NOTES HOME THIS WEEK
Yr 6 Graduation invitation

PARENTS’ CHECKLIST
(Reminder of things to DO)
* Payment for 2015 Student Education Pack

DATES TO REMEMBER
Thursday 4 December  P&C Meeting 6pm
Friday 5 December  Volunteers’ Thank-you Breakfast 8.15am in Hall
Friday 5 December  Montessori Parent Association meeting at 9am
Friday 12 December  Arts Showcase
Monday 15 December  Year 6 graduation (9.30am) & dinner
Tuesday 16 December  Final Assembly hosted by Year 5/6 12.30pm
Wednesday 17 December  End of Term 4
Monday 2 February 2015  Start of Term: Kinders (9-12pm) & new students only 9-10am
Tuesday 3 February  Continuing students first day back

THIS WEEK’S UPDATES

ACT EDUCATION MINISTER – MS JOY BURCH IS ATTENDING OUR P&C MEETING TONIGHT AT 6PM. Come along and offer your voice on how parents can engage in a school community.

VOLUNTEERS’ BREAKFAST PUT ON BY THE STAFF TOMORROW MORNING AT 8.15AM. All helpers throughout the year in any capacity are welcome!

MONTESSORI KINDER AND YEAR 1 TRANSITION STUDENTS’ INFORMATION SESSION FOR PARENTS IN THE LIBRARY TOMORROW AFTERNOON at 2.15PM

PLEASE NOTE THE ARTS SHOWCASE PROGRAM (Friday 12 December) IN TODAY’S NEWSLETTER and as an INVITATION IN YOUR CHILD’S BAG. We are sending out the program with advanced warning to help you organise your schedules at this busy time of year.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK – refereshing way to look at our daily challenges right to the end!

“"The solution does not care where the problem came from.””

Ludwig Wittgenstein

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BOUQUETS

Students: To Milena M, Anela R, Zelta M, Isabella M, Lola A, Mahalia L and Jacinta W for liaising with Plan International Australia to see how they could advocate as an online fundraising group for the Ebola crisis in West Africa. Grazie mille girls for your caring and compassion!

Staff: To all teachers for their excellent efforts with reports and their tenacity and good will with everything that needs to be juggled in the last few weeks of a school year.

Parents: To Melissa Coggan for making extra Bollywood costumes for the Bollywood troupe performing in the Arts Showcase.
To Libby Anderson and Costanza Napoli for lending their big garden umbrellas to the school for the Arts Showcase day.

Cordiali saluti
Lea (Signora Chapuis)

P&C News

P&C Meeting Tonight – 6pm. 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 lots of Yarralumla Primary School parents and carers to discuss what opportunities there may be to encourage and foster parent engagement with schools. Please come and join us and take this opportunity to put forward your ideas.

I look forward to seeing you tonight.

Gudrun Northrup
P&C President
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SCHOOL BOARD

Notice of Board Elections in 2015
The Education Directorate has commenced preparations for the 2015 School Board Elections for all schools. One of the strengths of our education system is that parents, teachers and students participate in school decision-making through the School Board. Yarralumla Primary School is very fortunate to have had very hardworking and productive Board members this year and we are seeking to build on the progress we have made on policies and initiatives.

The vacancies on the Yarralumla School Board for 2015 will be one (1) parent representative and one (1) teacher representative.
Nominations will open at 11am on 2 February 2015 and will close at 11am on 16 February 2015. The School Board Elections are conducted by the P&C Association. The Assistant Returning Officer will advertise the voting arrangements, count the votes and advise the Principal of the results of the election. These results are then sent to the Education and Training Directorate for verification and the final results are published in the Newsletter and on the School Website.

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

Tomorrow's lunch is chicken and/or salad wraps. Next week’s (week 9) is our last week of canteen for 2014 and the special item is wedges. The usual snacks will be available for purchase on the day. Thank you to last week’s volunteers Fabio and Laura and also to our student helpers Mahalia and Millie.
Please note that we need another volunteer for next week, Perle. As we are not having canteen in week 10 parents from Aquamarina and Topazio (who are rostered for that week) may like to volunteer on another week or alternatively volunteer for week 1 of 2015. If anyone from ANY class could please consider volunteering for week 1 it would be greatly appreciated. We will need a little time to organise the roster once classes are finalised.

Correspondence can be sent to me via email to:  
canteen@ypspandc.com

Thank you and regards
Raeleigh & Sarah

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TERM 4 Assembly  

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Wow, where has the year gone? Even the children think it has flown by quickly!

We are eagerly awaiting our End of Year Concert and the children are enjoying learning some new skills such as speaking into the microphone and playing instruments.

It has been a lot of fun creating a variety of decorations for our Christmas tree.

What an absolutely fantastic year we have had fundraising. Recent purchases include a reflection ball, wheelies, instruments from around the world, a beautiful bug mat and puzzles. The children are enjoying using all of these.

We can’t wait for the delivery of delicious mangoes.

As this is our last entry in the newsletter for 2014, we would like to wish you all a safe, enjoyable and relaxing festive season. Thank you for a wonderful year. It has been a true joy working with your child and seeing them grow in so many ways.

Cheers,

Vanessa, Rebecca and Anne

Year 1/2

Year 1/2 have been busily preparing for the end of year Showcase. This week they have had extra enrichment sessions to perfect everything. They are looking forward to next week where they will undertake their first dress rehearsals and whole school practices.

In maths, students are continuing to learn about money including the difference between dollars and cents, the value of each coin and note and how to add coin and notes together to make a given amount. Students have also started to look at multiplication and have been excitedly making multiplication posters to show their understanding.
In English literacy, students are continuing to write narrative stories in groups. They have been using the structure from The Swamp Eggs as a guide to create their stories.

In Italian, students are working hard in groups as well as individually to describe pictures using simple sentences and drawing pictures to depict short texts. Through these activities students are improving their comprehension of Italian literature. They are also revisiting the topics we have covered in maths throughout the year: 2D and 3D shapes, symmetry, sequencing of days and months, data collection and problem solving in Italian.

As this is the last newsletter update from Year 1/2, we would like to congratulate all the students on a commendable year and thank all our wonderful parent helpers who have supported us this year. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

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**Mathletics Awards**

**Mathletics Awards**

30 November (Week 7) – Week 7 Term 4

**Gold Awards**

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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

**Community News**

**Taking enrollments for 2015 term 1 now**

lessons@mojoguitarteachers.com

m: 0431 550 005

**CHRISTMAS BABYSITTING**

Hi, I’m Samantha, 18 and local to Yarralumla. I have 5 years babysitting experience and consider myself mature and reliable but also good fun.

First aid and resuscitation certificate attained.

Late nights are okay!

Contact mobile 0400 412 304
**Student Injury**

**Insurance and Ambulance Transport**

The ACT Education and Training Directorate does not provide any insurance cover for injury, disease or illness to students resulting from school activities or school-organised excursions. Claims for compensation are met where there is a legal liability to do so. Liability is not automatic and depends on the circumstances in which any injury, disease or illness was sustained.

As there is no automatic insurance cover for personal injury if your child is injured at school or during a school organised activity/excursion you should therefore consider whether taking out personal insurance cover for your child is warranted.

This insurance might cover contingencies including medical/hospital expenses, ambulance transport outside the ACT, and cancellation of transport/accommodation or loss of/damage to luggage.

The ACT Ambulance Service provides free ambulance transport for students who are injured or suddenly become ill at school or during an approved school organised activity within the ACT.
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