

Term 4 Newsletter - No.15– 15th November 2022

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4

November

16th – Prep transition, 2.30 pm to 3.15 pm

16th – Parent Information Evening for 2023

29th – 2Dream concert – 2.20 pm

30th – Prep transition, 2.30 pm to 3.15 pm

December

7th – Student free day

12th – Grade 6 Fun Day

13th – Prep transition, 9.15 am to 12.15 pm

15th – Grade 6 Graduation

19th – School Colour Splatacular

20th – EOY Christmas concert, 12.00 noon

20th – Last day of school, 1.30 pm finish

Principal's Update

Dear families of the Yarra Glen Primary School community,

I can't believe we are more than half way into Term 4. I'm already hearing students speak about Christmas decorations and holidays.



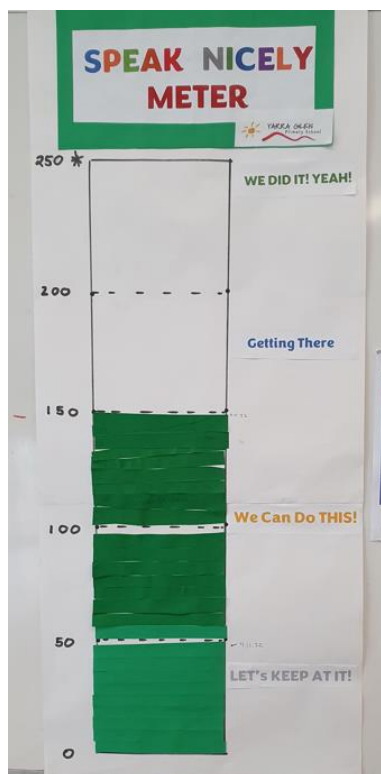
Remembrance Day

On Remembrance Day I hope families were able to pause for two minutes silence to commemorate our fallen soldiers and the end of WWI. We had a whole school assembly whilst our school leaders attended the Remembrance Day service Friday morning at McKenzie Reserve and read several poems.



Speak Nicely Campaign

The Speak Nicely Campaign is underway and students have been encouraged to speak nicely to one another, furthermore, discouraging inappropriate comments/language with their peers. Thus far we already have 148 speak nicely green slips, not too far from our 250 goal. If and when we reach our goal this will continue to be a whole school focus.



Auslan

I am pleased to announce that we will be taking on Auslan as part of our specialist language program. This will be replacing Indonesian. There are many benefits to learning Auslan as stated in the Curriculum:

- opportunities for engagement with the Deaf community and insight into its rich cultural heritage;
- opportunities to develop intercultural capabilities, understanding and respect for others, appreciation of diversity and openness to different perspectives and experiences.

What is Auslan?

Auslan is **Australian Sign Language**, the native language of the Australian Deaf community, and is a visual-spatial, natural language with its own grammar and vocabulary. Auslan has linguistic elements, such as hand shapes (including orientation, location, and movement), non-manual features (including eye gaze, facial expressions, arm, head and body postures) and fingerspelling.

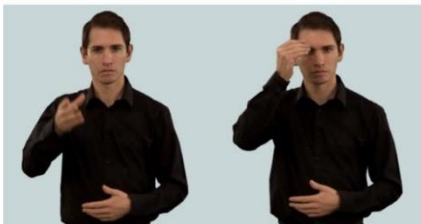
Auslan also has its own grammar, which is different from English. Auslan grammar is composed of precise hand shapes, facial expressions and body movements that convey concrete and abstract information.

Benefits of learning Auslan and incorporating Auslan into the school program has many benefits for both deaf and hearing children.



Sign language can:

- enhance children's educational and personal development;
- increase memory retention and motion processing;
- stimulate brain development and mental flexibility; and
- increase enjoyment in communicating for both hearing and deaf children.



Task Works P-2 Incursion

Students in P-2 learnt a lot at their Task Works incursion. They learnt the way that an object moves depends on a variety of factors, including their size and shape and how a push or a pull affects how an object moves or changes shape. They also explored how technologies use forces to create movement in products.



Australia's Most Requested Speaker – Luke Kennedy



It was a pleasure to have Luke Kennedy present and speak to our students, staff and parents. He discussed his life's journey and covered a range of topics that inspired, motivated and helped shift our mindset in relation to our mental health, bullying, how to reduce stress and anxiety etc. There was a lot of positive feedback from parents who attended the evening session; many found it informative and made many connections. Once again thank you to our sponsors.

School Car Park

Please be careful when dropping students off and collecting them from the car park. We have had incidences where parents are collecting their children and parking across parked cars and blocking them in.

Also, the Disabled Car Park MUST be left to those who hold a current permit.

Policies reviewed at School Council will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on school website
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Annual reference in school newsletter
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

Thank you

Jeff de Villa, Principal

Assembly WebEx link:

We have had some technical issues with assembly webEx hosting and will continue to provide this as a opportunity for parents/families that are unable to attend onsite. It has been great to see more parents/guardians attend our Friday assemblies at 3pm.

Join from the meeting link

<https://eduvic.webex.com/eduvic/j.php?MTID=m22cd4580fc6ddd1c7c5590eeba81d024>

OR

Join by meeting number

Meeting number (access code): 2652 311 3642

Meeting password: YGPS2022

LOOK WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT YARRA GLEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



Oscar H and Billie C showing
Mr de Villa their wonderful
writing.

Toby I, Charli M, Piper D and Billie C
showing Mr de Villa their
awesome stories.



Hoop Time - Regionals

The boys played exceptionally well and fought so hard. We are all very proud of how they played.



On 9th December 2022 assembly will start at 2:45 pm to allow Elroy Shortis of 3/4G to have his haircut for the first time in 2 years!!

Elroy has been growing his hair so he can donate his hair to “Wigs 4 Kids” who will make his hair into a wig for a child going through treatment for cancer. At the assembly, a hairdresser from Before and After Hair and Beauty will cut Elroy’s hair which will be in plaits for the cut.

In the lead up to Elroy’s haircut, his family are running a raffle to be the person to cut off his first plait. Raffle tickets will be distributed on Monday 21st November. Tickets are \$1.00 each and the raffle will be drawn on 2nd December 2022 with the lucky winner being able to cut off the first plait!! All money raised will be donated to Reach Out (au.reachout.com). If your name is drawn out, you need to be at the assembly on the 9th December so you can cut off the first plait.



We are very lucky to have a reporter from Star Mail covering this great story so our whole community can hear about the fantastic things our students are doing at Yarra Glen Primary School.

A bit about “Wigs for Kids”

Mission - Helping Children Look Themselves and Live Their Lives!

The various causes of hair loss in children don’t result in just physical suffering. The change in their appearance can drastically undermine their self-image and sabotage their self-esteem. To help heal the pain of these struggles, Certified Cosmetic Therapist Jeffrey Paul founded Wigs For Kids, a non-profit hair donation organization that has been serving children suffering from hair loss since 1981.

Wigs For Kids is a cooperative effort among Certified Service Providers throughout North America who share a common goal. “Children shouldn’t have to worry about how they look, especially when they’re in the middle of a health crisis,” says Jeffrey Paul. “We want to give these kids the opportunity to feel good about themselves again.”

The cost of the hair replacement systems Wigs For Kids provides is approximately \$1,800. “These are custom-made hair replacements,” says Jeffrey Paul. “Each prosthesis is hand-tied and is made completely from human hair. We make sure they look just like a child’s own hair.”

“They won’t come off on the baseball field or in the playground,” he adds. “Kids can count on them. And because kids look just the way they did before, they feel better about themselves. They look in the mirror and their eyes light up. To see that light in their eyes – that’s priceless.”



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Term 4 — Week 5

Prep Y	Prep G	1/2 Y
Week 5 Harper Thompson Harvey Senior	Week 5 Jake Tuckerman Huxley Avenell	Week 5 Jed Jenkins
1/2 G	1/2 P	3/4 Y
Week 5 Max Stewart Hugo Carton	Week 5 Bernie Wyatt Jordyn Maynard	Week 5 Jackson Wood
3/4 G	5/6 Y	5/6 G
Week 5 Elroy Shortis	Week 5 Arkin Bennett	Week 5 Mia Batty
5/6 P	ART / INDONESIAN	PE / PERFORMING ARTS
Week 5 Lachlan Bosua	Week 5 Josh Holland Ella Craig	Week 5



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Term 4 — Week 6

Prep Y	Prep G	1/2 Y
Week 6 Ostin Sprott	Week 6 Jake Tuckerman Shelby Porter Rori Crawford	Week 6 Stevie Peterson
1/2 G	1/2 P	3/4 Y
Week 6 Tommy Loughnan Harper Woods	Week 6 Sam Oakley Shelby Talbot	Week 6 Kaylee Boyle
3/4 G	5/6 Y	5/6 G
Week 6 Oliver Senior	Week 6 Abby Galt	Week 6 Sofia Lofaro
5/6 P	ART / INDONESIAN	PE / PERFORMING ARTS
Week 6 Annie Wood	Week 6 Grade 5/6P	Week 6 Oliver Senior

Get on that hustle because this your LAST week to collect donations for our Colour Splatacular School Run 4 Fun 🏃‍♂️

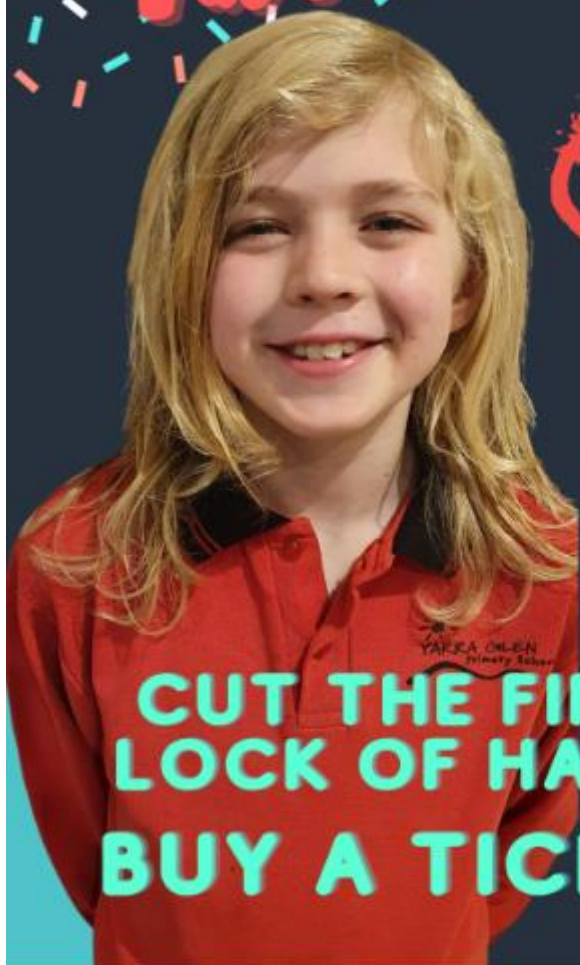
There is still time to score some awesome incentive prizes and raise more to help our school raise funds to refresh the student toilets.

To participate in the Colour Splatacular on Monday 19th December there will be a \$20 participation fee if your student has not registered. If they register prior to the end of the week, they will get an incentive prize. Otherwise, the money can be paid directly to the office.



ELROY'S **HAIR- RAISING EVENT**

FRIDAY 9TH DEC
2:45PM



**CUT THE FIRST
LOCK OF HAIR...
BUY A TICKET**

REACHOUT



**Kids with Cancer
Foundation**



COME AND TRY
AN OLYMPIC
SPRINT BOAT

PaddleHub

AT LILLYDALE LAKE

SUNDAY 27TH NOV : 10:30, 12:30 AND 2:30PM

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE:

- PADDLING FUN WITH THE FAMILY
- TRY OUT A SPRINT BOAT - AGES 10 - 16 YEARS OLD
- LADIES ONLY RIVER RAMBLE PADDLE WHILE THE KIDS PADDLE

REGISTER HERE :

[HTTPS://PADDLEHUB.PADDLE.ORG.AU/LILLYDALE-LAKE-PADDLEHUB-ACTIVITIES/](https://paddlehub.paddle.org.au/lillydale-lake-paddlehub-activities/)



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you can help change a child's life.

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Merry
Christmas
from
MLMC Careers
Centre



Positive Start program for Victorian Students



Positive Start in 2022
**\$112.9 million for exciting
experiences for students**



**POSITIVE
START 2022**

Positive Start funding has been
extended until **June 2023**

**Baptist Camping Victoria is a
Positive Start supporter:**

- We are offering primary and secondary school camps at our four locations with increasing availability at our Mill Valley Ranch site.

Positive Start:

- Provides new experience and opportunity through the subsidy of school camps.
- Enables young people who wouldn't otherwise have the opportunity to get involved in rich and immersive activities through camp.
- Encourages students to reconnect with their school mates, which supports emotional and mental wellbeing.

Positive Start in 2022
Free camps for students



**POSITIVE
START 2022**

**Application &
eligibility info:**

<https://www.vic.gov.au/positive-start-school-camps>

Baptist Camping Victoria | 57 Noble Street, Anglesea, 3230 Australia

History?

If there is some particular area where you would love to see confidence or self-esteem increased in your child, it would help us to know, so that we can work on that during the camp. Please let us know if your child needs special understanding. All information will be kept private and confidential. Please add another page if insufficient space.

Special Skills, Abilities or Interests:

Please note: This camp is subsidised-\$140 PP (representing a 54% subsidy) plus \$15PP Insur. Fees rep. a 58% subsidy. Many would be unable to afford the true full fee, so our sponsors make Kids of Gold possible.

How did it start?

The Kids of Gold camp began in Feb 2003 with the co-operation and backing of a number of Primary Schools. Parents and children were so enthusiastic about the camp, it developed a 2nd level, then a 3rd. Eight years ago a 4th level began with the aim of teaching leadership to Level 3 campers. Since then a number of leaders have come out of Level 4, and serve currently in the camps. Gary Parsons, a fully qualified teacher, with the original vision, continues with a team of others working in the camps.

What do they do?

The central theme of the camp is "You are Special" and will enable every child to see how special they really are!

Activities will include sessions about value, confidence and self-esteem and include group and individual outdoor rope and initiative activities with trained staff.



Fri 10th–Sun 12th Feb 2023

A weekend retreat for children in Years 4-7 (Prim & Sec), aimed at Significantly raising:

Self esteem
Confidence levels

Level 2&4 Camp

Through a number of initiatives that involve a major focus on praise and encouragement for each child

Where? Lyrebird Park Campsite
Cost: \$75 per child
Phone: Melissa (0403 271 987), & email: admin@kidsofgold.org.au & Gary (0415 427 396 or 9737 9475)
Email: kidsofgold@gmail.com
Website: www.kidsofgold.org.au

What to bring

Sleeping Bag, Pillow and Blanket, Doona or Bed Linen
A Towel.
Hat, sunscreen, clothes for warm to hot weather.
Toiletries (tooth brush etc.)
Runners/Boots
Pens/Pencils
Favourite CD
Balance of Camp Fees

What not to bring:

Matches or Lighters
Mobile Phones (ring if a problem)
Knives or any other dangerous items
Confectionary

The Venue

Kids of Gold is to be held at the safe and at-tractive setting of Lyrebird Park Camp, 510 Beenak Rd Yellingbo in the lovely Yarra Valley. It is found in Melways Map 308 K10, and is marked Lyrebird Park on the map as 1km further along Beenak Rd.
KOG ABN : 57 327 231 835

Transport

Campers are expected to arrange their own transport to and from the camp, but those in difficulty should ring 9737 9475 and we'll see if we can arrange transport for you as you need it.

Arrival and Departure Times

Arrival not before 7.30 pm on Friday and the departure time is between 3 and 3.30pm on Sunday. Parents are requested to arrive by 1.50 pm on the Sunday, in time for a final hour presentation by campers. This is to show to their families what they've learned at the KOG over the weekend.

What will we do?

We will learn how to be a lot more confident and find values in ourselves that we didn't dream were there! We'll learn lots of new skills too!

Registration

Book online at kidsofgold.org.au or send Application fully completed (or pay by Internet or direct at a Bank), with a Cheque or Money Order to Kids of Gold for \$30(deposit) or \$75 to: Kids of Gold, 10 Hillview Rise Hampton Park 3976. {Acc Name: Kids of Gold, BSB: 633 000 AccNo:129551552} For Internet or Direct Payment

All the information on this form is kept private and confidential. By signing this form, you agree that Lyrebird Park Camp and Kids of Gold staff cannot be held liable for accidents and injuries that may occur on the camp, including visitors & visitors children not booked in.

Child's First Name

Surname

DOB M/F School Grade

Are there any medical or dietary needs

Bedwetting Yes / No

If Yes, please give details:

Medicare No:

Parents Names:

Do you give permission for first aid and medical to be given if required (e.g. Panadol)?

Emergency Contact Numbers:

Home and/or Postal Address:

Email Address (write clearly) :

Signed:

Parent or Guardian

This Christmas, I am proud to be partnering with local charities Holy Fools, The Philanthropic Collective and HICCI - Healesville Inter-Church Community Care Inc to help bring a smile to locals who may be struggling.

This festive season is going to be a tough one for many. The cost of living continues to reach new heights and Australians are feeling the pinch at the checkout and in their mortgage repayments.



These wonderful charities in Casey go above and beyond to help those doing it tough, and this Christmas, I want to give back.

I have set up a giving tree at my office. If you are in a position to help, you are most welcome to drop in to donate unwrapped, non-perishable items.

The items will be delivered to these charities and packed into hampers for those in need.

Details below:

Suite 11, 1 East Ridge Drive, Chirnside Park

Open from Monday 7 November - Monday 28 November

Deliver between 9am-5pm Mon-Fri

Thank you

Aaron Violi MP
Federal Member for Casey





Christmas

TWILIGHT

MARKET

FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER

Loads of stalls from handcrafted gifts
to fresh produce, food trucks, fun activities,
showbags and scavenger hunt for the kids.

4.00PM - 8.00PM

Chirnside Park Community Hub
33 Kimberley Drive, Chirnside Park

To find out further information or enquire about
holding a stall at this event call 1300 835 235



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