Principal’s Message
Dear Parents and students

It has been great to see our future prep students having wonderful mornings at our pre prep sessions. The last Prep Orientation Morning for students attending next year will be held on Tuesday 24th November beginning at 9:15am. If you know of someone who is new to the area and is considering sending their child to Yangan State School, please ask them to contact the school. If you need more information about Prep for next year contact the school on 4664 8224.

Staff Changes
We have been very fortunate to have very committed staff members who have provided a great deal of stability over the years for our students and families at Yangan State School. However, change occurs to allow growth and development of a school and for staff members’ personal and professional development. Time has come for a change in staffing arrangements at our school.

This year Miss Hart has successfully gained a transfer to a school which is closer to her family. On behalf of our school community, I extend a sincere appreciation to Rebecca for her contributions, commitment, dedication, support and leadership to our school. I thank her for her teaching, the assistance, support and the positive influence she has had over the students who attend our school. Rebecca has assisted in making Yangan State School a wonderful environment in which to learn.

We have been very fortunate to secure an experienced teacher across all year levels to teach at our school next year. Ms Lisa Holden will be the teacher replacing Miss Hart. Ms Holden will be visiting our school on Monday 7th December. I would like to extend an invitation to parents to an afternoon tea at 2:30pm on this day to meet Ms Holden.

It has also come a time for a change for myself. I know this will come as a surprise, however it is also time for our school to experience new leadership.

I have been selected for the position of School Reviewer for the first six months of next year with the possibility of an extension for a further 6 months. This role involves travelling across Queensland reviewing many schools on their delivery of curriculum, teaching and learning.

Therefore, I will not be returning to Yangan. An expression of interest for the position of Acting Principal at Yangan SS has been sent out. An acting principal will be appointed before the end of the year.

The standard of education at Yangan SS is of a very high standard. As a school this will continue to happen because of the strong ongoing support of parents and dedicated staff. This school will always ‘promote high expectations’ and have the belief that ‘every child is capable of success’.

If you have any queries, please contact me on Thursday as I will be away at a cluster planning meeting tomorrow.

Staff from Biddeston SS visit
The staff from Biddeston State School visited our school on Monday. They visited our classrooms and watched the teaching of reading and writing, and discussed many topics ranging from our reading program and school improvement strategies to providing feedback to students and staff. We shared with them our student leadership development and our accelerated reader program. I thank all our staff for their willingness to share their professional knowledge.
Jacob’s Well - I hope the Year 5/6’s have a wonderful excursion to Jacob’s Well this week.

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@yanganss.eq.edu.au

Have a great week. Regards,
Ian Rathmell

SCHOOL NEWS

Class Booklists for 2016
Class booklists for 2016 will be sent home next week. Hynes Newsagency in Warwick has quoted prices to pack your child’s booklist for next year. Please note these prices only hold if your order is placed by the end of this year. If you wish to take advantage of this service, the school will collect orders and deliver to Hynes on your behalf. Pay Hynes Newsagency and collect your order in the New Year.

Enrolments for Prep are Now Open at Yangan State School
If you need more information about Prep for next year please contact the school on 4664 8224. There is only one more Prep-Prep Orientation Morning for students attending our school next year: Tuesday 24th November from 9:15am to 10:45am. Come and enrol your child in Prep now.

End of year clean up – prep/yr1/2 classroom
At the end of each year we appreciate parental help to get the equipment/resources in our classroom cleaned and ready for next year’s use. There are a variety of tasks that need completing; some that can be done at home, some at school. If you can help out, a list of jobs is displayed in the p/1/2 classroom so that you can choose what might suit you. Just write your name next to your preferred job and tick off when completed. Any help is very much appreciated. Thank you.

Book club – Final Catalogues for 2015
The final issue of Book club for 2015 has been distributed. This is your last chance to get some great specials especially with Christmas only around the corner. Books are great gift to give. If you would like to place an order please bring in to school by Friday 20 November 2015. Please mark on your order if the item is a gift as these will be placed in the school office for collection. The timeframe is shorter as I want to guarantee you have your orders before end of school breakup. Any queries please call Kate on 0409 070 221 or 07 4664 8780.

AWARDS

Gotcha Values Award
Improving – Lachlan Kelly – in your ability to reflect on learning goals.
Contributing – Gabriella Kerlin – greatly to our Geography Research Task! Well done!

Congratulations to Lachlan and Gabriella the recipients of this special award. They received this award for their personal achievements and assisting and supporting fellow class members. Well done!

Achieving Goals
Liam Gooley – Read 5000 words in Accelerated Reader.
Cameron McKinney – Get 2 full sticker charts.
Izic Webb – to complete Level 2 sightwords.
Gabriella Kerlin – to read 300 000 words in Accelerated Reader.
Hannah Hutchinson – to read 100 nights of Home Reading.
Jack Booth to read 78 000 words in Accelerated Reader
Jack Booth – to read 100 000 words in Accelerated Reader.

Word Wizard
Toby Booth – Aqua (photo next week)

Reading Eggs
Kyeisha Smith – Map 1 (2nd)
Cameron McKinney – Map 5 (2nd)
Sienna Atkinson – Map 9 (2nd)
Grace Muller – Map 2 (3rd)
Hayley Burnett – Map 4 (Gold)

Gotcha
Lachlan Fritz – willing to help out when asked.
Bridget Kerlin – Full sticker chart.
Cameron McKinney – Full sticker chart.
Cody Muller – Full sticker chart.
Mackenzie Fritz – Full sticker chart.
Jarret Powell – Creating a poster for the problem-solving area of the Year 3/4 classroom. Thank you!