### Yandoit Primary School

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'Learning and Growing Together' Be Respectful Be a Responsible Learner Be Honest and Trustworthy Be Caring and Compassionate Be a Good Citizen

#### **CALENDAR**

#### March

Monday 11th

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

#### Thursday 14th

- Parent-Teacher Interviews
- 12:00 -5.30
- NOTE: This is NOT a Pupil free Day

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

- Family Working Bee and BBO to Welcome our New families
- Sausages and Polenta and Napoli sauce provided
- Please bring salad or dessert to share
- BBQ 4.30-5pm

#### Tuesday 19th

- DPS and Annexes Cultural Day
- Excursion to DPS with Jose and Dave

#### Wednesday 20th

School Council 6pm Child Care available.AGM and first meeting of new council.

#### Thursday 28th

Final day of term One. Early Dismissal

#### **School Term Dates 2013**

Term 1 Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Jan – Thur 28<sup>th</sup> March Term 2 Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Apr – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June Term 3 Tue 16<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Sept Term 4 Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec

### **CURRENT FOCUS**

## Personal Best

Everyday we make decisions and choices. To achieve our personal best it is important that those decisions and choices we make are our "best".

The following attributes will help us to achieve our personal best:

- Think positively
- Work hard
- Challenging ourselves
- Setting goals
- Planning to achieve our goals

We all have a responsibility to be the best that we can be in our personal relationships, academic, sporting, musical and artistic endeavours.

Chris Tsiplakis:)

**WANTED** Plastic shopping bags for Cultural Day – Tues 19th March.

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Thankyou, Trudi Blick.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last Friday, we conducted a very successful House Swimming Sports. Congratulations to all the participating students, thank you to staff, well done to Mr Kiellerup on his organisation, who was well supported by Sherilee and thanks to the parents who were able to attend.

From my prospective, the best outcome was reflected in the high level of participation, which reflects very well on the swimming program. It also fits beautifully with the focus of the fortnight 'personal best'. To watch children swim over a distance they had never competed over was truly satisfying.



1<sup>st</sup> Wyuna 329 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sutton 303 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> Corinella 274 points and 4<sup>th</sup> Tipperary 250 points.

Girl Champion – Ava Nance Boy Champion Finlay Loft

A reminder that parent/teacher interviews are being conducted next Thursday at Yandoit Annexe. This is a parent/teacher interview; no students are required on this occasion. In term 3, the interviews require the students to attend.

A reminder that Monday is a public holiday and that term 1 finishes on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>.

A final reminder: if you are interested in School Council nomination please email Debbie or drop in for a nomination form.

PLEASE NOTE:-Term 2 does not start with a pupil free day as first communicated at the beginning of the year. In fact all students are

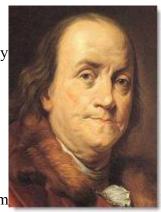
required at school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April to commence term two.

Could I bring your attention to the excellent article by Michael Grose (included with our Newsletter ) about "*Persistence*".

Peter Burke

#### **CHESS NOTES**

"Chess teaches foresight, by having to plan ahead; vigilance, by having to keep watch over the whole chess board; caution, by having to restrain ourselves from making hasty moves; and finally, we learn from chess the greatest maxim in life - that even when



everything seems to be going badly for us we should not lose heart, but always hoping for a change for the better, steadfastly continue searching for the solutions to our problems."

Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790) Statesman, philosopher, inventor, scientist, musician, economist

#### **PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

The Interviews will be held next Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Please note that this is **NOT** a pupil free day.

Jose and Robyn will conduct Parent-Teacher Interviews in the Library and Mrs R will teach the class for the day. If you are waiting for an Interview, please wait in the playground or in the Art Room, if hot.

We have allocated times for students if the Parentteacher Interview form has been returned. A confirmed time has been included with your Newsletter

#### **ADDED NOTE**

A note has been added this week to the Newsletter that needs to be returned by next Wednesday, so that organisation can be completed.

We have several events, Working Bee and Family BBQ, Camp and BOITE Choir and we need to gauge exact numbers from families so that we can confirm our organisation.

**Working Bee and Family BBQ** –Fri 15<sup>th</sup> March 3.30-5pm. School to provide sausages, bread, polenta and Napoli sauce. Could Families provide a salad or dessert BYO Family drinks. As we have a range of dietary requirements, please indicate if you require vegetarian/vegan alternatives to the sausages or indicate your preference and we will organise these.

**School Camp** - Mon 27<sup>th</sup> - Wed 29<sup>th</sup> May to be held at Camp Wilkin in Anglesea. Jose and Robyn will be the supervising teachers attending camp and Dave will attend as well. Some families may feel that their child/children are not ready for an overnight camp and we just need to know this so that we can organise costings.

BOITE SCHOOLS CHOIR 2013. The Boite Schools Choir is an un- auditioned choir for school groups and community youth choirs. Children will learn songs with their music teacher (Robyn) in Term 2, participate in 2 combined schools rehearsals and perform in a grand concert with professional musicians and hundreds of students at a prestigious venue.

The project provides opportunities for extensive learning beyond the musical classroom. In 2013 students will explore songs and themes of the Indian Ocean –including language, environmental concerns, dance and rhythms of the Seychelle Islands.

Concert date Sun 11<sup>th</sup> August Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts, Ballarat.

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School Council has supported the participation of our Grade 2-6 students and has agreed to subsidise our students participation, as the cost is \$40 per student, which included the T-shirt to be worn for the Concert.

Georgina (Milla's Mum) has also found some information re applying for a Grant from Bendigo Bank and we are going to see if we can have success with this, so that the only cost for parents will be their tickets to attend the Concert

Please note:- All students will be learning the songs in Music with Robyn in term 2.

Please organise to send back your form by Wednesday next week. Thankyou

#### **STUDENT REPORTS**

School Term is back and Y.P.S is busy. There are 5 new students. The students love playing 4 square and dodge ball and they get fresh air while playing. In 2013 YPS has 20 students, there were only 16 last year. The School has a guards van, two portables and two toilets, plus a sports and a playground. It is an excellent school for children to learn and play. Fortunately Dave has a beard. By RH Productions (Renier)

The beginning of Term 1 at YPS has been different because there are more students, especially heaps of girls. The grade 3-6 students have been playing 4 square and netball most lunch a lot. But it has been too hot to play for very long, so they all head off to the guards van to cool down. Conversation has been very broad.

By Lizzie

Four Square Frenzy. Since the beginning of Term 1, Prep – 6 students at YPS have been playing 4 Square. Everyone has been enjoying it even Dave and the teachers. Unfortunately the down side is that Dave has been making new rules up. The best bit is there are now 20 students at YPS. Last year there were only 16. By Harry

### PHOTO GALLERY



Solomon, Jane, Isa and our newest family member Satchin

















# STUDENT AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### DreamFest 2013

16th March – Family Fun Day @ Calembeen Park, Creswick 12-5pm. Local DJ's, rock climbing, face painting puppet workshop, jumping castle and MORE! 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Music event at Daylesford Community Park (Skate Park) 12-6.30pm X Factor's Declan Sykes PLUS Mother and Son and Battle of Bands feat. Eyes Wide Open, Persist Prevail, Jade and Jenny PLUS Skate Comp, jumping castle, face painting and MORE!

Gold coin donation only! All ages, drug, alcohol and smoking free fully supervised events funded by the Hepburn Shire Council and the State of Victoria - www.freeza.vic.gov.au.

**FREE HOMEWORK GROUP** Come along on Tuesdays from 3.45 to 6.00pm.Start with a snack, which we will provide. Then registered teacher Eric will assist you with any problems you may have with your homework. Computers are available if required. And it's free. For Grade 5 - 9 students. Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre, 13 Camp Street, Daylesford 5348 3569

# Association for Children with a Disability

Making it Possible How you can think, plan and achieve goals for your child and family?

http://www.acd.org.au/community\_ed/parent\_workshops.htm

Ballarat Date: Weds 20th March 2013

9.30am – 2.45pm **Venue:** PINARC, 20 King St, Ballarat **Cost:** \$20 per person – members\* \$40 per person – non-members. Morning tea & light lunch included

Places are limited so be quick to book at: Places are limited so be quick to book at: <a href="http://trybooking.com/39127">http://trybooking.com/39127</a> or phone the office on 9818 2000.

#### SKILL ACQUISITION PROGRAM

A key aspect of the new Football Federation Australia National Curriculum is the implementation of a Skill Acquisition Program to perfect and accelerate the skill development of identified players at the critical ages of 9 to 12.

This is the age group universally acknowledged to be the optimal mental and physical phase in which children are able to learn motor skills.

The FFV in conjunction with the FFA will be commencing the Skill Acquisition Program in Ballarat during the winter period. The program is planned to commence in late April

Selection will be based on first touch as well as striking the ball, 1v1, running with the ball and player mentality. Players will train TWICE per week and play on weekends with their current clubs.

The program is open to male and female players For further information go the the FFV website at http://www.footballfedvic.com.au/index.php?id=166

#### Important Dates:

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March: Application close for Ballarat (NB: Registration is only taken through the web site above)
Tues16<sup>th</sup>/Wed 17<sup>th</sup> April: Selection Trials
Mon 29<sup>th</sup> April: Program commences

For further information contact the FFV or David Broadbent on 0409769724