

# Thorndon School Newsletter

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You know you've read a good book when you turn the last page and feel a little as if you have lost a friend.  
Paul Sweeney

## Action List

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| Do we have up to date address details?              | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you sent in your school donation?                   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Do we have your mobile phone number?                | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you sent in a scratchy for the fair?                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Would you like to get the newsletter by email link? | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you paid this term's activity contribution of \$30? | <input type="checkbox"/> |

## Dear Parents

Kia ora tatou.

I will keep this section of the newsletter short and see if we can stick to the two pages we have had over the past few weeks. It makes things much quicker all round.

There are a few photos in here of last Friday's disco which was very successful. Thank you to the Young Leaders Group in particular and to all the staff who gave up their evening to run this. They raised about \$730 and the YLG decided that this should be used to get team T shirts for the school. Fifty Thorndon School T Shirts have been ordered and should arrive before the end of term. Next time we send a group out representing the school I hope they will be wearing them.

It might be time to remind everyone that you can get the newsletter through the website. Each week I send out the link to about 144 email addresses and we print off about 140 hard copies. The printed version costs us about \$2500 per year in paper and copying charges so you can see why we are keen for people to use the electronic version. If you would like to make the change please let us know and we will add your email address to the list.

Bill Sutton

## Successes

I am jumping the gun a little here but during last term we had a number of children take part in the Young Designers' Awards, a national competition covering a range of design options. This competition is not specifically for primary schools so we are delighted to have learned that Lydia Whiting, Charlotte Edwards and Yasmeen McNab-Anand have been named as finalists for a garment they designed and made for the Fashion Awards. We now wait for a couple of weeks to see how they have fared. Well done to all three.

## Holiday Programmes

Football Coaching Clinics

Scots College

October 6 -10

9:00 – 1:00

\$100

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## THORNDON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

### **Book Week**

Next week is Book Week and we are planning a number of activities.

On Tuesday children's author Alan Bagnall will be visiting us for the day. Alan is well known for his writing in the School Journals and the Ready to Read books published by Learning Media. He will work in junior and middle school rooms as well as work-shopping with a writers group.

The senior school will be visited by John Marwick, an actor with a passion for Shakespeare, and this visit meshes nicely with the recent performance of an excerpt from A Midsummer Nights Dream preformed by a group of Year 7 and 8 children.

Staff and parents will be reading to classes through the week, new books will be introduced to the library and there will be a display of books from The Children's Bookshop in the foyer. These books are all for sale and we are hopeful that parents might donate some of these to the library.

The week will culminate in a "Dress up as your favourite book character" on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September. If you would like to come in and read your favourite book or a snippet from an old favourite please email your child's teacher.

### **Wellington Lions**

On August 30 the Wellington Rugby Union allowed free admission for kids to go to the Wellington v Bay of Plenty game.

This was such a success that the same deal is available for the Wellington v Waikato game on September 13. Any adult can take any number of children under 14.

### **New Children**

We have one new pupil to welcome this week.

He is:

Torr Nilsson-Cusiel	Y 0	Room 8 -Harakeke
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We hope Torr and his family enjoy their time at Thorndon School.

### **Cricket**

The cricket season is just around the corner. Registrations are taking place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September, so get down to your local club and enjoy what should be an action packed Summer of Cricket.

Wellington Collegians Cricket

9:00 – 12:00

Anderson Park, Tinakori Road

Thorndon

### **Term 3 Calendar**

Sep 8	Book Week begins.
Sep 11	Knoche Cup competition against Brooklyn
Sep 16	Central Cluster Speech Competition.
Sep 16	Inter Zone Swimming
Sep 17	Science Technology Roadshow.
Sep 18	Science Technology Roadshow.
Sep 22	Jump Rope for Heart
Sep 23	Hearing and Vision testing – Y 7, Y0/1
Sep 24	Wellington Girls College Market Day
Sep 26	Term Ends.

Oct 13	Term 4 Begins.
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### **Central Zone Swimming**

On Thursday last week the children who came first and second in the school swimming competition went to the central zone competition. The people who qualified were: Joshua Wight, Eva Wiles, Emma Waho, Oliver Chiaroni, Taylor Mauriohooho, Aliyah Delamare, Brittany Antipas, Amira El Orfi, Christopher Andrews, Jonathan Rogers, Alex Bremner, Jack Gleadow, Lilliana Wiles, Lydia Whiting, Nathan Stirling, Waylon Shadlock, Liam Vaughan, Olivia Yeo, Tymesha Cousins, Oliver Stanish, Connor Smith, Keegan Symons and Tabitha Dombroski.

Out of those people Joshua Wight, Jonathan Rogers, Christopher Andrews and Lilliana Wiles qualified for Wellington Interzone. It was a fun day for everybody with some great successes.

By Lydia

