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Yangan State School News Update

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Notices:

Welcome to Week 4 of Term 1

- **Special Parade for the induction of school leaders**
  An invitation is extended to all the members of our school community to the special induction ceremony of our school leaders and buddies on the afternoon of **Tuesday 25th February** beginning 2:00pm.

- **Visitors and Volunteers Sign In/Out Book**
  Visitors and Volunteers to school are reminded that they need to sign in and out in the Visitors’ Book either at the office or in your child’s classroom each time they come to assist at the school. This is a Workplace Health & Safety requirement.

- **Parent / teacher interviews** may be requested at any time during the school year. However, at the end of this term formal interviews will be organised for those parents requesting one. We value strong home – school communication.

- **Additional Funding for our school.** As mentioned in a previous newsletter our school will receive additional funding from the **Great Results Guarantee**. An agreement has been developed with evidence-based strategies and actions to improve literacy and numeracy. The agreement outlines how our school will use the additional funding to improve student performance. Information on this agreement will be shared with our P&C Association at a special meeting on **Monday 24th February 3:15pm** This gives you an opportunity to discuss the agreement.

- **Principals’ Workshop**
  Mr Rathmell will be away tomorrow and Friday attending an Inclusive Schooling Practices workshop for all principals and school leaders in the Warwick and Stanthorpe Cluster of schools. The program content will include legislation, school culture, delivery of curriculum and school program delivery. If you have any school queries please speak to Miss Anna Condon or email Mr Rathmell.

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**REMINDERS**

- **Student Information Form**
  Please return student information forms were given out recently to school as soon as possible whether you have made changes or not. Could you check to see that everything is correct? Write the changes on the information sheet. New students will not receive one. **We need the latest contact details.**

- **Internet Access Agreement**
  Please complete the form with your child if you wish your child to access the internet, and return it to school as soon as possible. No signed form means no access to the internet.

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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. From the staff at Yangan State School
SCHOOL NEWS

Year 2/3 Science

This term our class is exploring mixtures and their uses. As part of our Science unit, we were asked to investigate mixtures at home. We recorded our findings and then reported back to the class. Wow! We realised that mixtures are very important part of our lives. Mixtures are everywhere!

Jake Locke made a mixture that we ate... biscuits! Yum!

Tim bought in a plant and showed us the potting mixture.

Liam likes a cup of Milo...it’s a mixture!

Zach, Kade and Mitchell are very proud of their Science investigation reports

Gotcha Values Award

Contributing – Chelsea Longney – assisting in all areas of the classroom

Contributing – Zach Mapes – using his Science Investigation findings to contribute to class discussions

Improving – Maddison Grayson – high level of attention given to improving her awareness of and use of comprehension strategies.

Improving – Chloe Mapes – Having a go at writing sentences. WOW!!!!!

Congratulations to Chelsea, Zach, Maddison and Chloe as the recipients of these special awards. They received these awards for their personal achievements and assisting and supporting fellow class members. Well done!

Gotcha Awards

Blake O’Dea – Making a big effort with writing response for narrative ‘The Magic Finger’

Reece Lamb – Displaying manners, cooperation and responsibility in the class context.

Shar Cook – Displaying attention and effort in learning episode on ‘Fractions’

I can write both of my names – Eli Carter, Marley Skinner, Chloe Mapes, Cody Muller and Sienna Atkinson.

Playgroup

Every Thursday at the Big Shed Yangan State School from 9am to 11am. All welcome.
P&C NEWS

REMINDERS

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION CONTRIBUTION AND PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION CONTRIBUTIONS ARE NOW DUE

- Yangan State School Parents and Citizens fee $10 per family
- Religious Instruction fee $5 per student from years 1 to 7

The Religious Instruction contribution helps offset the cost of the students activity books for all students who participate in this program. The P & C Association contribution helps offset the cost of insurance and registration. This money is also used to purchase end of year presentation gifts for our students. Both contributions are due IN FULL by the end of term 1.

P & C membership form. By filling out and returning this form you will be covered by P & C insurance for any volunteer work you do with the school. I encourage each parent and any other family or community member who may be involved with students at the school to fill in this form and return as soon as possible to the office.

SPRAY JACKET & SLOPPY JOE ORDERS
Return your form with payment to the P&C Box in the School Office by Friday, February 28.

RECIPES! RECIPES! RECIPES!
The P & C is currently asking families to submit favourite recipes they may have to be included in a proposed cook book we hope to publish this year. The sale of these books will help raise funds for the P & C. Recipes can be left at the office. Please include your name so if there are any queries we know who to approach.

GREAT RESULTS GUARANTEE
A special P&C meeting is scheduled for Monday 24th of February, 3.15 p.m. to discuss the proposed strategies and actions to improve literacy and numeracy with our students. This is a valuable opportunity for parents to contribute to the development of support strategies to address areas where students are having difficulties. As parents our experience with learning and our children is different to the relationship shared by students and teachers. A parent’s insight and experience will be of great value at this meeting. Please attend this meeting and share any ideas you may have on how this funding will better support our students.

P & C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD Tuesday 18th MARCH 6:30pm.
All positions are declared open. If you have someone you would like to nominate or you would like to nominate yourself please fill out the attached form and return it to the office prior to this meeting. Please note that this is an evening meeting. Thank you.

Community News

Griffith Health Clinics – Griffith University
Free dental exams for kids. 50% off for adults. Offer valid until Friday 28 February.

Here are some great big reasons for you and the munchkins to crack a smile. For a limited time only, the Griffith University Dental Clinic, next to Warwick Hospital, is offering kids a free examination and treatment plan.
But the good news doesn’t stop there. We’re also offering adults 50% off and exam, X-ray, scale & clean and a treatment plan. Call 07 4667 1312.
MUSIC INTERLUDE IN THE ROSECITY
This entertaining afternoon will feature winner of Australia’s Got Talent Mark Vincent, Queensland Kodaly Choir conducted by Dr James Cuskey and Local Talented performers. Supporting local charity MontroseAccess, assisting children with a physical disability. Tickets available from Warwick Tourism and Events/Info Centre 49 Albion Street Warwick. For more information contact Leanne Liesegang (07) 3717 1109.

Mobile Women’s Health Service
Killarney & District Aged Care Facility on Thursday, 13 February, 2014 from 9am to 3pm. This is a free service. For information and bookings please phone the Aged Care Facility on 4664 1488.

Soccer Signup
Registration is available online Right Now! Just go to www.myfootballclub.com.au click register now and follow your nose. If you have any problems message us via Facebook or email registrations@warwickwolves.com.au and we will help you through it. We have also put an online registration guide on our website (www.warwickwolves.com.au) which will help you out if needed. All players are required to register online. It is simple, quick and convenient! No waiting in queues! Give it a Go!
Registrations will close on Sunday 16th March to enable time for us to finalise teams for the season ahead. If you have any questions please call Paul Butler 0423 647 890, Rebecca Butler 0428 715 663, Peter Darton 0427 498 478.

The Australian Red Cross ‘Karma’ Box
The Karma box, located on the verandah at Yangan State School, is accepting donations of clothing and accessories for adults, children and babies, suitable (and wearable) for re-sale. All funds raised go to the work of Red Cross in Australia e.g. to help people cope when disasters such as floods, fires and cyclones affect them and to fund the Breakfast Program in some Australian schools which provides breakfast for needy children who would otherwise go hungry. All donations are gratefully received! The bin will be emptied Mondays and Thursdays. For more information contact Heather 46648524 or Australian Red Cross, Warwick Branch on 46619916.