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"Certamen Praeter Palman" - "The endeavour is more important than the prize."

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NOTES HOME THIS WEEK

Student Satisfaction Survey

PARENTS' CHECKLIST

(Reminder of things to DO)

Voluntary Contributions
Update contact details
Return Book Week note and payment

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues 6 Aug	Yr 6 Combined Band rehearsal 12pm YPS
Mon 12 Aug	P & C Meeting 7-9pm
Mon 1-13 Aug	Kindergarten Health Screening
Mon 12 – 16 Aug	Walk Safely to School Week
Wed 14 Aug	Whole School Assembly
Fri 16 Aug	Book Week Performance
Thu 22 – 23 Aug	Year 3/4 Birrigai Camp

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome

I would like to warmly welcome the new families that have joined our community after the July holiday period. A number of YPS families returned from overseas trips and it is fantastic to see the students sharing their stories with their friends.

Italian Program

We had an overwhelming response from our community to host our four visiting Italian university students. Thank you to all the families that offered a room to the Italian students. Homes have been secured for the students which will enable them to walk to and from school each day. All four students are from the Università di Bergamo. Alice and Dorotea will be with us from August 1 until October 6 and Sara and Giulia will be with us from August 26 until November 15. The students will work along side our Italian teachers in the classroom improving their teaching skills. The strong connection we are building with the Università di Bergamo will hopefully provide future jobs for Italian University graduates at Yarralumla Primary School.

Works at our school

Further to my recent emails regarding the works at our school, I would like to advise that these remediation works will continue throughout Term 3.

Contractors commenced the removal of leaf litter in the area surrounding the Gambarri Preschool last weekend and additional work on the painted surfaces on the primary school building will also be undertaken.

To minimise the impact on our school operations, these works will occur during weekend periods. Access to the areas being worked on will continue to be restricted.

If you would like to discuss any of this work, please don't hesitate to contact me on 6142 3250 or

Rohan.Evans@ed.act.edu.au

National Science Week

Four of our year 5 students will have the wonderful opportunity this month to attend the Centre for Innovation and Learning at Caroline Chisholm School. The students will attend STEM workshops that have been developed by the ACT Education Directorate's Academy of Future Skills.

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School review

Yarralumla Primary will undergo a school review process next week for three days. The review will look at the work the school has done over the past two years. The panel will comprise of two ACT Principals and an external reviewer. The school will be reviewed over 9 domains with students, staff and parents being interviewed. A rating will be provided for each domain; Outstanding, High, Medium and Low. Board Reports, Action Plans and data will be used as part of the process. The review process will enable the school to set a new strategic plan for the next 5 years.

Preschool Enrolments

Yarralumla Primary has been overwhelmed by the number of enrolments received for our 2020 Preschool. A large proportion of the enrolments have been siblings and in area students. Round 1 offer letters will be sent home to families this week with the second round offers being notified at the end of the term.

Playground Equipment

YPS regularly has its playground equipment assessment by an outside provider to ensure it is compliant and safe. Over the next two weeks parts of our senior and junior equipment will be upgraded and repaired to ensure it remains compliant with any new regulatory changes.

Keep Smiling

Rohan Evans | Principal

MERIT AWARDS

Classe	English	Italian
Kinder Rosa		
Kinder Scarlatto		
Year 1 Fucsia	Harley M	
Year 1 Magenta		
Year 1 Corallo		
/2 Giallo		
Year 2 Verde marino		
Year 2 Verolino		
Year 2 Verde menta	Leonardo F	
Year 3/4 Turchese	Lachlan C	
Year 3/4 Celeste	Henley	
Year 3/4 Acqua		Lucy B
Year 3/4 Azzura		Evie A
Year 3/4 Blu	Kiaan G Naomi W	
Year 5/6 Ambra		
Year 5/6 Oro		
Year 5/6 Zafferano	Matthew W	Arianna W
LSUA Perla	Meredith H Joss E	

Star Awards



STAR AWARD



July 2019

Awarded to

Collette N

You are a kind and conscientious student who always puts 100 % effort into your work at school. You are very artistic and take great pride in your beautiful artworks. Your sense of humour makes the classroom a fun place to be. Your questions and comments in class are always insightful and show your teachers how much you love learning. Keep it up Collette!

Rory L-M

You are an extremely caring and cheerful student who constantly has a smile on your face. We know that we can rely on you to help your classmates and teachers both in the classroom and playground. Your work is always presented to the best of your ability and you are willing to take on challenges in all subject areas. The way you constantly model the STAR values is an inspiration. Awesome effort Rory!



Australian Maths Competition

This week 42 students from years 3-6 sat the Australian Maths Competition. The competition had 25 multiple choice questions and five questions that required whole number answers. The students are to be commended for taking part in this competition and working through the challenges, some of which were very sophisticated problems.

Thanks to Zoltan and Ben our parent volunteers who support our mathematics enrichment.



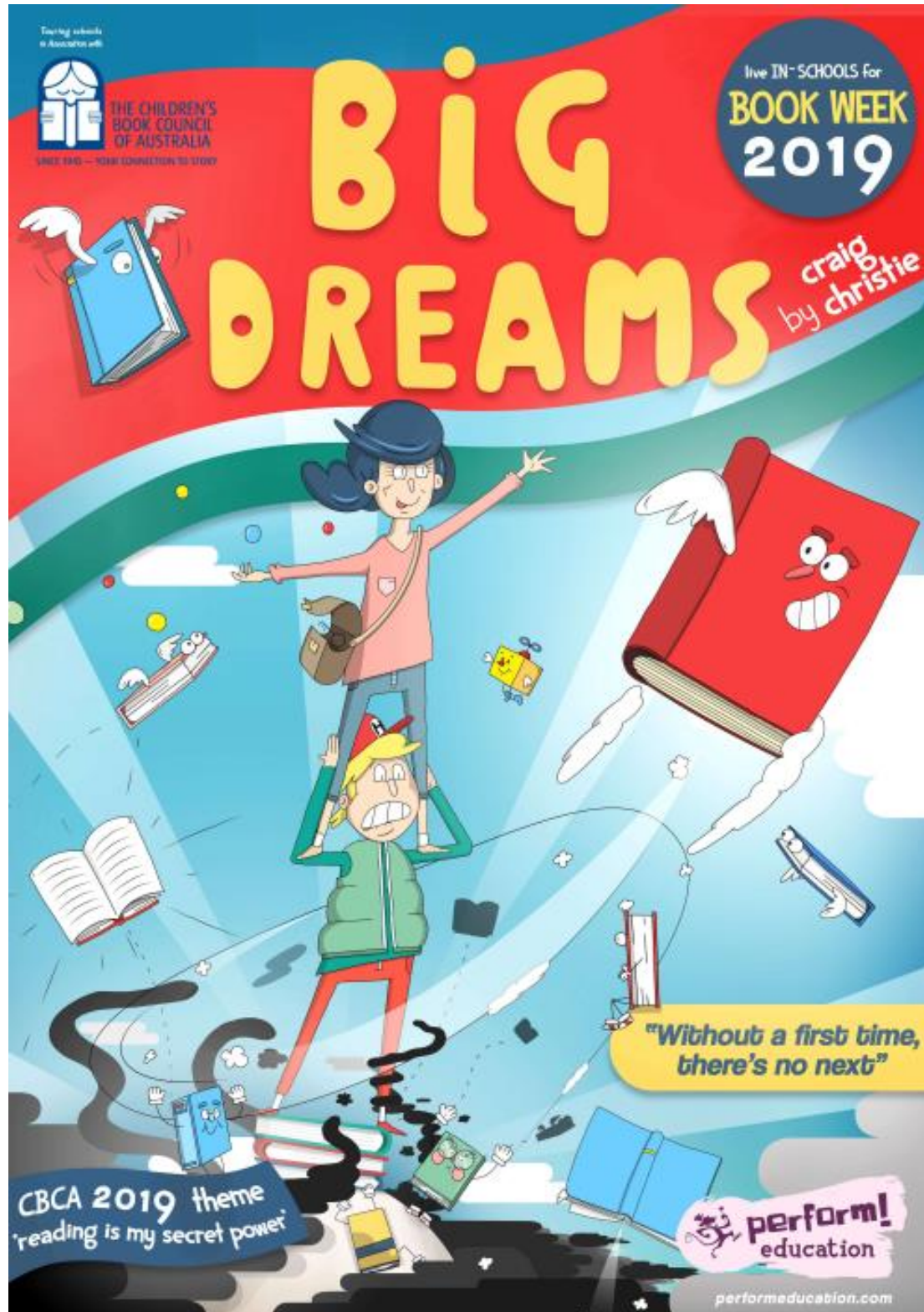
Women's AFL Visit

Our lucky students had the pleasure of meeting Alyce Parker, who is an AFLW player, playing for the GWS Giants. The students asked various questions such as trying to find out her favourite superhero to her favourite pizza. They also were lucky enough to work through some drills with Alyce. Thanks to maestro Joshi for organising this event.

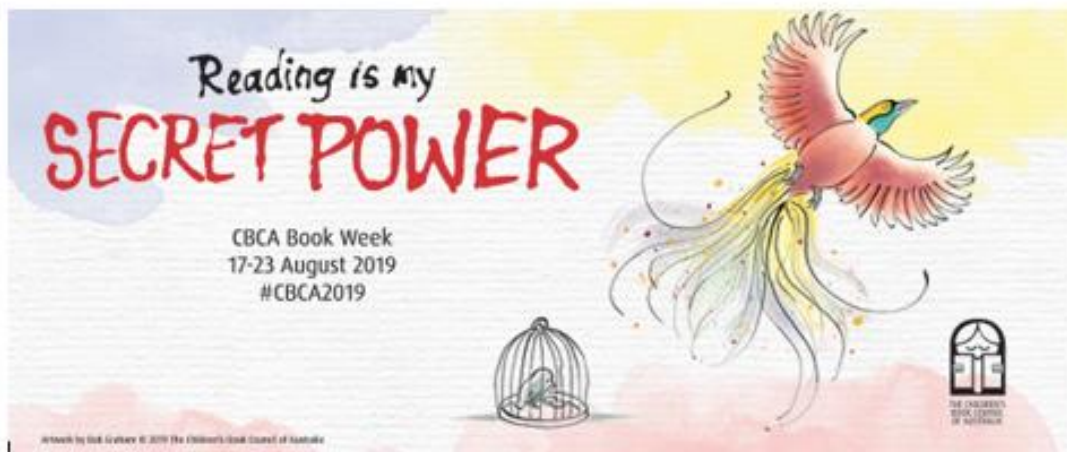


Book Week Performance

BIG DREAMS features a selection of the Children's Book Council 2019 shortlisted books, providing a gateway into accessing the best in Australian Children's literature while teaching students not to be discouraged by negative messages in order to follow their heart's desire. Filled with humour, suspense and featuring student interaction throughout, this educational musical adventure encourages your children to pursue their ambitions. If you're going to dream, let them be Big Dreams!



Book Week Parade



*The Theme for BOOKWEEK 2019 is
"Reading is my Secret Power".*



*Yarralumla Primary will be celebrating
with a
"Dress as your favourite book character"
on Friday 30th August (Week 6).*



*We will have a Parade in the Hall
at 10am.*



P&C News

Dear Parents and Carers,

The next general meeting of the P&C will be held at 7:00 pm, Monday 12 August in the staff room at YPS and an agenda was circulated by the school earlier this week. In addition to standing items key agenda items include:

- an update on planning for fete, Festa Fantastica,
- a proposal to spend up to \$2,000 on new demountable marquees for school events and fundraising such as sports carnivals and the fete, &
- a proposal to spend up to \$1,000 on technology to support electronic payment and stock management for the uniform shop

Festa Fantastica

- Can you support the silent auction? This is a great fund raiser but it takes time and effort to prepare for. The P&C will be promoting all donors or sponsors on the day, and through our promotional material and social media. If you know of a business or are associated with a business, or friends who could donate an item for auction please let us know!
- Vuly Play has kindly donated an Ultra trampoline for our auction. Bounce, jump, and try out new tricks in the safety of the netted Ultra trampoline. Vuly has a mission to get kids active and playing safely and a trampoline is the perfect way to achieve this. One lucky family is going to take home this amazing prize!
<https://www.vulyplay.com/en-AU>

School Walkathon

Later this term the school will be holding the annual walkathon fundraiser. The P&C supports prizes for outstanding fundraising efforts, volunteers to help keep kids going in the right direction and to stay hydrated, and also provides a sausage sizzle for kids, teachers and volunteers on the day. Please keep an eye out for calls for help. Many hands make light work.

Canteen in term 3

Generally canteen services provided by Alfred Deakin High School are continuing into term 3. Parents should continue to place orders on FlexiSchools as per current arrangements.

Cheers

Phil Hartley

P&C President

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ACT PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLMENTS PROCESS

Preschool Enrolment. If your child turns 4 years of age before the 30th April 2020, they are eligible to be enrolled at Preschool for 2020.

If your child is currently attending Yarralumla Preschool and will attend Kindergarten at Yarralumla Primary in 2020 you do **NOT** need to fill out an enrolment form.

NOTE: First round Preschool offer letters were sent out on Monday 29th July. First round Preschool offer acceptances close on 24 August 2019.

NOTE: Second round offers will be sent out on Monday 21 October.

Every child from Kindergarten to Year 12 is guaranteed a place at their local public school, regardless of when you apply. The Education Directorate (ED) enrolment process has been updated.

Information on Quickweb Payments via our School Web Page

Yarralumla Primary School has an online payment option, using a Westpac service called Quickweb.

You can go to our school website: <http://www.yarralumlaps.act.edu.au/payment> and make a payment to the school's bank account. There will be a link that will redirect you to our Westpac Quickweb site. Payments can be made using a credit/debit card, for any school event, or financial contribution.

The information you complete on the form will enable us to accurately identify the funds and the purpose. The terminology used is listed below:

Family key: your family's identifier, first five letters of your last name and the first letter of your first name.

Student key: usually the first five letters of the students last name and first letter of his/her first name.

Fee Codes: a unique identifier of the event you are depositing funds for. This will be found on the correspondence sent home with your student.

The Quickweb payment facility will assist us to accurately identify the sender and the correct ledger for the funds to be receipted against. Receipts for payments can be issued via Westpac Quickweb, but if you require a gift deductible receipt, i.e. payments to a Library Fund, you will need to contact the school.

Any queries please do not hesitate to contact the front office on 6142 3250

Bringing valuables and toys to school

Children with mobile phones, Smart watches and devices that can connect to the internet, should have a daily routine of checking them into the school front office on arrival and retrieving them at 3pm. Children should not bring valuable items and toys to school.

Change of Contact Details?

Have you changed your email address or phone number? Has your family situation changed? Please remember to let the front office staff know immediately if your contact details have changed.

In the event of an emergency with your child/ children at Yarralumla Primary, it's critical that our records are up to date so that we can reach you quickly.

Please email:
Teresa.smith@ed.act.edu.au

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Each year we ask parents to make a financial contribution to their child/childrens education.

This voluntary contribution is a valuable source of funding which assists the purchase of learning materials and school resources that may not otherwise be purchased.

These resources assist us to maintain our strong commitment to providing an outstanding learning environment for your child/children.

The requested voluntary contributions for 2018 are:

One child: \$110.00

Family: \$160.00

Quickweb via www.yarralumlaps.act.edu.au/payment
(fee code: **Vol19**) *Preferred payment method*

Community News



Email: hello@liceclinicsaustralia.com.au

Treatment for head lice and their eggs

LICE CLINICS DICKSON

Partnering with Capital Chemist
2/6 Dickson Place
Dickson, ACT 2602
02 6248 7684

LICE CLINICS CALWELL

Partnering with Capital Chemist
14 Webber Cres
Calwell, ACT 2905
(02) 6292 8200

- Fast and Non-Toxic
- Guaranteed results
- FDA Cleared and TGA Registered
- Kills head lice and 99.2% of lice eggs

Suono Italiano

It is with great pleasure that Ainslie and Gorman Arts Centres join with the Italian Cultural Institute and the Italian Embassy in inviting you to Suono Italiano 2019 on 1 August at the Ainslie Arts Centre.

Suono Italiano 2019 brings together the distinctive sound of harmonica virtuoso Gianluca Littera and concert Pianist Fabio Gorlier for an eclectic performance.

Presenting not only original repertoire written for harmonica and piano, the program also brings together pivotal 19th and 20th century classical works and daring jazz compositions, an assembly of work expertly woven together by this dynamic Italian duo.

Littera has performed with Europe's finest orchestras, and had works composed for him by the great film composer Ennio Morricone while Gorlier is a prolific concert pianist who continues to perform internationally alongside his academic study.

The Italian duo have been collaborating for many years, playing original compositions, songs from the Jazz repertoire and playfully exploring the harmonica's versatility across a variety of genres.

Book tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/suono-italiano-2019-tickets-64408732252>



Safe parking behaviours

Unsafe driving and parking behaviours increase the potential road safety risk for children around schools. Road safety is a shared responsibility, it is important the road rules are followed near our school to ensure the entire school community feels safe.

Please remember children are more at risk than adults around schools because they are smaller and less visible to drivers. They are also less predictable and less experienced, which makes them more likely to make errors of judgement.

Failing to follow simple road rules like parking on the verge, in no stopping zones, in bus stops, near children's crossings, on footpaths or across driveways increases the risk to children around schools. Please do the right thing to create a safe environment around our school.

Parking Operations use a Licence Plate Recognition vehicle (or electronic chalking), which regularly patrols school environments to increase safety for children. Motorists that commit an offence will receive their infringement notice in the mail (rather than on their windscreen) 5-7 days after the offence.

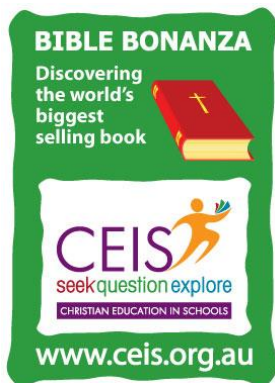
While the school can become congested during the peak times, illegal parking should be avoided at all times as it creates an unsafe environment for children and local residents. Parents are welcome to park on side streets around the school, but please remember to park legally. Infringements for parking on nature strips, footpaths, verges, street corners and near children's crossings start from \$114.

More information is available on the Transport Canberra website to promote safe behaviours around schools. Please help to make our school community safe.



#SafeParking





CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

Term 3 – Bible Bonanza

This term students will use some well-known parables (stories from the Bible) to find out more about God and his one big story.

Student attendance is with parent request only.

Please use the section below if you would like to request and HAVEN'T PREVIOUSLY DONE SO.

Christian Education In Schools (CEIS) occurs if parents request it for their children, under ACT legislation. Sessions are coordinated by CEIS, using approved resources and volunteers. If you wish to add your child to the current attendance list print the section below and return it to school or go to www.ceis.org.au/yes

Please return this section to the school if you wish to add your child to the existing list.

☐ **YES, I request that my child/ren listed below participate in the CEIS sessions offered at school.**

Child: _____

Parent name: _____

Child: _____

Parent signature: _____

Child: _____

Date: _____