Dear Parents and Community Members,

It’s over! Another year has flown by. The last few weeks in particular, have been a whirlwind. I want to start this final newsletter for 2016 to express my many thanks. On Monday night, we had the Thargomindah State School Awards Evening, on Wednesday night, the Year 6s and their families celebrated graduation at a dinner at the Oasis and tonight, we have our community musical. I hope everyone enjoyed the Awards Evening. While it was a collaborative effort with our Senior students working under the direction of Trish, special mention must be made of a few people who really made it their mission to ensure the evening was a success. Thanks to Deslie and Vaughan Collins who spent all day down at the hall doing the heavy work (getting the PA set up, hauling the drink taps down to the hall) and decorating (especially as it wasn’t Deslie’s work day at school and Vaughan is on holiday); to Janet for slaving over the hot stove and assisting with the meals and to Bede for popping in and out all day to see if there was anything else to be done.

On Wednesday night, Henry, Charlie, Blair and Jordan celebrated a milestone in their schooling lives – Year 6 graduation. Many thanks to Amy (Hollis) for organising this event for them and to the Oasis for a fantastic meal! As someone who has known the students since they were littlies at Thargomindah State School, Deslie gave a speech of her memories of the boys, which created quite a bit of laughter. I loved hearing about the things they got up to! (Our current Preppies seem so mild compared to the four boys – hard to imagine them jumping a fence now to swim in the river – yes, I’m looking at you Blair, Charlie and if he could have climbed the fence, Henry!) Looking at the photos of the boys on their first day here, it is hard to believe the amount of time that has passed! I hope all who came enjoyed themselves. We all wish the boys all the very best, hope they seize upon all opportunities, and finally, a word to them in keeping with the theme of our end of year concert – “The more you read, more things you will know. The more that you learn, more places you’ll go.”

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Bulloo Shire Council for their incredible support of our school. Their generosity throughout the school year has been invaluable to us and very much appreciated. In addition, thanks must also go to our P & C for their unending support. I look forward to many new faces at our P & C meetings next year.

In this newsletter, we also say goodbye to our fabulous teacher aide, Allie, who has been appointed by the Council to the Secondary Facility. We are all very sad to lose her from the school, but know that she will be just “across the way”. Good luck, Allie.

The Thargomindah State School community is also saying goodbye to the Beresford family. Their departure for Eulo will leave a gap in our classes. I thank Shonnell for her commitment to the school and I wish them all the best for 2017.

Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year! For those of you travelling, please take care and enjoy the break!

All the best!

Anja
**NEW ATHLETIC RECORD HOLDERS**

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**SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2016**


Congratulations Grace Warner on Achieving your first M100 Certificate!
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DATE CLAIMERS:

2nd Dec  
Christmas Tree & School Musical - 6pm

3rd Dec  
Swimming Club Christmas Party/Movie Night @ Pool 5pm

4th Dec  
Salvation Army Carols

5th Dec  
Eulo Movie Night and Salvation Army Carols

9th Dec  
Bullo Shire Council Annual Staff Christmas Party @ The Hall 6pm

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Salvation Army Carols

9th Dec  
Eulo Movie Night and Salvation Army Carols

12th Dec  
Eulo Christmas tree & Market Night

20th Dec  
Thumbaurna New Year’s Eve Bikishana & Rodeo

31st Dec  
Eromanga New Year’s Eve Cocktail Party 7pm
Enquiries Phone: 0456491777

25th Jan 2017  
Australia Day Awards

18th March 2017  
Campdraft/Rodeo Ball @ Eromanga

April 2017  
Channel Country Challenge

2nd June 2017  
Hungerford Biennial Field Day

8-9 July 2017  
Thargomindah Pecocrass Carnival

12th Aug 2017  
Fundraiser Ball for Beyond Blue @ Noccundra

12-13 Aug 2017  
Nockataung-Toompine Pecocrass Carnival @ Toompine

16-17 Sept 2017  
Thargomindah Motorbike Gymkhana & Enduro Ride

30th Sept 2017  
Hungerford Horse & Motorbike Gymkhana

CLASS DOJO

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!

25th November 2016

BEDE’S MODEL CITIZEN OF THE WEEK AWARD

25th Nov 2016

The Kindy Girls!
Alisha, Charlize, Matilda & Lilly

Congratulations and thank you for being great role models for your fellow students.

Councillors & Staff of the Bulloo Shire Council
Invite all Community Members
To Be Our Guest at the
Annual Staff Christmas Party

Date: Friday 9th December 2016
Start: 6:00pm
Finish: 11:00pm
Venue: Thargomindah Hall
RSVP: Dalena - prior to 7/12/16

Entertainment: Amaze-O (Magician)
Thargo Residents - Please Bring a Plate of shared food!