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Term 2, 2018
Week 7 of 11 Weeks

Newsletter: May 31st, 2018

Dear Families of Yarra Glen PS,

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Last Friday evening we celebrated the school disco in the BER. A big thank you to all the parents that worked tirelessly over the preceding days and evening to make the night a huge success. A special mention to Ms Ryan who came and represented the teaching staff. It was great to see the students enjoying the night, dancing and playing games.



On Wednesday this week Ms Owen and Ms Martin visited Kerrimuir Primary to view their spelling program in action. It is important for teachers to engage in professional development sessions like these to continually improve their practice and the education of your children.

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Resilience
Respect
Inclusiveness

Dogs in school

A reminder to all parents that as per the Dogs at School Policy, no dogs will be permitted on school property during school operating hours. Even if the dogs are leashed, some dogs can become agitated and aggressive. This can pose a risk to students' health and safety. We do not wish to penalise dog owners, but we also must take into account students with dog phobias and allergies.



Regards,
Michael
Acting Principal

Our vision is to prepare young people to become active, engaged and responsible citizens of the local and global community. It aims to prepare students to contend with a very dynamic 21st century in which creativity, cooperative work, connectedness to the world and adaptability are key features. The school aspires to provide a contemporary approach to teaching and learning in its purposeful learning environment.

PERRI – Persistence, Encouragement, Respect, Resilience, Inclusion

Special Lunch Orders

Special lunch orders are due **Wednesday June 6th**. No late orders will be accepted.

YGPS 150th Celebration
MEET AND GREET SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - PAST STUDENTS

The first 2 special assemblies will be held on Friday, 8th June and Friday, 15th June @ 2:30pm. If you are a past student of YGPS and are interested in attending for a Q & A session with the students, please contact Helen Ryan or the school office ASAP.

You can also check out our Facebook page - [Yarra Glen Primary School - 150th birthday celebration](#).

If you can't make any of these dates, further special assemblies will be arranged for next term, pending interest.

We hope to see you there to help us celebrate 150 years!

CALENDAR 2018

Term 1	Dates
PMP Sessions (Foundation students)	Wednesdays 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th June
Special Assembly (150th Celebrations)	Fridays 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd June
Bookings for three-way conferences opens (via Sentral Parent Portal)	Monday 4th June 9am
Interschool Sports at Home (Grade 5 & 6)	Fridays 8th, 15th & 29th June
Divisional Cross Country (selected students only)	Tuesday 12th June
Bookings for three-way conferences closes	Friday 15th June 5pm
State School Spectacular Practice	Monday 18th June
Life Ed Van	Tuesday 26th to Thursday 28th June
Interschool Sports at Wandin Yallock (Grade 5 & 6)	Friday 22nd June
Three-way conferences	Monday 25th to Wednesday 27th June
End of Term 2—2:30pm pickup	Friday 29th June

NOTICES AND FORMS - Have You Seen These Notices?

Notices are available on our website (Downloads—Notices & Forms)

TERM 1	Due Date
Divisional Cross Country Form (selected students only)	Monday 4th June

- calendar dates can be found on our Sentral Parent Portal <https://sentral.ygps.vic.edu.au/portal/login>
- don't forget that **notices** on **blue paper** that go home require payment of an event/activity
- check our YGPS website at least weekly <http://ygps.vic.edu.au>
- all notices (unless an emergency) will go home on **Thursdays** when the newsletter is emailed/check your email on Thursdays; notices will be clipped to your child's diary when going home by your child
- all notices are posted on the school's **Official YGPS Website** under the **Downloads tab/ Notices and Forms**. <http://ygps.vic.edu.au>
- [the Yarra Glen Primary School website is the home of all official Yarra Glen Primary School notices and newsletters containing the official school logo and school information and events](#) . These can also be found on our Sentral Parent Portal <https://sentral.ygps.vic.edu.au/portal/login>
- a copy of the notices will also be in the glass display cabinet outside the front door of our administration building (near the Before and After School Care Sign)

Three-Way Conferences

Registrations for three-way conferencing will open from **9am June 4th to 5pm June 15th** via the Sentral Parent Portal. If you have any issues with registering, please do not hesitate to contact the front office. Thanks!

Scholastic Book Club

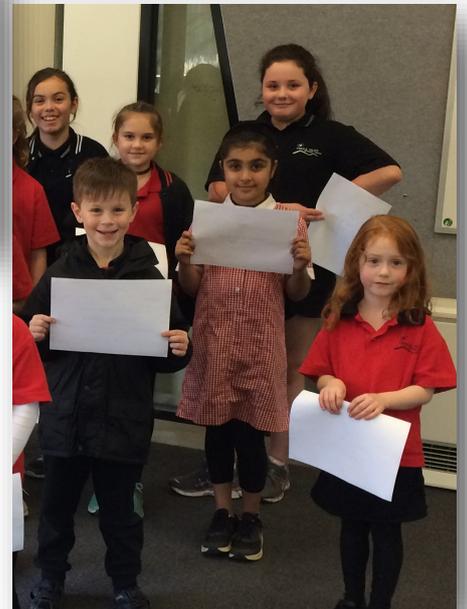
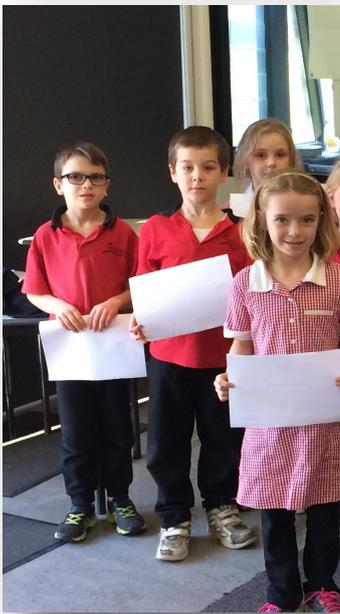
Scholastic Book Club orders for Issue 4 are due by **Wednesday 13th June**. Please order via the **Scholastic LOOP app** (download from the Apple app store or Google Play) or visit scholastic.com.au/LOOP.

Head Lice

We have had some cases of head lice at school. Could you please check your child's hair for any lice or eggs and treat if required. A notice on how to treat head lice is available on our website (Notices and Forms). Thank you!

Students of the Week

Congratulations to last week's winners of the Yarra Glen Primary PERRI Awards! These students have all been recognised by their teachers last week for an achievement related to one of our five school PERRI values.



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Important Notice

There is no interschool sport this Friday.
The next interschool sports day will be at
Home on **Friday 8th June**.

Please note the change of dates & places in the calendar.



SAME-DAY NOTIFICATION OF UNEXPLAINED STUDENT ABSENCES

FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS/CARERS

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify their school as soon as possible **on the day of absence** using one of the following methods:

1. **Online:** log the absence directly using your school's IT platform.
2. **Telephone:** the school office and let the staff know your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.
3. **Email:** the school and provide the staff with your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

Why do I need to notify the school if my child is absent?

Schools need to know when and why a child is absent and you need to know if your child isn't at school. From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why, the absence will be marked as unexplained.

This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.

What is your responsibility?

You are legally required to ensure your child attends school every day or you must provide an explanation for their absence. You should let the school know in advance of any upcoming absences or let them know in the morning if your child won't be at school. In order for schools to implement the same day notification requirement, it's essential that you provide the school with your most up-to-date contact details.

Generally one notification will be sent per family. Should there be circumstances that require both parents and carers to be notified, please contact the school to make the necessary arrangements.

What is the school's responsibility?

The school must notify you of an unexplained absence in relation to your child as soon as practicable on the same day.

Schools will let you know either by your school's online communications app, SMS, phone call or email. If you can't be reached because the school does not have your correct contact details (i.e. changed phone number, SMS/email failure notification received etc.), the school will attempt to make contact with any emergency contact/s nominated on your child's file held by the school. Where possible, this contact will be made on the same day of the unexplained absence.

Where can I learn more about the process for managing student absences?

Ask your school for a copy of the *Attendance Policy* which outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences.



The Yarra Glen Primary School Attendance Policy as well as this fact sheet can be found on our website: <http://ygps.vic.edu.au/parent-info/attendance/>

Yarra Glen Primary School

150th Year of Learning &
Birthday Celebrations

May

Smoking Ceremony

Ceremony to acknowledge the Wurundjeri people as the traditional owners and custodians of this land and the world's oldest living culture.

Date TBA
(May be moved to June 22/6)

June

1/6 **Special Assembly**-Time Line

8/6 & 15/6 **Special Assembly**
Special Guests-Former Students
*Generations Q&A (student Lead)

Commemorative Paver Fund Raiser

July

27/7 **Special Assembly**
Choir Performance

Time Capsules- Creation of 2018
class capsules

Commemorative Paver Fund Raiser

August

Gulf Station Excursion
Date TBA



September

Student Art Show
10th-11th 9am-3.30pm
12th 9am-7.30pm

October

150th Drone Photo
Date TBA

November

1/11 **Twilight Market &
Memorabilia Exhibition**

12/11 **Bush Dance Incursion**
(All day event for students 9.30am-3.30pm)

Family Bush Dance
"150th Celebration"
5.00pm-7.30pm
5.00pm-6.00pm Spit Roast BBQ
6.00pm-7.30pm Family Bush Dance Fun

December

7/12 **Special Assembly**-
Unveiling of 150th Plaque &
Pavers

Presentation to students of the
Commemorative Pin & 150th
Photo

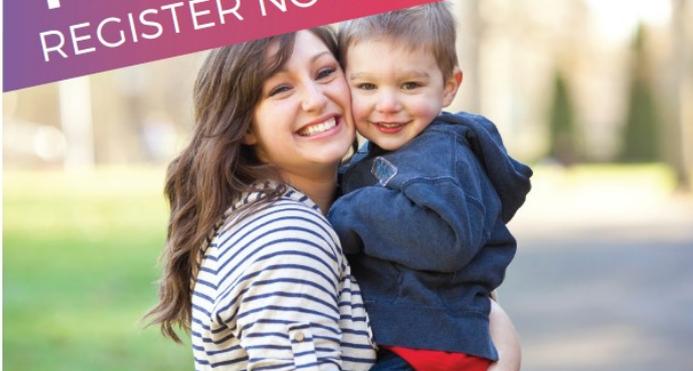
Join the 150th Calibration Parent Helpers Group

Contact Yarra Glen Primary School Office via phone (03)9730 1254 or email yarra.glen.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Community Reminders



BECOME A FOSTER CARER
REGISTER NOW!



Help create better tomorrows for kids in foster care.

Learn more about foster care by registering for one of our upcoming information sessions. You'll learn more about the different types of foster care available and get to ask questions from one of our current foster carers. It doesn't matter if you are working or at home, in a relationship, with or without kids. Everyone can make a difference!

Information Sessions:

7.30pm - 8.30pm

Tuesday 5 June – Anglicare Victoria, 47-51 Castella St, Lilydale

Tuesday 19 June – Anglicare Victoria, 666 Mountain Hwy, Bayswater

To Register: 1300 889 335 | anglicarevic.org.au/events

BETTER TOMORROWS



YARRA RANGES

FAMILY AND CHILD PARTNERSHIP

Early years professionals are invited to find out about services and programs provided by local organisations such as Anchor, Anglicare, Connections, Inspiro and Eastern Health that could support your work with families and their children.

Tuesday, 5 June, 2018 • 4pm - 5.30pm

Kimberley Place, 33 Kimberley Drive, Chirside Park



Enquiries/RSVP: Wendy Blakis, Best Start Community Facilitator
P: 9294 6405 E: w.blakis@yarraranges.vic.gov.au



We are looking for donations of good quality coats, blankets and jumpers to help out people in need this winter.



REDWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Drop off Points

REDWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE

3505 Warburton Highway, Warburton

LILYDALE HEIGHTS COLLEGE

17-19 Nelson Road, Lilydale

MIKKI B FASHION STYLING

41A Wray Crescent, Mt Evelyn

WINTER COAT APPEAL



Space4us

Free peer support program for young people aged 13–18 years who have a family member with a mental illness.

Participants meet other young people in similar situations to share experiences and learn new ways of looking after themselves:

- Understand mental illness
- Deal with stigma
- Build self care and support strategies
- Improve relationships

When: 5th, 6th, 9th 10th July (school holidays) from 10.30am - 3.00pm
Where: Inspiro Belgrave, 1616-1624 Burwood Hwy, Belgrave

For more information or to make a referral, please contact our Youth counsellors Leah or Sabatinie at Inspiro on 9738 8801.



Phone 9738 8801

inspiro.org.au

Lilydale
17 Clarke Street
Lilydale Vic 3140

Belgrave
1616-1624 Burwood Hwy
Belgrave Vic 3160

Healesville
333 Maroondah Hwy
Healesville Vic 3777



ASD & Relationships Sexuality

How can we support our teens and young adults to navigate the difficult world of dating, sexuality and relationships?

It's a tough ask for any teen but throwing ASD into the mix can often magnify the challenge!

Parents and Carers:
Join us for dinner and learn some strategies to help build communication, provide guidance and encourage good choices.

Guest speaker:
Vanessa Thomas
from Family Planning Victoria

Date: Wednesday 18 July 2018

Time: 6pm to 9pm

Where: Club Kilsyth
15 Canterbury Rd, Kilsyth

Cost: \$15 incl dinner

Book Online: bit.ly/ASDDinner

More Info: Interchange Outer East
on 9758 5522 or ioe@ioe.org.au

All welcome!



HELLO SOCCER PLAYERS

We need more players for our Under 9's and Under 10's teams.

Boys & Girls. Born between 2008 – 2010. No experience needed.

Training: Thursday evenings. Games: Sunday mornings.

MiniRoos is starting 3rd May!
for younger players aged 5-8 years old.
A fun intro to soccer skills & team building.
Thursdays 5-6pm until 19th August.
Plus 4 Saturday round-robin mini-comps.

All enquiries:
Healesville Soccer Club
playhealesvillesoccer@outlook.com
Or call Sera on 0418 258 808



www.healesvillesoccerclub.com.au

Ladies Night

Saturday June 23rd
6:30pm - 11pm



STEELS GATE

1974 Melba Hwy
Dixons Creek
(take Woodnock
Drive Service Entry)

\$15 for
Personal wine
tasting with food
(all other food and drinks
at cellar door prices)

RSVP to Kath Agnew
or via facebook event

Don't drink and drive, leave your car
at Steels Gate and catch the return bus
to Yarra Glen for \$10. Bookings essential
must be paid by June 19th

