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THIELE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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TERM 1, 2017 DIARY DATES:

Week 8

Friday March 24

12.00 pm – Assembly

Week 9

Friday March 31

Campus Sports Day

Week 10

Monday April 3 – Friday April 7

R - 5 Swimming

Friday April 7

12.00 pm – Assembly

Week 11

Thursday April 13

2.00 pm - End of Term 1

Friday April 14

Good Friday

TERM 2, 2017 DIARY DATES:

Week 1

Monday May 1

Term 2 begins

Week 2

Friday May 12

Assembly 12.00

Week 3

Tuesday May 16

6.30 pm – Finance Meeting

7.30 pm – Governing Council Mtg

Week 4

Friday May 26

PUPIL FREE DAY

	Term Dates 2017
Term 1	Jan 30 – April 13
Term 2	May 1 – July 7
Term 3	July 24 – Sept 29
Term 4	Oct 16 – Dec 15

From the Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Hopefully by now you have made an interview time with your child's teacher over the next two weeks. The term one interviews are really important so that you can hear how your child's learning is progressing at this early stage of the year. Our expectation is that all families attend these interviews and your attendance will be much appreciated.

Last Tuesday we held our annual Campus Open Day. We had quite a number of families visit and participate in a school tour from which we received many positive comments. The Campus Students Leaders who greeted families as they came in the gates were great ambassadors for our schools due to the positive way they conducted themselves.

The Campus Student Leaders also recently attended the Halogen Leader's Day at the Convention Centre. This was a wonderful opportunity for the student leaders from Thiele and Pilgrim (Nativity students were in Canberra) to get to know each other and listen to some inspiring leaders including Brent Reilly from the Adelaide Crows, The Honourable Kelly Vincent and Matt Cosgrove (author).

Each of these people shared their journeys of success, overcoming adversity and inspired our student leaders to develop their leadership skills.

At this week's Governing Council meeting, a number of pupil free days were approved for the remainder of the year. DECD has once again approved 4 pupil free days for schools with our focus being on learning design and moderation. The following dates have been scheduled so please add them to your family calendar.

DATE	PURPOSE	TERM
Friday May 26	Pupil Free Day	2
Friday September 1	Pupil Free day	3
Monday September 4	Campus Closure Day	3
Friday December 15	Pupil Free Day	4

Next Friday we are holding our Campus Sports Day. Final preparations are underway in readiness for a great day. Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered to assist on the day but we still need a few more helpers to work on the barbecues, cake and coffee stall or gym canteen. If you have just one hour to spare on the day, please contact Bianca or Wendy in the Campus Office.

And lastly, just a reminder to the families of our R-5 students that your children will be participating in swimming lessons at Noarlunga Centre starting on Monday April 3.

Cheers

Shaun



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Child Development

NOTES SENT HOME



Over the past fortnight the following notices have been sent home.

- Campus Cupcake Bake Off (Year 4-7 only)
- Campus Sports Day
- Parent/Teacher Interviews

If you have not received any of the above, please request a copy either from your child's class teacher or Thiele Reception.

ICAS – INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS

ICAS is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement. ICAS is unique, being the most comprehensive generally available suite of academic assessments for primary and secondary school students. The assessments comprise eight [Digital Technologies](#) tests, eleven [English](#) tests, eleven [Maths](#) tests, eleven [Science](#) tests, six [Spelling](#) tests and ten [Writing](#) tests.

If you would like your child to participate in these assessments please complete the following table and return to the Front Office with your payment by Friday 31st March 2017.

Subject	ICAS Sitting Date	Official Closing Date	Cost	Student/s name	Yr level
Digital Technologies	Tues 23 May	Fri 7 April	\$9.90		
Science	Tues 30 May	Tues 2 May	\$9.90		
Writing	Mon 12 June – Fri 16 June	Mon 15 May	\$20.50		
Spelling	Wed 14 June	Tues 16 May	\$13.20		
English	Tues 1 August	Fri 23 June	\$9.90		
Mathematics	Tues 15 August	Fri 23 June	\$9.90		
Total cost					

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

Urrbrae Agricultural High School Open Day

Prospective Year 8 Students
Tuesday, 21st March 2017

Adelaide High School Open Night

Wednesday, 22nd March 2017

Brighton Secondary School Information

Evening for Years 6 and 7
Monday, 3rd April 2017

Brighton Secondary School Year 7 - Out of School
Zone Volleyball Trials

Mitcham Girls High School Open Day

Monday, 8th May 2017

PERFORMING ARTS LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Congratulations to all students who applied for leadership roles in Performing Arts across Campus. We had some wonderful applicants this year, which made the selection process very difficult! If you did miss out, please know that there were a number of applicants who did not get roles this year, who we would encourage to continue to seek leadership roles in future years. Successful students were:

Junior Choir

Molly J
Joshua T
Annabel L
Emily S
Leani V

Senior Choir

Sammy P
Rebecca R
Saara D
Cloud H
Alice R
Zoe S

Music Captains

Lara K
Vanessa R
Hannah G
Lara S

Tech Crew

Tech Crew applicants have been shortlisted for positions, and will be observed throughout the year. We will be selecting students who demonstrate the characteristics needed – ability to work independently, responsible, appropriate behaviour - at the end of Term 3. Students chosen will be mentored by the current tech crew for the duration of Term 4 so that they are ready to commence in 2018.

CAMPUS LIBRARY



In week 9 (19th - 24th of March) the Campus Library is holding a used book sale. All books will be \$1.00. Money raised will be used to buy Lego and construction materials to create a Makerspace in the library for the students to use at lunchtime.