What’s happening at Yarra Glen Primary School this week?

**STORYTIME**
What a wonderful Wednesday afternoon with our first Story time session for our four year olds. There was much excitement and lots of smiles and happiness. We visited our BER building first and then walked over to our fabulous library where our pre schoolers met up with some Grade 5 students, one of which will be their Grade 6 buddy next year. We are already looking forward to next Wednesday!

**RESPECT**
As you will already know, our PERRI values are vital to a safe and happy learning environment for our students. This term we are focussing heavily on RESPECT. Across the school, we are focussing on Respect for ourselves, respect for each other, respect for our environment, our school and home. We have been discussing what it looks like, feels like and sounds like when behaving respectfully.

**UNIFORM**
Wearing the Yarra Glen Primary School uniform with pride shows self respect and respect and pride in our school.

Many thanks to parents for ensuring your child/ren are wearing full school uniform every day. There have been some students wearing footy or basketball shorts, brand name tops and also colourful tights. If your child is out of uniform, please send a note with your child on the day. Thank you for supporting us. We appreciate your assistance. I have attached our Uniform Policy updated late last year for reference.

**PERRI CLUB**
PERRI Club will start in a few weeks. This involves all students participating in a multi –age group with our Grade 6 students leading each group of students. Respect will be at the core of this program also. We encourage our students to behave and speak respectfully at all times.

Even just saying good morning to someone and asking them how they are is a respectful way to speak and treat each other. We encourage students to reciprocate this as well. A kind word can also change someone’s day. It’s easy to say something encouraging or positive, that will put a smile on someone’s face. Try it!

**CHILD SAFE POLICY**
Our PERRI Values Education goes hand in hand with our new Child Safe Policy. You will be aware of the recent Royal Commission into child abuse. The result has been that a new ministerial order has been passed stating that all schools must have a specific Child Safe Policy. Our school already had a number of policies in place to support Child Safety. School Council Education/Policy Committee have revised the policy and included the mandatory sections stated in the guidelines. Please read the attached policy in this newsletter.

**ABSENCES and NOTES**
If your child is absent, parents are required to write a note or notify us by calling or emailing the school office on 97301254.

If you receive a letter asking to explain the absence, please fill in and return promptly to Robyn or Judy. The Department of Education accesses all absence data electronically every day. It is important to explain your child’s absence. Please support us in this matter.

If your child is not sick, but just a little unwilling to get up and go in the morning, encourage them to get going. As the weather is cold and it’s still dark and gloomy some mornings, everyone can struggle from time to time to get where they need to go and be on time.

Have a happy and safe weekend,

Kind Regards
Sue Di Giacomo
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**Gr 3—6 CAMP ANGAHOOK**

**URGENT**

All permission & medical forms are required to assist with the final stages of planning.
Please ensure all forms are returned by **WEDNESDAY 10TH AUGUST**.
Final camp payment, due 26th August.
We thank you for your support in this area.
Grade 3—6 Teachers

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**National Asthma Week 1-7 September:**

The theme for National Asthma Week 2016 is Become a Better Breather. National Asthma Week coincides with the beginning of spring and as pollens are a known trigger for asthma, this is an excellent time to ensure your child’s asthma is well controlled. Sections of the Asthma Australia website that can help with asthma management include:

- Take the [Asthma Control Test](#) to see if you could make improvements to help your child become a better breather.
- Manage [allergies](#) often linked with asthma, including allergic rhinitis (hayfever).

Did you know? 90% of people with asthma use their medications incorrectly.
Check your child’s [technique](#) to see if they are getting full benefit from their medication.

Regular review of your child’s asthma with your GP and pharmacist will help them to become a better breather.

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**MELBOURNE AQUARIUM EXCURSION**

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to assist with our excursion. The lucky parents chosen at random are:

- Kylie Hall
- Shane Smith
- Amber Wilkinson
- Elisa Laird

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**PMP — HELP STILL NEEDED URGENTLY**

This program does require a great deal of adult supervision and assistance. We would like to thank those parent helpers who have already signed up to help but we still need more helpers. If you are available and would like to participate in this very worthwhile learning activity please speak to Mrs Scott. Sessions run on Friday afternoons from 12.00—1.00pm.

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Just a reminder that tickets are selling fast for this great night. There will also be lots of prizes to give away. Come along and support our school and have a fantastic time as well. Just $20 a ticket.

Payment is now due for the tickets and can be made at the school office.