Welcome to Week 8 of Term 2

Principal’s Message
Dear Parents and Students

Safety of our students
The safety of our students in and around the school is of the utmost priority for all members of our school community. I have noticed lately some very unsafe behaviours displayed by some students on the road, near cars, on bikes, etc. It is time to remind them and ourselves to be very careful and consider road safety always. A reminder that the carpark is not an entry into or out of the school grounds by students.

Darling Downs Cross Country
Congratulations to Ethan McConville on his efforts at the Darling Downs Trials in Toowoomba. Cross Country running is one of the most gruelling sports. He put in a creditable performance amongst the best runners in the region.

Lost Property
There are some items of student clothing that has been left at school during the term. Can you please check the lost property box outside the office on the verandah to see if the clothing belongs to your child?

Attendance at Killarney S.S. Musical
Our students have been invited to Killarney State School on **Wednesday 24th June 2015** to attend the matinee performance of the Killarney Musical and games with the students of Killarney State School. The musical is based on an Aladdin based story line suitable for all aged students. As our school does not have visits by Arts Council, this is an opportunity to engage with a musical performance. This is also a reward and celebration for all the hard work that our students have undertaken this term.

The cost is free. The Parents and Citizens Association and the school have provided financial assistance for this excursion. We also thank Killarney S.S. for assistance as well. The buses will be leaving the school at **10:00am.** We will be returning to school at approximately 2:30pm. Students are required to wear school uniform and will need to provide their own lunch as tuckshop will not be available on the day.

Please **complete the permission note** at the end of the newsletter if you would like your child to attend and return to school by **Friday 19th June.**

Athletics Carnivals next term
**Friday 31st July - Tanny Sports at Maryvale State School**
**Tuesday 4th Aug – ½ Day athletics at Wheatvale for 9 to 13 year old students**
**Friday 7th Aug - Warwick Country Schools Athletics**
For our students to develop physical skills, social skills and confidence, we need to prepare for these events. Preparation and training begins this Friday afternoon. Other practice sessions will be conducted during some school sessions and lunch times over the next six weeks.
Absenteeism
Reminder: If your child is away from school please notify us by telephone or send a note with your child when they return.

After school Bus Room
From this week the bus room in the afternoon will always be Miss Condon’s classroom.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding your child’s education or any other school related matter, please have no hesitation in contacting the school (4664 8224) or emailing me at the.principal@yangans.eq.edu.au

Have a great week.
Regards,
Ian Rathmell

SCHOOL NEWS

GOTCHA VALUES AWARDS

Caring - Charlie McConville – Caring about the classroom environment and offering assistance to teacher in the setting up and cleaning up or resources.
Contributing – Cody Muller – Showing enthusiasm and contributing during maths lessons.
Caring – Jack Grayson - Caring about the classroom environment and offering assistance to teacher in the setting up and cleaning up or resources.
Contributing - Jake Locke – to classroom learnings by writing own narrative at home. WOW!

Caring – Dominique Hawes - Caring about the classroom environment and offering assistance to teacher in the setting up and cleaning up or resources.

Congratulations to Dominique, Jake, Jack, Cody and Charlie as the recipients of this special award. They received this award for their personal achievements and assisting and supporting fellow class members. Well done!

Gotcha Awards
Liam Gooley – full sticker chart.
Chloe Mapes - full sticker chart.

Goals
Charlotte May- reading 5000 words.
Mackenzie Fritz – completing red sight words.
Tony Gimm- to reach 12 000 words in Accelerated Reader.
Liam McKinney – to read 30 000 words in Accelerated Reader.
Chase Powell – to read 45 000 words in Accelerated Reader.
Chelsea Longney – to read 45 000 words in Accelerated Reader.

Reading Eggs
Shania Skinner – Map 4.

Music
Gabby Kerlin - for consistent, excellent effort in music lessons
Maddy Grayson – for consistent, excellent effort in music lessons.

Word Wizard
Mackenzie Fritz – Red
Cameron McKinney – Violet
Shay Towson - Aqua
**CURRICULUM CORNER**

**TEACH KIDS TO ASK FOR WHAT THEY WANT**

Do you sometimes feel you have to be a mind reader to understand what your child wants? Effective children know how to get the cooperation of others, so it's important that kids know how to ask for what they want. That means they don't throw tantrums, whinge or sulk and hope parents guess what is on their minds.

When children are young, parents can help children find the words to express themselves. We become experts after a while interpreting what toddlers say, repeating back to them what they are saying. We carry this on into childhood and adolescence, interpreting the silences of young people, sometimes second guessing grunts and shrugs. While we need to be patient with toddlers, we need also to give older children the chance and opportunity to ask for what they want.

Sometimes we need to ignore shrugs and grunts and to expect them to articulate their wishes. This is the basis for civil behaviour, as well as the basic human skill for asking for what you want. Here's two ways you can put this into practice:

1. **Help children find the words they need to ask for what they want from you and others.** Use prompts such as "Take a minute and think through what it is you want me to do". "What would you like me to do?"

2. **Encourage children to ask for what they want in the following way:**
   - Make eye contact
   - Speak clearly and to a person
   - Use a moderate, firm voice as opposed to a wingy or loud voice
   - Accept that the answer they receive may not be the one they want

The basic task for parents is a teaching task. And teaching kids how to ask for what they want is simple, but powerful lesson we can pass on.

Michael Grose

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**WANTED: Photos (Trophy presentation) from Tanny Sports 2014 last year.**

If you took some photos of trophies being presented last year at the Tanny Sports, we would appreciate it if you could share them with us by emailing them to the school. We would like to print them and give them to the trophy presenters. Thank you. Email address: the.principal@yanganss.eq.edu.au

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**Prep, Year One, Year Two and Year Three Excursion**

This November students in Prep, Year One, Year Two and Year Three have the opportunity to participate in a **SUPER EXCITING** excursion to **Nudgee Environmental Education Centre and Underwater World**!

To find out more about this excursion we invite you to attend a meeting on Monday 22\textsuperscript{nd} June at 3:10pm in the Year P/1/2 classroom.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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**Year 3/4 Excursion**

On Monday 20\textsuperscript{th} July 2015, Year 3/4 are going on an excursion to Toowoomba. The initial letter (with cost and general details) as well as the medical form has been given out. **Please return medical form and payment to school office by Wednesday 24\textsuperscript{th} June 2015.** This will allow the school to purchase adequate tickets to the theatrical performance. If you require another medical form please see Miss Hart.
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Signed ................................. Date ..........................