March 2, 2016

Principal’s Message
Welcome to Week 6 of Term 1

Dear Parents and students
Thank you to our school community for your support at the special induction ceremony for our new student leaders that was conducted yesterday. It was wonderful to see the excitement on their faces as they received the leadership badges. Our school leaders for this year are: Dacia, Megan, Jana, Blake, Zack, Tray, Stacey, Thea & Hannah. I congratulate each student on receiving the honour of being a student leader and wish them all the best in their role. Senior Constable Nathan Burnett was our guest speaker and presented the students with their badges of office. Mrs Rachel Gimm (P&C President) presented the students with Certificates of Congratulations sent by the member for Maranoa, Mr Bruce Scott. Special student leaders’ shirts designed by the students were presented by Miss Anna Condon on behalf of Mrs Desley Clarson. Thank you to Mrs Clarson for making these shirts. After the ceremony our students enjoyed morning tea with their parents. Also during the special ceremony, our Year 5 students were officially presented to their prep buddies. On behalf of our school leaders, I would like to thank Senior Constable Nathan, Mrs Gimm, and the Yangan State School community for attending and making this occasion a special moment for our new school leaders.

Congratulations Buddies and Preppies
Our prep buddy program is a part of the school’s leadership program. Students commence this part of the leadership program in Year 5. This provides the opportunity for basic leadership and mentoring skills to be developed through supporting a younger child. Buddies assist the younger child in various activities including school routines, special functions, etc. They develop a nurturing bond that demonstrates the importance of considering the needs of others. The relationship helps to support the transition of younger students into the school setting.

Congratulations to:

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- Class Photo only (20x25cm laminated print) $18.00
- Photo Pack including Class Photo $28.00
  
  (1 15x20cm, 1 10x15cm, 4 5x7.5cm portraits)
- Siblings Pack $20.00
  
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- 3 Extra Bookmarks with Photo Pack $3.00

**Complimentary Items for Students**

- A4 Graduation Certificate* (printed on 160gsm paper) for all Graduating Students
- ‘My First School Photo’ Memento (A4 printed on 160gsm paper) for all Prep Students

**Cross Country Training begins this week**

Cross Country training will be on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday before school starting at 8:35am. We will be conducting a variety of activities during these sessions. It is not compulsory for Prep and Year 1 students to attend training. They can if they wish. It is expected that all other students will participate. Participating and doing their personal best is an important outcome. The Annual Interhouse Cross Country Fun Run will be conducted during Week 2 of Term 2.

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**Responsible Behaviour by Students**

Our Plan for Responsible Behaviour by Students is designed to facilitate high standards of behaviour so that the learning and teaching in our school can be effective and students can participate positively within our school community.

A crucial component of Yangan State School’s whole school approach to positive behaviour support is to:

- develop a supportive and more productive school environment for all students and staff
- assist students to develop improved self-esteem through getting to know and understand themselves better

At Yangan State School, we have shared values about learning and behaviour:

**Our shared school values include.**

- **Caring** for one another;
- **Improving** our performances; and
- **Contributing** to our school community.

To assist our students understand our **School Values** we focus on a particular area/social skill each week. During school parade the particular area/social skill is explained to the students. This week’s topic “I **stay where I know I am safe**” is being taught through formal lessons and discussions.

As parents in partnership with the school, we would ask that you discuss this week’s focus and the specific areas in coming weeks. This will help us reinforce the basic skills children at our school need and build on their understanding of our school wide expectations.

At the end of each semester we provide feedback to you on your child’s progress in our school values in the student report.

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**Class Behaviour Agreement**

Earlier in the term, teachers developed and negotiated a classroom behaviour agreement with their students to provide a supportive school environment that maximises the educational outcomes and opportunities of all students.

During each class’s parent information session, teachers shared with you their classroom behaviour agreements. I hope you have had a chance to talk about this agreement with your child. If you haven’t received a copy please contact your child’s teacher.

If you would like any information regarding our school activities please don’t hesitate to contact the school. If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the newsletter and any info on what is happening at school please contact our office with your email address.

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 principal@yanganss.eq.edu.au

Have a great week.

Regards,

Joey Campbell

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Awards

**Gotcha Values Award**

**Caring** – Kaylen – Caring for our environment.

**Caring** – Sienna – Assisting classmates without being asked.

**Caring and Improving** – Chelsea – high level of independence with class tasks and using her initiative with leadership opportunities.

Congratulations to Chelsea, Kaylen and Sienna as the recipients of this special award. They received this award for their personal achievements and assisting and supporting fellow class members. Well done!

**Goal**

Grace – to finish 100 sight words

**Reading Eggs**

Lacey – Map 1

**Gotcha Awards**

Clay – 10 red shining stars.
Vienna - 10 red shining stars.
Nate – 10 red shining stars.
Cody – 10 red shining stars.
Josie – 10 red shining stars.
Sienna – 10 red shining stars.
Chloe – 10 red shining stars.
Cam – 10 yellow shining stars.
Beau – Putting in extra effort in sight words.
Ava – Putting in extra effort in sight words.
Ella-Rose - Putting in extra effort in sight words.
Liam – Working hard on your Accelerated Reader quizzes.
Isabella – Working hard at improving your reading.
Zack L – High level of attention to narrative writing task.
Mitchell - High level of attention to narrative writing task.
Zach M – 20/20 consistently spelling number facts.
Daniel – Effort and attention to reading for emerging fluency.
Blake – monitoring assisting peers with ICT skills

**Word Wizard**

Grace- Violet and Magic 100
Hayley - Purple

**Gotcha Values Award**

**Sport**

Mitchell, Jack G, Stacey and Zack L - Southern Downs Softball Trials 6th and 7th March
Toowoomba.
We are positive they will be good ambassadors for Yangan SS. We wish them all the best with their endeavours.

**P & C NEWS**

Our Trivia Night was a huge success raising over $2000 for Yangan State School P & C. So on that note we would like to thank anyone that helped in anyway such as setting up on Friday, making sandwiches on Saturday, cleaning up at the end of the night, helping in the bar, selling and buying raffle tickets, organising prizes for the raffle, providing food for the night and helping in any other way before or on Saturday night. We would also like to thank our sponsors for their generous donations of prizes for the night.

A big thank you goes out to all the families that organised tables and came on the night. Without all this help and support the night would not have been as successful. Thank you from the P&C.

**Please return all Trivia Night raffle tickets to the P&C box in the office as soon as possible**

**Uniforms** – School uniform orders have been handed out. If you ordered a jacket these will be delivered once they have had the embroidery done. Any queries please contact Kerry Garland.

**Gardening Thursday 3rd March from 2pm**

If you have an hour to spare please come and help with weeding etc. at the school grounds.
CONGRATULATIONS!

2016 Student Leaders