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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 29 August	Year 3/4 Birrigai Excursion
Wednesday 31 August	Kindergarten Excursion to Wetland
Friday 2 September	Father's Day Stall
Monday 5 September	P&C Meeting 6.30pm
Wednesday 7 September	Preschool Incursion - Duncan Smith
Thursday 8 September	Kindergarten Incursion – Dreamtime Connections
Friday 9 September	Pupil Free Day
Friday 23 September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 10 October	First Day of Term 4

Our Vision

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

Dear families,

Building works

As we continue to improve our facilitates at YPS during the upcoming school holiday period in September, a number of our exterior windows will be painted to ensure the old paint is encapsulated. The windows will include the ones that face out towards the internal netball court near Perla. It is expected that the windows in the West Wing building (5/6 classrooms) will be replaced in the December/January holidays.

Staffing

Our wonderful Building Services Officer, Bruno has won an acting position at Canberra College for the next six months to assist his skills in managing larger facilities within the Education Directorate. We wish him well at his new school and hope he returns in the new year. We have an acting BSO for the remainder of the term, Dendup. Please make him welcome if you see him around the school. Claire Sturgess is currently on leave for the next two weeks. Claire Hansen our Kindergarten teacher is acting in her executive position.

Satisfaction Survey

The 2022 Parent Satisfaction Survey is currently open for all parents to complete. A link via email was sent to all families last week. We currently have 38 completed parent surveys. We would love to receive 100 survey responses to ensure we have a broad spectrum of parent feedback. We have added school specific questions this year about our bilingual program. Students in years 4-6 and all staff are also surveyed. The responses from the survey assist the school in celebrating its successes as well as identifying future areas of improvement through our annual action plan.

In 2021 Parent Survey, there are seven items with a result 5% lower than other P-6 schools. The lowest six items are:

- I am satisfied with the availability of health food and drink at this school (-23.0%)
- I am satisfied this school has high expectations in all that it does (-16.6%)
- Student behaviour is well managed at this school (-16.3%)
- This school is active in seeking parents' opinions and ideas for making important decisions. (-15.2%)
- This school is well maintained (-13.4%)
- Community partnerships are valued and maintained (-11.8%)

Dante Alighieri

A big thank you to Dante Alighieri for their continued support of our Italian bilingual program supplying the school with a large number of Italian resources for classroom use.



Friday 25 August

This Friday our Kindergarten students will be hosting our assembly. We have had a change of day this week due a book week incursion on Wednesday. Our SRC are also hosting a Silly Sock day where students have the opportunity to wear silly socks and bring as many 5c coins in as they can to assist their class total. The class with the most 5c coins will win a pizza lunch kindly donated by one of our community. All money raised will go towards the Love your Sister foundation.

Hats Back On

Please ensure your child has a hat in their bag each day. It is hats back on at YPS and we require all students to be wearing a hat during the lunch and recess breaks as well as during all outdoor Physical Education lessons. We have a number of designated shaded play areas for students if they have misplaced their hat.

Voluntary Contributions

The school has received an amazing \$16,000 in voluntary contributions in 2022. This money has already been used to support our online subscription to Matific, home readers for students and resources for our bilingual program. Thank you to all the families for their contributions to this funding.

Semester 2 Report Comments / Parent Teacher Interviews

Following advice given to all schools by the Education Directorate as part of ongoing commitment to support schools to prioritise core learning, YPS will not be providing written comments as part of the Semester 2 report. Parents will still receive an A-E report and the school based report. Parent teacher interviews are key in ensuring there is the opportunity for conversations to occur around student learning.

Keep Smiling,

Rohan Evans | Principal

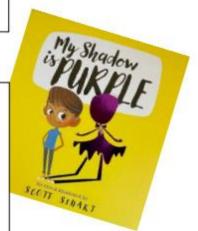
Kindergarten Term 3!

We have had our first

We have had our first incursion with Icon water and we conducted an experiment in science week! We investigated what happens if you put different types of paper in water!

Kindergarten has had such a busy term! We have celebrated our 100 days at school, which was so much fun dressing up as if we were 100 years old. We also created things in groups of 100!

We dressed up for Book Week and have had parents come in to share their favourites books with us. We have also been sharing books about being inclusive! One of our favourites is My Shadow is



In between all of these things we have been working hard with our learning – writing and reading in Italian and English, and sharing our mathematical knowledge.

Purple.

We will have our very first assembly this week and have been practising so hard! We will soon be going on our very first excursion! What an exciting time to be in Kindergarten!

P & C News

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN EVERY FRIDAY (EXCEPT PUPIL FREE DAYS) 8:30-9am

In addition to new uniforms, we currently have lots of preloved items, especially shirts, shorts, skorts, trackies & leggings. Ordering via Flexischools is still available and your items will be delivered to your child in class. To enable the shop to stay open we need at least 4 more volunteers. If you are able to help please email uniform@ypspandc.com

DONATING GIFTS FOR THE FATHERS DAY STALL- THIS WEEK & NEXT



Thanks to all the families who've donated gifts for our Father's Day stall next Friday. We still need more so please bring to the school office this week and next.

To raise funds we're asking families to donate suitable gifts ready for sale (e.g. plants, food... whatever you would like to receive). There's no need to gift wrap, but please use clear wrap if you do. Gifts will be sold for \$5.

If you have a business that is keen to provide bulk gifts or vouchers please contact us for opportunities to promote your business.

The Father's Day stall is a chance for our students to purchase gifts for the special men in their lives.

Students will also have the opportunity to sponsor animals through ACT Wildlife for a \$2 donation and receive a gift certificate.



If you can help on our stall on the Friday morning from 9am to approximately 12pm please email yarralumlaprimaryevents@gmail.com. It's a lot of fun.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FATHER'S DAY STALL- NEXT FRIDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

P&C MEETING

NEW DATE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH 6:30 – 7:30 PM SCHOOL LIBRARY & ONLINE

Please join us to plan community events, fundraisers and hear the latest school news from Rohan Evans.

DISCO- FRIDAY EVENING 2nd DECEMBER

For all the family, please save the date!

If you have any suggestions for the P&C or are keen to volunteer for any of the events above please email yarralumlaprimaryevents@gmail.com

We hope you have a wonderful week.

Claire O'Neill P&C President

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

Happy week 6 everyone!

This week I would like to focus on online safety for you and your children and recommend you log on to the eSafety Commissioner's website. https://www.esafety.gov.au/

On this site you will find many resources to support you in ensuring your child remains safe online. There are sections for parents, young people, kids, women, seniors, diverse groups, industry and educators. Advice is provided regarding managing screen time and setting age appropriate boundaries; how to support your child in online gaming whilst keeping them safe and so much more. As educators, we use this site for lessons and to ensure we are providing our students with the most up to date information to keep them safe. Unfortunately, there are people out there who are very good at tricking everyone not just young people and the eSafety people work hard to stay ahead of all issues that may arise so that the online experience remains safe.

This month so far we have some super recognition happening in our classrooms!

Safe: 167 Team player: 96 Active Learner: 280 Respectful: 157

We have recorded 22 minor negative incidents, physical contact (10), Mild disruption (4) and Non-compliance (2) being the most prevalent. There have been 10 major negative incidents with Physical aggression (3) and Disruption (2) being the most prevalent. We continue to remind students that we keep our hands to ourselves at school and we put our hands up if we have a question or comment.

Keeping being STARs

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Pupil Free Days - Term 3

ACT Public schools have continued to face workload pressures with higher than usual staff and student absences due to the ongoing presence of COVID-19 and seasonal flu in the community.

This has often meant school leaders and teachers are taking extra class time to cover staff absences. We value and appreciate everyone's commitment to our students during these challenging times.

We expect these workforce pressures will continue through the colder months of the year.

The Education Directorate is supporting ACT public schools to manage their extra workloads and two staff planning days in term 3. These days will give teachers the time for lesson planning and administrative tasks that they cannot do while on class.

Our school will hold staff planning (pupil free) day on:

Friday 9 September 2022 (week 8)

Where possible, we ask that students do not attend school on these days. Students who can't stay at home will be able to attend school and be supervised while undertaking general learning activities. Please confirm via phone on (02) 6142 3250 or email info@yarralumlaps.act.edu.au if your child will be attending school on this day

2022 School Satisfaction Survey

2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their experience of public education. The 2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey will be available online from 19 August to 9 September. The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents and carers will receive:

- An email about the parent survey, including a link to access the survey; and
- A letter about the student survey outlining the reasons for collection and privacy provision for the data.

If you do not receive the survey invitation, please check your Junk email folder; if it is not there, contact the school and you will be provided a survey link. If you do not have an email listed with the school, please contact the front office on 6142 3250.

The Parents and Carers Survey will be available online in other languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Urdu, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Bengali, Spanish, Telugu, French and Italian. Respondents can select their preferred language when they start the survey. A shortened paper-version of the Parents and Carers Survey is also available in the following 5 languages: Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Karen and Mon.

For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents and carers, staff and students as possible to complete the survey. Your feedback is important, and we hope you will take part. For more information, visit: https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/school-satisfaction-and-climate-survey

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:

☐ another Government school in the ACT

□ an Interstate school

Leaving Furralamia Finnary School Firm 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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Child's Name:	_ Class:			
The child/ren will be attending:				

□ an Overseas school

☐ a Non-Government school in the ACT

Community News



Canberra Raiders - Saturday 27 August



40 YEARS



The Raiders take on the Manly Warringah Sea Eagles at GIO Stadium for the final home match of the season. Come along and cheer on the Raiders!

Date: Saturday, 27 August 2022 Location: GIO Stadium Canberra

Gates Open: 10:45am

Curtain Raiser 1: Knock On Effect NSW Cup Raiders v Sea Eagles 11:00am

Curtain Raiser 2: Jersey Flegg Cup Raiders v Sea Eagles 12:50pm

Main Game Kick Off: 3:00pm

Purchase tickets: Ticketek

Free Game Day Buses: http://bit.ly/FreeGameDayBuses

Car Parking: \$10 cash only payment. Early bird discount is \$5 cash only payment, up to 45 minutes before kick-off. Overflow parking is available at the University of Canberra. More parking info and maps.

To plan your trip, patrons are advised to arrive early. An express lane is available for those with no bags or are carrying easy-to-see items in a clear see-through bag. For the full list of permitted items, please visit https://bit.ly/GIOStadiumFAQs.

Authorised by Matthew Elkins, Executive Branch Manager, Venues Canberra, Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate



Healthy Kids Canteen Menu Yarralumla Primary School

term 3 2022

Order online at www.flexischools.com.au

		Snacks	
arated carro	\$5.00	Jelly	\$2.00
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	\$5.00	Chocolate mousse cup	\$2.50
mber, mayo	\$6.00	Homemade mini muffin	\$2.00
		Homemade cheesy garlic bread	\$2.50
	\$4.00	Milo cookie	\$1.00
extra extra	\$1.00 \$1.50	Popcorn	\$1.00
		Drinks	
		Water: 600ml	\$2.00
from	\$5.00	Juice (tropical, apple)	\$2.20
		Moove flavoured milk (choc, strawberry): 250ml	\$3.30
	\$5.00	Plain milk	\$2.00
	\$5.80	Frozen	
t	\$.30	Frozen juice cup (apple, blackcurrant)	\$2.00
	\$5.80	Twisted frozen yoghurt	\$3.00
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