

This is the last newsletter for the term. The term finishes this Friday 12 April. The school will close at 3pm and the bus will run at the usual time. We will update the school website with term dates. This has been a busy term full of fun and learning. Next term will be even busier with our school production.

Happy Birthday to our April birthday children:

Jimmy T and Amelia



Shrek Jr the Musical

Cast lists are out. Everybody knows what character they are in our show, Shrek.

We are staging **Shrek** in the third week of Term 3 on **Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th and Friday 9th August** with two performances each day.

at The Little Theatre, Whakatane.

The Rooms 1, 5 & 6 students are split into the 'Palace' cast and the 'Swamp' cast. The 'Palace' cast performs on Tuesday and Wednesday and the 'Swamp' cast performs on the Thursday and Friday

Board of Trustees Election

The school Board of Trustees election is held every three years. This year it is being held on Friday 7 June. Nominations open on Friday 10 May. Nomination forms will be sent home to all eligible parents/caregivers who may like to stand for the board. Nominations close at noon on Friday 24 May.

All parents/caregivers are eligible to stand and vote in this election.

There is a roll of eligible parents/caregivers names available at the school office if anybody wishes to view it.

Sarah Marshall - Returning Officer

Gumboot Day

We raised \$96 for the I AM HOPE cause.



Junior Tough Guy and Gal Mud Challenge

Our children have the opportunity to get involved in New Zealand's biggest mud run series in a version tailored especially for them in Rotorua on **Wednesday 14 August**. The Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge give them the chance to experience the fun of the mud race. Click on the following link for more information:

<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/tough-guy-gal-challenge/rotorua/#tab-id-28>

1.5km Ankle Biters Course Option - For school years 3 - 4

3km Little Nippers Course Option - For school years 5 - 8

3km Big Rascals Course Option - For school years 7 - 8

Parent Jenni Martin is organising a team of Thornton School students to participate. If your child is keen, contact Jenni on 0273237346 and she will enter children as a school team. The entry fee is \$25 (however our school will pay \$12.50 of that) and a parent will need to go with their child or make arrangements with Jenni.

Term Dates - also available on website www.thornton.school.nz

Friday 12 April	Term One Ends	
Monday 29 April	Term Two Starts	
Monday 15 May	Interschool Rugby and Netball	Year 3-8
Monday 28 May	Mini Ripa Rugby	Year 3 -6
Friday 31 May	School Cross Country	All students
Monday 4 June	Queen's Birthday Weekend	School Closed
Thursday 6 June	Interschool Cross Country	Qualifying runners
Friday 7 June	Board of Trustees Election	
Tuesday 19 June	EBOP Cross Country	Qualifying runners
Tuesday 26 June	BOP Cross Country	Qualifying runners
Friday 5 July	Term Two Ends	
Monday 22 July	Term 3 Starts	
6, 7, 8, 9 August	Shrek the Musical	

Have a safe and happy holiday. See you all next term

Shelley Bremner

Principal