REQUEST FOR PHOTOS ETC
I am doing a family project and am looking for any photos / memorabilia depicting my family’s life in Thargomindah. The items I am looking for will include Pop (Charles Isaac) & Granny (Hilda) Easton’s family in the early 1900’s and their descendants.

I am working on this project at the library and am there most week days from 10:00am—12 noon. If you have any items that you think I can use, please bring them to the library so that I will scan them & return to you immediately, or if you prefer, give me a ring and we can arrange for you to send them to me electronically.

Thank you for any help you are able to give me.
Karen Dare
Ph: 4655 3267

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PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
E-KINDY 2016
An Information Session is being held for any parents interested in enrolling their child for e-Kindy in 2016. Parents will be advised about the e-Kindy Program and provided with enrolment packs and other resources.

Where: Thargomindah State School
When: Thursday 15th October from 4:00—5:00pm

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
Welcome back to what promises to be a very busy and exciting Term Four.

I am thrilled to report that the Small Schools Sports Camp held in the last week of Term Three was a tremendous success! In 2015 we saw the return of large numbers of students attending the camp with 11 schools represented. Some of these schools were returning to Thargomindah for the first time in many years. Over the course of the week we hosted in excess of 120 students, 35 support staff and 10 sports coaches. There are a significant number of people and organisations that contributed to the week and our sincere thanks are extended to the broader Thargomindah community. Once again it showcases the fantastic community spirit and support of our school and our initiatives. To our local businesses, Council, Police, P & C, parents, staff and community members I would like to sincerely thank you for your efforts in ensuring students from across the region had an enjoyable and memorable experience.

We have a lot of great learning opportunities planned for the next nine weeks, including a Toy Expo and Cooking up a Storm on Dowling. Parents watch your mailboxes for the invitation to this very special event to be held on Wednesday 28th October. Students will be displaying their work and sharing some of their work samples and knowledge before a sit down meal that the students will create, serve and entertain!

Week 8 will see our students head to Camp Tallebudgerra (22nd-28th November) with the students from Eromanga SS, Yowah SS and Eulo SS. We will be staying at the Tallebudgerra Beach Recreational Centre and participate in activities such as high ropes and low ropes courses, surfing, body boarding, beach games, archery, fencing, catapults and evasion games. We are also hoping to squeeze in a day at one of the Gold Coast Theme parks! It will no doubt be a great school camp that students will enjoy.

Finally, as you may be aware, Kelly Theobald tragically lost her life in a car accident over the school holidays. Our students will remember Miss Theobald (Miss T) from her time with us as a Prac-Teacher in the upstairs classroom in Term 2 this year. We remember her time with us fondly, particularly her input into our English/Geography units and her infectious enthusiasm in the classroom. Support is available for students and staff as required. Our thoughts are with Kelly’s family and the Birdsville community at this difficult time.

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HELLO FROM THE P – 2 CLASS!

I hope everyone had a wonderful break and some much needed rest after Sports Camp. It was a fabulous experience for all children and the coaches were fabulous.

This term will see our English program cover persuasive writing with a focus on 3 different stories of "Little Red Riding Hood". Children will need to persuade me in which is the better story from their point of view. The children are progressing very well with spelling and sight words. This will still form part of their homework and in class.

All students performed very well in their numeracy test at the end of last term. This term will see us focus on measurement, money and data handling while embedding multiplication, place value and addition/subtraction. Our money sessions will be embedded within our health unit, where we will be talking about eating healthy food and learn how to shop for these. We will create a little shop within in the classroom and the students will have their own money bag so they can purchase products. A very packed term ahead, with lots of hands on learning.

In History we continue to compare the past and the present, with particular focus on the changes that have occurred and how we know they have happened. A very busy term ahead with lots of exciting things happening within the classroom. Please feel free to see me before/after school should you wish to discuss anything regarding your child’s education.

Have a great term everyone
Trish Smith

E-KINDY NEWS

Term 4 is here and exciting things are happening! To finish up the year we will be looking at:

- Aboriginal Culture – (Artwork, Traditions, History and Dreamtime Stories)
- Characters – (Body features, Expressions and making their own stories)
- Art – (Patterns, Colours, Mosaics and Sculptures)
- People at work – (Oc Cupations, ‘When I grow up I want to be a…” book)
- Money Exchange – (Selling inc cordial cups)
- (Artwork, Traditions, History and Dreamtime Stories)
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It is exciting to see the improvement in the e-Kindy students each day and we look forward to them being official ‘Preps’ next year in 2016.

Next week we will have visitors, including Kathy Nan—e-Kindy Teacher from Charleville SDE and Cath O’Connor—e-Kindy Manager. They will be here on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th October. We invite all parents to meet them at Playgroup on Wednesday 14th October from 9:30—11:00am.

Parents who are looking to enrol their child in e-Kindy in 2016 are also invited to attend an information session on Thursday afternoon from 4:00—5:00pm. Parents will be provided with enrolment packs and other resources which will help explain the e-Kindy program.

Makala Byrne
Thargomindah Ekindy Teacher Aide

3-6 CLASS NEWS

Welcome back to term 4. I entrust that everyone had an enjoyable holiday and are ready for an extremely busy term.

This Term students in the 3-6 class will be focusing on the ‘Persuasive Genre’ through studying media and advertising. Students will become entrepreneurs as they develop new products for an identified need and use their persuasive techniques to market them. Once again this is an integrated unit comprised of English, Technology and The Arts whereby students are able to demonstrate their skills and knowledge in differented ways through the open ended assessment piece.

Once again Maths is comprised of a range of mathematical topics throughout the term that cover all strands of the maths curriculum, starting with ‘Time’. Students will be looking at telling time to the minute, converting between units of time, using and understanding ‘am’ and ‘pm’ notation, comparing 12 and 24 hour times along with understanding and interpreting timetables. Our beanstalk learning ladder will be used each week in maths, for students to track their learning and understanding of topics covered.

How the beanstalk learning ladder works:

Depending on the number of outcomes students will be focusing on each week will determine the number of ‘rest points’ on the beanstalk. As students demonstrate and feel confident with each concept they will move their person to next beanstalk.

I would like to take this opportunity to also acknowledge, on behalf of the 3-6 students, the devastating news of our adored prac teacher Kelly Theobald (Miss T) who was making her way back to Thargomindah to complete her internship (final one before being qualified). Miss T was well liked by students due to her caring and calm persona. She shared many valuable skills along with mountains of knowledge around writing during her time with the 3-6 students of Thargomindah. Although she cannot be here to teach the planned unit, we are going to ‘do her proud’ by completing the best work possible throughout this terms studies.

Mel O’Neill