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YINNAR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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CALENDAR AND REMINDERS

Tues-Fri	23-26 May	Grade 5/6 Camp (Sovereign Hill Ballarat)
Thursday	25 May	Finance Meeting 6:45pm
Thursday	25 May	School Council Meeting 7:30pm
Tuesday	30 May	Flag Raising Ceremony at Latrobe City (select students)
Wednesday	31 May	Chess Tournament at Korumburra (select students)
Thursday	1 June	Concert Auditions (1.15pm-3.15pm) (Grade 5/6 students)
Tuesday	6 June	Old Gipps town Excursion (Grades 1/2H & 2/3W)
Friday	9 June	Coal Creek Excursion (Grade 3/4)

Dear Parents,

SOVEREIGN HILL CAMP

Our five/ six camp to Ballarat is happening this week and by all accounts, the students are all having a wonderful time at Sovereign Hill.

Their days are planned to be filled with fun and adventure to discover all of the action and excitement of life as it was in the 1850's, during the greatest alluvial gold rush the world has ever seen.

Whilst there is so much to ignite their curiosity with shops, a theatre, schools, factories, gold digging and underground mines from the 1850's, the place itself won't teach our children much, unless they become engaged, show curiosity and the willingness to try all the different and fun things that will be available.

I am a strong advocate for school camping programs and it is true that children often learn as much or more outside the classroom as they do in it.

I look forward to hearing how they struck it rich (hopefully) when panning for gold and how they managed with the "technology" of the time - copperplate writing with slate pencils!

G.R.A.C.E.

Our core values- what we call **G.R.A.C.E.** are the core values we base our school on. It is what we want to become at Yinnar Primary School. So, do you remember what **G.R.A.C.E.** stands for?

GROWTH MINDSET

RESPECT

AIM HIGH

CURIOSITY

ENTHUSIASM

Where did they come from? They came from our work with James Nottingham and, importantly, were selected by **teachers & parents**. We believe that if our children, staff and parent community demonstrate these values, then we will have not only great learners at our school, but even more importantly great people.

What do they look like? I am certain that everyone knows what the core values are but what some of them look like is often not as clear and are at risk of just becoming words we say or subjective in nature.

This term and next, we will be reflecting on our **G.R.A.C.E.** values across the whole school community to develop descriptors of what these values really look like for all of us.

Our **G.R.A.C.E.** student leaders have already started to develop some, and at staff meetings and through School

Council, we will be having these important conversations.

You may have noticed that we have a new friendly face in our office on Tuesdays and occasionally on a Thursday. Ms Kerrina Hall is helping us out with some administrative tasks and will be providing replacement for Donna when she goes on some long service leave later in the term. Kerrina is very experienced, working in schools in Latrobe Valley for some time now.

So, if you are calling in at the office, please introduce yourself to Kerrina and give her the Yinnar warm welcome that you are all well known for.

Also, exciting news! Ms Vary and her partner, Tom, are new proud parents to a beautiful baby girl, Isabella Grace. We have had a few visits from Ms Vary and Isabella, who are both doing wonderfully well.

Enjoy your week,

Tamina

G.R.A.C.E OUTDOOR AWARDS

At Yinnar Primary School we value our Core Values - **Growth Mindset**, **Respect**, **Aim High**, **Curiosity** and **Enthusiasm**.

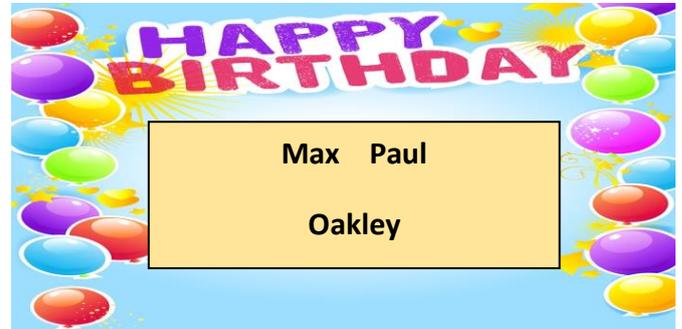
Thank you to the following students for displaying one of these Core Values out in the playground:

Lottie, Amelie, Sophie, Jonathon, Noah, Oakley and **Meg**. We hope you enjoyed your prize from the **G.R.A.C.E.** Lucky Dip Box.

Congratulations to our Learners of the Week:

Prep N - Locky, 1T - Zander, 1/2H - Ada, 2/3W - Stella, 3/4H - Isaac, 3/4 L-Jack G, 5/6C - Lola and 5/6T - Jackson

Well done and keep up the great work!



HOUSE CAPTAINS BULLETIN

The House Captain Team would like you to know that they will be holding some outdoor activities this term.

Each week we will do a yard clean-up which will involve each house having a section of the school that they get volunteers to help clean up during lunch times. We can use the garden shed to get tools.

We will also be having a netball clinic during week 7 to get ready for a tournament we are holding at lunchtimes for the grade 3-6's. Next term we are hoping to do some football skills.

The House Captains are also running part of the Lions Junior Public Speaking Competition at school in the last week of term. More details to follow about this.

Thank you from the House Captains.

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS / CAMPS

To ensure the smooth organization and running of camps and excursions we request that permission forms and payments be returned to the school by 10am on the return date on the permission form.

<i>ACTIVITY</i>	<i>NOTE & MONEY DUE BACK AT SCHOOL</i>	<i>COST</i>
1/2H & 2/3W excursion to Old Gipps town Tuesday 6 th June	Wednesday 31st May	\$12.00
3/4 Excursion to Coal Creek Friday 9 th June	Wednesday 31st May	\$22.00



LATROBE SPECIAL DEVELOPMENTAL SCHOOL

OPEN MORNING



ALL PARENTS, CARERS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS

AND PROSPECTIVE PARENTS ARE INVITED TO

VISIT LATROBE

SPECIAL DEVELOPMENTAL SCHOOL ON

Monday 29th May 2017 at 9.30 am

COME ALONG AND SEE THE RANGE OF
PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES OUR SCHOOL HAS
TO OFFER FOR STUDENTS WITH ADDITIONAL
NEEDS.

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO LOOK AROUND THE
SCHOOLS FACILITIES AND SEE CLASSROOMS
RUNNING THEIR DAILY PROGRAMS INCLUDING
LITERACY AND NUMERACY FROM 9.30- 10.15
THEN PLEASE FEEL FREE TO STAY FOR A CUPPA
IN THE HOUSE

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School Motto

'Towards Independence'