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YINNAR PRIMARY SCHOOL

CALENDAR AND REMINDERS

Mon-Fri	21-25 August	Book Week
Wednesday	23 August	'Escape to Everywhere' Dress Up Day
Wednesday	23 August	Book Club Order #5 Due Back to School
Thursday	24 August	School Council Meeting (7.30pm)
Friday	1 September	Division Basketball Tournament (selected students)
Tuesday	5 September	Latrobe Valley Division Athletics (selected students)
Thursday	14 September	Full Dress Rehearsal at Lowanna College
Thursday	14 September	YPS 'Lion King Kids' Concert at Lowanna College Moe
Thursday	21 September	Footy Colours Day
Friday	22 September	Last Day of Term 2 (Students dismissed at 1.15pm)
Monday	9 October	First Day of Term 3

Dear parents and carers,

At Yinnar we strive to build up our students mental, emotional and social resources to enjoy challenge, and cope well with uncertainty and complexity.

Of course, this has to be done mostly in a way that also develops Literacy and Numeracy, and gets young people the best academic results possible.

In saying this though, the best learning experiences are the authentic opportunities to apply and test out our skills in new and different situations. We are constantly on the lookout for opportunities for our learners to do this through our range of extra curricula and in-school activities.

Over the past two weeks, we have had different students play significant roles in planning and leading whole school events, including Wheels Days and NAIDOC Day.

These have been important experiences which require students to use many of their learning muscles, whether it is to listen, question, capitalize, notice, plan, revise, persevere or work collaboratively with each other, to name a few. They would have found that all the learning bits of their brains were being stretched and strengthened, one by one and all together. I'm sure they found themselves both in the learning and wobble zones throughout too!

In addition to these experiences, we asked our

school captains, Mack, Gracie, Ella and Sienna, to share with Kinder parents during our Kinder open morning last Monday, what they felt was important that new families to our school knew about Yinnar Primary school.

They were certainly not daunted by the experience which they took in their stride, speaking clearly, honestly and with pride.

I put them on the spot, asking them unrehearsed questions and I was extremely impressed with their ability to articulate in their own words what our school GRACE values looked like in reality from a student lens.

Here is a snippet of what they said:

Last Monday the School Captain team talked to the new prep parents about the resources and support that Yinnar Primary School has to offer. This is what we told them:

Hi, I'm Ella and I'm Sienna, and we are School Captains here at Yinnar Primary school.

Hi, I am Gracie and I'm Mack, and we are the School Vice Captains here at Yinnar Primary School.

Yinnar Primary School encourages the use of the five core values and the seventeen learning muscles. Together they help learners face challenges and new things.

Yinnar Primary School encourages the use of the five Core Values, which is 'GRACE'.

G stands for Growth Mindset, R is for Respect, A is for Aim High, C is for Curiosity and E is for Enthusiasm.

Every teacher at Yinnar Primary School dedicates their time to making sure every student expands their knowledge to its full capacity.

The learning resources at Yinnar include a range of maths resources such as MAB, compasses and protractors. For geography, we have world maps, and for research purposes, we have netbooks and a Library, jam packed with books to use at our disposal.

We love Yinnar Primary School because our teachers and peers are always ready to help and support you. It is very easy to make friends, and everyone is very nice. We feel that it is the best school around and you should definitely send your child here.

Thank you for listening to why you should enrol your child at Yinnar Primary School.

In the process we learned that it is not easy to be put on the spot and asked to explain GRACE or a learning diagram. We also learned that it is quite frightening to be speaking with tons of new faces staring at you.

RESPECTFUL BEHAVIOURS

Yesterday, unfortunately, I had to have a grumble when I called all the children together to talk about some unwanted behaviours, which have been starting to creep in over the past few weeks with so many children pushing the boundaries and testing the school rules.

The wearing of jewellery and non-school uniform items, chewing of gum and bringing lollies to school to name a few.

These are minor, but if let slip or continue will really lower the tone of our great school and result in a lack of pride and respect for each other, property and our high standards here at Yinnar.

Sadly, there has also been a small number of both boys and girls, who have become quite physical in their manner toward one another, often acting before thinking and certainly not showing any form of **Respect**- one of our five core values- to others.

This behaviour will not be tolerated and the clamp down is well and truly on. Some children have had to do some time out and some others may have to, should the behaviours continue.

What has impressed me is the level of parent

support in every single incident to date. It makes our job so much easier but more importantly, it helps to move the children on to more preferred behaviours very quickly. This school will not accept physically rough or aggressive behaviour of any form.

NATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF WEEK

I wish to acknowledge and thank our Education Support staff, Donna, Jodie, Kerrina, Sam, Nat, Les, Julie C and Leanne for the amazing contribution they make to our school and the staff team.

This week is **National Support Staff Week**, so if you get the opportunity to say thank you to any of them this week, I'm sure they would appreciate it. Their tireless contribution to making our school the fabulous school it is, through their work in the office, classroom, library, OH&S, grounds and first aid roles - just to name a few is very much appreciated!

Enjoy your week.

Tamina

SCHOOL CONCERT

Yinnar Primary School is proud to present...



Featuring all students from Prep to Grade 6...

When: 14th September 2017, 7pm

Where: Lowanna Secondary College Auditorium, 72-96 Newark Avenue Newborough.

Tickets: \$10 – on sale at the Yinnar Primary School office from 23rd August.

By purchasing a ticket you not only get to enjoy what is sure to be a fantastic evening of entertainment, you also help to cover the cost of the auditorium, sound, lighting, and transporting students to and from a dress rehearsal at Lowanna.

Stay tuned for more details...

HELP WANTED

We are looking for someone to film our school concert to be held on September 14. If you have the necessary skills/equipment to do this or know of someone who could assist us please contact Kara Burslem at yinnar.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Thank you.

LION KING KIDS - REHEARSALS

During the next few weeks, students from all grades will be walking to the Yinnar Memorial Hall to practice their routines for the school concert. As this is a local excursion, no permission notes will be required.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

The Parent Opinion Survey has been sent out randomly to 62 families in our school. To date we have only had a 13% response rate.

We encourage all families who received the survey to complete it and have your say. All responses are anonymous. We only know who we sent the survey to and have no idea out of the 62 surveys sent out who has completed and returned their survey as we only get a response rate.

Results from the survey are collated when the survey is closed and forwarded to us.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN 2017

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (Excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box in the front foyer at school or at your local Woolworths store in Churchill.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library.

If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

BOOK WEEK DRESS-UP DAY – 'ESCAPE TO EVERYWHERE'

Just a reminder that next Wednesday 23rd August is our special **BOOK WEEK** day.

On this day, all students are encouraged to dress up and take part in different activities based around some of this year's shortlisted books. The theme for students to dress up is '**Escape to Everywhere**'.

There will be awards given for the best costumes (in year levels), looking for originality and creativity. There won't be a dress up 'parade' as such this year but the school will come together in a different way in the morning (9am in the stadium) to support our Book Week day.

We invite parents to share in our Book Week excitement and stay for the first part of the day

YINNAR COUNTRY CAFÉ TEMPORARY CLOSURE

The Country Café will be **closed from Monday 4th September** and will re-open under new management on **Monday 11th September**.

BOOKCLUB ORDER #5

The latest Book Club catalogues have been distributed to students. Orders and money need to be submitted by Wednesday 23rd August 2017.

HELPERS WANTED....

If anyone has time to spare, we would welcome some volunteer helpers to assist with Library tasks including tidying shelves and covering books.

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:

Pippa, Lavinia, Oakley, Harry F, Eme, Caleb S, Shontae and Troy.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS CATCH-UP

This term, the School Captain Team have been organising a 'Wheels Day', which was going to happen on the 15th -16th of August. Unfortunately, due to bad weather, it has been postponed until further notice.

We have also been planning a 'pet day', which is scheduled to happen in term 4. There will be parades and the animals will be separated into categorised spaces.

As you may know, the School Captain Team have been renovating the Bush Hut. Unfortunately, the proceedings have been put on hold due to bad weather, because the paint will not set in cold climates.

The Bush Hut will be under renovation for a bit longer, so it will still be out of bounds for a while. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Thank You from the School Captain Team.

LOST PROPERTY

Byron has lost a school jacket with the Yinnar Primary School logo. Could parents/guardians please take the time to check that it hasn't gone home with someone else? Thank you.



Kiara F

Chelsea

Teddy

Congratulations to our Learners of the Week:

*Prep N – Lee, 1T – Nick W, 1/2H – Amelie,
2/3W – Alannah D, 3/4H – Jaydon, 3/4 L – Rory
5/6C – Chloe and 5/6T – Zoe N*

Well done and keep up the great work!



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CHANGE OF TRADING HOURS

BELEZA TRARALGON

The new trading hours will be affective from Wednesday 16 August 2017

New Trading Hours:
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 9:30AM - 5:00PM
(CLOSED WEDNESDAY)
SATURDAY & SUNDAY: CLOSED
Saturday trading will return 7th October 2017

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UPCOMING EXCURSIONS / CAMPS

To ensure the smooth organisation 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.

ACTIVITY	NOTE & MONEY DUE BACK AT SCHOOL	COST
Full Dress Rehearsal for the 'Lion King Kids' at Lowanna College Moe	Permission note due back by Thursday 7th September	No cost
Division Basketball Tournament	Permission note due back by Monday 28th August	No Cost
Latrobe Valley Division Athletics	Permission note and money due back by Friday 1st September	\$5.00

