available at the school. There are still some vacant positions for those who are interested.

Vacant Positions

- Assistant Treasurer
- Executive Committee Members
- Fundraising Members
- School Banking Officer
- Calwell High Liaison
- P&C Council Liaison
- Uniform Liaison

Please join our next meeting on 20th March at 6:30pm



Year 1 & 2 Yakatoon News

What a great start to 2019 for our Year 1 and Year 2 students. They have settled beautifully and are working very hard! We have had fun in our unit assemblies in Yackatoon and our first whole school assembly for the year.

Art has commenced this term with Mrs Hunt in the Yackatoon wet area. The students are enjoying using this space and joining in the creative and fun activities. Any donations of paint smocks would be appreciated.

The meet and greet information session and bbq was a great success with many students and parents attending.

We have really enjoyed learning about areas in science within our classrooms and the students are looking forward to having class pets later in the term.

MiniLit commenced in Week 5 for some students and will be run three times a week on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. At these times classes will be running Reading Groups in order to develop student's reading and spelling skills.

Homework and Home Reading has begun and we have had many students swapping their readers. Great job!

During the first half of this term we have been exploring the school values of Respect, Personal Best, Compassion and Integrity. We have also been practising our mindfulness strategies and talking about being Safe, Respectful Learners.

We also had the Swimming Carnival today and it was a fun filled day!

If you have any concerns throughout the year please come and see you child's teacher. We look forward to working with you to assist your child to grow.

Warm regards,

Mel Lloyd, Sharon Smith, Fiona D'Elboux, Amber Griffin, Savannah Burge, Tracey Kennedy and Corinne Follett



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