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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 9 September	Staff Planning Day
Friday 9 September	School Climate and Satisfaction Survey Closes
Monday 12 September	Year 5 Combined Band at Campbell Primary
Thursday 22 September	Learning Journey
Thursday 23 September	Crazy Dress 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,

Satisfaction Survey

Thank you to all our families that have completed the Satisfaction Survey in 2022. We had 103 parent response, 104 student responses and 26 staff responses. We look forward to receiving the results in term 4 to assist us with our future growth as a school and planning for 2023.

Learning Journeys

Due to teachers being away in week 10 our Year 1 classes hosted their learning journeys today. I was extremely impressed to see the quality of the students work not only in their books, but on the walls. The Year 1 students were also able to share a shop experience with their parents as they have recently been learning about money. The remainder of the school will be holding their learning journey on Thursday 22 September. Please use the online booking form to lock in a suitable time for your family.

Assembly

Our 5/6 students hosted our assembly this week. It was fantastic to see the confidence of the students presenting using the Italian language. Congratulations to all our merit certificate and STAR award recipients. In term 4 we will be using an online ticketing system for families who would like to attend the assembly. Due to Covid Safety practices there will be a limited number of seats available for each assembly. More information will be distributed to the community in coming weeks.

Italian Program

This week we farewell our three students from the University Of Bergamo. Thank you to our three hosting families for the wonderful support they have provided the student teachers during their stay in Australia. The students have been invaluable in the classroom assisting not only the teachers with planning but with our students in small groups. We have recently signed an MOU with the University of Bergamo to continue this fantastic partnership and continue to receive native speaking Italian students in the future.

P&C

Thank you to our wonderful P&C who hosted our Father's Day store last Friday. The students greatly appreciated the parents who were able to give some of their time to help the students choose a suitable gift. The stall raised over \$800. The P&C met on Monday evening to discuss the use of funds that have been raised in the past few years as well as start discussions on the running of Festa in 2023. Thank you to the preschool P&C for organising the coffee van to attend the school to celebrate Father's Day.

Athletics

Congratulations to the eight YPS students who represented the school at the ACT athletics carnival today. We look forward to hearing the results at the next assembly.

Enrolments

We currently have 33 students enrolled in our preschool for 2023. YPS has two sessions that run with 22 students in each. We still have 11 spaces left for 2023. If you are yet to enrol your child in 2023 or have Italian friends or families who would be interested please let them know.

Keep Smiling

Rohan Evans | Principal



STAR AWARD

Awarded to
Thomas R
August 2022



Thomas is always kind and respectful towards his peers and his teachers, often celebrating the successes of others. When he accidentally hurts someone's feelings (because we are all learning), he listens and learns. Thomas consistently models safe behaviours- he is always in the right place in the right time, and he follows teacher instructions without hesitation. Thomas is an active learner- he asks lots of questions to make connections between what he knows and what he is learning. He always has his best go at learning tasks in English and Italian. Congratulations Tommy!



STAR AWARD

Awarded to
Parker B
August 2022



Parker is always on the lookout for a peer in need. She often helps her peers to find lost things and make sure they feel safe and included throughout the day. Parker asks for help when she needs it, and advocates for others when they are having trouble communicating or their needs aren't being met. She is always kind, respectful and patient with adults and children. Parker is an active learner- she listens, thinks, asks questions, and always has her best go at every learning task. Parker always acts safely, and she actively supports the safety of her peers. Congratulations Parker!





STAR AWARD

Awarded to
Julia Mc

September 2022



Julia is a friendly and diligent student who consistently applies 100% effort to all learning activities. She uses good manners, demonstrates respect when sharing thoughts and contributing to class discussions, and excels in her leadership role of IT leader. Julia works effectively through all tasks and offers support to her classmates when they experience difficulties.

Congratulations on being a true Yarralumla STAR, Julia!



STAR AWARD

Awarded to
Jemima Mc

September 2022



Jemima contributes a great deal of her time to our school by volunteering her time during lunch and recess. She is organised, pays attention to detail and thoroughly enjoys learning new information and new skills. In class Jemima is patient and helpful to her fellow students. She loves to share interesting things she has experienced or learned outside school with her classmates. Jemima is always ready to learn, takes responsibility for her actions and takes great care with school property.

Congratulations on being a true Yarralumla STAR, Jemima!





News from Year 5/6



Term 3 has been a busy one in 5/6! So far this term the 5/6 students have been involved in our incredibly awesome day excursion to Birrigai to experience life on the goldfields, Book Week dress up day and performance, a visit from local author Amelia McInerney, reading and sport rotations from visiting St Edmunds College students, Year 6 visit to careers expo, combined band practice, basketball gala days and district carnivals. Oh, and they've also been working super hard in the classroom learning about multiplication, division, fractions and decimals, the gold rush, migration, information reports, co-operative reading, compiling PE presentations on games from different cultures. In Scienze students have been studying Light and Shadows in Italian and will soon move onto Electricity, a unit of work a tad more challenging. In Matematica they have been studying 3D shapes. Some students found creating 3D shapes in cardboard a little challenging! Phew! This may explain your child being tired!

Please keep an eye out for your child's weekly round-up each week, and feel free to ask them about the new skills and knowledge they have gained.



Students in 5/6 also hosted a wonderful assembly centred around the theme of dreams this week. Congratulations to all students who presented, shared, and sang. It was truly lovely. Congratulations also to our two Star Awards recipients Jemima and Julia M.

Keep up the fantastic work Years 5 and 6. We are all so proud of how hard you've been working so far this term!



Smiles, 5/6 Teaching Team



P & C News

Thanks so much to everyone who attended our P&C meeting on Monday evening.

After liaising with the school management and teachers, we approved the following expenditure:

- Up to \$3,100 for more modern and extra sets of guided readers and home reading resources for year 3/4
- Up to \$2,000 to remove the existing plantings in the Gambari front entrance garden. Further details to come on how you can sponsor a plant for the new garden.
- \$5,000 towards an upgrade of the wall under COLA to seating
- \$1,000 for year 6 awards (\$500 for 2021, \$500 for 2022)

We also started discussions on whether to run Festa, Yarralumla Primary School's Fete, in 2023. If you would be interested in joining an organising committee please contact us at yarralumlaprimaryevents@gmail.com

FATHERS DAY STALL



Thanks so much to everyone who donated gifts, bought gifts and volunteered on the stall. It was a really fun morning. We hope the lucky men enjoyed their gifts. Apparently dark chocolate is a big favourite out there... duly noted for next year.

We raised \$182.35 to support sick, injured and orphaned wombats through ACT Wildlife. We also raised \$830.95 towards the P&C fundraising.

SALE AT THE UNIFORM SHOP

3 SECOND HAND SKIRTS, SKORTS, SHORTS, LEGGINGS AND/OR TROUSERS FOR \$10

Kid's outgrown their clothes, ready to move into summer uniform? We have lots of preloved items at our shop. Come in now and grab a bargain. Doing a spring clean? We welcome second hand donations in good condition all year round.

Please note the uniform shop will be shut this week due to the pupil free day. Other Fridays it is open 8:30 to 9am. Thanks to our new volunteers. We need at least 3 more. If you are able to help please email uniform@ypspandc.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM 4 P&C MEETING DATE TBC

DISCO- FRIDAY EVENING 2nd DECEMBER

We hope you have a wonderful week

Pupil Free Day – 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

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

I have compiled the data for the months of August and it is as follows:

SAFE: 388

TEAM PLAYER: 157

ACTIVE LEARNER: 465

RESPECTFUL: 280

Five students have reached the milestone of 50 eStars and fourteen students and have achieved the 100 eStar milestone. Once a student reaches 50, they are presented with YPS bouncy ball which is a popular choice for handball. The 100 eStar milestone means the student receives a bronze STAR pin to wear on their uniforms. I am currently working with our online data collection people to ensure that these eStars are cumulative over the students time at school. Hopefully the system can be modified to allow that to happen.

Our captains speak at each Monday morning gathering under COLA and the message this week was:

This week's STAR value is SAFE. Wearing your hat, keeping hands and feet to ourselves, having shoelaces tied, using equipment properly and being safe online are all examples of things you can do to be SAFE at school. They then called for volunteers from the crowd to give examples of being safe.

This means that the focus for next week will be TEAM PLAYER. With winter sports coming to an end, perhaps you can talk to your students about how they can be part of the family team by helping with jobs around the home; or by turning out the lights the first time they are asked at bedtime 😊

Have a restful weekend and keep being STARS.

Deb



PLEASE check if some of it belongs at your home! We currently have a large number of named and unnamed school jumpers, jackets, hats and lunch boxes/drink bottles in our lost property. If your child is missing some items of school clothing or other possessions please have your child look in lost property near the Library.

Please help us to reduce the amount of lost property we collect. Ensure all of your child's clothing and possessions are clearly marked with their name. Remember, writing fades with washing and secondhand clothing needs renaming with your child's name.

Please check bags at the end of the day to see if things are coming home! Also if your child accidentally brings home clothing that is not theirs please return it to school promptly.

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: an event identifier for which you depositing funds. This will be found on the correspondence sent home with your student.

Payments can also be made by EFTPOS at the Front Office Any queries please do not hesitate to contact the front office on 6142 3250



FAMILY FUN DAY

10AM-3PM SUNDAY 11TH SEPT 2022

**MARKET STALLS • FOOD TRUCKS • LIVE MUSIC
RAFFLE • ACTIVITIES AND GAMES FOR KIDS OF ALL
AGES • AND MUCH MORE!**

LYNEHAM NETBALL COURTS
OUTDOOR COURTS - 435 NORTHBOURNE AVE, LYNEHAM

Love Your Sister is bringing all of Canberra together for a massive Family Fun Day fundraising event with music, food stalls and heaps of activities for kids of all ages! Australia's favourite cancer vanquisher, Samuel Johnson OAM, will be there with bells on to thank you all in person and announce the total amount raised by your community.



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ACT Council of Parents & Citizens Associations Transition to School Forum for Parents and Carers – 15 September

The ACT Council of Parents & Citizens Associations Transition to School Forum for Parents and Carers is for parents and carers of children starting preschool or kindergarten in 2023. This live webinar provides information about early education transitions – what the research tells us, important ways to prepare and support children, and understanding the school-family partnership.

The forum is on Thursday 15 September from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. [Register now.](#)

Attachments:

- [Transition to School Forum flyer \(513 kb Word\)](#)

Contact Marina Spurgin, ACT Council of P&C Associations on 02 6241 5759 or earlylearning@actparents.org.au.

2022 Climate Choices Schools Awards – nominate today

Due 31 October 2022

The annual Climate Choices Schools Awards (previously known as the Actsmart Schools Sustainability Awards) is hosted by the Environment Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate's Sustainable Schools Program. Schools play an important role in teaching sustainability practices and concepts, and the impact of this teaching spreads beyond the classroom walls to the broader community.

The Climate Choices Schools Awards recognises the people, projects and schools that are making a difference. If this sounds like you or someone you know – a teacher, student, group or school-community member – nominate them for an award. Learn more about the award categories on the [Everyday Climate Choices](#) website. [Nominate online](#) by **11.59 pm, Monday 31 October 2022**.

Contact Madeleine Gisz on 02 620 52538 or madeleine.gisz@act.gov.au.

Register for Mix 106.3 Pack the Bus – Christmas fundraising activity by 31 October

Due 31 October 2022

Transport Canberra and Mix 106.3 invite schools to participate in the Christmas community activity: Pack the Bus. Schools can host donation collection points for new toys and non-perishable food items. At a prearranged date between 28 November and 18 December, Santa will drive a bus to each school and children and parents will help Pack the Bus.

This year's event is collecting for Communities at Work, an organisation that distributes food parcels and toys to Canberra families in need. For more information or to register your school, email promotions@canberra106.com.au. Registrations close on 31 October 2022.

Attachments:

- [2022 Pack the Bus invitation to schools \(4.5 MB PDF\)](#)

Contact Kelly Amsteins on Kelly.Amsteins@act.gov.a

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS™



The next Holiday Happenings edition is now available online.

To see the *Programs, Activities & Events* happening these holidays go to:

www.holidayhappenings.com.au/online-booklet

SUTHERLAND SOFTBALL CLUB

JUNIOR SOFTBALL

We are looking for kids from age 4 all the way to 17 to play tee-ball and softball with Sutherland this year. All skill levels are welcome, from beginner to experienced.



(We also have teams in the Women's and Men's competitions for parents who want to get in on the action)

We offer a family discount for siblings and parents that want to play!

Games are played at Hawker Softball Centre.
Training is held at Mawson Playing Fields.

Come Have Fun With Us!

www.revolutionise.com.au/sutherlandsoftball
Sutherlandsoftball@gmail.com
[@sutherlandsoftballclub](https://www.instagram.com/sutherlandsoftballclub)



Boys, girls and mixed teams

For players of all skill levels

Girls divisions for 9 years and older

Register as an individual or as a team
we'll find you a team for you and your friends

Not affected by weather—we're indoor

Come and join the most fun indoor soccer competition, the non-stop game where the ball doesn't go out. We have 20 years of experience in running sports for children and with over 115 teams playing Summer Rebound Soccer we can offer games to enjoy for players of all ages and skills.

WHAT IS REBOUND SOCCER?

- * five-a-side game
- * played with a futsal ball
- * played on indoor courts with nets

Season Fees: \$195. \$10 discount per person if two or more from the same family register.

Teams are placed in divisions based on suitability (age, size, skill level and intensity of play). Game start time can vary depending on the number of teams within each group. If you have a time you can't play, let us know and we will do our best to work around it.

REGISTER AT: <https://westonis.com.au/kids-rebound-soccer/>

For Further Information – Contact Weston Indoor Sports

Phone: 6288 0444 Email: soccer@westonis.com.au Website: westonis.com.au

WESTON INDOOR SPORTS 2022-23 SUMMER REBOUND SOCCER

Season: 5-15 years and all girls teams
Sat 22 Oct 2022 to Late March 2023

Season: 16-20 years (Youth)
Sun 30 Oct 2022 to late March 2023

Break over school holidays and long weekends

FOR PLAYERS AGED
5 YEARS TO 20 YEARS



APPROX AGE GROUPS & KICK-OFF TIMES

Rooball	5 to 8 years	1:00pm – 4:00pm
Juniors	9 to 15 years	8:00am – 12:30pm
Girls	8 to 18 years	10am – 1:30pm
Youth	16 to 20 years	Sun 4pm – 7:00pm

Now available at Weston Indoor Sports  Parties



Healthy Kids Canteen Menu

Yarralumla Primary School

Order online at www.flexischools.com.au

term 3
2022

Sandwiches & wraps

Salad:	\$5.00
Layers of cucumber, lettuce, tomato, grated carrot	
Egg & Mayo:	\$5.00
Egg, mayo, crunchy lettuce	
Chicken & Salad:	\$6.00
Chicken, tomato, carrot, lettuce, cucumber, mayo	
Toasted cheese	\$4.00
Extras:	
Cheese	extra \$1.00
Chicken	extra \$1.50

Gluten free available on request

Salad

Design your own salad	from \$5.00
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Hot meals

Pasta Napolitana	\$5.00
Beef Bolognese	\$5.80

Gluten free pasta available on request

Add cheese to pasta

	\$.30
Beef lasagna	\$5.80
Veggie lasagna	\$5.80
Stone baked pizza:	
Cheese or Ham & Pineapple	\$5.80
Sausage roll	\$5.00
Chicken nuggets x 6	\$5.00
Butter chicken and rice	\$5.80

Snacks

Jelly	\$2.00
Banana bread	\$2.00
Chocolate mousse cup	\$2.50
Homemade mini muffin	\$2.00
Homemade cheesy garlic bread	\$2.50
Milo cookie	\$1.00
Popcorn	\$1.00

Drinks

Water: 600ml	\$2.00
Juice (tropical, apple)	\$2.20
Moove flavoured milk (choc, strawberry): 250ml	\$3.30
Plain milk	\$2.00

Frozen

Frozen juice cup (apple, blackcurrant)	\$2.00
Twisted frozen yoghurt	\$3.00