



Our values:

**Persistence
Encouragement
Respect
Resilience
Inclusiveness**

NEWSLETTER – TERM 3 – No 2 – 9th August 2024

Yarra Glen Primary School
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Our Vision:

To provide all students an opportunity to reach their full potential, become life-long learners and valuable members of their community.

Our Mission:

To place all students at the centre of their learning. Our school fosters student voice and strives to develop confident life-long learners. We believe that every child can succeed through nurturing relationships between home, school and the community.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear families of the Yarra Glen Primary School Community,

It has been an eventful and exciting week where students celebrated their writing and love for reading during Book Week.

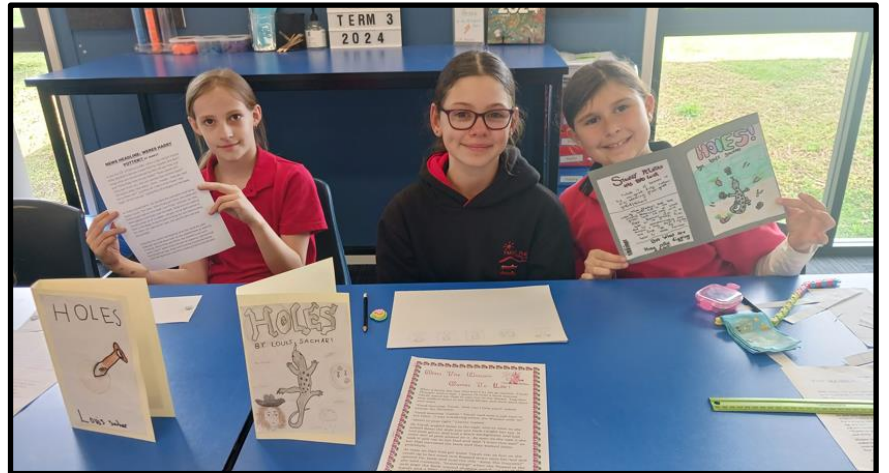
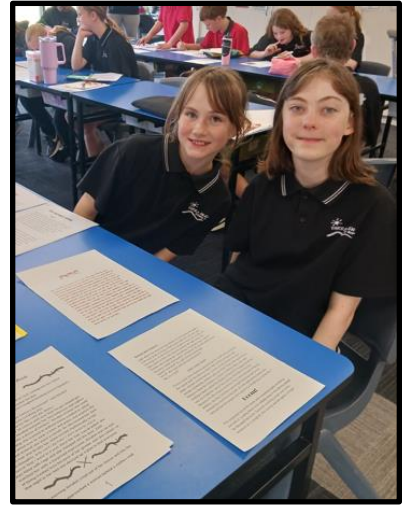
It was a great opportunity for students to showcase their learning during our Book Week Open Afternoon on Tuesday 20th August. Furthermore, teaching staff read their favourite book to students from different year groups.



I hope everyone is looking forward to Father's/Special Persons Day next weekend. This is a friendly reminder that there will be a Father's Day stall this Wednesday 28th August.

POSITIVE STUDENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Reading Week Open Afternoon on Tuesday 20th August



Book Week Parade – Friday 23rd August



R U OK? Day

On Thursday 12th September, we encourage students and staff to wear a “splash of yellow” to share the message:

- Ask, “are you okay?”
- Listen
- Encourage action
- Check in



YGPS DISCO Friday 6th September

YGPS will be having a school disco for our students on the evening of Friday, 6th September. If any families who run a company or business would like to sponsor this fun event, please contact the school office on 97301254. Thank you!

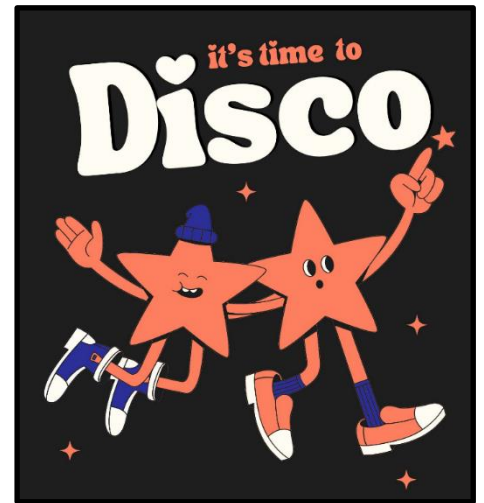
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Grades P-2

4.30pm - 6.00pm

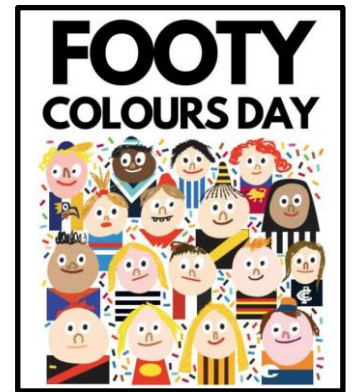
Grades 3-6

6.30pm - 8.00pm



YGPS Footy Colours Day - Friday 20th September

Students are invited to come dressed in their favourite team's colours. Yarra Glen Bakery have kindly offered to change the lunch order menu for this special event and have a footy themed lunch order available. A gold coin donation is welcomed for those that are able to donate. All funds raised will be donated to the State School Relief – "our kids will be helping kids". The SSR organisation assists school children with new uniforms, footwear and educational resources.



Parliament Prize Awards



Earlier this year Savannah entered the Parliament Prize Awards. Each year, the Parliament of Victoria asks students across the state, from Grade 5 to Year 12, to share what they would say to parliament if they were an MP. It was a chance to talk about the issues that are important to them and their community. Savannah raised the issue of the teacher shortage Victoria is experiencing. She interviewed several teachers on their thoughts and the impact on education. She then submitted a 90 second video explaining her responses. Savannah received a "Highly Commended" award which was awarded to only the top 10% of entrants. More than 1000 submissions from 200 schools were received.

Amazing job Sav and an important topic to be brought to the attention of the ministers.

See more on the entries at <https://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/teach-and-learn/parliament-prize>

Guinea Pigs

The students enjoy tending to our resident guinea pigs "Oreo" and "Jett" in their new house.



Attendance Notification – sent out on Compass Notification 21.8.24

Aligned with department policy and to ensure Yarra Glen PS's attendance records are up to date, the school office is sending out Unexplained Absence Notification Letters to families.

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible on the day of absence, via Compass or notify the school.

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.

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.

Victorian government schools are required by the Department of Education 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.

Yarra Glen Primary School Attendance Policy outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences is available on the school website:

http://ygps.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/15_YGPS-Attendance-policy-July-2024.pdf

Final Notification - The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey

There was a Compass notification sent out on the 29th July asking families to complete The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey which will be open until Friday 30 August 2024.

The results of the survey will assist the school in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. The results will be used to identify areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey only takes 20 minutes to complete.

PLEASE NOTE: Only **one parent / caregiver / guardian** from your household is invited to complete the survey on behalf of the student's family. *Please reach to the school administration if your child's family lives in two separate households, so both households can have the opportunity to provide their feedback.*

The following link will take you directly to the survey: <https://www.orima.com.au/parent>. For security purposes, you would have received a secure School Pin via Compass. If you cannot locate your survey pin to please contact the office.

Website Update

There were some technical issues with our website for the last few months and it has now been restored. Policies and school documents on the website can now be accessed. If there are any technical issues to please inform the school office.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available to all students on Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 am in the Library. If you have a Working with Children Check and would like to volunteer for Breakfast Club, please email yarra.glen.ps@education.vic.gov.au or phone 97301254.

Communication

As a school we strive to have timely communication so please refer to our Compass dashboard, push notifications, newsletter, Facebook and school website for all news, notifications, updates, reminders and events.

Our Curriculum and Professional Practice Days (no students on site) save the dates:

- ❖ Monday 4th November
- ❖ Tuesday 3rd December – date amended (previously 2nd December)

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

Policies reviewed or to be updated at our S.C meeting:

- School Uniform Policy – updates communicated to the school community via compass on 4th August. Final approval on Wednesday 28th August.

Thank you

Jeff de Villa
Principal, Yarra Glen Primary School

STUDENT VOICE



SRC News - by Lottie Wyatt and Cherry Stewart (on behalf of SRC)



The SRC has been busy preparing for our lemonade stand which is happening next Wednesday. Preparations have included our SRC students bringing in lemons to juice. All funds raised from this event will be put towards new plants for our gardens.

We have also set up a suggestion box that all students can add a suggestion for future events.

We are planning an upcoming Crazy Hair Day in Term 4 which will be a gold coin donation and the funds raised will go towards the charity Cancer for Kids.

We had a lot of fun during Book Week and loved seeing all of the costumes.

With only three weeks left of term after this week, we will get down to planning some exciting new events for next term.

KEY FIRST NATIONS EVENTS 2024

- ❖ 4 August: National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day
- ❖ 9 August: International Day of the World's Indigenous People
- ❖ 4 September: Indigenous Literacy Day

Djilba season has arrived!

In August – September, we notice some very cold and clear days, along with warmer, windy and rainy days and the odd sunny day or two.

Lookout for masses of yellow and cream flowers, in particular the blooming wattle trees.

Be aware of magpies which will soon start swooping in some areas, to protect their vulnerable young.



SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

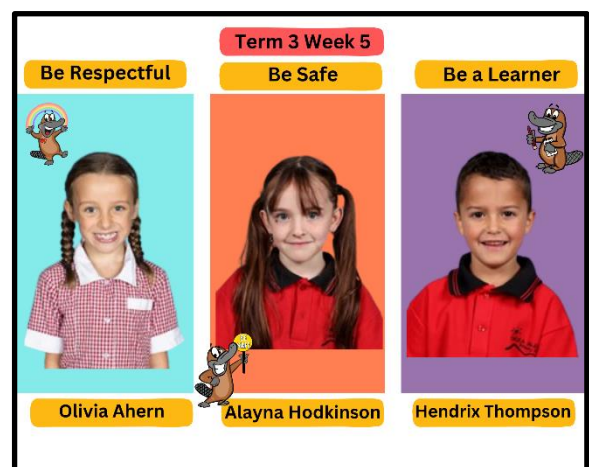
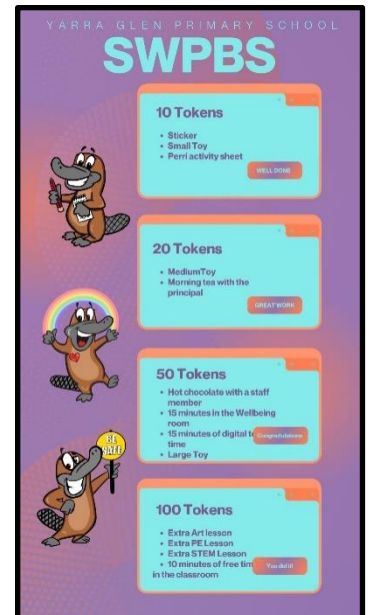
We would like to congratulate our SWPBS expectation whole school award recipients:

Term 3 – Week 4

- **Be Respectful – Augie Taylor**
- **Be Safe – Stevie Peterson**
- **Be a Learner – Summer Darrington**

Term 3 – Week 5

- **Be Respectful – Olivia Ahern**
- **Be Safe – Alayna Hodkinson**
- **Be a Learner – Hendrix Thompson**



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

TERM 3

28 th August	2025 Preps Storytime – 2.30 pm – 3.15 pm
28 th August	Healesville High School Production – Grades 3 and 4
28 th August	Father's Day/Special Person's Stall
28 th August	School Council Meeting
6 th September	Student Disco Grades P-2 – 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm Grades 3-6 – 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm
10 th September	Yarra Glen Pre-School Kinder Sports – 10.00 am
17 th September	Day Camp Toolangi – Grades 3 and 4
20 th September	Footy Colours Free Dress Day and special footy lunch orders available

TERM DATES 2024

Term 1	29 th January 2024 – 28 th March 2024
Term 2	15 th April 2024 – 28 th June 2024
Term 3	15 th July 2024 – 20 th September 2024
Term 4	7 th October 2024 – 20 th December 2024

Voluntary Contributions 2024

Contributions can still be made directly to the office.

Uniforms

Uniform items are available to be purchased from the office each day.

If you would like a current copy of the uniform price list, please see either Lara or Sue.

Eftpos facilities are available.

Lost Property

Please check the lost property basket should you have any items missing.

Updated April 2023



UNIFORM

The Yarra Glen Primary School Uniform reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community and assists in developing pride in representing their school. A list of approved school uniform is attached.

School Council policy is that the school uniform is compulsory. All children from Years Foundation - 6 are required to wear only the official school uniform as per the following list. Parents need to be aware that failure by children to wear the school uniform may result in a uniform infringement note being given to the child or parents being contacted.

A copy of our Uniform Policy is available. Please see the school for further details.

Garment	Sizes	Price	Qty	Size	Total \$
Short Sleeve Polo Shirt {Red} with YGPS Logo	4-16	\$27.00			
Netball Skirts {Black} - <i>Limited Supply</i>	4-16	\$20.00			
½ Zip Polar Fleece Top {Red} with YGPS Logo – <i>Limited Supply</i>	4-16	\$30.00			
Bomber Jacket {Black} with YGPS Logo	4 – 16	\$42.00			
Hoodie {Black} with YGPS Logo	6 – 14	\$44.00			
Hoodie {Black} with YGPS Logo (Adult)	16	\$50.00			
Slouch Hat {Red} with YGPS Logo	Small (55) Medium (57) Large (59) X Large (61)	\$12.00			
Bucket Hat {Red} with YGPS Logo	Small (55) Medium (57) Large (59) X Large (61)	\$10.00			
School Back-Pack with YGPS Logo		\$55.00			
House T Shirt – Royal Blue (Bell House) – <i>Limited Supply</i>	4 – 16	\$5.00			
House T Shirt – Gold (Armstrong House) – <i>Limited Supply</i>	4 – 16	\$5.00			
House T Shirt – Purple (Melba House) – <i>Limited Supply</i>	4 – 16	\$5.00			
House T Shirt – Red (Symonds House) – <i>Limited Supply</i>	4 – 16	\$5.00			
TOTALS:					\$

PARENT NAME:..... TELEPHONE:.....

STUDENT NAME:..... CLASS:.....

Please email orders to yarra.glen.ps@education.vic.gov.au or drop into the school office.

CREDIT CARD AUTHORITY - Mastercard or Visa ONLY Total: \$ _____

Card Number: ___/___/___/___ Expiry: __/__

Card Holder's Signature: _____ Date: _____



TheirCare News



WEEK 6
23.08.2024

Introducing TC Tucker

At TheirCare, we're thrilled to unveil our new program designed to foster deep connections with our local communities through culturally inspired recipes. In Terms 3 and 4, children will have the opportunity to explore both "bake" and "no bake" recipes, while participating in engaging activities tied to the weekly cooking theme. Join us as we blend culinary exploration with community engagement!



UPCOMING:

Visit Japan Week 7: Aug 29

Make Japanese inspired sushi sandwiches!
Create colorful paper lanterns using origami techniques and decorations.
Decorate paper fans with traditional or modern designs.

Superheros Week 8: Sep 2 - 6

Set up obstacle courses or challenges that simulate superhero training.
Make superhero-themed crafts, like capes or shields.
Cut out mask shapes and decorate with felt pieces, sequins, and markers. Attach elastic bands to fit the masks.

Important information!

- Holiday Program is now LIVE on the Website

TheirCare Service Hours

BSC: 6:30am - 8:45am
ASC: 3:30pm - 6:30pm

Pupil Free Days/Vacation Care
6:30am - 6:30pm

TheirCare Yarra Glen Contact Details

TheirCare Yarra Glen Mobile:
0419 310 330

Email: Yarraglen@theircare.com.au

TheirCare Contact Details

TheirCare:
1300 072 410

Website:
<https://theircare.com.au/>



Yarra Glen Primary School has joined the Pancake Parlour School Rewards program

What does this mean?

Every time you eat at The Pancake Parlour you can help our school earn amazing rewards like Pancake Parlour vouchers, pancake mix and even go into the running to win cash prizes for the school.

How do you participate?

Become a member of The Pancake Parlour rewards program, you can do this by downloading the Lovely Rewards app. If you can't find the app in your app store, you can get a link to it here:

<https://www.pancakeparlour.com.au/lovely-rewards>

Once you are signed up, go to <https://www.pancakeparlour.com.au/school-rewards-join-an-existing-school> and register! Don't forget to choose Yarra Glen Primary School (we're currently the last school listed so scroll down to find us!) - please note, your member ID is your mobile number you signed up to the app with.

Then make sure you use your app to order, scan your member barcode at the counter or mention your member ID at the counter (this is your mobile number) when you eat at The Pancake Parlour.

You don't have to attend our school to help us earn points so feel free to ask any friends or relatives that love the Pancake Parlour to sign up too and help us earn points!

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Wright Stables horse riding lessons

We are a small friendly riding school located in Healesville. We offer private, one on one lessons for children (3-18yo) on our team of wonderful school ponies.

Our lessons run for an hour, and include learning to catch the pony, brush and tack up (prepare for a ride), ride the pony, and put it away afterwards. We cover basic horse care and horsemanship as part of our sessions. Being a private lesson, each lesson is specifically tailored for the needs and optimal development of each child, and we pride ourselves in getting to know the children personally - in order to best help them enjoy their time with the ponies, and develop their skills in a way that keeps them comfortable and engaged.

Our lessons for kinder aged children (4-5) are \$75 per hour lesson.

For children 3 years old, we have an 40 minute lesson for \$65. It is an option for 4yos.

Our lessons for children under 10 (6-11) are \$80 per hour lesson.

Our lessons for high school aged children 12-18) are \$90 per hour lesson.

We currently have availability on Wednesdays at morning hours or after school Mondays at after school or morning, Thursdays, Tuesdays at 3:30 or during the day and Fridays. We also have limited weekend availability.

We also offer lessons for riders of all ages on your own horse.

For (on your own horse)

a dressage lesson with Accredited coach Fern Wright, \$75

a general riding lesson and basic dressage, Skye Wright \$65

We have a fully refurbished indoor arena with lights, so bad weather is not a concern.

Our coaches are highly experienced and successful dressage riders, riding horses of all ages and abilities from starting under saddle, to Grand Prix - including a wide variety of personalities, sizes and breeds. They also have experience in jumping, showing, breeding, young horse handling, starting under saddle and more. Fully insured, with current WWCC and First Aid

Contact us now for more information or to arrange a booking:

Skye: 0459723790

Fern: 0457047251

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VENOM
YARRA GLEN B.C
BASKETBALL
OPEN DAY
CLINIC

Yarra Glen Venom are hosting a FREE open day clinic for all ages.
It's an opportunity to come and try!!
Register your interest via the QR code or link for any enquiries
please email us at secretary@yarraglenvenom.com

2.00-4.00PM

11th AUGUST

Gary cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Avenue Yarra Glen
Yarra Glen Basketball stadium



JETS SKILLS CLINIC

4 WEEK NETBALL SKILLS PROGRAM

5:30PM-6:15PM - THURSDAY AUGUST 15TH, 22ND, 29TH AND
SEPTEMBER 5TH

YARRA GLEN RECREATION RESERVE

Players born from 2007 to 2018

All levels - current and new players welcome. Come to one session or all sessions.

JOIN US FOR NETBALL SKILLS AND FUN!

TO REGISTER: EMAIL YARRAGLENJFC@GMAIL.COM ADVISING NAME OF CHILD, AGE, PHONE NUMBER AND SKILL LEVEL (EG. NEW TO GAME, HAVE PLAYED BEFORE) & WHAT DATES YOU CAN



ATTEND





COME AND TRY THE HEALESVILLE SWIM SQUAD

In order to be ready to join the club, swimmers are required to be confident in Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke and be developing in Butterfly. The swimmer will also need to be able to dive and swim 50m confidently without stopping.

WHAT WE OFFER:

- ✓ The option of 4 session times per week
- ✓ 2 qualified and passionate coaches
- ✓ 2 Aggregates per term.
- ✓ Continue to grow your skills in the pool in a supportive and fun environment.

**CONTACT OUR PARENT RUN COMMITTEE
VIA EMAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION**

healesvilleswimmingclub@gmail.com

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