We welcomed Andy Rigby on Thursday morning for the first of two Marimba workshops. The next workshop has been scheduled on Thursday 13th November.
PRINCIPALS REPORT

On Friday 31st October, it is World Teachers Day. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the tireless work that ALL our staff across the three schools completes on a daily basis. We said thank you to the staff at the DPS assembly, our House Captains and our School Captains, presented World Teachers Day badges to our staff and they received warm applause from the children and parents. This year’s theme is “together we achieve more”, which is certainly the case with our wonderfully dedicated staff. If you see a staff member over the coming week, you may like to stop and thank them for their work.

Preparation throughout the school has occurred in the lead up to the Swiss & Italian Festa. Look out for masks, lanterns, Pinocchio drawings and art work.

I would like to encourage all parents to offer their assistance with the fundraising events for the Festa; the BBQ for DPS and the Polenta and Napoli Sauce food stall for Yandoit. (More information in the Newsletter)

Finally, work around the school has commenced on our next garden bed for the KG program and repairs to the Sail Shade uprights.

Peter Burke

SWISS-ITALIAN FESTA

Lantern Making
On Friday 7th November, Rebecca Anderson, from the Swiss Italian Festa Committee will be coming to Yandoit to run a lantern workshop. For this session, the Home Schooling Group are joining us.

Swiss-Italian Festa Fundraiser
A timetable for the food preparations and equipment sorting, will be in the kitchen early next week.
We have a few names allocated to each job already, but a few more volunteers are needed. This is our main fundraiser and the bulk of the work is done the 2 days before the Festa. We have added the ideal number of volunteers we need for each job, so that you know which task is best to nominate yourself for.

Parade and Schools Concert
Yandoit students will be performing with the Drummond Students at the Festa. They will be doing an old German folk dance. Please start looking for clothing that makes them look like peasant farmers- same as the recent group day at Drummond.
Students will be working on masks in Art, that they may like to wear in the parade.

WALK TO SCHOOL

Our final “Official” Walk to School Day for WALKTOBER finished today, with a large group of children, dogs and parents. Of course, lead by Jose. Well done everyone.
With the lovely weather in the mornings, families might like to keep up the walking group from the bus stop. Please note that a parent will be needed to supervise the children on this walk.

THANKYOU FROM MRS R

A huge THANKYOU to everyone for all their hard work, while I was on leave.
It was wonderful to come back to school, to see everything going along so well.
I had a great holiday and feel rested and rejuvenated.

REMEMBERANCE DAY
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**SWIMMING PROGRAM**

We will commence our swimming program on Friday 5th December. The lessons will take place at Daylesford PS pool at 2 pm.

Further information re cost will be in next week’s newsletter, but could parents start to think about their availability for driving on Fri 5th and each day of the following week.

**BOOKCLUB**

Final day for orders is Wednesday 5th November. Payment must be made at the time of ordering, either by credit card, cheque made out to Yandoit Primary School, or cash.

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**

Halloween face Painting by Lotus & Ruby (Lotus is an ex student of Yandoit PS )
Friday 31/10/14, 5.00pm-8.00pm
Outside Daylesford Coles
Cost: $5.00
Money raised to go towards World Challenge Trip to Malaysia.

Yandoit Annual Community Bar-B-Que and Bonfire
Saturday November 1st 2014. Yandoit Recreational Reserve, commencing at 5pm, bonfire lit at 7pm

Clydesdale Community BBQ
Monday 3rd November. 6pm start. BYO everything for a great night. Have a flutter.

Local History in Story No 4
The Creeks

Sunday November 9th at 2:00pm until approx 5:00pm. To be held on private property. Local families all welcome. RSVP is essential to Nikki Marshall 0432 232 073.

**TRENTHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE**

Contact: admin@trenthamnc.org.au

**Cooking Workshop: Little Chefs**
Every family has a budding chef. When children say they want to cook dinner, you may be looking at a Jamie Oliver or a Nigella Lawson in the making! Come along with your taste buds hopping and we'll cook up a nutritious and satisfying meal you'll be proud of.

Saturday 8 November 11:00-1:00pm
Tutor: Christine Caley. This event is free. Bookings required as numbers are limited. Positive Parenting
This session will cover several topics of interest to parents including positive discipline, encouragement, attachment and brain development, managing anger and self care.
Wednesday 19 November 9:30am-1pm (with morning tea). Centacare: Geraldine White Cost: $40
**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_

**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

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**GIVE GOLF A GO!**

Hepburn Springs Golf Club is offering beginner adults (16 y.o. and over) a chance to learn the basics of golf in 5 x 90 minute lessons.

_Dates: THURSDAYS Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27 and Dec. 4th From 5.00-6.30pm. Cost: $50._

_Registration or enquiries to Jan Thompson 0412 499 872, 53484840 or strongjan@bigpond.com_

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**YMCA FUN SKATE**

Nandiriog Drive, Delacombe Stadium, for kids 4 years and older.

_Saturdays: 11 Oct, 15 Nov, 13 Dec from 1pm-4pm, Nandiriog 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_