NOTES HOME THIS WEEK
ACT Secondary Bursary Scheme for Year 6 students

PARENTS’ CHECKLIST
(Reminder of things to DO)
*CISAC Swim Program payment due now
* Payment for 2015 Student Education Pack

DATES TO REMEMBER

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THIS WEEK’S UPDATES

PLEASE NOTE: ASSEMBLIES WILL NOW COMMENCE AT 2.10pm. On the occasions of a bigger agenda than usual, this will ensure we finish before 3pm.

GOOD LUCK TO BANDSTRAV STUDENTS AND MAESTRA VEITCH at the ACT Schools Bandstravaganza next Monday 7pm at Llellewyn Hall, ANU.

NOTE THE TIMINGS FOR THE ARTS SHOWCASE on Friday 12 December for your calendars (explained below).

HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE SCHOOL APP? The latest notes, updates and reminders go out on it, so they are timely reminders in everyone’s busy lives. Just get your offspring to help you if you haven’t already done so!! (there’s been some funny stories!)

TO GET THE APP
To get the School Stream app, go to the iTunes Store (iPhone/iPad) or Google Play (Android), search for School Stream and download the app to your phone. When School Stream has finished installing, open the app, search for and select Yarralumla Primary School. Download Instructions: iPhone/iPad and Android/Tablet

Cari genitori,

What an amazing effort from everyone who was involved in the wonderful combined Montessori and preschool Spring Fair last Saturday. I can’t thank enough our organisers and hard workers behind the scenes for all they did to pull off a terrific day for families and for fundraising. Lots of bouquets for parents this week, but in particular I would like to acknowledge the excellent coordination efforts of Kate Coghlan and Lex Vaccarella - the two villas’ coordinators. Grazie mille belle donne!
Arts Showcase – formerly our concert!
Friday 12 December will be a celebration of students’ learning in The Arts this year. We are combining presentations of visual and performing arts that include the products and performances of students in their Friday enrichment activities and in their art lessons. The program will be repeated to enable as many parents as possible to attend and to fit into our hall.

The morning session 9.30 until 11am will be for parents of K-2 students; the midday to 1.30pm session will be for parents of years 3 to 6 students. If you have students in both camps, you have a choice and if your child’s time slot doesn’t suit you, you are welcome to attend the session that suits your circumstances. However you are encouraged to adhere to the session that pertains to your child/ren.

Safety in our driveways and car parks
The car park off MacGillivray Street with its narrow bridge over the canal is a danger spot for our students when they walk over this whilst cars are arriving and leaving for the school day. A new sign has been erected to caution drivers to be vigilant and to drive slowly in all areas around the school.

Puberty Blues?
Last week most of our Year 5 and 6 students participated in a course facilitated by ACT Sexual Health and Planning to assist them in their understanding of what to expect as pubescent adolescents going into high school. The workshop focused on the physical, social and emotional changes to expect in puberty and the correct terminology to use to describe our bodies and their changes. Students were encouraged to ask questions and there was a valuable package of materials distributed to students as part of the course. Thank you to all parents who gave permission for their child to participate in this course. It will be run again next year.

Staffing update
Next Monday brings a change in our staff faces before the year comes to a close. Maestra Simone Thomas will commence as our new executive teacher and maestro Phill Hall will be replaced by maestra Barbara Biddle whilst he takes the last five weeks of the term on well earned Long Service Leave. Maestra Nira Grujic’s last day is tomorrow before she goes on maternity leave in preparation for her baby’s arrival at the end of this month. We farewelled her at last week’s assembly and wish her and her husband, Mick all the best (particularly sleep!) as they adjust to parenthood. Maestra Melissa Medlicott who has taught in kindergarten this year and knows all the children well will take Zaffiro class for English. Maestro Dave Matthews will continue to teach two days a week in preparation for his commencement with us full time next year. We also welcome back Paul Hyde who has recovered well from his operation; he will ease back into his duties next week with the assistance of our relief BSO, Darren Reynolds who has been his worthy, hard working replacement.

Buon fine settimana a tutti! (have a great weekend!)
Cordiali saluti e ciao
Lea (Signora Chapuis)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK –

“Instruction does much, but encouragement does everything.”

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe
BOUQUETS

**Students:** Sebastian S who impressed all with his playing of *The Last Post* at our school’s Remembrance ceremony at 11am on Tuesday.

Grazie also to Noah B and Gianna P who did an excellent job hosting the ceremony and explaining the significance of Remembrance Day.

**Staff:** To all our hardworking teachers who are beavering away with end of semester reports and putting in long hours after school and on the weekend to meet the deadline.

To Darren for his great efforts clearing out storerooms and making more room for school supplies and equipment.

**Parents:** To all the following Montessori and preschool parents who organised or helped at the fantastic Spring Fair stalls: Rochelle Whyte, Melissa and Paul Coggan, Claire Marple, Mary Longford, Natallia Komarov, Emma and Christopher Tracy, Alex Wolnicki, May Truong, Erica Sekendy and Mardi Scanlan; Lani Goonesena, Fionna Torkine, Louise Chapman, Andrew Henderson, Angela Hopkins, Jason Tutalo, Lisa Hanbridge, Jessica Higgins, Kate Black and Raleigh Rogers, Constanza Napoli and Daniella Origa, Anneliese Tozzi, Melinda Jamieson, Madeline Denham, Lizzie Christiansen, Patience and Jerry Nockles, Tony Birtwistle and Joelleie and Rod Chisolm, (apologies for any mis-spelt names or omissions! – there were lots more helpers and it was a huge team effort). Montessori parents will also be giving a report about the Fair in next week’s newsletter.

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**P&C News**

Just a quick reminder about the P&C Meeting on Thursday 4 December. Our guest for the evening will be Ms Joy Burch, ACT Minister for Education and Training. Ms Burch would like to take the opportunity to meet with the parents and carers of Yarralumla Primary School students to discuss what opportunities there may be to foster and encourage engagement with schools. Please come and join us and take this opportunity to put forward your ideas.

To assist us with providing some dips and crackers on the evening, could you please see the notice at the end of this newsletter and take the time to circle either ‘Will or Will not’ in relation to your attendance. Thank you.

We are at the half way mark for Term 4; where has the time gone? Thank you to the school for taking on the introduction of the School Stream app. I am sure that in 2015 we will start to wonder how we managed to keep on top of all those notes prior to its introduction. Please also set up a Flexischools account, as in 2015 it is planned to introduce the purchase of uniforms via this method.

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday 4 December, 6pm sharp.

Gudrun Northrup
P&C President
president@ypspandc.com
School Disco –
Friday 21 November 2014

The school disco is on again! All students are invited to come along for a great time. This year we are offering a sausage, drink, icy pole and entry to the disco for $7.50 (or 2 sausages for $10). We will have a vegetarian option available.

The action starts at 6.00pm and finishes at 8.00pm.

Parents are also invited to come along and have a sausage (cost $2.50). If you can help on the night, please email yarralulaprimaryevents.com.au

See you there with your dancing shoes...

Please pay at the door on the night.

Yarralumla P&C

Canteen News

Please keep those lunch orders coming in via Flexischools; your support is greatly appreciated. A reminder that the closing time for online Flexischools orders is 8pm Wednesday of each week. Hardcopy orders must be submitted at the office by 3pm on the Wednesday. Flexischools register and login is: http://www.flexischools.com.au

Next week's (week 5) special item is fried rice. The usual snacks will be available for purchase on the day. Thank you to last week’s volunteers Madeline, Beth and Pina and also to our student helpers. Please note that we require volunteers for next week, Nov 14 (Agata & Amethyst). We do not yet have anyone from these classes to help.

All other classes will need to check with their class coordinators to ensure your week is covered. Please refer to the class list included in this newsletter. Correspondence can also be sent to me via email to: canteen@ypspandc.com

Thank you and regards
Raeleigh & Sarah

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Week 10 | No assembly

TERM 4

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Preschool

The children have been fascinated by the changes in both the tadpoles and the silkworms and we look forward to may more observations.

We had another enjoyable visit from our year four buddies, who had lunch and played with us. Next time we will go over to the primary school. They will take us on a tour and then we will all go to the canteen together and buy something.

We look forward to the up and coming visit from the Reptile Man. We will be developing our understandings of reptiles, food, habitat and behaviour of many of the cold blooded animals.

**How we teach concepts such as number, shape colour and the alphabet**

- Songs, musical instruments, dances and circle games, both in English and Italian
• Board and card games
• Big books
• Hopscotch
• Pavement rainbow snake
• Using a wide range of construction materials both inside and outside

Cheers,
Vanessa, Anne and Rebecca

In the past fortnight, Year 1/2 students have been collecting data in their Italian classes. They interviewed their classmates on their favourite colours, fruits, foods and seasons. Two other classes had been collecting data over a two week period on what fruits fellow students had brought to school. With their data in hand students made visual post-it notes representing each item and displayed them first on their desks in graph then transferred them onto their prepared pictograph. All students were fully engaged in their tasks that continued over a number of days. Students worked in small groups being mindful that each student was responsible for their allocated task and every person in the group supported each other. Great team work!!

With Maestro Scerri students have been hard at work planning, designing and collecting raw materials to create their utensils in Technology. Students have been keen and positive creating their individual utensils!

Buona settimana a tutti da Maestro Scerri, Maestra Lynden, Maestra Fielding e Maestra Cooper!

Year 1

In English, students have started delivering their speeches for their news item. We have all been intrigued to hear each other’s stories. In maths, we have started to learn about fractions. We have learnt the meanings of whole, part, equal, unequal, halves, quarters and eighths. We are enjoying what it means to share fairly and are discovering that there are many ways that an object or group can be shared. In inquiry, students are finishing off their advertisements on the different forms of refrigeration and are getting ready to persuade the class why their form is the best.
Next week in the Library, opening hours are

Monday: 3.05pm to 4pm
Tuesday: 8.30am to 9am & 3.05pm to 3.45pm
Wednesday: CLOSED
Thursday: 8.30am to 9am & 3.05pm to 3.45pm
Friday: 8.30am to 9am

Desperately Seeking

1 parent volunteer to assist with Book Fair in each time slot.

Monday: 3.05pm to 4pm
Tuesday: 8.30am to 9am
Tuesday: 3.05pm to 3.45pm
Wednesday: CLOSED
Thursday: 8.30am to 9am
Thursday: 3.05pm to 3.45pm
Friday: 8.30am to 9am

Please email me the day and time you can help
Jayne.Murray@ed.act.edu.au

Libraries

National Library of Australia
WHERE IS THE GREEN SHEEP? TURNS 10!
JOIN CREATORS MEM FOX AND JUDY HORACEK

When
16 November 2014, 3pm-4pm
Where
Theatre, Lower Ground 1
Cost: $5.00
Book Online

Library Competitions

There are currently two competitions running

Juniors – Kindy, Year 1 & 2
- Book fair colouring competition due back by Wednesday 19th November
- Writing Competition, theme ‘jewels’, write a story or poem due back Thursday 4th December

Seniors – Year 3, 4, 5, & 6
- Create a Book Fair Poster due by Wednesday 19th November.
- Writing Competition, theme ‘jewels’, write a story or poem due back Thursday 4th December
Achievement Awards

Presented at our last Assembly

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Mathletics Awards

Mathletics Awards
9 November (Week 4) – Week 4 Term 4

Gold Award

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Vera P C 1790 7 Nov
Gabrielle Y 1710 5 Nov
Jude F 1470 9 Nov
Dominic N 1422 6 Nov
Haeden B 1368 3 Nov
Mena B 1324 6 Nov
Samara M 1302 6 Nov
Ennio D 1180 9 Nov
Lane A 1165 4 Nov
Amelia H-W 1155 6 Nov
Izaiah W 1155 7 Nov
Richard M 1150 3 Nov
Riley W 1137 6 Nov
Madeleine N 1134 3 Nov
Tilly S 1121 6 Nov
Scarlett F 1100 7 Nov
Sadie H 1100 9 Nov
Georgia A 1087 4 Nov
Shabnam A 1080 3 Nov
Darcy H 1080 8 Nov
Elijah E 1080 9 Nov
Jack C 1060 9 Nov
Callum H 1060 6 Nov
Elizabeth F 1050 7 Nov
Laura C 1050 9 Nov
Ethan S 1048 8 Nov
Carl V 1040 6 Nov
Scarlett H 1020 6 Nov
Nikola K 1000 6 Nov

It’s great to see so many students using our subscription to Mathletics to consolidate their learning in class. Please contact your child’s teachers if you require their logon details or if their Mathletics level needs to be adjusted.

All certificates will be distributed in class.

Sarah Veitch
Mathletics Coordinator
HELP!

In preparation for the end of year Showcase being held on Friday 12 December, we need your help please. We are hoping that someone in our community will:

- Pick up 15 display screens from the Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching & Learning at 3.30 on Monday 8 December. We need a trailer that will carry the screens which are 1.8 m long and approximately 1.5 m wide, and a car and driver too! Or perhaps you have a small truck?
- Lend us a garden/market umbrella. We need 6 of them.
- Lend us some old wooden crates or barrels
- Lend us 10 bales of hay
- Donate old garden pots and plants or hanging baskets

Please contact Marli.Ayrton@ed.act.edu.au or Sharon.Brissoni@ed.act.edu.au on 61423250 if you can help with any of the above items.

Colour Day Thursday 20th November

For the final fundraiser of the year, the SRC will be supporting the local Canberra charity Marymead. Marymead is a well-respected, community based not-for-profit organisation with a 47 year history of providing a range of support services to children, young people and families. To raise money for Marymead, the SRC is inviting students to come dressed up in colourful clothes and bring a gold coin donation on Thursday 20th November (Week 6).

2014 Proximity Government and Business Triathlon

Triathlon ACT invites ACT Government staff to participate in the Proximity Government & Business Triathlon on Saturday, 29 November 2014.

This event is a great opportunity for government and corporate organisations to come together to compete in a fun and social event that enhances corporate/government relationships, networking and the promotion of workforce health and wellbeing.

The Triathlon will see teams of three compete as a relay with each team member doing one leg, or a team may choose to do the full challenge with each team member swimming, running and cycling. The two categories are:

The Sprint – a long relay: swim 500m / ride 20km / run 5km
The Enticer – a short relay: swim 200m / ride 10km / run 2km

So why not gather together a relay team with your colleagues and start preparing for the fun of the 2014 Proximity Government and Business Triathlon. On the day, there will be activities for kids as well as a range of food outlets.

When: Saturday 29 November – 9:00am
Where: Westside Acton Park
Entry Fees Apply – Special prices available until Friday 14 November 2014.

For more information and entry details go to the Triathlon ACT website: www.govbiztri.com.au

Promoting physical activity opportunities is part of the Healthy Weight Action Plan to create healthy workplaces and invest in initiatives to support the health and wellbeing of employees.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS) UPDATE

Ellen in 3/4 Opali has received a distinction in the writing assessment. Her results were delayed as she had to wait until her broken arm had healed to sit the assessment. This is an outstanding achievement Ellen. Congratulations!
### YPS Canteen Menu Term 4, 2014

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