Yangan State School News

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Principal’s Message

Dear Parents and students

Thank you for your support and cooperation in a very smooth start to 2013. It is great to see all students in full school uniform and keen to start learning. This will be an exciting year for our students and parents as we work closely together to focus on developing each student to their full potential across all fields of learning. We encourage you to be a part of the education of your child, whether that be through volunteer work at school, attendance at P&C Meetings or working bees, regular communication with your child’s teacher, discussion and assistance with your child’s school work or attendance at school functions, etc. This contributes greatly to fostering and enhancing the school/community partnership.

Welcome to Mrs Cathy Petrasiunas

Mrs Symonds, our LOTE-French teacher, is taking leave for all of Term One. Mrs Cathy Petrasiunas will be replacing her. A very special welcome is extended to Mrs Petrasiunas on behalf of the Yangan State School community. We hope your time here will be very enjoyable and professionally fulfilling.

P&C AGM - TONIGHT Wednesday, 13th February

Our Parents and Citizens Association is a major avenue for parent feedback, support and planning in ensuring our school provides the highest quality service. Much can be achieved through the P&C and school working towards common goals. Your involvement in the P&C can build a stronger school community where all children benefit. The Annual General Meeting and General Meeting for our Parents and Citizens Association will be held tonight Wednesday 13th February from 7:00 pm. I encourage you to attend this meeting to give your support.

Parent Information Sessions - Thursday, 14th February

Information sessions are planned for tomorrow Thursday, 14th February. At these information sessions, class teachers will provide an overview of what is planned for their class. It is a great chance to find out about the format of your child's homework, how each curriculum area is to be taught, sign up as parent helpers in the classroom and ask any questions you may have. Please make the time to attend this information session. Each meeting will be held in the teacher's classroom.

- Year 4/5/6/7 Miss Anna Condon - Thursday morning 8:10am to 8:50am
- Year 2/3 Miss Rebecca Hart 3:05pm to 3:30 pm

Supervision of students will be provided in the Year 4/5/6/7 room during the afternoon session.

If you would like any information regarding our school activities please don’t hesitate to contact the school (4664 8224) or email me at the.principal@yanganss.eq.edu.au

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.

Have a great week.
Regards,
Ian Rathmell

Yangan State School Staff:

Principal – Mr Ian Rathmell
Yr 4/5/6/7 – Miss Anna Condon
Yr 2/3 – Miss Rebecca Hart
Yr Prep – Mrs Annette Reid
Music – Mrs Annette Reid
HPE – Mr Ian Rathmell
LOTE – Mrs Cathy Petrasiunas
Support – Mrs Margaret Gambrill
Teacher Aides - Mrs Ann Hempel
Mrs Ann Smith
Mrs Melissa Donges
Cleaner – Mrs Pat Fischer
Relief Cleaner – Mrs Deb Lawrance
Administration - Mrs Carolyn Vardy
Grounds care – Mr Doug Martin

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SCHOOL NEWS

Gotcha Values Awards

Caring, Improving and Contributing – Megan Kelly (Wow! What a great start to the year. You always display leadership and responsibility at school)

Caring – All Year Ones (for welcoming the new Prep children to our class and taking care of them)

Word Wizard – Ruby Harper Wow! Ruby knows ALL of her Dolch words! Well done, Ruby!

Gotcha Awards

Scott Broughton (demonstrating an excellent attitude to class work this year – Fabulous start!)

Charlotte May (demonstrating a caring attitude to our classroom by tidying up when it is necessary without being asked)

Cooper O’Dea (demonstrating a caring attitude to our classroom by putting down the chairs without being asked)

Yangan /Swanfels Bus Conveyance Meeting

A meeting of the Bus Conveyance Committee will be held at Yangan School on Tuesday 26 February at 7.00pm. All parents of bus students are urged to attend. For further details please contact Cameron Haidley 4661 2816.

Welcome to a new year of Bookclub

Issue 1 for Bookclub has now arrived and will be coming home with your child for you to make your selection. The Bookclub assists in providing essential resources for our school as well as providing some wonderful experiences for your child through the joy of reading.

Please take some time to view the catalogues sent home and if you would like to place an order please complete the form on the back of the catalogue and return to school by 20th February 2013.

There are three payment methods available to you. Cash payments can be made directly to the school; Credit card payments can be made through the Scholastic website and details are provided on back of catalogue; Cheque payments can be made to ‘Scholastic Australia’.

Please ensure the completed order form, money/credit card receipt/cheque are returned to your child’s class by the due date. If your purchase is a gift please complete on your order form. You will be contacted once your purchase arrives, for your collection.

If you have any queries please Rhonda Godwin on 0437 525 629 to discuss.

Student Information Form

Student information forms were given out in the last newsletter. New students will not receive one. Could you check to see that everything is correct? We need the latest contact details. Please mark changes on the form and return it to school as soon as possible whether you have made changes or not. Thank you.

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.

Safety Notice: Which gate should I use?

It is probably the right time to review which gates are used for what. For safety reasons the following gate usage is suggested:

- Top Gate - The gate closest to town is the top gate. This gate is for pedestrian access.
- Double Gate - This gate is at the school driveway which provides access to the carpark. Students are asked NOT to walk through the carpark. They should choose the top gate for the bus, access to town and if access to a car in the top parks is required.
- Bottom Gate - This gate at the front of the school is for access to the car parking outside the school from the driveway down.

Please help your child to use these gates safely.
P & C NEWS

The Annual General Meeting and General Meeting for our Parents and Citizens Association will be held TONIGHT Wednesday 13th February from 7:00 pm.
All executive positions are vacant at the Annual General Meeting. We are very much seeking more family representation on the committee so please consider asking someone to nominate you OR nominate someone who you feel would be an asset to the position.

Volunteers Needed!!
Raffle ticket sellers at Rose City Shopping World on Saturday 6th March. Please sign up at the office or speak with Colette Locke to ensure we have at least two people available throughout the day.

Working Bee Saturday 16 February from 8.30am
Working bee to clear flood debris from Fischers’ paddock (the camp area for Leanne Hoffman Trail Ride). Utes, trailers, chainsaws plus willing hands to help clear the area. Please bring water, food and be sunsafe. If unsure due to weather please contact Colette 4664 4246.

P&C Membership Forms
To assist with the upcoming Horse Trail Ride (9&10 March), please complete and return membership forms as soon as possible.

Hotel Raffle Tickets Selling to raise P&C Funds
If you can assist with selling tickets (in conjunction with another family or by yourself) at the Yangan Hotel even one Friday in the year, please contact the school to place your name on the roster.

COMMUNITY NEWS

2013 Junior Netball Fixtures

Netball Sign-on
Come & meet Laura Geitz
Australian Diamonds Defender Laura Geitz will be at our Junior Netball Sign-on Day
Laura will be selling her clothing range and is always very happy to pose for photographs and sign autographs.

Sign-On Day Information
When: Saturday 16th February
Where: Bottom of the escalator in Rose City Shoppingworld
Time: 10am – 1pm
Promotion: Pay registration fees at sign-on & go in the draw to win back your fees
Fees: Fun Net $60
Midgets & Juniors $135 (discounts for multiply players)
These fees are a once only payment, there is no weekly fees
Age Groups: Fun Net 5, 6 & 7 years
Midgets 8 & 9 years
Junior A & B 10 – 14 years
Fixtures Commence Saturday 23rd February

If you are unable to attend sign-on day, you are most welcome to sign-on prior. To sign-on prior or for more information please email warwicknetball@bigpond.com or ring Linda Bunch 0407 734 380.

Pre-Season Football Development Clinic
Pre-Season Football Development Clinic for ages 12-14. Starting Feb 14th for 6 weeks at 4pm at the Warwick football grounds. Cost $50. Contact Derek Kane 0400 185 077.
With thanks to the School and Local Community Yangan State School received these wonderful Art and Curriculum Resources from the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program last year.