From the Principal

The end of 2015 is another milestone for Thiele PS. When our year 7’s graduate next week, it will be the first group of students who have gone all the way through from Reception to Year 7 since the school came into existence. Congratulations to these students and I hope they leave with many fond memories.

At our last assembly I had great pleasure in announcing, the first nominees of our Volunteering Award for Outstanding Service. This award recognises and honours outstanding individuals who are making a significant contribution to the school community. Congratulations to Lois Watson, Ros Mayfield and Bernadette Cumming-Buntin for being nominated for this worthy award. The overall recipient of the award went to Bernadette Cumming-Buntin who is immensely proud of this recognition. We would like to sincerely thank all of the nominees who have given long, outstanding service to our school community. This award is to be awarded annually.

Thank you to the parents and volunteers who attended the special morning tea last week. It was also great to have Nat Cooke, our local member, drop in and spend some time with us. For those volunteers who were unable to attend, please accept our sincere thanks for all your assistance this year and we look forward to having you work with us again in 2016.

As always at the end of a school year, there are a number of farewells that I would like to share with you. Not all staffing has been finalised for next year but I can share the following:

- Gerri Thompson and Linda Waters conclude their contracts with us and are as yet unplaced for 2016. We thank them for their professional and positive contribution and wish them well for next year.

Class Placements are due to go home with the student’s reports on Thursday December 10 (Week 9). We are sending them home on Thursday as so many classes at our of the school on excursions on the Wednesday. Every effort has been made to meet the children’s needs within our class structures. Please look for them in your child’s bag on this day.

In closing, on behalf of the staff and Governing Council, I wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year and I look forward to seeing you again in 2016.

Cheers
Shaun
On 24th November, the School of Languages held their annual celebration of student achievement in Bonython Hall, Adelaide University. This was a very important occasion attended by students and their families, School Principals, Community leaders and representatives from key educational bodies. Primary Students who were recommended for awards received such awards from Dr Lyn Arnold AO and Henry Ayles (T2) was presented with an Award of Merit for achievement, progress and dedication in Year 2 Italian. Henry also performed a traditional Italian dance, the Tarantella, with his fellow Italian students on the night where they wore traditional dress.

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This year has been an extremely busy and constructive for our Student Representatives of 2015 and I would like to acknowledge the cooperation, collaboration, enthusiasm and work ethic of each and every member of the SRC team of students. Along with the proxy SRC representatives who step into the role when someone is away.

Initiatives and achievements of the team this year have included the continuation of support

- **Sustainability**
  Rubbish raffles, “Palmy”- recycling of 10c cans and the introduction of Litter Free Lunches to be more of a focus for 2016

- **Integrity**
  Casual Days to raise funds for Nepal victims of the earthquake, Salvation Army to support local families less fortunate than ourselves and Shoeboxes of Love to support children overseas with basic items of necessity

- **Achievement**
  This is bi-product of these hard working students who volunteer their time to meet to be the voice of their fellow classmates throughout the year.

- **Respect**
  SRC representatives have shown respect to their class mates and fellow SRC members through the handover from Semester 1 to Semester 2 by following on with and further developing the programs. A further testament to the respect these young students have towards our school is their willingness to take on the School Disco. This is the first time a school Disco has been held during lunchtime and the money raised was handed over to the Fundraising Committee. It was amazing to see how the SRC worked collaboratively to plan and implement this Disco. The senior students supported our younger students by providing music, games and support during the disco where 120 students danced their lunch time away in the PAC.

I have enjoyed working with our 2015 SRC representatives this year and I am looking forward to working with our new SRC team in 2016.

Sharon Willoughby
Deputy Principal
I would like to tell you about my past 3 terms as the Pastoral Care Worker at this amazing school. There have been some amazing moments with myself and students, some of which I will cherish forever. This position has really opened up my eyes to a world of new things and learning experiences. There have been some challenges but the support I have felt from the top down, has been overwhelming. The students, although I don’t remember everyone’s names, I love spending time with each and every one of them and I can’t wait to come to work each week to see them all. There have been a number of activities that I have been privileged to have been a part of this year and am really grateful about all the students accepting me into their school.

I want to inform you that I will be expecting my first baby in April next year, so don’t be surprised when you come back and my belly has popped out a fair bit. I will be here until the end of Term 1.

I hope your Christmas is filled with joy and spent cherishing family and friends

See you next year for Term 1 2016

Bree Johnston
Pastoral Care Worker

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The Campus Fair Shed will be open to receive your pre-loved items on Sunday 6th December from 10.00am to 1.00pm. It’s your last chance this term to donate items that will be used for the Trash ‘n Treasure at next year’s Campus Community Fair. The Fair Shed loves household items and crockery, gardening tools, sporting goods, toys and games, books, DVDs and CDs. All must be clean and in good working order. There are also items that the Fair Shed cannot accept, including clothing, furniture, electrical items, computers or safety equipment (such as helmets, life jackets, cot/prams/high chairs or other baby furniture). So clean out the garage, cupboards and kid’s rooms. Load up the trailer or boot and head to the Fair Shed on Sunday 6th December.

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COMING TO AN END

COMMUNITY NEWS

Looking for something to do these holidays? Get along to an Adelaide Strikers Holiday Clinic! You will meet players, practice your skills, and get some great Strikers giveaways. The emphasis will be fun and participation while increasing skill levels, and they are open to 6-11 year old girls and boys of all abilities! For more details about the various locations across Adelaide, and the dates, head to http://www.adelaidestrikers.com.au/fans

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