



# THARBOGANG TIMES

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Week 2 Term 1 2019

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019

## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
February**  
NRL Cyber Smart  
visit 1-1.40pm

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup>  
February**  
School Assembly  
2.45pm 3-6

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>  
February**  
Small Schools  
Swimming Carnival  
9.30 am start

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>  
February**  
Zone PSSA  
swimming carnival

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**  
Rugby Union Devt  
Day Yrs. 3-6 at  
9.30am

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**  
*School Photos* – full  
school uniform please

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**  
School Assembly  
2.45pm K-2

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**  
Young Leaders  
Conference in Sydney  
Year 6 captains

## Principal's Message

Welcome back everyone. I hope you are all feeling very relaxed after the well-earned break and have plenty of energy and enthusiasm for our busy year of learning in 2019. It is such a pleasure to return to Tharbogang Public School and see the huge smiles on all our students' faces. I would especially like to welcome our 3 new kinder students, Delano Sergi, Geoff Bayne & Ruby Syed, returning students and our staff for 2019. It is going to be a fantastic year!

## Staff for 2019

*Mrs Cheryle Glyde* - Years 3-6 classroom teacher and Principal

*Mrs Shellby Nixon* – K-2 classroom teacher

*Mrs Kerry Dal Nevo* – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday - Learning support, classroom teacher release, Stage 2 Maths groups

*Mr Chris Powys* – Friday: classroom teacher 3-6 for Principals Release

*Mrs Ivana Thomas* – School Admin. Manager: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

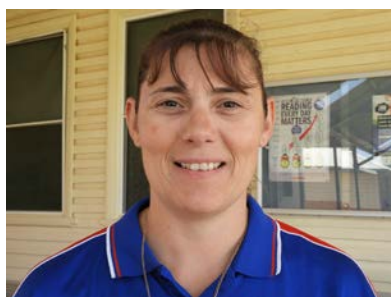
*Mr Neil Grant* – General Assistant: Tuesday

*Mr Nick Brown* - School Learning Support Officer: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Year 3-6

*Alecia Smith*- School Learning Support Officer: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday K-2

*Brydie Townsing*- School Learning Support Officer: Thursday and Friday-K-2

## New staff



**Brydie Townsing**



**Christopher Powys**

**Alecia  
Smith**



### School Routines

Library will be on Monday for 3-6 and Tuesday for K-2. The P&C provide all new kinder students with a new school Library Bag so they can borrow.

Sport for both classrooms will be on Friday. Sports uniform is to be worn.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, three Maths classes will operate. Mrs Nixon will teach K-1, Mrs Dal Nevo will teach Year 2, 3 and 4, and I will teach Year 5 and 6. These smaller groups will receive explicit instructions in all aspects of Mathematics, enabling teachers to personalise learning more effectively to cater for individual student needs. We are all excited about this approach.

### Staff Development Day/ New Programs

Staff returned to work last Tuesday and travelled to Whitton PS to attend a **Big Write** training workshop with other teachers in the Griffith/Leeton network. It was extremely valuable professional learning focusing on writing which Mrs Nixon, Mrs Dal Nevo and I are excited to be implementing in our classrooms. Mrs Thomas, Mrs Smith and Mr Brown did a Library stocktake as well as some mandatory online Child Protection training. **Sound Waves** is a program focusing on the explicit teaching of sounds and sound groups to help improve student spelling. All students K-6 will be involved in this program throughout 2019. Our school data has highlighted a weakness in both spelling and writing and these new approaches are designed to improve student outcomes in these areas. You will hear more about both programs in future newsletters.



### Best Start



During the first two of weeks of school, Mrs Nixon will be able to complete all of the Kindergarten student Best Start assessments. The Best Start assessment examines the child's knowledge and skills of key components in Literacy and Numeracy prior to commencing formal schooling. The results therefore serve as an effective starting point against which a child's progress can be measured.

All this information will then be collated and reports prepared. When this process is complete, we will be able to present you with some valuable information about your child.

### Merit Awards

Congratulations to our Merit Award winners this week. Well done on an awesome first week.



**Back:** Grace Ah Kee, Max Brown, Andrew Savage, Geoff Bayne

**Front:** Leylahn Faalelei-Tuialii, Charnee Favero, Ruby Syed, Delano Sergi



**Back:** Emerson Brown, Ava Sillis, Zoya Syed

**Front:** Senna Sergi, Antonio Torino, Johnathan Catanzariti

### **Small Schools Swimming Carnival**

A note regarding the Small Schools Swimming Carnival is attached to this newsletter. It is always the first of our carnivals for the year and is on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February. All students in Years 3-6 will be attending as well as interested Year 2 students turning 8 this year. Tharbogang PS is organising the carnival again this year. Mrs Dal Nevo, Mr Brown and I will be at the pool. The bus will leave school at 9.10am. Please return all permission notes and **pool entry fee of \$4.80** ASAP. Thank you so much to Julie and Clint Robertson for kindly donating their bus to take students to the pool. We greatly appreciate your generosity. I would also like to welcome any parents and carers to attend the carnival to support the students and assist the staff on the day. Students in K-2 will attend school as normal.

### **Zone Cricket Trials**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February at the Exies Nets, Griffith from 1.15-3.15pm

Boys need to bring their own playing gear but no need to wear whites. If selected, boys will have to travel to Deniliquin on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February for the next stage of trials.

### **Griffith Zone Basketball Trials**

When: **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** from 1.30am-3pm Where: at Griffith Westend Stadium.

The cost is \$4 per player. Players should be of a high standard, already play competition basketball and have a knowledge of the rules.

If you would like your child to attend, please give their names to the school by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February (end of week 4) so their names can be sent to the organising teacher.

### **Voluntary School Contributions**

2019 voluntary school contributions will remain the same as previous years: \$50 per student or \$80 per family.

### **Tissues**

We are again asking families to donate a box of tissues to your child's class to supplement school supplies. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Parents and carers are encouraged to contact the school with any issues concerning your child. There is no concern too small. Please feel free to discuss any concerns with your child's teacher. We need to keep our lines of communication open to ensure the best outcomes for students. Our doors are always open and any concerns will be clarified and dealt with in a professional and confidential manner.

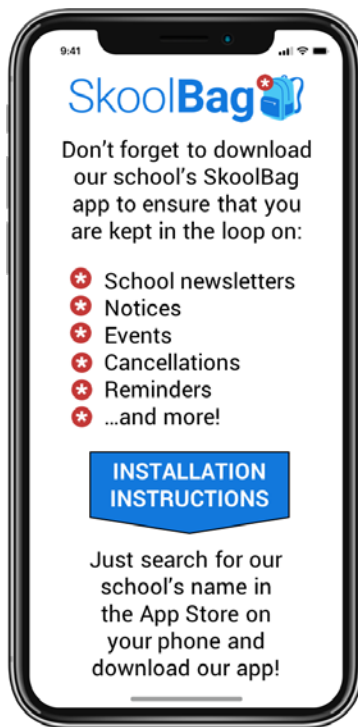
Keep Smiling and Be Happy,

*Cheryle*



## Quote of the Week

"Kindness is like snow – it beautifies everything it touches." – Anonymous



### Instructions for Skoolbag

Install on your phone and receive instant notifications and reminders from the school; give permission for your child to attend events; send in absent notes; and generally communicate easily with the school.

**School Facebook Page:** Be sure to like Tharbogang Public School Facebook Page also.

### Parent Helpers

If you can spare any time to assist in the classroom with listening to students read, helping small groups or individuals with Maths or English activities etc., please contact your child's teacher. Your

assistance would be greatly appreciated.



## **P&C News**

The first Parents and Citizens meeting will be held at the school on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**. AGM will be held in March. Everyone is more than welcome to attend.

## **NEW KINDERS**

**Delano Sergi**



**Geoffrey Bayne**



**Ruby Syed**



# Book Club

Scholastic Book Club- issue 1 out now

Don't forget to look for the Book Club Issue catalogue that was sent home in your child's school bag.

Book Club provides a fun and convenient way of bringing the best in children's literature into your home. It's packed full of exciting books from best-selling authors, popular titles and series that kids love, as well as products and books that make perfect gifts for younger siblings who may not be at school yet.

Ordering from Book Club is easy—simply go online and place your order or return order form to the school and then Scholastic's 'book elves' take care of the rest. Before you know it, your child will have a lovely surprise to take home once their order gets delivered to their classroom.

To celebrate the start of the New Year, any family ordering from issue 1 will also receive a free 'All About Me Activity Journal'. When ordering from Book Club, you are not only helping your children, but you are also helping your school—20% of your spend goes back to your school in valuable Scholastic Rewards which enable the school to purchase class room resources.

For more information about Scholastic and Book Club, visit [www.scholastic.com.au](http://www.scholastic.com.au)



TERM 1						
Term One	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
1	28 Jan Australia Day Holiday	29 Jan Staff Return	30 Jan Students Return	31 Jan	1 Feb	2 3 Feb
2	4 Feb	5 Feb 1 pm NRL Cyber safety 7pm P & C Meeting	6 Feb	7 Feb	8 Feb Book club due back	9 10 Feb
3	11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb	14 Feb	15 Feb 2:45 School Assembly	16 17 Feb
4	18 Feb	19 Feb	20 Feb	21 Feb 9:30 Small Schools Swimming Carnival	22 Feb	23 24 Feb
5	25 Feb Scripture Begins	26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb Zone PSSA Swimming Carnival	1 Mar 9.30 am Rugby Union Devt Day Years 3-6	2 3 Mar
6	4 Mar	5 Mar School photos- Full school uniform required	6 Mar	7 Mar	8 Mar 2:45 School Assembly	9 10 Mar
7	11 Mar Young Leaders Conference in Sydney Year 6 Captains	12 Mar	13 Mar	14 Mar	15 Mar	16 17 Mar
8	18 Mar	19 Mar	20 Mar	21 Mar	22 Mar	23 24 Mar
9	25 Mar	26 Mar	27 Mar	28 Mar	29 Mar	30 31 Mar
10	1 Apr	2 Apr	3 Apr	4 Apr	5 Apr.	6 7 Apr
11	8 Apr	9 Apr	10 Apr	11 Apr	12 Apr	13 14 Apr
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## K-2 News

What a lovely start to the year we have had in the K-2 room last week. We welcomed three kindergarten students into our room this past week, Delano, Ruby and Geoffrey. Our Year 1 and Year 2 students seemed very excited to also return to school this past week. We also welcomed Alecia and Brydie our SLSO's into the K-2 room.

We had three busy days last week. We got straight back into L3 and started whole school math groups. We also created a colour wheel rainy day painting during art and started looking at our history unit on Families.

As part of our history unit I would like to ask if you have any baby photos and any family photos (including immediate and extended family) at home, that you wouldn't mind us using and displaying in our classroom, that you send them into school with your child. Feel free to label on the back as to who is in each photo. These will help us explore what a family is and who makes up a family.

K-2 will be hosting the assembly in week 6 and I would love to invite all families and friends to come along. The assembly will start at 2:45pm on Friday 8th March.

Just a quick reminder that on Tuesdays K-2 will have Mrs. D for both library and science while I have my teacher release in the morning. Also Friday is sport day and students are to wear their sports uniform including a pair of joggers.

Thank you to those families who have made the switch to our new K-2 seesaw page and also a big thank you to those who have chatted to me about being able to help out during literacy sessions. If you are free on a Wednesday or Thursday morning we would love to have your help.

Home learning was sent home on Friday with students. Please read the inside note and ask any questions to ensure your child completes home learning on a weekly basis. This is a very important and will help support your child's teaching and learning needs.

Feel free to ask any questions,

Thank you,

Mrs. Nixon



## 3-6 News

It was awesome to see all students excited to be back at school, even if it was mainly to see friends for some. We have collaborated and agreed on class rules including behavioural and learning expectations. All students will be selecting individual learning goals for English and Maths as areas of improvement for Term 1. These will be displayed in the classroom as a constant focus on learning improvement. If there is ever anything I need to know that effects your child's learning please contact me.

### Home Learning

Home learning will start next week with students receiving learning tasks on Monday. Completed tasks are to be returned on Friday. It will not be compulsory. Home Learning will only be provided to those students who complete set tasks. Students will be expected to read each night and record their reading in a Reading Log.



### Classroom Equipment

Every student is expected to have their own materials and be organised to commence learning in a timely manner. Time management and resource organisation are skills required by all primary students in order to maximise their learning. Excessive time wasting will result in incomplete learning being done in the students own time. Each student needs to have:

***Lead pencils, sharpener, rubber, 30cm ruler, glue stick, red and blue pen (years 5&6), highlighter, whiteboard marker, coloured pencils.*** Each student will always have access to lead and coloured pencils, rubbers and rulers at their desk if needed.

### Learning Environment

I am planning on introducing the use of essential oils in our classroom to improve student focus and maintain a calm, supportive and friendly learning environment where everyone can experience success in their learning. If anyone has an issue with this practice, please don't hesitate to contact me.



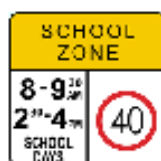
- Mrs Glyde



## GRIFFITH SCHOOL ZONES – TRAFFIC AND PARKING RULES

To ensure the safety of all children around school zones and to avoid receiving a fine when you're dropping off or picking up children - you must observe all the road rules and associated signs.

*After all – it could save the lives of our children!*



### SPEEDING OFFENCES

The fines and demerit points are increased in school zones for all speeding offences.

Minimum Penalty

**\$196**

2 Demerit Points\*



### NO STOPPING

**Under no circumstances** are you allowed to stop in a 'No Stopping' zone even if it is just to drop off or pick up your child.

Minimum Penalty

**\$337**

2 Demerit Points



### NO PARKING

You **may** stop here for **no more than 2 minutes** and **only to set down or pick up passengers**. You must also remain within 3 metres of your vehicle whilst waiting in a 'No Parking' zone.

Minimum Penalty

**\$187**

2 Demerit Points



### BUS ZONE

**Only buses** are permitted to stop in a Bus Zone. Operation times may apply. The restriction only applies during the times shown.

Minimum Penalty

**\$337**

2 Demerit Points



### CHILDREN'S CROSSINGS

When orange flags or crossing supervisors are present, drivers must stop at the hold line when a pedestrian is crossing or waiting to cross the road. Drivers must remain stopped until all pedestrians are off the crossing.

Minimum Penalty

**\$561**

4 Demerit Points



### MOBILE PHONES

The use of a mobile phone whilst driving at any time is illegal. Increased penalties exist for talking, texting or otherwise using a mobile phone in a School Zone

Minimum Penalty

**\$448**

5 Demerit Points\*

For more information on safety around schools contact Griffith City Council on 69628100



\* Denotes double demerits apply during relevant periods.

Current as at 30 January 2019