We show Respect, We are Fair, We are Learners.

Helpers Required

Thank you to Kate Purnell, Michelle Walsh & Anita Geary who have offered to co-ordinate hot lunches this year.

Our first hot lunch will be on Friday 17th February.

A help sheet has been sent home tonight. Please consider helping out once or twice a term as the children enjoy the lunches. Please return the help sheet by Friday so a roster can be sent home next week.

The menu will be emailed out later this week.

Artwork of the Week

In Art last week we started looking at Abstract Art. Violet Rogers’ ‘Weeping Woman’ clearly inspired by Pablo Picasso!

Principal’s News

We have had a great start to the year. The new Foundation students have settled in well and new students at other year levels have made a positive impression already. Our students from last year have settled in well and started working hard already.

At our first assembly I spoke about two things that will make our school a great place to be if we can make them habit. The first one is looking out for each other. If everyone in our school community looks out for each other, helps each other learn, helps each other make friends, and is generally community minded, each of us will have many people looking out for us. If we are only thinking about ourselves then it is only one person who is looking out for us. This is just as important for students, families and staff equally. I feel confident that we are already strong in this area and will continue to help each other out.

The second habit I spoke about at the first assembly was taking responsibility for our actions, words and selves in general. It is very easy to immediately think about what others have said and done when trying to justify actions or mistakes we make. Sometimes we try to justify our own mistakes with “well, she did it first” or “they were doing it so why can’t I?” It is important to realise that we cannot control other people, we can only control ourselves. We all make mistakes but owning them makes it much more likely to learn from them. Again, I am very encouraged by our students and staff that we have made a great start in this regard and will carry on positively.
Principal's News

Information Nights
I encourage families to attend information sessions for classes where possible. At these sessions the class teacher will explain class routines and expectations and share any information you will need to know. It will be a chance to have a look at the classroom and ask any questions you may have. Times are as follows:
4/5/6: tonight (Monday 6th) 6pm – Yr. 5 families will discuss and pick up computers following this meeting (provided payment is made).
3/4: Tomorrow (Tuesday 7th) 6pm
2/3: Wednesday 8th 6:30pm
F/1: Wednesday 7th 6:00pm

Pool Party
Just a reminder that we have an informal pool party at the Yackandandah Swimming Pool this Friday 5-7pm. The school will provide a sausage sizzle. Parents are responsible for entry and supervision of their own children.

Michael Edwards
Principal

School News

Camp, Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF) – (Health Care Card holders)
To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:
• on the first day of Term one, or;
• on the first day of Term two;
  a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  b) Be a temporary foster parent, and
  c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

CSEF payments will be processed directly to schools with the majority of payments to commence from March, 2017 onwards. The CSEF system will remain open during term one and term two for applications to be added.

Student Details, Photo Consent Forms & Local Excursion Permission Forms
If you haven’t returned these forms to school could you please do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

A few photo consent forms have come back unsigned by the parent – these forms have been sent home again tonight.

Book Club
Our school is participating in Scholastic Book Club this year. Up to twice a term, during the school year, a Book Club catalogue with a different selection of books offered for all ages will be sent home with students.

The first one has been sent home tonight. Orders with payment need to be returned to school by Friday 17th February. Payment can be made by cash, on line with credit card or cheque payable to Scholastic Book Club. At this stage we do not use the LOOP System.

Thank you to Terri Foyel for taking on the Book Club Co-ordinator role.

Year 3/4/5/6 Swimming Trials
A reminder that the Year 3/4/5/6 Swimming trials are being held this Friday.

Permission forms were sent home last week and need to be returned tomorrow. If you have not yet sent payment (if you do not have a membership card) please do so.

Music News
The 4/5/6 classes are on the hunt for large plastic buckets similar to the ones below. They would need to be around the 30 litre mark and the same tall, thin shape to the one pictured. Please let Jenny know if you know of a source or bring them in to school. We are looking for 30 buckets.

French News - Bonjour!
We have been revising French greetings and saying our name.

Bonjour/ Salut
Je m'appelle ......
Comment t'appelles tu?
Au revoir/ à bientôt.

We have also been learning a French poem about two little birds, sitting on a branch.

Deux petits oiseaux
Assis sur une branche
Je m'appelle Fifi
Je m'appelle Blanche
Bonjour Fifi
Bonjour Blanche
Au revoir Fifi
Au revoir Blanche

You may remember the English version about Peter and Paul. Hopefully you’ll be hearing lots of the above over the next few weeks.

Merci beaucoup.

Mandy

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK
5th February – Max Edwardes
Achievement Awards

Ziggy Ramsbottom for making a terrific start to the year. Well done!
Hayden Foyel for being an encouraging member of 4/5/6E
Patrick Murray for thinking of others.
Jack Summons for giving his best at all tasks during his first week of school.
Aliya McCormack for great listening during her first week of school.
Jaala Street for working hard to produce beautiful work.
Zac Davis for a fabulous start to Year One!
Jim Wilson for fabulous listening during class discussions.
Max Edwards for a fabulous start to Year One!
Hayley Vincent for being switched on to learning – especially in Maths.
Finbar Jones for having a wonderful start to Year 6 – so organised and ready to learn.
Remy Lane for fantastic comprehension in reading.
Zach Spargo for showing excellent throwing skills in PE.
Stella Brinsdon for being gorgeous and enthusiastic in music.
Amelia Wingard for making an excellent start to the school year.

Community News

Totally Renewable YACK

Join us at the public hall to hear about Yack's journey towards a 100% renewable energy future.

TRY community members will explain where we are on our renewable energy journey. Mondo Power will outline the Community Mini Grid plans for Yackandandah, including their solar/battery ready offer to kick start the journey!

Place: Yackandandah Public Hall
36 HIGH STREET, YACKANDANDAH
(NEXT TO SHIRE OFFICES)
Date: 29 February 2017
Time: Morning Session 11:00am-12:30pm
Evening Session 7:00-8:30 pm
LUNCH REJECTIONS AVAILABLE

Can we be one of Australia’s first Community Mini Grids?

Positive Parenting Telephone Service

This program is offered to parents, grandparents caring for their grandchildren & carers of children aged 2 – 10 years.

Our free ten week program aims to assist you to:

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Interested?
For more information please phone
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Enrolments taken all year round

Tennis Coaching

Paul Sykes Tennis Academy and professional coach, Patrick Soan will commence tennis lessons for term 1 only on:
Wednesday nights, starting Feb 8th for 8 weeks. Times are: 3.45-4.30, 4.30-5.15, 5.15-6
This is for students who have a keen interest in improving their tennis skills. Cost is $15.50 per session. Contact Anna Hession on 0438196937 or marcanna@hotmail.net.au for more information.
(We are unable to offer junior coach lessons with Aengus or Adam this term)

Yackandandah FNC Inc. - Net Set Go!
Registrations for the NET SET Go program and Midgets for the 2017 season are open! This year we are hoping to offer the 2 levels of NET SET GO!
The NET TIER, catering to 5-7 yr. olds, which provides an introduction to netball with skill development and fun games will commence on TUESDAY 18TH APRIL 2017 at 4pm and will run for 10 seasons; excluding school holidays. The SET TIER is aimed at 8-10yrs, which will continue on with skill development as well as providing an opportunity to participate throughout the season with our Midget players. The Midget and SET TIER will run together beginning on MONDAY 6TH MARCH 2017, commencing at 4pm.
ALL SESSIONS WILL BE AT OUR COURTS AT BUTSON PARK, CHURCH ST YACKANDANDAH.
Please register online via the following link. If there are any questions please contact either Simone Lane; 0427511713 simhocking@live.com.au OR Midget Coach; Kylie Murphy 0427020008 http://netball-resultsvault.com/common/pages/noauth/olr?eggstart.aspx?type=&entituid=46158&fl=1&id=31065

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HOT LUNCHES

Dear Parents,

Hot lunch in term 1 will commence on Friday 17th February.

Lunch time is at 11am so you need to be available from 9am to approximately 11.30am.

Our aim is to keep the lunches simple to enable helpers to have a cuppa and a chat to get to know each other.

If you are able to help out could you please tick the dates that suit you and return the form to the office by Friday.

Thank you.

☐ Friday 17th February

☐ Friday 24th February

☐ Friday 3rd March

☐ Friday 10th March

☐ Friday 17th March

☐ Friday 24th March

☐ Friday 31st March

Name.................................................................Phone Number.................................
Dates & Reminders


A few reminders for 2017:
- Please ensure all enrolment forms are completed and returned to school as soon as possible.
- Please ensure all asthma and allergy action plans are up to date and medication is given to Sandra in the office.
- Please contact the office or our OSHC staff to carry over any permanent bookings from last year or create new bookings.

Please note: There is no school for foundation students on a Wednesday during the month of February.

Program Focus

Our program focus for Term 1 is to continue to provide a service that caters for the diverse interests and capabilities within our group. Our newly introduced display presents the Early Years Learning Frameworks outcomes in an interactive way, presenting our work towards meeting each of the 5 outcomes through imagery, observation and reflection.

Out of School Hours Care News

Welcome to all our new and returning families. We trust you had a lovely Christmas and New Year! 2017 is off to a fantastic start with our Vacation Care program running smoothly throughout the Christmas Holidays.

The children have enjoyed an array of activities, themed days and their excursions to Issacs Park and Wodonga Ten Pin Bowling. A big thank you to Sarah and Geordie for their assistance during our Vacation Care program, as always your help is greatly appreciated.

We are preparing for another busy year in OSHC with some exciting projects in the works. As always any ideas are welcomed, we would love to hear your thoughts or suggestions! Please feel free to fill out a suggestion form located next to the sign in book in our OSHC space.

Many thanks for your continued support of our service, we look forward to a fun filled 2017.

Kerri & Kate