November is racing ahead and close on the heels of our Swiss-Italian Festa Fundraiser is the Sausage Sizzle and Bake Stall next Saturday – Election Day. Yandoit Primary School is a designated polling booth and a great opportunity to raise some funds for our school.

We will also have a wood raffle. Deb is catching up personally with everyone this week to see if you can do something to help us. If you are baking for the stall, please ensure that no cream is used and all food is clearly labelled with ingredients and packaged in plastic wrap or cellophane bags.

As the School Concert is the following Wednesday, we felt at School Council that it would be great to have the Christmas Hamper ready for the day as well. There will be a basket left in the kitchen on Monday and we would ask if you could bring along a few Christmas food items per family to place in the basket to raffle. We have attached a small book of tickets for the Hamper. Could each
family try to sell them and return the stubs and money to school before the concert. Please note, so that we do not get confused with raffle tickets, the wood raffle tickets will only be sold on Election Day.

**CURRENT FOCUS**

*Co-operation (Including Others)*

**PRINCIPALS REPORT**

The Swiss Italian Celebrations went very well over the weekend. Thankyou to everyone who was involved in fundraising for Yandoit PS. Although, it appeared that numbers were down this year at the Festa, the Napoli Sauce and Polenta Food Stall raised $574. Congratulations to all who worked so hard to prepare the food and who worked on the day. An event like this shows just what a dedicated group of parents there are at Yandoit Primary School. Well done everyone.

Parents would have received a text message from me on Monday. We now have the ability to text our parents through SMS Global. The system picks up one number per family from our enrolment lists and this is the contact number that will receive text messages from the school. If one member of the family did not receive a text message on Monday, then please contact the front office. Also please make sure you keep your contact details up to date with the school.

Our Pupil Free Day was extremely valuable for staff, who placed great energy into planning for 2015 and report writing.

Our next transition morning for the 2015 Preps will take place next Wednesday. We welcome Cooper Paige and their parents Brooke and John, who just recently arrived from Queensland. They had their first transition day last week and next Wednesday all three 2015 Preps will come to school for the morning.

Peter Burke.

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**STAFFING 2015**

We would like to congratulate Robyn, as she has gained a .8 (4 day) position at Drummond Primary School for 2015. We will miss her greatly but know that we will still keep in touch in the Annexe Team and on Annexe Group Days

**Staffing for 2015**

.8 Class teacher (Tues –Fri) Jose Berto  
.2 Class teacher (Monday) Nicole Wassell  
.4 Class teacher/ administration Deb Rauber  
.6 Teacher’s Aide (Mon- Wed) Dave Lewis  
.4 Teacher’s Aide (Thurs-Fri) Michelle Quinn

We welcome Nicole, who is the Art Specialist/classroom teacher at Daylesford PS, but who will be teaching our class on Mondays. Nicole will be our Art Specialist and Performance Arts Specialist.

**SWIMMING PROGRAM**

We have included an extra swimming permission form with this Newsletter for the families who have not yet returned their form. We need to work out the driving roster next week, so that it can be included in next week’s newsletter. If families could send in the $25 for swimming, except families who are EMA recipients, then that would help us to complete the arrangements for this year’s swimming program.

**END OF YEAR CONCERT**

The Concert will be held on Wednesday 3rd December at 7pm. There are a few jobs that the teachers will need help with on the night. Please email or speak to Debbie if you can assist with any of them.

- Christmas tree
- Supper Co-ordinator
- Raffle ticket sales before the concert
- Sound equipment
- Packing up Thursday morning
**FIRE AWARENESS**

Several School Councillors and Deb attended the Community Bushfire Awareness meeting at Yandoit Hall after School Council last evening. It was very informative and we were given information to pass onto school families. Please find this information attached.

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**SWISS & ITALIAN FESTA**

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**BOOK CLUB**

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Final day for orders is **Friday 28th November**.
Payment must be made at the time of ordering, either by credit card, cheque made out to *Yandoit Primary School*, or cash. Please note that this is the final Bookclub issue for 2014.

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**STUDENT AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

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**DAYLESFORD & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW**
When: Saturday, November 22nd, 2014
Where: Victoria Park, Daylesford
(Entries close: November 15th, 2014)
More Information: [www.daylesfordshow.com](http://www.daylesfordshow.com)
Or Email: info@daylesfordshow.com

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**TRY GOLF DAY - Sun Nov 23rd**
Hepburn Springs Golf Club is pleased to be hosting a TRY GOLF DAY – we welcome teenagers & adults to have a go at some basic golf skills activities, followed by a sausage sizzle. Come along with your family or friends to enjoy a hit and get some coaching tips.
Sun. Nov 23rd; Hepburn Springs Golf Club;
Children up to 16 yo 10am-11.15am &
Adults 11-30-12.45. Sausage Sizzle at 12.45pm
COST: FREE!!!!
Prizes – most accurate drive off 1st tee; chipping & pitching to a target & best score out of 10 putts from 2 metres.
***Special SUMMER membership offers to participants on the day: Unlimited golf Nov to end of Feb (except on competition days). Adults $100. Children $50. Enquiries to Jan Thompson 0412499872 or strongjan@bigpond.com