Principal’s Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

EVERY DAY COUNTS - ATTENDANCE

At Thomastown Primary School we are committed to providing your child with an excellent education. The building blocks of an excellent education begins with all students coming to school each and every day.

Regular school attendance is vital and missing school days can have a big impact on a child’s future. Missing one day a fortnight will equate to missing four full weeks by the end of the year. Each day a student misses school puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes.

Some of the reasons for unapproved student absence at Thomastown Primary School are:

- Staying home to celebrate a birthday
- Going shopping
- Looking after a sibling
- Spending time with a relative
- Extended weekends
- Overseas travel

The Department of Education & Training (DET) recommends that students have a minimum of 90% attendance each school year.

PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

Prep enrolments for 2017 are now being accepted. If you have not already done so, please notify the school if you are intending to enrol your child for 2017. You will need to complete and return an enrolment form to the front office. You will also need to provide your child’s birth certificate/passport and immunisation documentation. These documents will be photocopied and the originals returned to you.

Please pass this information on to any friends, relatives or neighbours that may be considering enrolling their child/children at TPS for 2017.

Early enrolment of students allows the school to plan for the employment of teachers and support staff for 2017.

Amanda Henning
Principal

REMINDER—Parent Opinion Surveys

If you received a Parent Opinion Survey last week, please complete the survey and return it to the school office before tomorrow. All completed surveys will be posted to the Dept of Education tomorrow evening.
P.E. Report

Excellence in P.E. Award:
While all grades worked well during PE last week, two grades performed extremely well in all areas to get an equal high score. A prize will be awarded to both grades. The winners were: Grade Prep D and Grade 1/2W. Congratulations to both these grades for working co-operatively, displaying good sportsmanship and doing their best in all tasks.

Hockey Clinics (3 weeks)
This will be the second Hockey session for all grades.

Regional Athletics
Just a reminder that, with Regional Athletics being held early in Term 4, those children who have qualified for the Regional Athletics, will need to begin training later this term.

Round Robins for Basketball, Kanga Cricket and Soccer
This term we also have our annual Round Robin Tournaments for the above sports.
Training sessions for these sports are as follows:
- Mondays 1:30-2pm - Grade 4s (Grade 3s will be at swimming on the day of the Round Robin)
- Thursdays 1:30-2pm - Grade 5/6s
The first event will be held this Friday, 5th of August for the Grade 4 boys & girls basketball teams. The children involved need to ensure that they obtain the necessary permission form from Mr G.

Dates for the Round Robins are:
- Basketball
  Grade 4 (Boys and Girls) Friday 5th August (please note that last week this may have been given as the 8th)
  Grade 5/6 (Boys and Girls) Friday 12th August
- Kanga Cricket
  Grade 4 (mixed x 2) Friday 19th August (please note that last week this may have been given as the 12th)
- Indoor Soccer
  Grade 4 (Boys and Girls) Friday 26th August
  Grade 5/6 (Boys and Girls) Friday 2nd September

Soccer Divisional Knockout - Round 2
Last Friday Thomastown Primary School competed against Preston North East Primary School. The score was 2-1. TPS won. By winning TPS knocked this school out of the competition completely.
Preston North East PS had an outstanding, gifted and strong defence that really made it hard for us to score. In the first half they started the game really well with a goal. This caused us to trail by a goal.
When it was half time we did not give up because we knew that nothing could stop us from trying our best. So we raised our heads up high and played the game to our advantage. In the second half of the match we had the wind to our advantage but still couldn’t score a goal. Then Fouad was slide tackled and we were awarded a penalty and Bobby took the penalty and scored a goal that meant scores were level.
The game went into extra time and everybody tried to score before the time ran out. Bobby got the ball and took a shot which ricocheted off the body of the opposition defence and went into the goal. We now have another game ahead of us and that game is the Regional Final. We hope to win.
We would like to thank Mr G for being our awesome coach and being a very fair referee.

By Bobby and Abdurahman
Value Stars for week ending 29th July:

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Do you have trouble getting your child to:
Do their homework?
Do what they’re told?
Try new things?

Working out how to parent your children in a new country is difficult. Come and be part of a group that will give you the skills to help your children become happy and focussed on achieving their goals. Any women who would like to meet and discuss how to effectively parent your children should come to the Library at school every Thursday 9am to 11am. Please phone Judith on 94652225 to ask for an interpreter.

Arabic

هل لديكم مشكلة في أن تجبروا طفلكم: 
   يقوم باعمالهم المدرسية؟
   عمل ما يقال له؟
   اجتربة أشياء جديدة؟

إن معرفة كيفية تربية أطفالكم في بلد جديد أمر صعب. تعالوا وكونوا جزءاً من المجموعة التي سوف تعطيكم المهارات اللازمة لمساعدة أطفالكم على أن يصبحوا سعداء وكي يركزوا على تحقيق أهدافهم.

يجب على النساء اللواتي يرغبون في الالتقاء ومناقشة كيفية تربية أطفالهن على نحو فعال الحضور إلى المكتبة في المدرسة كل يوم خمس من الساعة 9 صباحاً إلى 11 صباحاً. يرجى الاتصال مع جوديث (Judith) على الرقم 94652225 لطلب مترجم.

Kurdish

ناخه له کامپاسی کە خۆرەوەدا کێشەت ئەلی هەیە لەگەڵ ئەمەکەشە؟

ئاخۆ لە کەیسەکانی خوارەوەدا کێشەت ئەلی هەیە لەگەڵ ئەمەکەشە?

Persian

آیا در موارد زیر با فرزندان خود مشکل دارید:

انجام دادن تکلیف‌شان؟

انجام انجام نشده؟

استاولش کردن چیزهای جدید؟

سر در اوردن از فرزندان خود کان در یک کشور جدید دشوار است. بیانی و عضوی از گروه‌ی شوید که به شما مهارت‌های را می‌دهد که به فرزندان خود کمک کند. راضی و خوش‌میانه و در دستیابی به اهداف خود متمرکز.

تماس زنی که مایل هستند در مورد تغییرات و مسائل فرزندان ملاقات و گفتگو کند می‌توانند به پیچیده‌ی بیش از یک صبح به تماس بگیرند 94652225کتابخانه مدرسه مراجعه کنند. در صورت نیاز به مترجم همراهان لطفاً به جودیت به شماره
Spring Fair – coming soon!

The Spring Fair will run from 3.30 to 5pm on Thursday 1st of September.
If you’d like to be a part of organizing the Spring Fair please come to the Little Red Schoolhouse on next Tuesday 26th July at 2.30pm, before school pick-up.
Looking forward to chatting about ideas.
Phone Judith on 0419593022.

Register your child for the Free Trial by 8 August!

Kumon English or Maths Programme

Just follow these four easy steps:
1. Call your Kumon Instructor by 8 August to register for an upcoming information session.
2. Have your child assessed for the Kumon English or Maths Programme and discuss a study plan.
3. Arrange for your child to attend four class sessions during the period of 15–31 August.
4. Meet with your Instructor to discuss your child’s Kumon experience.

KUMON THOMASTOWN EDUCATION CENTRE
Instructor: ABI ABARAJITHA
tel: 1300 916 671

Call now to register for the Free Trial

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
- Places are limited and acceptance for the Free Trial is on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Attendance at an information session is mandatory prior to your child participating in the Kumon Free Trial. Please register for this by 8 August.
- The Free Trial consists of four sessions at a Kumon Education Centre over five weeks during the period of 15–31 August.
- Withdrawals are provided for non-centre days during the two weeks.
- Late registration may result in fewer study sessions.
- Class days, operating hours and available sessions vary across Kumon Centres.
- The Free Trial is available for one subject only (either English or Maths).
- There is no obligation to enrol after the Free Trial.

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10:00am Saturdays

Martial Arts Tuition Specialists