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

CALENDAR

October
Thursday 23rd  Walk to school
Wednesday 22nd  Prep Transition
Wednesday 29th  Prep Transition
Friday 31st  World Teacher Day

November
Tuesday 4th  Melbourne Cup Holiday
Wednesday 12th  Prep Transition
Saturday 15th  Swiss Italian Festa parade
& Polenta stall
Wednesday 19th  School Council Meeting
Wednesday 26th  Prep transition
Saturday 29th  Government election
(Voting at YPS)

December
Wednesday 3rd  Yandoit School Concert
Friday 5th  Swimming program begins
Wednesday 10th  Drummond School Concert
Thursday 18th  Last Day- 3.30pm finish

Pupil Free Days
To be confirmed

CURRENT FOCUS
Persistence

YANDOIT NEWS

NO STANDING ZONE
You will have noticed by now that there is a sign in the driveway of the school and some cones advising that it is now a no standing zone. There have been concerns over the potential dangers around cars going into the driveway to turn or drop off students. The safety of our students is the basis for this decision and we would appreciate your support.

SWISS ITALIAN FESTA FUNDRAISER
We are quickly approaching the local Swiss Italian Festa celebration. For several years now our biggest fundraiser for the year has been the Yandoit Primary Polenta stall at the Festa. A dedicated group of parents has begun the preparations for this but volunteers are still needed for a number of jobs.
If you are available anytime beforehand or on Saturday November 15th could you please return the form stating your availability. Thanks.

**PLEASANTVILLE PLAYING**
You may not realize it but Richard and Michelle Pleasance (Rufus’ parents) are part of a band called Pleasantville. They will be playing at the Hepburn Hotel this Sunday beginning at 5pm. Entry is $10. If you are free why not go along and enjoy some local entertainment in a relaxed atmosphere.

**GARDEN WORKS AT SCHOOL**
We currently have a small but enthusiastic group of gardeners among the parents who have formed a garden committee. There are some interesting plans to improve our vegetable garden area. If you want to know more speak to Dave Lewis, Nicholas Rushworth or Lisa Cockerall. Thanks team- we look forward to seeing what you have in mind!

**CHESS CHALLENGES**
John Wilson has been coming in to teach chess to the children on Thursdays for sometime now. He occasionally comes in and has a chess challenge with up to 3 students during lunch time. This week he played Zoe, Isa and Kate at the same time. He had to work hard as they are starting to get good and all beat him on ‘time’ this week. Chess is a great addition to our school program and we truly appreciate this input. Thanks again John.

**FABULOUS PARENTS& Co.**
At Yandoit we have so many giving parents. There is so much that goes on behind the scenes that contributes to the smooth running of our school. Last week I found Meg Sproat cleaning cobwebs while waiting for the boys to finish school. Today Michelle Rushworth was sorting shelves in the kitchen for several hours. On Monday Jennifer (Isaac’s grandmother) was in doing her weekly testing students on their high frequency words. A big thankyou to you all. No wonder our school works so well!

As it is walk to school month I thought it would be good to have a morning this month that the students can join me in a walk to school, starting from the bus stop near the start of high street. This will be a 1 kilometre walk and should only take around 15 minutes. Anyone who would like to join me can do so next Thursday morning at 8.40 am. I will remind students before the day and hope for good weather!

Jose

A reminder to parents that we are a Sun Smart School and school hats are to be worn at recess, lunchtime and sport during terms 1 & 4.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**YMCA FUN SKATE**
Nandirog Drive, Delacombe Stadium, for kids 4 years and older. Saturdays : 11 Oct, 15 Nov, 13 Dec from 1pm–4pm, Nandirog Drive, Delacombe. $10 per person, includes skate hire & 3hrs skating (or BYO skates and blades).
Contact Stacey at YMCA 0434 743 993 or (03) 4333 6400. www.ballarat.ymca.org.au

Kyneton Little Athletics Centre
Registrations are now open for the upcoming Track and Field Little Athletics season at the Kyneton Little Athletics Centre. The Little Athletics program is open for all ages & abilities between the ages of 5 to 15.
Registration must be completed online at www.lavic.com.au and registration packs will be available on presentation of receipt of payment on the first morning of competition. Information can be found at our website: www.kynetonlac.com.au

Season starts the 11th October.
DAY OF COMP./TIME: Sat. mornings from 9.00 am
VENUE: KynetonShowgrounds, Mollison St Kyneton

DAYLESFORD LAWN TENNIS CLUB
Announcing a new season of junior tennis at the Daylesford Lawn Tennis Club, with a Family Open Day on Sunday 19 October 10.30 -12.30 with free clinics, registration for players and BBQ lunch.

Birdwatching Basics
@ Trentham Neighbourhood Centre
Sat 25th Oct 2014;
9:00am to 10:30am. $15/head.
Ever wondered what those little brown birds are in the bottom of your garden? ... or what kind of ducks they are at the local lake? Come and learn about ways of looking and listening for birds, tips on using binoculars, bird identification, sources of information, and good places to go looking for birds.
All ages and levels welcome. Bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them - but eyes, ears and curiosity are all you really need.
Tutor: Lawrie Conole
Book @ the TNC by phone 5424 1354 or email admin@trenthamnc.org.au
(Suitable for all ages but children should be accompanied by an adult.)

FREE PASTA DEMONSTRATION
Learn to make Fresh Pasta
Come and meet Hilda and Laurie of the Yarra Valley, authors of Wow! It’s Italian Gourmet Cook Book
First generation Italians who are passionate about their recipes and would love to share them with you
At Daylesford Library, Fri 31st Oct, 2014 from 4.00-5.30pm
Ph. 5348 2800
Please note: This is an Adult event

BUSHFIRE FORUM
Three speakers, three aspects of bushfire: Head/Hands/Heart - facts and the science/practical things we can do/how to keep feeling safe.
Kevin Tolhurst "Firestorm Physics How did the Black Saturday fires burn? Will we be likely to have another like that soon? Will climate change make things worse?"
Joan Webster "Household Fire Planning Is stay and defend or leave early still relevant?"

Joan Webster OAM has campaigned for over 30 years for more effective and easily understood bushfire safety information for the public.
Daryl Taylor "Psychology and Sociology of Resilience How can I face a fire? What happens if I get caught and can’t leave? What do I do afterwards?"
Daylesford Town Hall 7pm -10pm
$10pp pre booked $15 at the door.
For more info: HRN@internode.on.net, 53483636

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HOT SHOTS JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM

The Mt Prospect Tennis Association (Creswick) is proud to offer an

8 week Hot Shots Junior Tennis Program

From: Sat 18 Oct 2014 to Sat 06 Dec 2014.

Facilitated by: Ashleigh Jolliffe

Primary school aged children aged between 5-8 years are invited to participate in this exciting program that introduces children to tennis skill development, game knowledge, and physical activity in a fun environment.

Each session is for 30 minutes at either 09:30am, 10:00am, 10:30am, or 11:00am and contains no more than 6 children per group (only 24 places available!).

Note: Parents must be in attendance for the duration of their child’s session.

Registration: Saturday 11 October 2014 @ 10:30am – 11:30am

Where: Mt Prospect Courts (Creswick) – Court 23

Bring: Hat, racquet (if you have one), drink bottle and your registration money.

Cost: $40 per player

Queries can be directed to Tulsa Andrews on 0400 299 882 or email: t.andrews@federation.edu.au

VOLLEYBALL AT THE ARC

Daylesford Volleyball’s new season has commenced at the ARC in Smith St. Grade 6 students, parents and teachers are welcome to come along, join in the fun, make new friends and get a little bit fit. So come along on the night or contact Colin Priest on 53487674 or 0447487674 School and State Junior Coach.

MARTIAL ARTS - KIDS SELF DEFENCE

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Tara: 0407 329 662 Damien: 0428 994 859

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CENTACARE

Family Relationship Services Program: Parenting Programs

Parenting Solo: Sat 18 Oct, 10am-1pm $20 p.p.

Connecting with Kids: Tues. 21 & 28 Oct. 10-12 noon.$20pp All groups will be held at the Family Relationship Centre,

34 Peel St, North, Ballarat.

To register & enquiries about other family relationship programs

Please Call: 53 277 960.