School Newsletter

THEODORE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'A great place to grow up'

Issue 16

20 October 2022 – Term 4

Acting Deputy News

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe we are in the last term for our school year. All the students have returned with a positive attitude towards their learning. It has been wonderful to walk around the classrooms seeing how engaged the students are in their learning.

Slicing and Dicing

A huge thankyou to Miss Crilly and the Maths team for organising such an incredible night!

WOW what an amazing night! Thank you to all students and families for coming along to our maths Slicing and Dicing Night. It was wonderful to see our students and families engaging in a variety of maths activities that will in turn support the student's mathematical knowledge in everyday situations.

BASE -Kindergarten Assessment

This week our Kindergarten students spent time working very hard to demonstrate all the learning they have done this year. We are all very proud of how far they have come.

Parents will receive the BASE reports at the end of the term, so keep a look out.

Bike Program Working Bee

Just a quick reminder about the Woking Bee happening this Saturday.

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Dates to Remember

Term 4 Calendar

OCTOBER

- **24** Kenny Koala—Bilbies/Kindy
- **25** Year 6 Leadership Excursion—LTC
- **26** Preschool Transition Visit
- **26** Grandparents Breakfast
- **27** Assembly—Yr 3/4
- **28** PUPIL-FREE PLANNING DAY

NOVEMBER

- **02** 3/4 Garden Visit—(Dreamtime)
- **03** Calwell HS Year 7 2023 Parent Information Night
- **03** Calwell HS Orientation Day
- **04** Bandanna Day/Mufti Day & Disco

We are Safe,
Respectful
Learners

Notes sent home / Notes due back

Yr 3/4	**Indigenous Garden Visit**	**Tuesday 1st November**
Yr 3/4	**Campers Agreement & Medical Form**	**Friday 4th November**
Pre—Yr 6	**P & C Crazy Camel Fundraiser**	**Friday 4th November**
K—Yr 6	**Enrolment for 2023**	**Friday 18 November**

Week Ahead @ Theo

Term 4 | Week 3 @ Theodore

Clubs at Breaks
***** Library open every Break 2 *****

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
K-6 Bikes Mr Muir Bike Track	Chalk Club Mrs Hunt Art Room	Culture Club Ruby Shade Shelter K-6 Bikes Mr Muir Bike Track	Choir Club Miss Birse Library	K-6 Bikes Mr Muir Bike Track
LIBRARY OPEN!	LIBRARY OPEN!	LIBRARY OPEN!	Handball Shade Shelter Mrs Castledine LIBRARY OPEN!	Play Dough Club Mrs Barbaro Library

MONDAY 24/10/– 5/6 Band
Kenny Koala Visit– Pre & Kinder
Bilbies Preschool Day
TUESDAY 25/10–
Year 6 Leadership Excursion
Bilbies Preschool Day
WEDNESDAY 26/10– 5/6 Band
Grandparents Breakfast 8.30am
Bilbies & Koalas Preschool Day
THURSDAY 27/10– 3/4 Assembly– 2pm
Koalas Preschool Day
FRIDAY 28/10– PUPIL–FREE PLANNING DAY

Important Reminders

Student Academic Reports - Semester 2 2022

ACT public schools have commenced preparing student reports for Semester 2 2022. The Education Directorate has again made the decision that student academic reports will be provided with an overall A-E grade, and an assessment of achievement standard statements on a 5-point scale. Reports will not include detailed teacher comments.

This strategy supports schools to prioritise teaching and learning as we continue to manage workload pressures due to COVID-19 and other illness.

Our teachers will continue communicating directly with families about student learning and you are encouraged to speak with your child's teacher if you have any questions about their progress.

Student Pupil Free Day

The ACT Government is supporting all ACT public schools to hold two staff planning days during term 4. These days will provide public school teachers with time to complete student reporting and curriculum planning.

Our school will hold our staff planning day on: **Friday 28th October 2022 & Monday 28th November**

Where possible, we ask that students do not attend school on these days. Students who can't stay at home will be able to attend school and be supervised while undertaking general learning activities.

Please confirm via phone on (02) 61423100 or email theodoreps@ed.act.edu.au if your child will be attending school on this day.

Student Uniforms

Savvy Tuggeranong store has closed and uniforms will be available at Lowes Tuggeranong from Tuesday 25th of October.

Lowes Tuggeranong Corner Anketell and Reed Streets, Tuggeranong, 2900, **(02) 62932708**

Important Reminders

You are invited to

Theodore Primary School's

GRANDPARENTS BREAKFAST

Date: Wednesday October 26

Time: 8.30am to 9.30 am

Where: Library

Please RSVP to Aimee by Friday October 21 if you can attend. aimee.shires@ed.act.edu

P&C News

The Theodore P&C are excited to bring to you **Crazy Camel Fundraisers**. This fundraiser is a welcomed incentive to have our children's artwork on a tangible item that we can use, bring with us place to place and always remember the special moments of our child's primary school years!

Orders are due by 4 November.

These items are great gifts for Christmas! Nan, Pop, aunts and uncles, mums and dads. Everyone will love these personalised gifts, making Christmas time that extra bit special.

All our fundraising initiatives provide our school with much needed funds in areas such as school supplies, upgrades to the school yard, support teacher extras and help show support in areas such as year 6 graduation gifts to name a few.

If you would like to view any of the items first-hand, you can visit the school library where there is a display of most the items.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope you enjoy your personalised gifts from Crazy Camel Fundraisers!

Theodore Primary School P&C

PBL Awards

Congratulations to the students who will be awarded PBL Awards

	Bronze Award
Kindy	Preman K Charlie T Ayesha S Charli-rein V
Yr 3/4	Sebastian L
	Silver Awards
Yr 1/2	Kaya C Felix J Harper B Logan G Christina S Levi B Oscar S Toby P Elijah N Jaxyn O Octavia V Jazara M Anna-Liza G Isabelle H Darcey-Rose B
	Gold Awards
Yr 3/4	Nate F Kayl S Ruby Rose U Emaan Q Wes L
Yr 5/6	Lucy MK Stephanie L

Wellbeing Wednesday

Christmas tips and supports

The last few years we have all experienced periods of uncertainty and isolation brought about by Covid-19, this year many families will be planning for an extra jolly Christmas, connecting with family and friends. However, for some families Christmas time can also magnify financial issues and family conflict and can increase stress. To support families over the holiday period I will be providing some tips and resources in the newsletter for the remainder of the term.

If you are struggling with food or gifts over Christmas some services who can help include:

- Communities at work
  245 Cowlishaw St, Greenway ACT 2900
  Phone: (02) 6293 6500

- Gordon Community Centre
  110 Lewis Luxton Ave, Gordon ACT 2906
  (02) 6284 7003

- The Salvation Army
  Tuggeranong Square, Unit 1/3 Anketell St, Greenway ACT 2900
  Phone: (02) 6293 2780 or 1300 371 288

- The Smith Family
  6 Easty St, (Cnr Launceston & Easty St), Woden ACT 2606
  (02) 6283 7600

GIFT GIVING IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

In addition to the services above, we would love to do our own gift giving within our school community to support any families who may need some support this Christmas.

How this will work:

Families can buy a gift for a child, wrap it, attach the gift tag below and drop it off to the front office.

Families who may be struggling financially this year can contact me on the details below and we can arrange for the collection of gifts. Families may also be offered this gift giving service.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Aimee Shires
Family & Community coordinator
Aimee.shires@ed.act.edu.au

PLAY GROUP

Come and join our playgroup for children aged under 5, a great opportunity for little ones to socialize and play and for parents and carers to connect with others in their community.

When: Fridays Starting June 3, 9.10 am - 10.30am (during the school term only)

Where: Theodore Preschool (Theodore Primary)

RSVP: Please RSVP each week to Aimee Text 0435 512 102

To ensure we are following the covid safety measures, I ask that parents and children stay home if they feel unwell, wear a mask if they are unable to physically distance and clean their hands regularly with soap and water or sanitiser.

Stay and Play

Every **Thursday** afternoon from **3-3.30 pm** we invite all families to stay and play at the junior playground area.

Play on the playground

Bring bikes and scooters

Meet other families

Share stories/information

Bring afternoon tea

Gordon Community Centre

Caring for our Community

GORDON COMMUNITY DAY

5th November 2022
10am - 1pm

@ Gordon Community Centre
110 Lewis Luxton Avenue, Gordon

Celebrating our 5th Anniversary & the launch of Little Luxton Cafe
with Pop-Up op Shop, Books, Bake Sale, Plant Sale, Sausage Sizzle, Kids Activities & more!

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lanyonvalley ANGLICAN CHURCH

CALLING ALL 5-10 YEAR OLDS!

SCAN THE CODE TO REGISTER NOW

TUGGERANONG VALLEY CRICKET CLUB

COFFEE VAN IS COMING

When: Fridays

Time: 8 – 10 am

Where: Theodore Primary carpark

Please bring cash or card

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