



Our Latest News

Yarra Glen Primary School

Our values:

**Persistence
Encouragement
Respect
Resilience
Inclusiveness**

NEWSLETTER – TERM 4 – No 3 – 22nd November 2024

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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 Yarra Glen Primary School Community,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and I am sure you have already thought of or commenced behind the scenes holiday preparations. It has been wonderful to see all our 2025 Preps take part in transition sessions and meeting their future buddies through our Better Buddies Program. Through Better Buddies, children in their first and second last year of primary school buddy up and learn the values: caring for others, friendliness, respect, valuing difference, including others and responsibility. Our Prep Information Evening was held on Wednesday 20th November.

Prep Transition



Student Leaders

It was a positive opportunity for our School Leaders (Lincoln and Savannah) to represent YGPS at the Remembrance Day Commemorative Service in Yarra Glen on Monday, 11th November. Students spoke confidently at the service and at our Friday assembly, were presented certificates for their participation.



Student Community Engagement

Sporting Schools Volleyball



It's great to see students enjoying their Volleyball PE lessons from Weeks 6 to 9.

Through Sporting Schools this term, students have been engaging and learning the game rules,



fundamentals and skills of volleyball. This is an excellent opportunity for students to increase their participation in a new sport and connect them with community sporting opportunities.

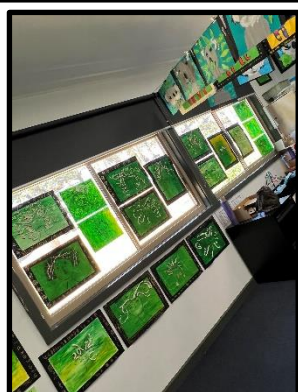
Gardening Club



Students have been enjoying the commencement of gardening club every Thursday at recess. They love digging, spreading mulch, planting seedlings and seeds, and watering. Gardening is a great space for children to practice teamwork, sharing, listening and caring for our community.

Pop-Up Art Show

This week we held a pop-up art show to showcase the student's work. We have amazing talent amongst our students. Thank you to Mrs Parfitt for putting the show together.







Student Behaviour Flowchart

The SWPBS Team have developed a YGPS Student Behaviour Flow Chart to address poor behaviour choices, to ensure there is a consistent response to behaviour supports throughout the school. This will be reflected in our Student Engagement and Wellbeing Policy. As always, responses to ALL behaviour are calm, consistent, immediate, specific, respectful and private. This flow chart is a Tier 1 universal support across all settings.



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SAVE THE DATE — Fundraising Event – Colour Run – Wednesday, 18th December 2024

Fundraising has now closed with prizes now being ordered.

Congratulations to the following students who raised the most funds:

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1st Place | Piper Daniel | \$830.00 |
| 2nd Place | Daisy and Violet Mullins | \$600.00 each |
| 3rd Place | Sammy Wood | \$595.00 |
| 4th Place | Olivia Holland | \$429.00 |

Congratulations to the following classes who raised the most funds:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|
| 1st Place | Prep | \$2,374.00 |
| 2nd Place | Grade 1/2 | \$2,134.00 |
| 3rd Place | Grade 3/4 | \$1,444.00 |
| 4th Place | Grade 2/3 | \$1,095.00 |
| 5th Place | Prep/1 | \$780.00 |

The lucky winners will now slime the teachers at the conclusion of the colour run.

Thank you to all the families that were able to fundraise. It was a fantastic effort and we were able to raise a total of \$8,643.00 which will be used to purchase imaginative outdoor play equipment (mud kitchen/cubby house/shop).

Christmas Raffle

We will be holding a Christmas Raffle which will be drawn on the last day of school at assembly.

Local businesses have kindly donated and we have many prizes available including a bike which will be our major prize. We would however be grateful for further donations from families so that we can package these up into many prizes.

Thank you to the families who have already purchased tickets. Tickets were sent home with the youngest child. If you would like more tickets please contact the 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 onsite) save the dates:

- ❖ Tuesday 3rd December – 2025 Curriculum Planning

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 at our S.C meeting on Wednesday 13th November 2024:

- Duty of Care Policy
- Volunteers Policy
- Yard Duty Supervision Policy
- Parent Complaint and Concerns Policy

Thank you

Jeff de Villa
Principal, Yarra Glen Primary School

STUDENT VOICE

SRC News - by Tayah Davis (on behalf of SRC)

Stay tuned for our next edition to hear from Tayah - 😊



SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

Our students loved our whole school reward of the Ice-cream truck and tabloid sports afternoon. The sun was shining, the music was playing and Perri the platypus loved dancing all of the students from their classrooms to the ice-cream truck. There were smiles all round and such a happy atmosphere in our school. Well done to our students for the huge achievements.

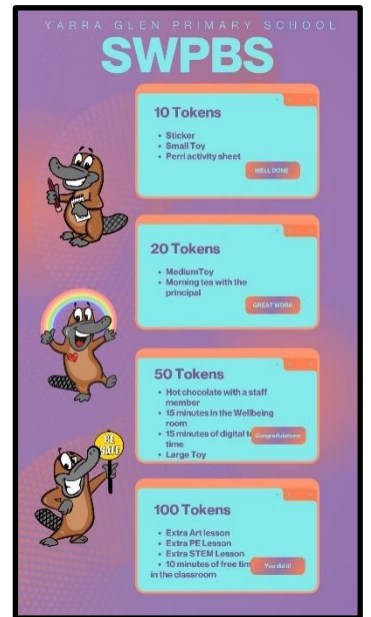
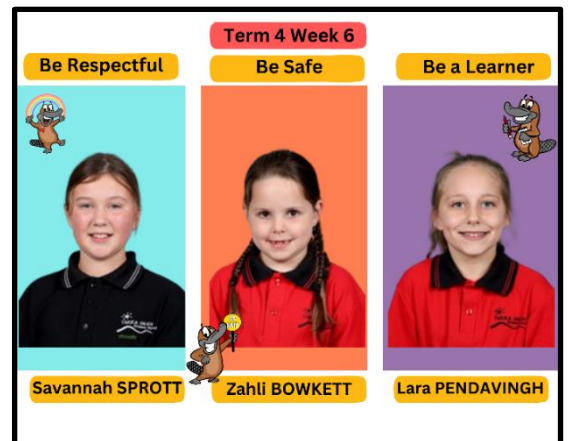
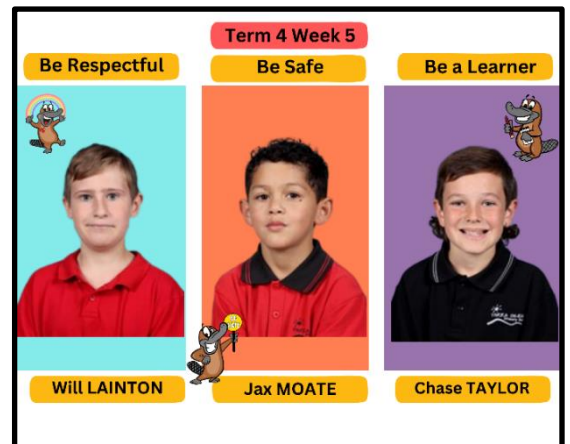
Our new target for positive pebbles is 50. We hope to achieve this by the end of the term so our students can enjoy a Zooper Dooper and 15 mins extra play time. We are currently at 17 positive pebbles.

Keep up the awesome work YGPS students. You can do it!

Weekly focus expectation for this fortnight:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Be a Learner | Be a Learner |
| We strive to do our personal best | We play for fun |
| We celebrate success | We accept help |

Weekly individual most acknowledgment recipients:



Whole class most acknowledgments recipients:

Week 4: 2/3

Week 5: 4/5

Week 6: 1/2

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

TERM 4

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| 27 th November | Prep Transition Session No 3 - 2.30 pm – 3.30 pm |
| 2 nd December | 5/6 Surf Day Camp – Phillip Island |
| 3 rd December | Pupil Free Day |
| 6 th December | 2Dream Music Concert – 2.50 pm |
| 10 th December | Prep Transition Session No 4 – 9.15 am – 12.15 pm |
| 10 th December | Victorian School Transition Day – students to meet their new teacher and classmates |
| 12 th December | Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony |
| 17 th December | Grade 6 Fun Day |
| 18 th December | Colour Run |
| 20 th December | Last Day – 1.30 pm dismissal |

TERM DATES 2025

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|--------|---|
| Term 1 | 28 th January 2025 – 4 th April 2025 Students commence 29 th January 2025 |
| Term 2 | 22 nd April 2025 – 4 th July 2025 |
| Term 3 | 21 st July 2025 – 19 th September 2025 |
| Term 4 | 6 th October 2025 – 19 th December 2025 |

Voluntary Contributions 2025

Contributions can 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.

CSEF – Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

Please see flyer for more information.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



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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: _____

THEIR CARE NEWS

Stay tuned for our next addition for an update from Grace



Christmas RAFFLE

We are still seeking donations from families to package into prizes. Donations can be left at the office.

Thank you in advance for your kind generosity.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS

Tickets have been sent home with the youngest child and more tickets are available at the office.

Tickets are \$1.00 each.



Please return your tickets and money to the school by
Tuesday, 17th December 2024.

Prizes will be drawn at assembly on the last day of term
on **Friday , 20th December 2024.**



MERRY CHRISTMAS





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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