



Small School Big Learning

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Newsletter

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Our Vision: Developing independent, confident and creative learners in an individualised learning environment

We value Teamwork, Respect, Responsibility & Independence

Dates to Remember

NAPLAN testing (Grade 3 & 5)	Wed 15 th – Mon 27 th March
Cultural Diversity Week celebration	Monday, March 20 th
Cooking Lunch	Friday, March 24 th
School Photos	Tuesday, March 28 th
School Council AGM (7pm)	Tuesday, March 28 th
Harmony Day excursion	Thursday, March 30 th
Student Free Day	Friday, March 31 st
End of Term 1 (2.30pm finish)	Thursday, April 6 th
Term 2 commences	Monday, April 24 th
ANZAC Day Public Holiday	Tuesday, April 25 th
ANZAC Day service with Lilydale RSL	Wednesday, April 26 th

Mrs Cole's Column

Even though it has been a shorter week with the Labour Day holiday on Monday, it seems to have become a very busy week. We had our wonderful excursion to the Melbourne Museum and NAPLAN commenced on Wednesday, so we have two down and two to go. The students have made a great start with Writing and Reading in NAPLAN.

I was extremely proud, once again, to be able to take our students out on a city excursion and be able to observe these wonderful people. A hand was offered to each of our youngest students by a Grade 6 student to ensure they were safe, lunch tubs were carried by our older students without complaint, everyone was able to converse politely with Museum volunteer staff, everyone listened intently to the teacher led session 'Uncovering

Triceratops' and respect was shown to each other, staff and Museum staff as well as visitors to the Museum. You make me so proud and I'm sure that your parents are just as proud of you. You are a pleasure to take out and you should be proud of the way you conduct yourselves representing our school. Well done to all of our students!

Welcome to our two new students – Kasey and Khloe who have only just arrived at Yering, and their family. It is lovely to have you on board.

Please note School Council have approved a **student free day on Friday 31st March** so staff can attend a network Maths Professional Learning Day, so mark it on the calendar.

Deanna Cole

Principal

Quote for the fortnight: If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward.
Martin Luther King, Jr.

Student of the Week Awards



Zara for amazing work in using informal units to measure length.

Jack for working hard on his English Online Interview.

Zoey for always working hard to complete set tasks.

Art Awards

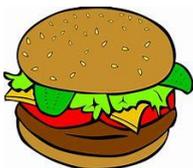


Keira for an excellent 'warm, cool' piece.

School Council Elections

There will be no need for a school council election this year. Congratulations to Jessica Brooks who has nominated herself for one of the vacant positions on School Council. School Council consists of Jess Brooks, Jen Adams and myself. Our next meeting is the School Council AGM, which will be held on Tuesday 28th March at 7pm. A meeting will follow the AGM. All are welcome to attend. If you wish to attend please let me know so I can send you the Webex details since the meeting will be online.

Cooking



Due to the fact that we have only had one cooking session this term, we are going to have an extra cooking session on Friday 24th March, which is not the first Friday of the month, but oh well!

Please make sure your child brings a container on cooking days. There may be some to take home. Students will be given a lunch order form. We are using some items donated by Foodbank, but need to purchase some other items so there will be a small cost this time.

Art Room News

This term in the art room we have been very busy looking at colour theory. Starting with primary and secondary colours, moving onto warm and cool colours, before playing with colours to create our Wacky Watermelons. Our work is slowly filling up the hall if any parents would like to come and have a look.

We are looking for donations of newspapers for the art room. I know that not many people read a paper newspaper anymore but if you do see any or know of anyone you could ask to put them aside. I would be very, very appreciative!

Class Talk

Whole School Writing focus

Our writing focus for the rest of Term 1 will be **Persuasive text**.

A persuasive text is a form of non-fiction writing that aims to convince the reader of a certain point of view. Adverts and newspaper columns are good examples of persuasive text. Though there are many techniques to write persuasively, most persuasive texts include a central argument, evidence to support the point and a conclusion, to summarise the text. No matter where persuasive text is used, it tends to have one goal: to persuade the reader to take the side of the writer.

Persuasive text can be used and found in a variety of publications, such as:

- newspaper columns;
- advertising campaigns;
- academic essays;
- reviews;
- brochures;
- campaign flyers

Spelling Program - Soundwaves

In the last two weeks we have covered the following phonemes (sounds) – 'e' as in egg and 'd' as in duck. The sound boxes for each phoneme (sound) are below

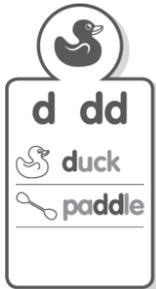
showing you the most common graphemes (letter/s) that can make that sound.



Sound Box



Extended Sound Box



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Whole School Maths focus for Term 1

Place Value
Addition

Subtraction
Length
Area/Perimeter

Science Focus for Term 1

Biological Science

Dinosaurs

Integrated Studies for Term 1

Personal and Social

Whole School

In reading, we have been working on Non-Fiction texts and comprehension of facts.

Students completed their final narrative piece and will move onto persuasive text.

In Maths, we have been working on Addition and will soon move into subtraction and looking at the relationship between the two.

We will celebrate Cultural Diversity Week with a visitor to our school, who will talk about life in her country and how it is different to our life in Australia. We may even sample some food from other countries.