



YARRALUMLA PRIMARY SCHOOL
24 Loftus Street, Yarralumla ACT 2600

Phone: 6142 3250

Email: info@yarralumlaps.act.edu.au

Website: www.yarralumlaps.act.edu.au



23 September 2022

NEWSLETTER NO. 15

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 23 September	Crazy Dress Day
Friday 23 September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 10 October	First Day of Term 4
Thursday 14 October	Reptile Inc Education Montessori incursion
Friday 28 October	Pupil Free Day
Monday 28 Monday	Pupil Free Day
Wednesday 23 November	Montessori Community Day

Our Vision

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

Dear families,

As we come to a close on a busy and successful term, let me take this opportunity to thank you for the ongoing support you provide your children and our educators to work together as a team.

This term has been busy – and it has been so lovely to see our community supporting all that we do. The athletics and sporting schedule has seen families support our carnival at a school level as well as our representative teams at various levels. Our school has been well-represented at the many sports gala days too! Thank you for cheering from the sidelines and shuffling your days to ensure our children get these opportunities.

Our Montessori and Preschool working bee was well supported by families and as a result our outdoor learning spaces are vibrant and contribute to student learning. We are looking forward to our working bee next term to restore our community garden – keep an eye out for more information!

We warmly welcomed many special guests into our learning spaces as part of our Learning Journeys this week – I have spent time reading through your reflections on your child's learning that have been proudly displayed on walls and in corridors.

Thank you to our P&C who have been busily working on additional ways of building our school community and liaising with staff to best support all of our learners. There are a few big events that are in the pipelines!

We hope you will take some time to relax and recharge over the next two weeks, ready to embrace another busy term at Yarralumla.

You may have noticed some temporary fencing around our school. This is to support some building works happening over our break. The Aeon school holiday programme will operate as usual. Please pay attention to all signage directing you to alternate entries.

Yours in learning,

Lauren Bruhwiler



STAR AWARD

Awarded to

Sabina M

September 2022



Sabina is a diligent, hardworking, independent learner who has a love for learning. Her open mindedness and charisma is always welcomed through class discussions and the classroom environment. Sabina has a worldly knowledge that others can learn from. When faced with challenges she is ready to tackle them with maturity and enthusiasm. Sabina demonstrates all of the STAR values which are so highly valued at Yarralumla Primary School. Congratulations on a well-deserved award Sabina!



STAR AWARD

Awarded to

Yindyamarra B

September 2022

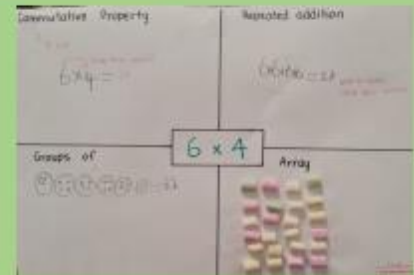


Yindyamarra has worked extremely hard to become an active and independent learner. He attempts all learning tasks with an eagerness to want to do his best. Yindyamarra is maturing into a delightful and helpful young man who always supports others with his kind and caring nature. He demonstrates great teamwork with his ability to work well in groups and support those in need. Yindyamarra is proud of his First Nations heritage and is willing to share his knowledge and history of his culture with his teacher and peers. He demonstrates each of the STAR values of Team Player, Active Learner, Safety and Respect. Congratulations on this well-deserved award Yindyamarra!



YEAR 1 NEWS

Year 1 have been working hard completing multiplication challenges this term. We are building our mathematical knowledge and enhancing our maths vocabulary.



We have been having a blast in science learning all about lights and sounds. We enjoyed our trip to Questacon and learnt so much!



We are looking at persuasive writing. Being able to choose a side, explain why and trying to change people's minds to believe what we feel, like and enjoy.



In our Italian classroom we were experimenting with money and showcased our knowledge during the Learning Journey.

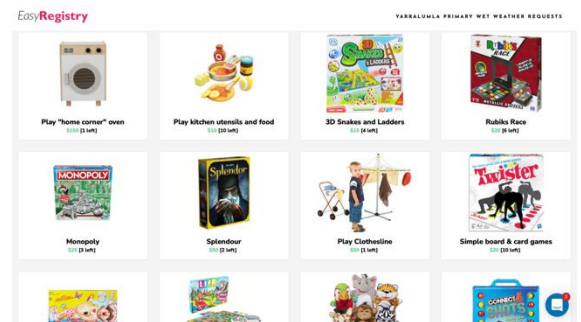
P & C News

WET WEATHER AND FREE PLAY ACTIVITIES

<https://www.easyregistry.com.au/yarralumlaprimarywetweatheractivities>

The teachers and students have put together a list of games and resources they think would make wet weather and free play time fun.

Please check out our registry with requested items to see what you could donate. We're looking for new and clean, complete and great quality preloved items. Something you'd happily give to a friend.



You can drop the items into the marked boxes near the school office in weeks 1- 3 of Term 4.



Any items excess to our needs will be donated to Canberra Roundabout (roundaboutcanberra.org).

We need volunteers to help sort the items. If you can help please email yarralumlaprimaryevents@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS FAMILY PHOTO MINI SESSSIONS

19TH & 20TH NOVEMBER AND 3RD – 4TH DECEMBER

One of our mums, Carly Taylor from Carly Taylor Photography (www.carlytaylorphotography.com.au) will be holding Christmas Family Photo Mini Sessions at the school on 19-20 Nov & 3-4 Dec 2022. This will be a fantastic event that will provide a great memory making experience for families (perfect for Christmas presents or Christmas cards for friends and family) as well as raise some funds for the P&C.

Sessions are open to the Yarralumla PS community, their family and friends, and the wider community.



Cost: \$160 per session (\$30 from each session going to Yarralumla Primary School P&C)

What is included:

- 20 min photo session (max 6 people per session).
- 5 digitally edited images for selection through an online gallery. Options are also available to upgrade gallery.

Book now to avoid disappointment:

<https://book.usesession.com/s/GINp2kulf>

If you have any questions, please contact: Carly Taylor

Ph: 0414 927 156

BUSINESS SUPPORT

If you own a business and would like to support our school by running a fundraiser or providing products or services we'd love to hear from you. Please email yarralumlaprimaryevents@gmail.com

SALE AT THE UNIFORM SHOP

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

Open every Friday during school term, 8:30- 9am, for new and preloved uniforms. Taking new uniform orders anytime through Flexischools.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weeks 1 – 3 Term 4- Wet Weather Activities Collection

P&C Meeting - Monday 24th October

6:30- 7:30pm school library and online

Christmas Family Photo Mini Sessions - 19th & 20th November and 3rd & 4th December

Disco - Friday 2nd December

P&C Meeting – Monday 5th December

6:30- 7:30pm in the school library and online

We hope you have a wonderful school holiday

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

Newsletter Week 10 Term 3

Over the last few weeks, we have been seeing a lot of students get closer and closer to eSTAR milestones. Teachers are watching carefully to ensure they catch fantastic things happening both in class and on the playground.

SAFE = 278

TEAM PLAYER = 282

ACTIVE LEARNER = 289

RESPECTFUL = 162

There has been an increase in minor negative incidents at 19 with most involving physical contact. Please spend time with your students reminding them that it is never ok to use physicality to resolve a dispute and nor is it ever acceptable to accept being touched. We also remind students that as soon as anything they are not comfortable with happens on the playground, they should head straight to one of the teachers on duty. We are finding that increasingly, we are not hearing from students until they get back to their class teachers which makes it tricky to talk to all those involved. We have had 12 major negative incidents – poor language choices and absconding being the most prevalent.

This is how teachers support students through our PBL process: they explain to their students - often – that they need to learn how to interact with others and that they learn this in the same way they learn academic skills like spelling and writing. Teach or Discuss the weekly **STAR value** as often as needed each week. Explain the **REWARD** system for displaying STAR values. Explain how negative ongoing behaviours are dealt with by showing the **Behaviour flowcharts** for both classroom and playground areas. **Reward** everyone - frequently – for displaying targeted behaviours but also for sustaining positive behaviours and doing them well. This includes the playground.

The important role of PBL parent representative remains unfilled in our small but hardworking team – if you are interested in getting involved, please send me an email.

Have a wonderful break,

Deb Sayers

UPDATING STUDENT INFORMATION and CONTACT DETAILS

It is important that information regarding parent contact details for students are accurate should we need to contact you in an emergency or if your child is unwell. We are aware that student information or contact numbers and email addresses etc. often change. If there are changes to your child(rens) information or contact details during the year, please contact the school or email info@yarralumla.ps.act.edu.au to inform us of your new contact details and to enable us to update our records.

This year at Yarralumla we will be trialling a modified transition process to help students move smoothly from their 2022 cohort, classroom and teachers into 2023. We've listened to feedback, made a plan and modified it after sharing ideas with students, teachers and parents. Some parts you will recognise, but some will be new. In each newsletter between now and the end of the year, you'll find a transitions update.

In a nutshell, the plan looks like this:

Term 3, 2022

- Transition plan implementation is underway
- Term 4 timetables for handovers and orientation visits created
- Teacher and school leader transfer round taking place

Term 4, 2022

- All students nominate five preferred classmates for 2023
- Parents offered opportunity to submit requests for 2023 classes
- Teachers and school leaders create class groups for 2023
- Teachers get to know students in their 2023 cohort by talking to students and families, reading plans and reports, and talking to their current teachers
- Students engage in orientation visits with 2023 cohort
- Transfer round completed and teachers paired with 2023 class groups
- Families informed of 2023 teachers
- ILP reviews will involve handovers to 2023 teachers (where possible)
- Semester 2 reports go home
- Parent-teacher interviews take place in weeks 9 and 10
- New families and students with support needs are invited to a structured orientation session on the first day of term 1 in 2023

Term 1, 2023
weeks 1-2

- Teachers facilitate 1 hour induction session in classroom on first day of term for new students
- Classes (teachers and students) establish behaviour expectations and set learning goals for first semester.
- Bilingual students engage in brief orientation with 2nd teacher the day before classes change.
- Teachers draft plans for students with support needs and share with parents before ILP meetings in week 3.

Term 1, 2023
Weeks 3-10

- *The transition team seeks feedback on transition process from families, students and teachers*
- *Feedback is applied to improve 2023-24 transition plan*

YOU'RE INVITED TO

YARRALUMLA MONTESSORI'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY FUN DAY

**SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER
11 AM UNTIL 2 PM
YARRALUMLA PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Come and celebrate the past, present and future of this great school community. Bring the family, a picnic and enjoy the fun!



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

KIDS sports training where
PARENTS get active too!



Parents train FREE in Term 4 – SAVE \$150

Term 4 – Social Soccer – Yarralumla Oval
4pm – 5pm, 10 weeks
Starts October 12

ONLY 30 SPACES AVAILABLE

www.allstarssports.com.au



SPRING HOLIDAY CRICKET CAMP

3 - 5 OCTOBER 2022



9:00am - 3:00pm
after-hours care available*



Reid Oval
Cnr Euree St & Limestone Ave



Suitable for ages 6-16
(groups within the program to be
age appropriate)

What's included?

- A structured & enjoyable program with a wide variety of cricket drills, activities and games
- A fun, team-based learning environment
- Coaching that covers all aspects of the game including batting, fast and slow bowling, fielding, running between wickets, and wicketkeeping
- Technical, tactical & game sense tuition
- Qualified & experienced coaches

For more info, please contact Holly Halford-Smith on 0400125342
or activeallsports@outlook.com

proudly supported by
CapitalClinic
Physiotherapy



SCAN ME