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Dear Thorntree parents, students, teachers and friends,

Today I sat in awe of all ages at our school, the confidence to walk up to a stall and ask to buy a product, work out the amount needed and walk away with pride was joyous to watch. I sat on the stoep with a group of children negotiating what one would buy if the others would get something else and share it between the group. Caring, kind and empathic when one did not have enough money. This is the child we are excited to see growing up at Thorntree.

Well done Grade 7's you did exceptionally well today. Ma'am Nabeela, as always you have pulled off an amazing event at TPS, thank you. Grade 7 parents, thank you for your hard work to ensure your children learn from this experience and enjoy it thoroughly.

I look back at this week and think of the diverse conversations the media has provoked us to address. The responses from our children make me realise how diverse and accepting our community at Thorntree are, this is what makes Thorntree an outstanding school, we have respect, we have empathy, we have courage and responsibility. Our teachers have passion for education and believe in what we are facilitating. I am so proud.

Our new SPIKE LEGO robotics kits arrived this week and our Grade 7's have had the opportunity to start working with them, we will be sharing our projects soon. Mr Adriaan is leading our Robotics and very excited at the variety of learning experiences these kits have.

Our concert is starting to take shape and we are loving all the dance and drama practice. Please don't forget to send your R200.00 for the costume.

8 more school days and it is a HOLIDAY. Term 3 ends on the 23 September 2020 with photo day taking place on 21, 22 September 2020. Reports will be issued on 23 September and we will celebrate Heritage day by having a picnic on the lawn before we bid farewell to another COVID (JAM PACKED) term.

We all look forward to term 4 and the return of some kind of normality.

Summer is fast approaching, please make sure you send a hat to school for your child, caps and bowler hats are available at the office.

Have a good rest this weekend, enjoy your children.

Kind regards,

Helyn Pope