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

Helpers Required

Hot Lunch Co-ordinator

Hot lunches are held on Fridays throughout the term. The co-ordinator assists the office with collating the orders, ordering the food and organising the roster. This could be shared between different people, it doesn’t have to all be done by the one person.

The menu can be kept very simple – purchasing hamburgers, chicken burgers etc.

If you are interested in co-ordinating or taking on one of the roles please see me.

If you have any ideas on what food could be served we would love to hear from you.

Thank you to Allison McKenzie-McHarg who has been the co-ordinator for the last 2 years. We appreciate the fantastic job that she did.

Book Club Co-ordinator

I am also looking for someone to take on Book club. This involves ordering the books on the scholastic web site and sorting the books out when they come in. Order forms are sent out twice a term.

Thank you to Hayley Gosling who assisted with this last year.

Sandra McKibbin
Office Manager

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Principal’s News

Welcome

Hello everybody and welcome to 2017 at Yackandandah Primary School. I look forward to hearing holiday news from the students and hope that everyone had a restful break. We have a number of new families to our school this year and I encourage everyone to share the responsibility for making all our new students and families feel welcome in our school and community.

One of the ways we like to see in a new school year, meet new families and catch up with ‘old’ families is to share an evening together at Yackandandah Swimming Pool. This year our pool party will be on Friday 10th February from 5pm to 7pm. The school will provide a sausage sizzle for members of the school community. Please note that children will need to be supervised by their parents as teachers will not be ‘on duty’ and other members of the public are likely to be there. Families will need to organise their own entry to the pool (either fee or season ticket). Remember that the pool is strictly no alcohol or glass area. To assist with the catering please return the attached slip by Monday 6th Feb. if you will be attending. We hope to see you there.

Assembly Helpers

Maya Edwardes & Craig Dawson-Leitch

'Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day'
**Principal’s News**

**School Council**
For those new to our school I would like to introduce our School Councillors. School Council serves a very important role in the governance of the school.

- Nick Shaw, President, Parent Representative
- Jodie McClellan, Vice President, Parent Representative
- Dave McAuliffe, Treasurer, Parent Representative
- Elle Walker, Parent Representative
- Donna Jones, Parent Representative
- Reg Jackson, Parent Representative
- Edwina Farley, Parent Representative
- Richard Stamp, Parent Representative
- Angela Vincent, DET Representative
- Michael Edwards, DET Representative, Principal

School Council elections take place in Term One each year. There are four parent representative positions that will need to be filled this term. Current councillors may renominate and other parents are also welcome to nominate. More information regarding school council elections will be in the next newsletter. If you would like to discuss what is involved in being on School Council or what School Council is responsible for please feel free to chat with any of the current school councillors (including Michael and Angie at school).

**Foundation Students**
Don’t forget that Foundation students do not attend school on Wednesdays in February. The dates are: 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd February. Angie or Kelli will make an appointment with Foundation families to arrange some initial testing for one of those days.

**Information Evenings**
Each class/level will hold information sessions for families to familiarise them with routines, expectations and other details. They will also be able to answer any questions you may have at that time. The dates/times are as follows:

- 4/5/6B&E: Monday 6th Feb, 6pm start (followed by a student laptop meeting for Yr.5 families).
- 3/4P: Tuesday 7th Feb, 6pm start
- F/1K&A: Wednesday 8th Feb, 6pm start
- 2/3LN: Wednesday 8th Feb, 6:30pm start

In addition to the information sessions, staff will make contact with families to arrange a meeting or catch up to discuss student learning and the school. This may have already taken place for some students/families. For many, this will be a quick catch up, for others it may be a more formal meeting. It is a chance for families to meet staff and discuss anything the teacher may need to know and a chance for teachers to do the same. Please remember that you do not need to wait for ‘official’ meeting times to talk to teachers. If you can be contacted via email at any time and you will no doubt see them around the school and can chat to them then, or arrange a time to meet.

**Buses**
There have been some alterations to the bus service. I have endeavoured to inform anyone affected by this, but any changes will no doubt bring teething problems. Please contact Michael at school if you have any difficulties with buses or require any further information.

*Michael Edwards*
*Principal*

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**School News**

**Anaphylaxis Management**
We currently have a number of students at school with severe allergic reaction to nuts & nut products. Anaphylaxis can be life-threatening. Our school strongly encourages families not to send nuts or nut products to school. Although our staff supervise students eating lunch, it is a great help if nut products don’t come to school at all.

**Family Statements**
Statements will be sent home to families this week. Payment can be made at the school office or via the internet.

- Bank account details are:
  - WAW Credit Union
  - BSB 803-070
  - Account No. 48135.

  Our preference is to email statements to families. If you receive yours in the mail this week and would like to have it emailed in future please let Sandra know.

**Fees for 2017 are:**

- **Essential Costs (mandatory payments for all students):**
  - Curriculum Levy: $80
  - IT Levy: $50 (Years F-4 students only)

- **Optional Costs which need to be paid at the start of the year if required:**
  - Year 5/6 netbook levy (if they are taking part in the program): $150
  - Student Insurance: $8 (this covers for accidents during school and school activities). *If you do not want to take out the accident insurance please let Sandra know.*

  There will be other costs for camps, excursions and activities as the year goes on.

- **Voluntary Contribution**
  All families are invited to make a voluntary contribution. This is generally $50 but any donation, more or less would be greatly appreciated.

- **Student details**
  To ensure our student details are up to date all students have today taken home a printout for parents to check and return to school.

  It is important that the family occupation codes and education details are correct – this is a requirement of the Commonwealth Government and all schools across Australia are required to collect this information and keep it updated. Our school funding is also connected to this so it is important that the correct codes are used. If you have any questions please call into the office.

  Please check the details carefully, all details are up to date and return to school as soon as possible.

- **Photo Consent Forms**
  From time to time student photos are taken for local media publications, are included in the newsletter and student work is published. For students to participate in these type of publications parent permission is required. Included with this letter are photo consent forms. Please return these to school as soon as possible.
Anaphylaxis, Allergies and Asthma Management Plans
A blank asthma, allergy and/or anaphylaxis management form has been sent home to families who have a child/children who experience asthma, allergies and/or anaphylaxis. These plans need to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible unless you have already provided the school with an updated one.

Medication
Parents of students with allergies are asked to please call into school and check that their child’s medication is current.

Student Absences
If your child is absent from school please either phone the school, send a note into the office or send an email to yackandandah.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au and/or to your child’s teacher.
If your child arrives at school after 9am or is picked up before 3.30pm they need to be signed in or out at the office.

Year 3/4/5/6 Swimming Trials
Students in Years 3/4/5/6 will be walking to the Yackandandah Pool on Friday 10th of February to participate in swimming trials for the District Swimming Sports. We will be leaving school at 9.15am and returning at 2pm. Parent assistance is needed with the timing of races. If you are able to assist please see Stacey or email oliver.stacey.s1@edumail.vic.gov.au

Permission forms have been sent home tonight and need to be returned by Friday. Cost is $2.90 if no pool membership is held – please send cash so as we can pay as we enter. Please quote membership number on the permission form. The District Swimming sports will be held in Chiltern on Friday, 17th of February.

Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF)
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.

Please see attached flier for more information

Newsletter
Each week the newsletter is uploaded onto the school website. If you would like to access the newsletter this way instead of receiving a hard copy please fill in the attached reply slip. Also go to www.yackaps.vic.edu.au, click on subscribe on the right hand side and you will receive an email when the newsletter is available.

Greetings from the Art Room
We’re starting to gather more of an artistic impression of what we need for a twilight ‘lantern’ Parade for the Folk Festival, so could families please collect 2 litre plastic milk bottles (the handles are a neat feature!), colourful lids and glass jars without their lids. Please wash, remove labels and the lids for us. We will also be looking for old t-shirts that ewe can turn into carrier bags.
Information about the Folk Festival can be found at http://yackfolkfestival.com/

Mandy & Caz

Vege Garden
Our Vege garden is looking pretty good at the moment. Thanks to Louise, Karen and everyone who watered and took care of it over the holidays.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK
31st January – Archer Mason
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Permission Notification Report

Yackandandah Primary School Local Excursions for 2017

This permission form covers any local excursions in Yackandandah that your child’s class is undertaking. This includes visits to the Yackandandah Library, Kindergarten visits, CFA and any other excursion that the class is walking to. You will be informed by the class teachers via email and newsletter when these excursions are happening.

It does not cover any sporting activities, excursions where students travel by bus or any other excursion that payment is required for. Separate permission forms will be sent home for those excursions.

Yackandandah Primary School Local Excursions for 2017

Please complete this slip and return to school by Friday 3rd February 2017

Students Name:........................................................................................................Home Group:..........................................................

☐ I give permission for my child to participate in local excursions around Yackandandah where they will be walking. I understand that it does not cover any sporting activities, excursions where students travel by bus or any other excursion that payment is required for.

Medical conditions:.................................................................................................................................

Contact Person:................................................................................................................Phone No:.........................................................

Contact Person:................................................................................................................Phone No:.........................................................

Emergency Contact:................................................................................................................Phone No:.........................................................

I consent to my child taking part in this excursion and where the teacher in charge of the excursion is unable to contact me or it is otherwise impracticable to contact me, I authorise the teacher in charge to:

- Consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by medical practitioner,
- Administer such first aid as the teacher in charge may judge to be reasonable necessary

Signature of parent/guardian:.................................................................Date:........................................

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development requires this consent to be signed for all students attending school excursions.

NOTE: Parents/guardians should provide written approval prior to their child taking part in any excursion.
START OF YEAR WELCOME BBQ AT THE YACKANDANDAH POOL
FRIDAY 10th FEBRUARY, 2017

☐ We will be attending the start of year BBQ at the pool.

Number of adults attending.............................................. Number of children attending.........................................

Name.................................................................................................

NEWSLETTER

☐ I would like to access the newsletter from the website each week and no longer receive a hard copy.

I have subscribed to the newsletter on the website to enable the automatic email notification

Student’s Name.................................................................................................Home Group..............

_parent’s Name.................................................................................................

☐ Yackandandah Primary school now has the ability to email family statements out to families. It is our preference that statements will be emailed. If you would like to receive your statement by email please return the completed permission slip below.

If you would prefer to continue to receive your statement by mail, please ignore this request.

STATEMENT OF INTENDED PURPOSE: should you wish to receive your statement online, the email and any attachments will be confidential and will be intended solely for the information of the individual to whom it is addressed.

Yes, I agree to receive my statement via email.

Parent/Guardian Name: .............................................................................

Email address: ..............................................................................................

Signature of Parent/Guardian ......................................................................
Permission Notification Report

Year 3/4/5/6 Swimming Trials
Date: 10/2/2017

Details of excursion: Year 3/4/5/6 students walking to the Yackandandah Swimming Pool to participate in swimming trials for the District Swimming Sports. We will be leaving school at 9.15am and returning at 2pm.

Adults Responsible: Stacey Oliver

Cost: $2.90  No charge if pool membership is held.

Year 3/4/5/6 Swimming Trials - Date: 10/2/2017

Please complete this slip and return to school by Friday 3rd February 2017

Students Name.................................................................Home Group............................................

☐ I enclose $2-90 (please send cash as we need to pay as we enter the pool).
☐ I have pool membership. Membership number is .................................

Medical conditions.................................................................

Contact person and phone number on the day for this excursion...........................................

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I consent to my child taking part in this excursion and where the teacher in charge of the excursion is unable to contact me or it is otherwise impracticable to contact me, I authorise the teacher in charge to:

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Dear Parents,

At Yackandandah Primary School we celebrate the efforts of our students by mentioning their participation in school events and their achievements in our school newsletter, local newspaper, on the school and/or class websites and potentially a school Facebook page.

Occasionally photographs of the students are included. We also use photographs of students in our school displays. We invite local press to cover school events and occasionally the students’ stories, artwork and achievements are published in the papers and the press are expected to follow school policy on the publication of photographs of students.

At Yackandandah Primary School students have the opportunity to use the internet for reference materials. All students are supervised when using the internet.

If you have any concerns about how photographs of your child may be used by the school please let us know.

PHOTO/INTERNET CONSENT FORM

I have read the Yackandandah Primary School statement on the use of my child/ren’s photograph, achievements and internet usage.

*I consent to my child/ren’s artwork, stories and achievements being used for publication

*I consent to my child being photographed and/or visual images of my child being taken during activities by the school for use in the school’s publications including electronic publications, the school’s website or for publicity purposes without acknowledgment and without being entitled to any remuneration or compensation.

* I agree to my child/ren using the Internet and computer network in accordance with School guidelines.

Child’s Name...............................................Class..............

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Child’s name...............................................Class..............

Child’s name...............................................Class..............

Signed.................................................................

Name.................................................................Date..............
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION
For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Saturday 11th
February 2017

$10 per head

Tables of 8
(can be arranged prior, however last minute participants will be catered for)

BYO Picnic dinner

Drinks available at bar prices.
(Bar open from 6pm for socialising before Trivia Starts at 7pm)

7pm start!
Butson Park Football Oval

Bring gold coins!!!
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For table bookings please contact
Alyce Pritchard 0439 430 658
NET SET GO!

The YACKANDANDAH FNC Inc, are pleased to announce registrations for their 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! participation. The NET TIER, catering to 5-7 yr olds, providing an introduction to netball with skill development and fun games enhancing coordination and balance. The SET TIER is aimed at 8-10yrs, which will continue on with skill development as well as providing an opportunity to participate in some game play throughout the season with our Midget players. Midget players participating in the TDNA competition are also encouraged to register through this site. If you have already registered with Netball Victoria as a junior, that is quite OK and will not affect participation.

The NET TIER will commence on TUESDAY 13TH APRIL 2017 at 4pm and will run for 10 seasons; excluding school holidays.

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 be aware that MIDGET participants must be 9 years of age on the 1st January 2017. 10 participants will compete in the midget competition; if there are more than 10 eligible participants for the Midgets, the coach and the committee will allocate participants according to club policy and rules of operation. These participants will be encouraged to, and be made very welcome to participate in the SET TIER.

Please register online via the following link

If there are any questions please contact either Simone Lane; 0427 511 713 simhocking@live.com.au OR Midget Coach; Kylie Murphy 0427 020 008