

THARBOGANG TIMES

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Principal Report

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been settling in well to the new year. A big welcome to our new families! We had a great day on Tuesday at the swimming carnival. Thank you to those parents who came along to support the children. I'm really proud that every student who attended, had a go and went in at least one race. We had some amazing results and lots of place winners. Congratulations to Max and Andrew who qualify for Zone and our relay team, Max, Andrew, Charnee and Jasraj who qualify for Riverina. More information will be sent home shortly.

Staff have been working on creating a new behaviour management policy that is consistent and conscise, taking into consideration that all students have varying needs. I will keep you updated once it is finalised and we begin implementing it across the school.

This term we will be focusing on improving the outside areas of the school, in particular the garden areas. As well as improving the first impressions of the school we have the safety aspect of keeping it as clean as possible to avoid snakes. A big thank you to Dave and Benji Savage who have been cleaning up and slashing around the school grounds, making a big difference already.

Upcoming Events

Week 4	
Wednesday 21 Feb Friday 23 Feb	Zone Swimming Carnival Swimming Lessons Canteen Available Assembly 2.45 pm TPS Family BBQ 6pm
Week 5	
Monday 26 Feb Tuesday 27 Feb Wednesday 28 Feb Friday 9 Feb	Griffith City Council School Leaders Event GZPSSA Basketball Trials Debating Workshop at Griffith North Public School Swimming Lessons Canteen Available
Week 6	
Monday 4 March Wednesday 6 March Friday 8 March	Young Leader's Conference GZPSSA Soccer Trials Canteen Available

Neil Dal Nevo is coming in to help Mr Grant with our rose garden, working on the weeds, adding a border and mulching it.

Thank you to all the parents who attended our first P&C meeting of the year. It was great to have such a good turn out. Remember you can attend a meeting without having to take on a role and it is a great way to help out the school. The P&C will be hosting their annual Family BBQ on Friday 23 February. It would be great to see all our families coming together. Friends are also invited to attend and check out our great little school.

Mrs D and Mrs Evans have been working hard in our kitchen garden.

The children have the opportunity to build on their life skills on Friday and participate in gardening lessons as well as cooking. When the produce from the gardens is ready they will be cooking with what they grow. A big thank you to Tom from Worm Tech who has donated some much needed compost to assist improve our kitchen garden. Thank you to Mr & Mrs D for organising it and picking it up. Next week we will have chickens arriving for our new Chook Palace.

Regards, Natasha Long Relieving Principal



Some children have been bringing toys and sporting equipment to school. It would be helpful if these items can remain at home. Lately, there have been some issues around the toys and equipment that is coming to school and it would make it easier if they were not to come. Not to mention, we can not guarentee they're safety when they are brought to school, they may become broken, lost or stolen.

Attendance

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children. Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, an Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

Mosquitoes

A mosquito information pack and repellent will be going home today for all students.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...





What is an Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction (APCI)?

The APCI position is a leadership role focusing on literacy and numeracy, curriculum and assessment and on improving teaching practices across the school. I have been employed in this role 1 day a week to support the teachers and students at TPS.

What is the focus this year?

Curriculum Reform: 2024 is a big year for teachers. In K-2, we are continuing to teach the new syllabuses, which began last year, for English and mathematics. Teachers in 3-6 now must implement the new 3-6 syllabus for English and mathematics too. Keep an eye out for information on how you can support your child at home.

Building Teacher Capacity: As part of my role, I am working 1:1 with teachers to identify and make small changes to their teaching practice in order to make big impacts on student learning outcomes. These sessions are individually focused for each teacher, and could include working with teachers to plan quality lessons, team or demonstrating teaching in the classroom, or analysing assessment and student data to identify next steps for all students.

The APCI role is an exciting role and I thoroughly enjoy working with all teachers and getting the opportunity to work with students across the school.

Mr Steven Fattore



Swimming Carrival





Marian Catholic College

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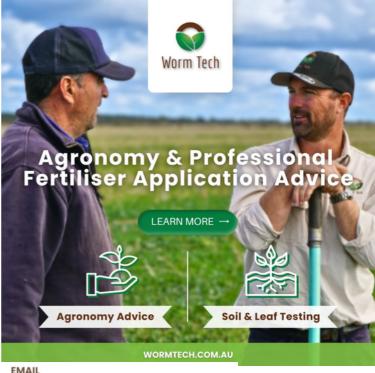
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INFORMATION

WHERE: Marian Catholic College Marcellin Hall WHEN: Thursday 29th of February 2024 TIME: 6PM - 7PM - Information session and College tour





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