Dear Parents & Community Members,

Sports camp
Preparations for Sports Camp are complete and our students are very excited. Programs have been sent out and we have approximately 100 students coming. It is going to be an exhausting and fun-filled week. On Monday afternoon, students will be taking part in our Amazing Race and walking around town to find clues and to familiarise our visitors with our lovely town.

Responsible Behaviour Plan
The school’s Responsible Behaviour Plan has been drafted. It has been sent out to parents who attended the P and C meeting. If you would like to have your say regarding the document, please let me know and I will email it to you. The sign off for this document will be at the P and C meeting on October 10 and I would ask that any comments/input for the document be sent to me by the first day back at school (October 4). Many positive changes have been made and we look forward to rewarding our students for their outstanding behaviour. A part of this behaviour plan is the issue of attendance. In Term Four, our goal is to achieve the DET desired benchmark of 92.8% attendance. Currently, we are at 88.6%. School absences have a devastating effect on academic outcomes. The table on the following page illustrates this!

Next term
Next term, we are ready to hit the road running! It is a short term and planning has commenced. Students have completed their assessments for this term and we are delighted to see the improvements made in spelling and reading. Parent-teacher interviews were held over the course of the last two weeks. If you would still like to speak to a teacher regarding the progress of your child, please book in an interview for next term.

The first Monday, the 3rd of October is a public holiday. All teaching will commence on Tuesday, the 4th of October. There is also a student free day on the 17th of the month.

There will also be many rehearsals for our end of year performance, Seussical – the Musical. It should be a fantastic show! For four of our students, it will also be their last term at Thargomindah State School. It will be an emotional time.

Happy Holiday!
The teachers and I would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone refreshed and renewed for our final term.

Anja Janosevic
Principal

Bulloo Billboard

9 SEPTEMBER 2016
KENDRA BUST—KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK KENDRA! YOU HAVE HAD A GREAT TERM IN ENGLISH.

9 SEPTEMBER 2016
JORDYN FERGUSON—FOR TRYING YOUR BEST AND SCORING 19/20 ON YOUR SPELLING TEST! KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK JORDY!

Here are the girls on the ski slopes. Jacinta is in the front with her pink jacket on, Akasha wearing the lime green scarf and Amity peeking out from behind her.

A group photograph. Note the amazing backdrop behind them.
There are times when absences are unavoidable and the 92.8% figure allows for this. Please support us to support your children.

2 SEPTEMBER 2016
CHARLIE ROBERTS—FOR PUTTING IN 100% ON YOUR ENGLISH ASSESSMENT!

2 SEPTEMBER 2016
JACK PIKE—CONGRATIONS ON HELPING OTHER STUDENTS AND BEING A STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

RFDS $250 DRAW RESULTS
27.08.16
$200—Sue & Clancy
$10—Duck & Shirley
$10—Dot McNamara
$10—Ian Gidding
$10—Alan Kleidon
$10—Carmel Beresford

PHOTOS FROM THE K-2 CLASS EXCURSION TO THE AIRPORT

9th September 2016
Class Dojos is our positive behaviour awards system within the classrooms. These students have shown 95% or above positive behaviour this week. Keep up the good work everyone!

2 SEPTEMBER 2016

PRINCIPAL REPORT CONTINUED

Does Your Child Have a Chance of Being Successful?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but…

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At Thargomindah State School
Kids Matter, Every Day! Every Week! Every Year!

CLASS DOJO

9th September 2016

After School Swimming Groups 2016/17 Season—September

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Knee Deep: 2 December
Fun Day 5.30pm

2 September 2016
P-2 CLASSROOM NEWS

With the term coming to an end, I am very excited to let everyone know that the students of the P-2 class have blown their testing out of the water. We have seen great gains from our students. This wouldn’t have been possible without the help and support of everyone. Thank you all for showing such a great interest in our students.

Next term, we have a short term with only 6 weeks. Our focus will be on revisiting concepts taught this year and embedding the learning practice. With the introduction of SSP, we have seen our students really thrive with independent learning. We consistently remind our students that everyone is different and that our learning needs are different.

During next term, we will be focusing on music for Art. We will hold an end of year play for all students on Christmas Tree night. Watch this space for all the information.

Have a great fortnight everyone. Safe travels over the holidays!

Trish

KINDY PILOT NEWS

It has been an excellent fortnight with the Kindy girls! We have been looking at days of the week and the class song we sing to remember the order. We have completed a few different activities based around the days of the week that teach them the order, how many days, what comes before and what comes after certain days, what are school days, etc.

Lots of colouring and painting involved in these activities!

The girls love when we join in with the P-2 students activities this week. We did cooking and last week we joined them on an excursion to the airport to look at the Rex plane and talk with Janet, the pilots and the stewardess. This was the girls last week for term 3 due to sports camp next week.

PLAYGROUP: Please note that we have finished playgroup now for the rest of the term due to sports camp next week. We will start up again next term.

Kitsa Warner
Kindy Teacher Aide

SECONDARY SCHOOL UPDATE

The flu seems to have ravaged everyone in the secondary unit in the past fortnight or so especially for the girls since returning from their snow trip. They stepped off the bus last Tuesday morning looking tired and exhausted and the two and a half hour trip back from Cunnamulla was very quiet as the girls slept most of the way from there. All of us have missed some days at school in the past week and even now we still have this flu hanging on. With the term soon coming to a close it is not a good time to be away missing work. The girls are concluding their sixth unit for the year with assessment tasks to show their teachers what they know about the work they have been doing.

Spring holidays begin at the end of next week and in the second week of term 4 the second and final multischool for the year will again be held in Longreach.

Carmel

3-6 CLASSROOM NEWS

The countdown is officially on for the 3-6 class! Our assessments are complete and the excitement that Sports Camp is just around the corner has begun to build.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the hard work the students have put in over the last 2 weeks, ensuring their assessment pieces are up to a high standard. I am very pleased with what they have achieved and the dedication they have shown.

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