



Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

The Cross Country at Thornbury this Friday is for all students up to 13 years of age. Students are to go to their classes as per normal and then we will meet in the library to travel to Thornbury ready for check-in at 10am. I am really looking forward to having a repeat of the great support that we received last year from the parents and I know that the students will appreciate the cheering coming from the sidelines. There is a Thornbury Home & School Association fundraiser being run that day so please take along some change and show your support.

Our whole school cross country is being held on Tuesday 12th June starting at 12pm. Nigel and Joanne Ward will be holding a barbeque to fundraise for Room 4's new filter for their turtle tank! There will be sausages, meat patties, drinks etc. So make sure to bring some money and refuel after your race!!! Remember that the results from the cross country will go to the house points ladder so everyone competing is really important for house pride!

It was a privilege to travel to Dunedin with Mel Templeton and the students. We had a great time staying at the Museum and attending the National Young Leaders Day at the Town Hall. There were several key messages from the speakers and I've shared these with Tekoa which she has added to the Student Voice section.

The mid year reports will go out on Monday and Tuesday of Week 10. If you have any queries or would like to discuss your child's report feel free to contact your child's teacher that week to arrange a time to review.

The students that were lucky enough to be selected for National Area Schools have got to raise some funds so keep an eye out for the fundraising events that are coming up to support our team of seven heading up to Christchurch in the July school holidays. There will be a Year 1-8 social on Friday 22nd June 5:30 - 7:30pm and two quiz nights (dates tbc) - we will keep you posted!

Constable Fenton is running the DARE/Choice Programme for Year 7-10 this month. Choice has been designed to provide students with the skills and confidence to resist pressures to use drugs and to make

healthy, safe choices about their use of drugs. In this way, the decision of a young person not to begin using drugs will be affirmed.

Regards

Andrew Pardoe-Burnett

Primary School Assembly Photos





Student Voice

There is a First Aid course being held at the WAS library on Thursday 28th of June - 8:30 - 5:30 pm. It is \$100/person and there are 4 spaces available so please contact the office. Hurry in, first in first served!!

In Team Superstars Room 1, we have been learning about length. We compared what was longer and shorter than our writing spacer sticks. We worked with buddies and then we wrote about our findings. We are very clever and had lots of fun too.



The schools garden beds and playground are all being edged. It gives the school a tidy new look - thanks to Mr Edgerton and students of our school for putting them in!

Recently the Year 7&8 class had a visit from Environment Southland.



This involved a scale model of Tuatapere and how pollution can affect water quality. This was followed by a trip to Boundary Creek where the class tested water clarity, pit balances and temperature. They also collected some freshwater invertebrates. This was an interesting and educational experience.

We also had a visit from a member of the Armed Forces who came and had a chat with the Year 9&10 class about future career paths that we can take in the years to come. Everyone was really engaged in learning about the Army, Navy and Air Force. We would love a visit like that to come again!

Just a reminder, that the Whole School Cross Country has been changed to June 12th, as we have our Year 7-13 are away at the 7-aside tournament on the original date. We wish our students going to the Thornbury Cross Country a big good luck, go strong and show the Waiau way!

Another great experience for our girls in the senior end of the school is the 'Girls In Hi Vis' programme. They get an amazing opportunity to go to the Manapouri Power Station and be involved in technical roles within the infrastructure industries!

On the 27th and 28th of May, 8 students from the primary end stayed the night in Dunedin for the National Young Leaders Day (NYLD.) The students had a very enjoyable time and had highlights of their own to share! Sophie's favourite part was the jumbo ball game and just the performance in whole! Elektra took on her own quote that she learnt "If you aim for the moon, you'll probably hit a star. Be brave to be different." So all in all, they had a wonderful time and encourage the upcoming students to take part next year! That's all from us this week but we'll be here to inform you on what's happening again in the next newsletter!

Holly, Tekoa & Malakai.

NYLD 2018:

Amanda Wilson (from Keeping Up With The Kaimanawas) spoke and her message was to be yourself, there is no need to try and be popular. Be thankful for who you are. Robbie Fruean's (ex rugby star) message was giving back to others; it is so easy to have your hand out and take all the time and he got a lot of satisfaction from giving back to others. He said that paying back didn't mean giving money, it meant he gave a lot of his time. He talked about making sacrifices and that meant going out for runs rather than hanging out with his mates. He talked about his parents leaving Samoa and coming to NZ with no work and no understanding of

English but they made a sacrifice by coming to NZ for a better life for their children. His quote was "Shoot for the moon and you may hit a star," other messages and quotes from other speakers were: "If you think you can

or can't then you are right." "We thrive when we are connected and belong." That it was acknowledged that there are a lot of mental health issues ie, depression, self pride, lack of motivation, anxiety. As a result of this teachers, youth workers and sport coaches spend a lot of time supporting children through these issues and don't always have the skills to do so.

Whare Pukapuka/Library
If you are interested in borrowing books from our library for yourself or your children (preschoolers included) please feel free to pop in before 3pm Monday – Wednesday and before 2pm on Fridays. Any recommendations of books we should purchase are appreciated.

NEW BOOKS
Autumn Muster

Jack the huntaway and Tom the heading dog are busy again! Autumn is here, so it's time to muster the sheep down off the high New Zealand mountains and bring them home before the snow.

Snow Rescue

A thick blanket of snow covers Jack and Tom's farm - trapping the sheep on the hill. With the help of a bulldozer, a helicopter and a few friends, the sheep are snow-raked down to the lower paddocks where they can be cared for during the winter.

Show Day

On the farm, Show Day is about Jack and Tom and their family getting ready and going for their local A and P Show. They have lots of fun and get into some mischief, they even win some prizes!

Shearing

Join two farm dogs as they work hard to help out the farmer during a busy day shearing sheep on a high-country farm in New Zealand.

By Lee Lamb and sometimes Jamie Lee. These books are about Jack the huntaway and Tom the heading dog. Easy Reading Fiction recommended for readers aged 2 – 6 yrs.

Awesome Things to do with Mum by Simon Williams

Your mum is a pretty special person made up of so many cool things. This book will help you discover how amazing Mum really is. Its filled with heaps of awesome projects for you to enjoy.

- ☐ knit your own mobile phone cover
- ☐ bust out some groovy dance moves
- ☐ make your own wrapping paper

Have fun together

Chapter One by Daniel Flynn

The world probably doesn't need another book. And while this object you hold in your hands might look like one, it's so much more. It's an invitation.

And it's addressed to you. To inspire you to challenge everything, to remind you that you can turn ideas into reality and to present you the opportunity to be part of bold idea that could change the course of history.

Chapter One is the story of three kids from Melbourne, Australia with zero experience in business who had an idea and the crazy belief

that we all have the power to change stuff. It started with the World Water Crisis (and how to end it) but has developed into an award-winning consumer goods brand that empowers millions of people to fight poverty with every munch of muesli, sip of water or pump of hand wash. And that's just the beginning.
This is the story of epic proportions by Thankyou co-founder Daniel Flynn about Thankyou's gut-wrenching decisions, wild mistakes and daring moves in business, marketing and social enterprise so far. You'll laugh at their boldness, cry at their failings and be inspired by their determination. But more than that, you'll understand that, no matter your walk of life, you too have the power to change stuff.

Lazy Crafternoon by Stella Fields

Invite your friends over and begin crafting! Spend a lazy crafternoon creating awesome projects that anyone can complete. Full of projects, easy ideas, and inspiration, *LAZY Crafternoon* is here to start you out on your journey of creativity.

Keeping Your Children Safe Online - A Guide for New Zealand Parents by John

John is the country's leading authority on cyber-safety for children and works nationwide with young people, parents, the police, teachers and the health sector. Based on years of frontline experience, John has developed a toolbox of highly practical, realistic and proven strategies for both children and their caregivers.

Keeping Your Children Safe Online explains how to:

- ☐ communicate with your child about their use of technology
- ☐ keep family and friends safe in the digital world
- ☐ teach your child to project power and control online
- ☐ maintain an acceptable level of screen time

This book also deals with specific issues such as preventing online sexual predation, sexting, cyberbullying and other types of cyber-crime, as well as future-proofing your child's online reputation.

These strategies do not depend on technical skill, rather, they simply require you to reinforce your existing family values, and then teach your child to broadcast these into their online world. *Keeping Your Children Safe Online* is a hugely significant, timely and empowering book that is essential reading for any modern parent.

This book is a must-read for any parent wanting to develop resilience in their child and to empower them in today's hyper-connected world. – Sir Gordon Tietjens, KNZM

| TERM HAPPENINGS | |
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| Wed 6 th June | Country Schools 7-a-side – Y7-13 at NSC |
| Fri 8 th June | WAS, Thornbury, HVP & Isla Bank Cross Country - Thornbury - Up to 13 years old |
| Fri 8 th June | |

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| | Constable Fenton – Dare Programme Yr 9/10 |
| Tues 12 th June | WAS Cross Country – Y1-13 – 12-3pm |
| Thur 14 th June | Tony - Primary School Hockey Coaching |
| Fri 15 th June | Western Southland Cross Country – 9:30am-2pm - Otautau |
| Fri 15 th June | Constable Fenton – Dare Programme Yr 7/8 |
| Sat 16 th June | Primary Southland Cross Country – 9am-3pm - Edendale |
| Tues 19 th June | Girls in Hi-Vis - Year 9-13 Girls |
| Fri 22 nd June | Social - Yr 1-8 - 5:30-7:30pm |
| Thurs 28 th June | First Aid Course 8:30am - 5:30pm |
| Thurs 28 th June | Teacher Only Day |

New Students

We are pleased to welcome Elizabeth (Room 3) and Andrew Paterson (Room 4) to WAS and trust their learning experiences here are supportive to their needs and endeavours. Also a welcome back to Riley Taylor who will rejoin the senior class.

Students Of The Week

SOTW was presented to Deegan Ridder for his amazing attitude towards everything he does. He is always willing to take risks and try new things. This is very impressive as he has only been at school for four weeks. Well Done!!!!

Another SOTW award Amelia McPherson for her enthusiasm and effort in all learning areas. Keep up the great work Amelia, you are a shining example to others!!!

Notices

The new school uniforms are starting to get plenty of use which is good to see. As this uniform was sourced from a new supplier we need to get some feedback on how the clothing is wearing/washing. Please ensure that you let us know if there is any piece of uniform that doesn't come up to standard so we can feed that back to the supplier.

Teachers Only Day

On Wednesday 28th of June, there will be a teachers only day

as staff will be taking part in the First Aid Training.

Health Curriculum Consultation

Attached to the newsletter today is a brief survey that we

would really appreciate all parents/caregivers and students on the health being taught at WAS. Your feedback is vital as it will help form the basis the of a draft statement on the delivery of the health curriculum at WAS.

Thornbury Home & School Association Fundraiser

Sausages \$1

Soup \$2

Chocolate cake \$1

Liquorice \$1

Meat Patties \$2

Cheese Rolls \$1

Banana cake \$1

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