Theodore State School acknowledges the traditional Willi Willi people, both past and present, on whose land it stands.

VALUE FOR THE WEEK
Respect, Responsible and a Learner

PRINCIPAL’S PIECE

Welcome back to the final School Term for 2014!!
I trust everyone enjoyed the two week break and are ready to tackle another busy term here at Theodore State School.

90th Anniversary Celebration
A sincere THANK YOU is sent to everyone who attended our 90th Anniversary Open Day on the last day of Term Three. It was an extremely successful day which was very well attended by Students, Staff, Parents and Community Members both past and present.
There were a large range of activities and demonstrations on offer as well as a walk down Memory Lane with the displays in the old Library. It was great to talk with past students who informed me of the history of the school along with some of the shenanigans that went on!!
Miss Ogg and her Home Economic students did a sensational job in providing Morning Tea on the day and a thank you to Evolution Mining for supplying the BBQ lunch. We certainly had enough food on offer!!
Miss Davis and Ms Abood presented a wonderful comparison of the classroom of past years and the classroom of today – I wonder how we would go if we still checked fingernails for cleanliness…
It was fantastic to see everyone enjoying themselves and getting into the spirit of the day. I guess we will do it all again in for the Centenary!!

Great Results Guarantee 2015
In 2015 the Queensland Government is investing $183 million in Great Results Guarantee funding for state schools. Here at Theodore State School, our estimated 2015 allocation is $40,000 to continue the great work we started this year to improve our student’s performance.

As you are aware, our Great Results Guarantee focusses on Writing and Reading. We have implemented some great programs and practices across the whole school and will be strengthening these throughout this term and into next year. For more information on the Great Results Guarantee please have a look at the Department’s website at www.education.qld.gov.au/resultsguarantee.

Planning for 2015
We are currently taking enrolments for Prep in 2015. If your child is born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010 they are eligible to be enrolled in Prep. We will be holding a Prep Open Day on Wednesday 19 November which will provide information about the Prep program running here at Theodore State School. When enrolling your child the school will ask you for a range of information, such as:
Your child's name, date of birth, address, phone number, parents' or carers' contact details, and so on. Documentary evidence will be required for example, your child's birth certificate (which can be ordered from the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages).

Proof of your child's immunisation status.

Information about any medical condition or medication your child has, together with your doctor's instructions and contact details.

Any other information that will assist the school in providing for your child's education and welfare. This may include information from your child's previous education and care providers.

If you are moving from our school or know of someone who is interested in enrolling their children at our school next year, please advise the Office.

**Attendance**
In order to achieve at a high level, students need to be attending school on a regular basis. All students should aim for at least a 95% attendance rate. While illness and emergencies pop up throughout the school term it is important to limit the number of days students are away from school. If your child is away from school, please phone the office or send a note informing us of the absence in order for us to record this on our system.

**Pupil Free Day**
Next Monday 20 October is a Pupil Free Day where our staff will be undertaking a range of activities designed to augment our strategic direction and classroom practice. Our teaching staff will be joining with Baralaba teachers to moderate Writing scripts and share ‘best practice’. This is a very worthwhile activity as it ensures that we are assessing our students’ work to the same standard of that in other schools.

Steve

**Media Permission Forms**
All students received an updated Media Permission Form at the end of last term. We have received some of these forms back but are waiting for quite a number more. These forms allow photos of your child/ren to be placed in the Newsletter, Website, DAWVAL, etc. Without this form being returned to school, your child’s image cannot be used in any of these publications. Please complete the form and return to the school ASAP. If you require a new form please contact the Office.

**Parent Contributions**
Again, a very BIG thank you to all families who have paid their Voluntary Parent Contributions in full. If this has slipped your mind, please contact the Office to arrange payment. This scheme provides the funding for non-curricular activities at the school and access to events and activities.

Steve Conner
PRINCIPAL

*Enrolments for 2015*

If you have a prep student starting or your student/s are relocating to another school in 2015 could you please contact the school office ASAP.
Welcome back to Term 4! We’re continuing our transition program this term, preparing Theodore’s students for the full implementation of Year 7 into High School for 2015.

Our Choice Curriculum program will continue this term with the addition of Mr Hodgson as one of the curriculum providers. The choices include Creative Cookery with Miss Ogg, Robotics with Mrs Hessey, Dance and Subcultures with Mr Prianes, Macrame with Mrs Atkins and Games from Around the World with Mr Hodgson. One of the many benefits of this program includes the aspect of leadership which the students demonstrate within the programs. Parent and Community Involvement is the fifth principle of Junior Secondary, whereby students are encouraged to become leaders of their prospective year levels. At Theodore State School we have a comprehensive Leadership Program for our students.
Over the past couple of weeks, Theodore State School have had two important school based sporting events which are an integral part of our school year.

**Geoff Johnson Touch and Ball Games Day**
On the final Wednesday in Term 4, we held our annual touch and ball games day. With students from Years P-3 competing in ball games, whilst the students from Years 4-10 participating in both ball games and touch football. The day was a resounding success, with all students having fun and enjoying themselves, despite the fact that they were competing against each other. Our day culminated with good results all round as Castle took home the touch football trophy, 4 games to 2, while Dawson took home the ball games trophy, 24 games to 22. A big thank you goes out to all the parents and community members that came out to support the day.

**Tennis Tournament**
Last Friday marked the reinvigoration of the Theodore State School Tennis Tournament. With nominations at a high, students prepared themselves from competition in Singles and Doubles. The day played out as a huge success, with students having fun and enjoying themselves through the median of tennis. We had some great results come through the day and the champions and runners-up are as follows:

- **9/10yrs Singles**
  Winner: Keaton Long       Runner-Up: Isabel Anderson
- **11/12yrs Singles**
  Winner: Scott Anderson    Runner-Up: Keeley Monaghan
- **13-15yrs Singles**
  Winner: Rashun Motley     Runner-Up: Dale Hughes
- **9/10yrs Doubles**
  Winners: Keaton Long & Isabel Anderson
- **11/12yrs Doubles**
  Winners: Scott Anderson & Jack Williams    Runners-Up: Rhett Austin & Joyvn Johnston
- **13-15yrs Doubles**
  Winners: Dale Hughes & Larissa Kohl    Runners-Up: Kyla-Rae Johnston & Helena Long
Thank you to the Theodore Tennis Club and its members who ran the canteen and did an outstanding job assisting with the day. We are very lucky to have access to the amazing facility that they make available to us.

Yours in Sport,

Mr Alex Hodgson
Report from P&C meeting of 8\textsuperscript{th} October 2014

- Feedback from the 90\textsuperscript{th} celebrations has all been positive. Many thanks to all the staff, students and parents who worked hard to make it a great day.
- The new school computer server, paid for by the P&C, should be installed in a couple of weeks.
- Swimming club is starting again with good enrolments.
- Adult swimming master class may be offered. Please contact Katrina Phipps directly if you are interested. It will be allowed to continue over the holidays if required.
- The P&C has agreed to continue funding the Lexia/Core 5 literacy program for the students.
- We will continue to assist with funding for Awards Night, on the 27\textsuperscript{th} November.
- We also ask for donations of food for the Awards night supper.
- Melbourne Cup: the Prep mothers are organising the function at the Hotel Theodore. Please consider supporting this function. It’s always a good day.

For Sale - Yellow 2003 Hyundai Elantra GLS sedan. RWC. 110379 klms. Registered until 03/15. VGC. $3750. Enquiries phone 0429632103 or 49931155.

After school Tennis - Has changed to Thursday afternoons due to the commencement of swimming. Starting time will be the same as last term.

Tennis Club - Would like to advise that night tennis will commence this Thursday night. Play commences from 6:30pm and approximate finishing time is 9pm. Cost to play $5. Everyone is welcome.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

FRESHLY MADE ON THE DAY: Ham & Cheese or Ham, Cheese and Pineapple pizza’s available from this Friday. Also available frozen strawberry and mango yoghurt.

Dental Service - QC Coal Group and the Royal Flying Doctors Service have partnered to improve access to dental care in regional communities in Central Queensland. The QC Coal Community Dental Service will be in Theodore from Monday 10\textsuperscript{th} November - 22\textsuperscript{nd} November. Residence of Theodore and surrounding areas are encouraged to book an appointment during this time. If you have any questions please contact 0407595014 or Email: media@rfdsqld.com.au. To book an appointment, please call 1800 002 507.
ANZAC Day Poster 2015

In preparation for ANZAC Day 2015 – the Centenary of World War One – the RSL in conjunction with Theodore State School, will be holding a competition for School students to design a poster advertising this event in Theodore for 2015.

The poster must include:

*A picture describing or outlining the event/s of World War One

*ANZAC Day (as the title)

*Date: Saturday 25th April 2015

*Dawn Service – 6.00am, Bull Ring Cenotaph

*Street Parade – begins at 10.00am, followed by the ANZAC Day service

*Come to the RSL for lunch and refreshments after the Service

This poster competition is open to all students at Theodore State School, from Prep – Year 10. The competition closes Monday 8th December 2014, with the RSL drawing the winner at the end of February 2015.
ALL PROSPECTIVE 2015 PREP FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

THEODORE STATE SCHOOL’S

PREP OPEN DAY

Come along to attend a meet and greet, and parent information morning. 2015 Prep students welcome.

Where: Prep Room

When: 9am- 11am

Morning Tea will be provided.

For more information please call 4990 3333

WEDNESDAY

19th November 2014
Travel Kansai: Osaka – Eating Out!

In Languages education at Theodore State School this year, students of Japanese increased their knowledge and understanding of one of the key cities in Japan, Osaka, which is located in the Kansai region (the middle of Japan). I was very fortunate to be an Awardee of the federal government-sponsored Endeavour Language Teachers Fellowship (ELTF), resulting in a study tour of the Kansai region in January of this year.

As a result, Semester One saw students of Japanese explore the language and cultural practices related to introducing others in the popular game ‘Guess Who?’. In ‘Travel Kansai: Shopping!’ - offered in the second term - your child studied the key words and phrases associated with asking for and giving street directions to a wide range of shops in Osaka. In the third term, your child had the opportunity learn vocabulary and key phrases associated with asking for and giving train directions to important train stations in Osaka and the Kansai region.

The culminating unit of work for this year is about Japanese Cuisine, most of which is specific to the Kansai region. Wagyu Beef is just one famous example, which best sourced from Kobe city in Kansai. Your child will collaboratively learn with others to translate - from Japanese to English - and discover the names and ingredients of a wide range of Japanese dishes. He or she will listen to and comprehend a customer order for an appetizer, main dish and dessert. The culminating task is to create a sales flyer for a Japanese dish with their partner(s) using art materials. It is envisaged that one day when you all visit a restaurant that has Japanese cuisine on its menu, your child will know how to ask for and pay for a dish in Japanese.

Oishii-so! (The food looks delicious!)

Richard Jeffers
Languages Teacher (Japanese)
Theodore State School
A reminder of our
Opening Of the Accredited
Kindy Program
Saturday 25th October
9am until Noon

* Speeches *
* Meet & Greet *
* Children's Activities *
* Tour of facilities *
* Morning Tea *
* Aboriginal Welcome Dance

2014

Cnr First Ave & The Boulevard Theodore ph 49931447
Theodore Medical Centre invites applications for a full time medical receptionist (38 hours per week)

- Absolute confidentiality a must
- Friendly and compassionate personality
- Workplace stamina
- Excellent telephone manner
- Computer literate with experience in Microsoft Word and Outlook preferred
- Have sound written and oral communication skills
- Some overtime will be expected
- Previous medical reception experience not essential
- Training will be provided to the successful applicant
- Award wages and conditions with penalty rates paid

Applications close Friday 24 October 2014

Interviews of short listed applicants - Friday 31 October 2014

Start Date – preferably week beginning 03 November 2014 or soon thereafter.

Email resume to Anne Chater - Practice Manager
anne.chater@theodoremedical.com.au
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