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YINNAR PRIMARY SCHOOL



CALENDAR AND REMINDERS

Thursday 14th June

Friday 15th June

Monday 18th June

Friday 22nd June

Tuesday 26th June

Wednesday 27th June

Thursday 28th June

Friday 29th June

Monday 16th July

Monday July 30th

School Closure Day

Prep/1 H and Prep/1 N Melbourne Aquarium Excursion

Chess Tournament at Korumburra

School Disco at Yinnar Rec Reserve

Yinnar's Got Talent at Yinnar Town Hall 12:30pm – 1:30pm

Parent Teacher Conversations 5/6T, 5/6C, 3/4G & 3/4TG

Parent Teacher Conversations P/1H, P/1N, 1/2H & 2/W

School Council Meeting

Grade One Dental Screening

End of Term Two – 1:15pm Dismissal

Term Three Commences

Bully Zero Parent Sessions 3:30pm and 7pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Core value of **Curiosity** is just one of the key elements of being a powerful and effective learner, along with attention, determination, imagination, thinking, reflection, organisation and socialising (learning with others).

Curiosity is the feeling that makes learning attractive and it is this not- knowing or wondering that creates engagement with things that are unfamiliar. We teach our students to be curious by including opportunities for them to wonder, question, explore, experiment and tinker with ideas. This part of the learners "toolkit" can be made stronger and more sophisticated as students develop these learning behaviours.

Children are naturally curious and there is research to suggest that in the first month of primary school, the number of questions children ask each day drops by 90% - this is scary! We know that when they are often told what it is they need to learn they often become compliant- so here at Yinnar we deliberately foster, promote model and value curiosity.

Elements of Curiosity we teach includes:

- **Wondering**- being keen to learn, to have an inquiring mind
- **Questioning**- asking how come things are the

way they are, puzzling about things and seeking possible answers

- **Exploring**- being up for a challenge or adventure, perhaps slightly out of your comfort zone and being willing to take a risk to go into the unknown and to stretch your brain to come to grips with something new
- **Experimenting and tinkering**- having a go at trial and error, try to do something different from usual and noticing what happens- being willing to make mistakes and learn and grow from them

How curious is your child at home? What are they curious about? When does something spark their interest? Are they stronger at different aspects of curiosity than others. For example are they avid questioners but not necessarily up for exploring new ideas on their own or going out of their comfort zone to find out more but would they be more passive and want someone tell them the answer?

As a staff we will be learning more about the ways to develop powerful and effective learners this Thursday when we have our professional learning Closure Day led by Prof Guy Claxton from the UK. It is his research which is the basis for our Learning Power approach here at Yinnar. We have made lots of inroads into developing our learning culture and are keen to deepen our understandings and skills in this area.

We are very excited to be learning first hand from Prof Claxton right here at our school.

Have a great week,

Tamina Taylor

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to our Learners of the Week:
Prep / 1 H- Locky, Prep / 1 N – Eleanor, 1/2H- Bailen, 2/W- Aiden, 3/4G- Caleb, 3/4 TG – Declan, Joey & Oliver 5/6C- Luke and 5/6T- Oliver. Well done and keep up the great work.

GRACE 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: *Max, Vienna, Beau, Harry, Cody, Lola and Shavonne.* We hope you enjoyed your prize from the GRACE Lucky Dip Box.

URGENT LIBRARY HELP REQUIRED

Our faithful volunteer Faye is having some time off, so we are need of some adult help of some reshelving of the books until the end of term. We also need some help with covering of some new library books, this can be done in the comfort of your own home or at school. If you can help out with any of these, please pop in to the library and see Leanne.

YINNAR'S GOT TALENT

On 26th June we are holding the Yinnar's Got Talent Grand Final at the Yinnar Hall from 12:30-1:30pm (Contestants will go to hall with Mrs Taylor and School Captains at 12 noon to set up and practice).

All students will be walking down to the hall and having popcorn as we watch. If any students have any allergies to popcorn, please let us know. Parents are very welcome to join us at the hall.

*Thank you from,
 Bella, Vinnie, Meg and Harry*



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>
Melbourne Aquarium Excursion Friday 15 th June Prep/1 N and Prep/1H	Overdue	\$42.00
Chess Tournament Monday 18 th June Selected Students	Tuesday 14th June	\$20.00
Grade One Dental Screening Friday 29 th June	Friday 22nd June	Free

SCHOOL DISCO

Dear Parents,

We are having a school disco.

When: Friday the 22nd of June.

Where: Yinnar Recreation Reserve.

The theme is:



70s, 80s, 90s – 3 Decades of Fashion!

Please try and come dressed as a person from one of those fashion eras!

The disco times are:

Prep - 2 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Grade 3-6 7:15pm to 8:45pm

It costs \$3 to enter. Drinks and chips will be sold separately.

Chips \$1

Drinks \$1

Hope to see you there!!

From the Junior School Council