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Term 4, 2016  
Week 11 of 11  
Weeks

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We're at the end of another year...

**A HUGE THANK YOU ..**

I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all volunteers at our school. We really do appreciate your assistance, help and support. Our volunteers this year have once again achieved so much and have given their time and expertise willingly. This good will certainly goes a long way.

A BIG THANK YOU to you all. You have made such a difference to our students' education at YG.

Many thanks to all staff at our school. We are a wonderful team and that is what makes coming to our school such a positive experience. Well done and congratulations to all students for your many achievements this year. You are all to be commended.

Farewell to our Grade six students. Our Grade 6 Graduation ceremony is on Monday evening followed by dinner and a disco at school. We wish you all the happiness and luck in the next chapter of your educational life. Yarra Glen Primary School is always here for you to come back to and visit. Let us know from time to time how you're going and what your future plans are.

Last week, I made some announcements regarding staff changes. I would also like to announce that Miss Ann Mc Carthy has retired from teaching. Ann taught at Yarra Glen Primary School for over thirty years. I would like to thank Ann for her commitment to teaching and education. We wish Ann the best for the future and her plans for retirement.

Tomorrow, our students will be transitioning to their new classes and meeting their teacher for 2017. We have had a number of new enrolments this year, so confirming the grade structure and class lists has been a long process.

We are looking forward to a fabulous 2017, with lots of wonderful plans ahead. Our staff will remain consistent for 2017 and we are looking forward to Jessica Willison and Elizabeth Thorne running a specialist Physical Education Program next year for our students from Foundation- Grade 6. We also have STOMP Dance Company returning for our whole school production next year in Term 3. The students and the staff are so excited about this. It will be a great event.

Already, so much to look forward to!

This will be the last newsletter for 2016, so I would like to wish everyone a restful, happy and safe holiday and enjoy the Christmas break. Take some time out to be with your loved ones.

Take care and enjoy,

See you in 2017,

Kind Regards,  
Sue Di Giacomo



**Persistence**  
**Encouragement**  
**Resilience**  
**Respect**  
**Inclusiveness**

**Calendar**

<b>Transition to New Classes</b>	16/12
<b>Grade 6 Graduation</b>	19/12
<b>Term 4, 2016 Ends 1.30</b>	20/12
<b>Pick Up Book Packs</b>	25/1/17
<b>Term 1, 2017 Starts Yrs 1- 6</b>	31/01/17
<b>Foundation</b>	1/02/17

Many thanks to Mrs Liz Thorne who soldiered on with the Christmas Concert despite all the weather and sound challenges of the evening! Thank you also to all staff and families and our students for being so resilient and ensuring that the 'show went on...'

School Starts 31<sup>st</sup> January for Grade 1-6 students at 9am sharp!  
School Starts for Prep/Foundation students on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February with a staggered start time. ( Foundation students will receive a letter in the mail about their individual start time on their first day of school)

Grade	Teacher	Award	Student
Group 1	Mrs Scott	Student of the Week	Tyler & Kara
Group 3	Mrs Martin	Student of the Week	Riley & Rya
Group 4	Mrs Owen	Student of the Week	Lily, Jazmine O & Angela
Group 5	Mrs Ryan	Student of the Week	Angel & Hunter
Group 7	Mrs Pitt	Student of the Week	Tyla & All Grade 6

You're never too old,  
too wacky, too wild,  
to pick up a book  
and read to a child.

-Dr. Seuss

Thank you to all parent helpers this year. We have loved having you for excursions, PMP reading and the many other activities we have done. Thank you from the students and teachers at Y.G.P.S.

Thank  
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