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"Certamen Praeter Palman" - "The endeavour is more important than the prize."

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NOTES HOME THIS WEEK

Circus Challenge Note

PARENTS' CHECKLIST

(Reminder of things to DO)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 10 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tue 11 June -Thu 27 June	Ice Bucket Challenge SRC Fundraiser
Wednesday 12 June	ACT Cross Country Championships
Wednesday 19 June	School Assembly hosted by Year 1
Thursday 20 June	Circus Challenge Yr K-6
Thursday 27 June	Yarralumla Primary Athletics Carnival
Friday 5 July	Last Day Term 2
Monday 22 July	First Day Term 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

Italian Program

This week we celebrated Italian Republic Day with a whole school assembly and activities throughout the classrooms. We appreciated the support from the Italian Embassy who attended the assembly and provided the key note speaker. A big thank you to maestra Antonietta for organising a coffee cart, food for sale and an outstanding student speaker from Merici college who shared her inspirational Italian journey with the students.

On Wednesday evening our senior choir attended the National Museum to perform the Australian and Italian national anthems for the invited guests of the Italian Embassy who were celebrating Italian Republic Day. It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to showcase their singing and their language skills.

At the end of last week we interviewed two applicants for the Italian teaching positions at Yarralumla Primary School. We are currently working with the Directorate and TQI to formalise the process and ensure they meet the TQI requirements.

The school has set a number of targets around the Italian bilingual program as part of our school plan. Our students in years 3-6 complete assessments in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (Italian). In the table below you can see our results over the past two years in this area.

School program and process data

Targets or Measures	Base	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
By the end of 2018 75% of students in years 3 to 5 bilingual program achieve A1 Standard of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (Italian)	75%	92%	87.75%			
75% of students in the Italian bilingual program achieving a A2 rating in CEFR (Common European Framework Reference)	75%	75%	85.75%			

School Vision

“We learn together to inspire innovative thinkers”

This week I received a lovely card from one of our Kindergarten students. I was extremely impressed with the effort and care that he put into his card. He was able to show me all the things that he had learnt in the first 16 weeks of school. Capital letters, punctuation, spelling, high expectations and beautiful handwriting. He didn't need to write me a card but the feedback from a student in his first year of formal schooling reinforces that we are constantly inspiring our students to share their voice and inspire innovative thinkers.

Voluntary Contributions and Library Trust Fund

I am pleased to announce that our voluntary contributions has increased to \$15,500. Thank you to all the families that contributed in the last month. The school is currently receiving quotes for new interactive whiteboards in the classrooms. A large number of our boards are out of date and we are continually having difficulties with them. The voluntary contributions will assist in purchasing two new boards for classrooms. The school board has also budgeted to purchase four additional boards.

As the end of financial year approaches families also have the opportunity to make a tax deductible contribution to the library trust fund. All items purchased from the trust fund must remain in the library. Each year we purchase the latest and greatest new books as well as replace many of our books that are not returned. The trust fund is also used to purchase vital teaching resources that can be loaned out for classroom use as well as items for the robotics program. If you would like to make a tax deductible contribution to the library please contact the front office for more information.

Cross Country

Congratulations to all the students who represented YPS with courage and pride at the South Weston Cross Country carnival. We are pleased to announce that six students have been selected to represent YPS at the upcoming ACT Cross Country carnival.

Media Information

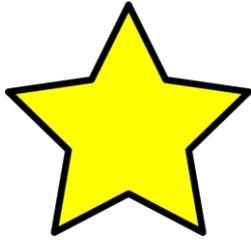
As you might have seen in the media, William Slim Drive will be renamed over allegations of sexual abuse against a former governor-general.

We understand there might be some concern from our community given the name of our Yellow House.

In consultation with our student body, our families and our community we will work towards renaming the house. Please be assured that we will keep you involved in the process.

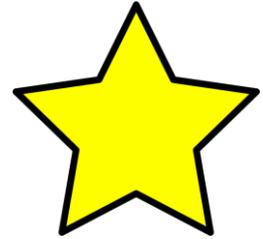
Regards,

Rohan Evans | Principal



STAR AWARDS

Awarded to



June 2019

Audrey L

Audrey not only lives each and every day by following the STAR values, but she encourages those around her to do the same. She arrives each morning with a huge smile on her face and nothing is ever too demanding or difficult. Audrey thrives on challenges and her never give up attitude brings a thirst for knowledge and learning. She is well respected by all with her kind and caring nature. Audrey is a great role model to her classmates and is always willing to guide others. Her positivity and confidence ensure that she shines like the STAR that she is, in all that she does.

Soo-Yong K

Soo-Yong is a prime example of what a STAR student looks like. He always conducts himself in the highest regard with brilliant manners, a superb attitude towards learning and he treats others with the greatest respect. He has an exceptional understanding of what is right and wrong and holds both himself and others to the highest of standards. Soo-Yong is not only reliable but is always willing to lend a hand to help out others. He is an absolute credit to himself, his family and Yarralumla Primary and is a worthy recipient of today's star award.



Week 8 Merit Awards Wednesday Assembly

Classe	English	Italian
Kinder (Rosa)	Samah I	Sabine D
Kinder Scarlatto	Connor P	William B
Year 1 Fucsia	Alexis P	Harley M
Year 1 Magenta	Lana T	Lianna T
Year 1 Corallo	Arlo W	Cleo S
Year 1/2 Giallo		
Year 2 Verde marino	Hailey K	Campbell A
Year 2 Verdolino	Oscar W	Maya HB
Year 2 Verde menta		
Year 3/4 Turchese		Ruby L Edward F Jade W
Year 3/4 Celeste		Chloe K
Year 3/4 Acqua	Finn Hay	Stella Posa
Year 3/4 Azzura	Stella F	Finnegan Jo
Year 3/4 Blu	Oliver Q Arlo T	
LSUA Perla	Eric O	
Year 5/6 Ambra	Matilda H	
Year 5/6 Oro	Itay R	
Year 5/6 Zafferano	Angel T	Matthew W

P&C News

P&C meeting scheduled for Monday 17 June at 7pm and been cancelled.

Fete coordination meeting date to be advised.

The fete is the biggest fundraising event on the P&C calendar, and we are aiming to raise over \$25,000 for the school through this one event. Thanks to those “returning” volunteers (who ran stalls at our last Festa in 2017), but we need more help! There are still a range of functions and stalls for which we need central coordinators, including a cake stall, cafe stall, sideshow alley, sausage sizzle, and trash and treasure. We'll need other volunteers to help run stalls on the day but we would love to hear from you now if you have the capacity or interest to help with the planning and lead up work, for one of these parts of the fete?

Our current priority is the organisation of a silent auction. This is one of our most effective fundraisers at the fete but it is an event that takes time to prepare for; attracting and gathering donations is the biggest part of the job and we welcome any contacts you may have, of businesses, friends, or family that would be willing to donate to support the schools fundraising cause. The P&C will be promoting all donors or sponsors on the day, and through our promotional material and social media.

For early volunteers, or potential donation opportunities please email us at yarralumprimaryevents@gmail.com. **Please don't be shy, even if you're not sure how you can help!**

Entertainment Book as a fundraiser

\$12 from every subscription to the (YPS) Entertainment Book goes directly to the school - by following the link to order the Entertainment Book for the YPS P&C at <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/23930j> . If the hard copy is ordered, it can be delivered to you at home at a charge, or alternatively the P&C can arrange to have the book delivered for parents to pick up from the school.

Phil Hartley
P&C President

2020 ACT PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLMENTS PROCESS

Initial Enrolment Consideration Period Opens–
Monday 29 April 2019

Enrolment Applications should be lodged online

at: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school>

ACT public school enrolments for 2020 open at 6am on Monday 29 April 2019. This is for all enrolments from Preschool to Year 12.

For applications received by 7 June 2019, offers will begin to be made from 29 July.

You are encouraged to get your application in before 7 June, so your school can start planning for your child's education. However, every child from Kindergarten to Year 12 is guaranteed a place at their local public school, regardless of when you apply. The Education Directorate (ED) enrolment process has been updated.

To avoid disappointment, and before completing your enrolment form, please carefully read the information on the ED website so you can make the best decision for your family from the options available.

Cold Weather

With the cold mornings at the moment it is really important that students come to school with plenty of warm layers. This ensures they are warm enough before school and during break sessions. Please ensure these items are labelled as students will often need to remove some of these layers as the day warms up and we want to make sure clothing can be returned if misplaced.

If your child is feeling unwell please consider keeping them at home. Students find it very difficult to learn when they are feeling this way and coming to school when they are sick also means they may pass the illness onto others. We thank you for your support with this.

Ice Bucket Challenge Fundraiser



This term we are raising money for people living with motor neurone disease in Australia: MND Australia.

We are going to start this Tuesday and collect donations over three weeks, i.e. from Tuesday 11 June until Thursday 27 June.

Depending on the amount of money raised, on Friday 28 June during lunch maestro Joshi and other staff members will be involved in an Ice Bucket Challenge.

Thank you very much for supporting MND Australia this June!

The SRC representatives and School Captains

Community News

Dear Parents

Do you have a yearning or a need to learn Italian? Do you want to understand what your children bring home from school? Would you love to listen to them read in Italian? Or are you planning a trip to Italy?

At Yarralumla Primary School we are fortunate to have group or personal lessons available for adults and children from the following:

Italian Language School (ILS)

Saturdays at YPS from 1:30-4:00 in the Gambarri Building

Email: italianlanguageschool@gmail.com

Elisabetta Lamanna

Email: elisabetta.lamanna.3@gmail.com

Mobile: 0449 821707

Dante Alighieri Italian Language & Culture

Email: info@danteact.org.au

Phone: 6247 1884

Buona fortuna! Maestra Lynden



CODECAMP

Get creative and learn to code at Australia's highest rated school holiday camp!

More than 80,000 Aussie boys and girls have loved Code Camp so far.

Sponsored by **Westpac** Powered by **hp**

Why kids & parents love Code Camp!
Rated 4.9 on ProductReview.com.au with over 400 5-star reviews!

"Was tentative to do it at first, but after the first day was absolutely in love with code camp. Insisted on wearing hat and t-shirt for the next 2 days. Post camp, he has continued to build on his game and now shares it with his school friends and family."
Stuart, Melbourne ★★★★★

"My daughter loved her code camp and will be back for more... The experience was great, teachers were fantastic and the follow up emails with more activities has been unbelievable."
Katie, Sydney ★★★★★

"The end result is far and away the best programming teaching environment I have ever seen. Seriously now my primary school child can program in javascript."
Jeffrey, Melbourne ★★★★★

Book with confidence
We are so sure your kids will love Code Camp, if they don't want to come back after Day 1, we'll refund the remaining days!

Book now at: www.codecamp.com.au Give us a call on: **1300 263 322**

There are over 100 locations around Australia to choose from

Earn & Learn 2019



We are excited to be taking part in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

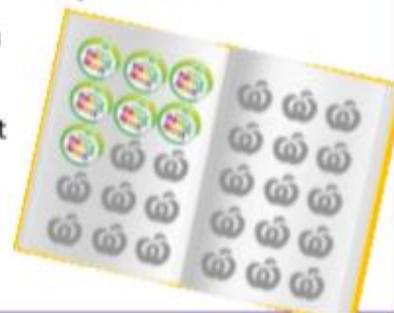
During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you.

From now until 25th June 2019, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker sheet. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school or you can drop them into your local Woolworths collection box.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at school.

Sticker sheets are available at the front office or you can print off the sheet on page 11 of this newsletter, get sticking and bring them in and drop the sheets off in the boxes in the breezeway or front office.



End of May spells Hats Off Day for Canberra schools

Cancer Council ACT recommends Canberra primary schools and early childhood services (and the general public) adopt a combination of sensible sun protection behaviours when spending time outdoors when UV levels are 3 and above.

For this reason sun protection behaviour like wearing a hat and applying sunscreen is not generally required around the June and July winter period in Canberra because daily UV levels drop and stay low (under 3).

However sun protection may still be required if travelling North, spending time in Alpine regions or extended time outdoors during this period, ie outdoor workers, all day school outdoor excursions and sport carnivals etc.

This "Hats Off" period may assist Canberra children with their winter vitamin D requirements. For more information on UV exposure and vitamin D [click here](#).



Upcoming Ideas X Change on how we can all help reduce violence and bullying in schools

Building Strong and Safe Communities for Learning is a partnership project between the ACT Education Directorate and the ACT Council of Parents and Citizens Associations (P&C Council). Parents, students, principals and teachers are working together to reduce violence and bullying in schools. Initial workshops received amazing feedback, join us to have your say.

Details: www.education.act.gov.au/ideas-xchange



You are invited to the Ideas Xchange..A Different Conversation

We've heard your ideas about reducing violence and increasing safety in schools, help us make it happen, join us for an Ideas Xchange...

Purpose: Help us build strong and safe communities for learning.

We need you: experience and insights to test and provide feedback on the suggestions and ideas to reduce and better respond to violence in our schools.

Time	Date
6:45 - 8:30 pm	Wed 12 June
8:00 – 9:30 am	Thurs 13 June
3:45 – 5:30 pm	Thurs 13 June
9:45 – 11:30 am	Fri 14 June
6:45 – 8:30 pm	Mon 17 June

Location: Meeting room 11, Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning, Fremantle Drive Stirling, 2611

Hosts: P&C Council and Education Directorate

Catering: Light refreshments post event

Parking: Free Onsite

RSVP/Bookings: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/ideas-xchange>

If you require any further information relating to the Ideas XChange, please don't hesitate to contact Ms Leanne Ballard, Assistant Director Strategic Policy on Leanne.ballard@act.gov.au or 62052912.

We look forward to working with you to build strong and safe communities for learning.

An easy recipe for you and the children to prepare together!

MINI WRAPS

Ingredients (Serves 2)

- 2 pieces of flat bread
- 2 tablespoons reduced fat cream cheese
- 2 teaspoons sweet chilli sauce
- 1 cucumber
- 1 small carrot
- 1 spring onion
- 4 cos lettuce leaves
- ¼ red capsicum

Equipment

- Chopping Board
- Knife
- Small bowl
- Toothpicks
- Serviettes

METHOD

Step 1

In a bowl mix cream cheese and sweet chilli sauce.

Step 2

Grate carrots and finely chop remaining salad vegetables.

Step 3

Put all the vegetables into the bowl with the cream cheese mixture and mix until well combined.

Step 4

Place flat bread on a chopping board and spoon vegetable mixture evenly over the bread.

Step 5

Carefully roll the bread and cut into four portions

Step 6

Place toothpicks through each of the mini wraps to keep them in place. **SERVE!**

Buon appetito e buon divertimento! Maestra Lynden



With winter upon us, it's important to remember that Canberra has lots of health options that don't involve a trip to a hospital emergency department. Many of these are free and available after hours.

Walk-in Centres provide free, one-off treatment of minor injury and illness, including colds and flu. They're a great choice for children over 2 years of age – children under 2 should see their GP. Walk-in Centres are open from 7.30am to 10pm, every day of the year. They are staffed by highly skilled nurses who can provide you with a sick certificate and in some cases, medication, saving you time and money.

The service is free and no appointments are necessary.

Walk-in Centres are located in Tuggeranong, Belconnen and Gungahlin.

To find out more about getting the right health care for your symptoms, visit

www.act.gov.au/yourhealthoptions

Social media content

Post 1:



Text: Canberra has lots of health options, many of which are free and available after hours.

Do you know where to find the right health care for your needs? Find out here:

www.act.gov.au/yourhealthoptions

Post 2:



Text: Canberrans don't have to travel far for health care, even after hours or on the weekend. Find out about the most convenient health care for your needs at www.act.gov.au/yourhealthoptions

Post 3:



Text: Do you know where to get the best care for your symptoms? There are alternatives to visiting the emergency department. Download and print our guide to your health options so you know where to get help next time you need it: bit.ly/CanberraHealthGuide

Dear Parents/Carers

As you are probably aware, the month's free travel period comes to an end on Sunday 26 May 2019. With paid services starting next week on Monday May 27, students are being reminded to top up their MyWay cards or purchase tickets to avoid fines of up to \$181 for travelling without a ticket.

During the month's free travel period, whilst drivers have encouraged all students to tap on and off, it has been brought to our attention that there are some students who are not.

Tapping on and off is required by all customers travelling on light rail and buses, and also provides Transport Canberra with accurate data to plan and review services in the future.

 <p style="text-align: right;">Where</p>	<p>A select number of newsagencies, post offices, and Access Canberra outlets. For the full list visit: https://www.transport.act.gov.au/tickets-and-myway/get-myway/recharge-agents</p>
<p>can I get a MyWay card?</p> <p>I'm a student, how much does it cost?</p>	<p>A MyWay card is \$2.50, and then you'll need to top it up for travel.</p> <p>Concession: Tertiary: \$1.61 School student – school day: \$1.22 School student – non-school day: \$1.61 Weekday cap: \$4.80 Weekend/public holiday cap: \$2.17</p>
<p>I want to catch a bus and light rail – will it cost me two tickets?</p>	<p>All MyWay fares include a free 90-minute transfer period so you can connect to a different bus or light rail service or commence your return journey using the same ticket within 90 minutes of purchase. Daily tickets are valid until midnight on the day of purchase.</p>
<p>What if I forget to tap on/off?</p>	<p>If you don't tap on, you could be fined up to \$181. If you don't tap off after a trip, you'll be charged a <u>default fare</u>.</p>
<p>My balance is low, how do I recharge?</p>	<p>You can instantly top up your card at a recharge agent, set up an autoloan direct debit online, or top up at a ticket vending machine at all light rail platforms and major bus stations.</p>