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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 24 June	Year 5/6 Netball Gala Day
Friday 1 July	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 18 July	First Day of Term 3
Monday 1 August	Year 5/6 Excursion to Birrigai
Monday 8 August	Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 24 August	Book Week Performance

Our Vision

Insieme creiamo studenti per tutta la vita - Together we create lifelong learners

School Reports / Parent Teacher Interviews

Our semester one reports will be sent home to families this Friday via email. If you do not receive a copy of your child's report please contact the front office. Our semester 1 reports are slightly different this semester with only one general written comment. Parent teacher interviews are available in weeks 9 and 10 in the classrooms. Please use the online booking form to request an interview if you have any questions about your child's academic or social/emotional progress. The online booking system will close this weekend. If you miss out on using this system please contact your child's teacher/s directly to request an interview.

Supporting students at home

The school has purchased a number of online resources to support students at home with their learning. Our students in K-2 have the use of Reading Eggs to support their literacy learning. Our students in K-6 have the use of Matific to support their learning in Mathematics. For our students in Years 3-6 Education Perfect is used to support and reinforce students learning in Italian. Please contact your child's teacher if they do not have a copy of their log in or password to any of the programmes. Please ensure your child is bringing home books from the school library each week and our students in K-2 are regularly changing their home readers. We have a number of wonderful Italian picture and chapter books for students to borrow from the library.

Enrolments

Enrolments for Preschool, Montessori 3 year old program and K-6 are currently open. We have a number of spaces still available in our programmes for 2023. If you are aware of any families that would love to join our bilingual school to attend one of the unique programs please encourage them to complete an online enrolment form. Opportunities for school tours are available with the Principal.

Assembly

This week our Year 1 students did a wonderful job of hosting the whole school assembly. They presented work to the school in both English and Italian including an Italian song. Congratulations to all our award recipients.

Athletics Carnival

We have booked our athletics carnival for Monday 8 August at the Woden athletics track. We will be supported by students from St Edmunds College on the day to assist in running all of the events.

Board and P&C meeting

Our School Board and P&C will meet on Monday 20 June, with the P&C meeting on Wednesday 29 June in the library at 5pm. The P&C will be conducting their AGM if you wish to volunteer for one of the positions for the remainder of the year. It is a great way to contribute to the school community.

Teaching Changes

Letters have been sent home to our students in Year 3/4 and Year 1 as maestro Stefano has taken leave for weeks 8 to 10 this term and maestra Federica for Term 3. We look forward to the safe return of our two Italian teachers who will be spending much needed time with family overseas. The school has organised relief teachers to cover these two classes and maintain the students learning in Italian.

Keep Smiling,

Rohan Evans | Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following students who represented Yarralumla in the ACT Cross Country on Wednesday 15 June, Olivier R, Tija M, Lana T and Lachlan C. Well done!

REMINDER YEAR 2 ACQUASAFE WATER SAFETY AND AWARENESS PROGRAM

Reminder AcquaSafe Water Safety and Awareness for Year 2 starting Monday 20 June to Friday 24 June. Stromlo Leisure Centre.

9.10am- 11:00am Fucsia and Verde Marino

10.20am - 12.00pm Verde Menta and Verdolino



STAR AWARD

Awarded to

Evie G

June 2022



Evie is a curious and attentive student who consistently tries her best in every learning activity. She uses good manners, takes turns, and talks politely when sharing her thoughts and contributing to class discussions. Evie works diligently through her tasks and offers support to her classmates when they have difficulties. Congratulations on being a true Yarralumla STAR, Evie!



STAR AWARD

Awarded to

Andrea C

June 2022



Andrea demonstrates kindness, respect and care for his classmates and teachers. He actively participates in all aspects of learning and faces every challenge with optimism and determination. Andrea participates with enthusiasm in physical education activities and displays good sportsmanship. Congratulations on being a true Yarralumla STAR, Andrea!



In English we have been focusing on narrative writing. We have looked at designing characters, settings and making problems and solutions for our stories.

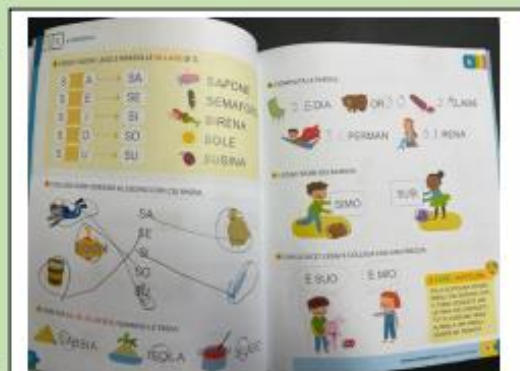
YEAR 1



In Maths we are learning about place value in the teens, directions and mapping



We are enjoying using our Italian textbooks to identify CV (consonant/vowel) syllables in common words. We are also learning how to read and write useful Italian words and short sentences.



Over the last few weeks, it has been cold and windy outside, so we have set up our Gross Motor circuits in the Hall.



P&C NEWS

P&C MEETING & AGM

WEDNESDAY JUNE 29

5 – 6 PM

SCHOOL LIBRARY & ONLINE

Please join us for our next P&C meeting to plan community events and fundraisers for the remainder of the year, hear from the treasurer and elect new office bearers. It's a great way to meet other parents in our community as well.

To effectively run the P&C we need the following positions filled:

- President
- Secretary
- Uniform Shop co-ordinator/s

We have at least one person willing to take on the President role. If you are keen to take on any of the above positions (including the role of President) please contact vicepresident@ypspandc.com

SUPPORT YPS WITH AN ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Help the P&C support the Italian program at our school by purchasing an Entertainment Membership. 20% of every membership purchased goes to our fundraising.

Entertainment is the easy-to-use App packed with incredible savings of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, so you can save on takeaway, dining, shopping, groceries, gift cards, activities and more! Unlike the old book, you'll now get a full 12 months of membership whenever you sign up. At the moment you get a bonus \$10 or \$20 eGift card with every membership.

[JOIN HERE](#)

(EMBEDDED LINK IS:

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VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS & THE LIBRARY TRUST FUND

Voluntary contributions are a great way to support our school. This year the school board is asking for a voluntary contribution of \$110 per child or \$160 per family.

In the lead up to the end of Financial Year, now might also be a great time to support the Library Trust Fund. Contributions to the Library Trust Fund are tax deductible. This money goes directly to the purchase of resources specifically for the library, primarily English and Italian books. Any questions on either contribution can be directed to the office.

Thanks so much for being a part of our Yarralumla Primary School Community. We look forward to announcing some great events for our community soon.

Yarralumla Primary School P&C Committee

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

Online safety

As part of being safe at school, we work with students to ensure they are safe online. It's important for students to know who to speak to if something makes them feel uncomfortable online. I have started talking with our senior students this week about how they can keep themselves safe. This discussion will continue next week and up until the holidays. Some of the things we have discussed are:

When you are feeling upset with something you have seen online, it can be hard to figure out who to speak to. It's important to find a someone who will listen to how you feel.

You might feel comfortable sharing how you feel with:

- a family member, like a parent, an aunty or uncle, or an older brother or sister
- a sports coach or music teacher
- a friend's mum
- a favourite teacher at school
- a neighbour.

Talk to your support person regularly about what happens online. This can make it easier to go to them about something serious.

Discussion question for you to ask your child at home: Who would you talk to if someone made you feel unsafe online?

Our awards

So far this term we have had 5 people reach the 50 eSTAR level; and 4 people reach the milestone of 100 eSTARS. I am working with our PBL team in the Directorate to see if we can ensure that eSTARS roll over from one year to the next. Students are doing so well in our Junior years that we will need to increase our levels to platinum and diamond before too long 😊

SAFE = 100, TEAM PLAYER = 162, ACTIVE LEARNER = 295, RESPECTFUL = 230

Minor Negative incidents = 14 Physical contact being most prevalent following by inappropriate language.

Major Negative = 2 Both involving physical aggression out on the playground. Both incidents were dealt with immediately by the teacher on duty and referrals made to exec for parent communication.

As always, I am happy to discuss PBL with anyone who is interested in joining our team
debra.sayers@ed.act.edu.au

Keep being STARS
Deb



BOOK WEEK 2022 is coming up!

On WEDNESDAY of WEEK 6 in TERM 3, we will be celebrating book week. This year's theme is "Dreaming with eyes open". Okay so it's not *right* on our doorstep, but if you're anything like me, it will sneak up on you anyway.

Book week is an amazing opportunity to develop the joy of reading, as well as the higher order thinking skills of analysing, evaluating, and creating. It is also a great way to support independence and responsibility with careful guidance and support.

We will be recognising students whose costumes:

- Are chosen and created by their own minds and hands
- Are composed mainly of recycled or renewable materials
- Represent a character in a creative way

Rest of Term 2, holidays	Every time you read a book together, talk about what makes the characters special. Look at the pictures and talk about what they are wearing, how they might walk or what they might sound like.
	Talk to your child about the books they are reading independently, who would be an interesting character to see in real life? How could we dress up as them?
	Remind your child that any reader can identify with any character. We don't have to share the same gender, skin colour, body type, age, height, facial features, hair colour, or any other physical feature. Anyone can dress up as anyone, we just need to represent them in our own way. For example, wear a skirt instead of shorts, or a scarf instead of a beard. If your character has a different skin colour, wear yours.
term 3, Weeks 1-2	Help your child choose their character and assist them in making a list of all the items they need.
Weeks 3-4	Look and ask around for costume items Assist your child to make some items
Week 5	Make or buy whatever is left Print a copy of the book cover and/or a picture of the character, or write it on a card to pin to your child.
Week 6	Wednesday morning- Your child wears their costume to school and has a great day talking about all the books they're going to read next!

ENROLMENTS 2023

It's not too late to enrol for 2023

If you forgot to enrol your child or young person in an ACT public school for next year, don't panic. Enrolments remain open throughout the year. You can find out more information and [apply online](#). Support is also available from this school or by calling the Enrolments Telephone Service weekdays on 6205 5429.

Attachments:

- [Enrolments 2023 still open Facebook \(251 kb JPG\)](#)
- [Enrolments 2023 still open Insta \(323 kb JPG\)](#)

Contact Glen Howard on 02 620 55485 or Glen.Howard@act.gov.au.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL



A reminder to our families about bringing medication to school.

Please be mindful of:

1. Action Plans and Expiry Dates - this all needs to be updated regularly. Most Action Plans are only current for 12 months from the date of issue.
2. Medication such as Puffers/EpiPens/Antihistamines need to be checked regularly by families for current expiry date.
3. Most importantly, if you have not already supplied a current Medical Information Form then this needs to be a priority.
4. If your child requires medication to be dispensed to them during school hours,

please complete a [Medication Authorisation Administration Record Form](#) and send in to the front office.

Late arrivals and early leavers

Students are expected to be at school from 9am each morning in time for the daily roll call. If a student arrives at school from 9am onwards, they need to sign in at the front office. Parents are expected to provide a reason for their child's late arrival. If a valid reason is not provided, their late arrival (absence) will be recorded as 'absent-unexplained'. Medical and dental appointments should be made outside of school hours where possible, however if a student needs to leave early, the parent/carer is required to provide an explanation as soon as practical, and the student must be signed out through the front office.

Students who do not sign out, will have their absence recorded as 'unexplained'. Any student who leaves the school grounds during the recess and lunch break without an explanation, will have their absence recorded as 'unexplained'.

Leaving Yarralumla?

We are currently organising classes for 2023 and require families to indicate if they will not be continuing at Yarralumla School. A response is **not** required if your child is currently in Year 6 and will be going to High School in 2022.

Leaving Yarralumla Primary School P-Yr 5 only:

If your child/ren (not Year 6) **will NOT be returning to Yarralumla School in 2023** could you please complete the form below and return it to the Front Office ASAP.

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

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The child/ren will be attending:

☐ another Government school in the ACT ☐ a Non-Government school in the ACT

☐ an Interstate school ☐ an Overseas school

Community News


SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING DAY

Robogals Canberra are holding their annual Science and Engineering Day. 10am-2pm Saturday 18 June on the ANU campus for Girls aged between 5 and 15 years old.

There will 4 different workshops: (1) Biology, (2) Science experiments, (3) EV3 LEGO Mindstorms (4) Heart-rate monitor. Each workshop will be 1h 15min in length with a short 30min break in-between the 2 workshops.

For primary and high school students, aged 5-15. Grouped by age: Junior: 5 – 8 years; Intermediate: 9 – 12 years; and Senior: 13 – 15 years.

For further details and to sign up: <https://bit.ly/3NnFA0x>

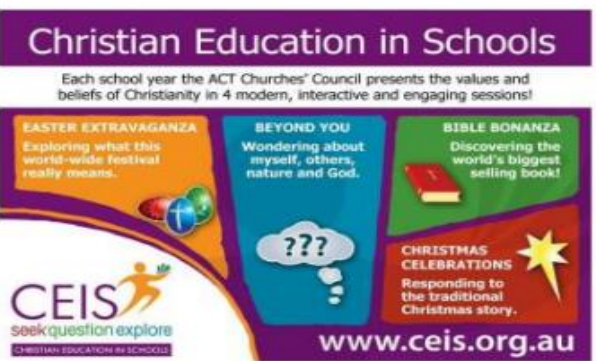


Christian Education In Schools

Christian Education is available as a curriculum option at your child's school because parents have requested it. This is based on provisions in the Education Act 2004. The Christian Education In Schools (CEIS) project provides a coordinated service to fulfil such requests. This service includes four modern and interactive sessions each year (one per term and varied each year), prepared professionally and delivered by trained and endorsed volunteers. The one-hour sessions are designed for groups of students to discuss and explore the topics outlined in the image.

Parent permission is essential for children to participate in CEIS. Please use the section below if you would like to request this for your child or you can request online: <https://www.ceis.org.au/connect/parents/>

Requests remain in effect while your child is at their school, but can be changed by contacting the front office. Each CEIS session will be advertised in the school newsletter. For further information please contact your school or visit www.ceis.org.au



Kind regards,
Karen Baron
CEIS Coordinator

✕ _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION TO THE SCHOOL FRONT OFFICE

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

CHILD: _____ Class: _____

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Parent/Carer signature _____ Date _____

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*NOT APPLICABLE TO PARTNER PROGRAMS

Australian Sports Camps

Australian Sports Camps runs 3-day sports camps for primary aged children in the school holidays. The camps welcome children aged 5 to 15 of all skill levels to join them for fun, skill-building sports programs over the holidays. Find more information on their website at <https://australiansportscamps.com>



Greater ACT (Canberra) & Surrounds July School Holidays 2022

Cartoon Workshops



**CREATIVE KIDS
\$100 Voucher**

Monday July 4th - Friday July 8th 2022



\$35 per class
Classes: 9^{am} - 1^{pm} / 1^{pm} - 5^{pm}
Thursday night: 6^{pm} - 9^{pm}
Early drop off: 8^{am} - 9^{am} (Free) Late pick up: 5^{pm} - 6^{pm} (Free)

EARLY BIRD
Book before 5pm Monday June 20th 2022 for the Early Bird Special*



*Book 11 classes & we will give your child 4 Cartooning Books valued at \$48

Camp Venue & Dates
Greater ACT & Surrounds (Canberra)
Yarralumla Woolshed
208 Cotter Road, Weston (Yarralumla)
Monday July 4th - Friday July 8th

- Covid-Safe
- Working with Children Checks
- A professional cartoonist will be directing
- All art materials included
- We accept NSW Creative Kids vouchers

\$100 Creative Vouchers (NSW residents)

Contact service NSW. Each child in NSW is allowed \$100 per year to attend our programs. Once you have the Vouchers call our office: **9343 0833** (8.30am - 4.30pm Mon - Fri). The voucher starts with 9999... We need the child's name & their date of birth.

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REGISTERED PROVIDER
Claim your \$100 voucher here

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