



Small School Big Learning

Yering Primary School

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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

Science Week

Working Bee @ 3.15pm (rescheduled)

School Council meeting (8pm) (rescheduled)

Healesville Zinesters visit (Cora) (rescheduled)

Bike Education (PE)

Aaron Violi visit (Civics and Citizenship studies)

Book Week

Book Week Dress Up Day

Bike Education (PE)

Literacy & Numeracy Week

Bike Education (PE)

Father's Day breakfast

Bike Education (PE)

'Carnival of the Animals' @ Arts Centre

Grade 3-6 Sovereign Hill Camp

Whole School Swimming Program

Sat 12th - Sun 20th August

Tuesday, August 15th

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Wednesday, August 16th

Thursday, August 17th

Friday, August 18th

Sat 19th – Fri 25th August

Friday, August 25th

Thursday, August 24th

Tues 29th Aug – Mon 4th Sept

Thursday, August 31st

Friday, September 1st

Thursday, September 7th

Tuesday, September 12th

Wed 4th – Fri 6th October

Mon, Oct 30th – Fri 3rd Nov

Mrs Cole's Column

I am aware that there are some students crossing the road on their own. It is for your child's safety that we strongly encourage an adult to cross with your child in the morning. Unfortunately, there are many vehicles that cannot stick to the speed limit of 40kms and we have had drivers that are not even aware of their surroundings and have passed through the crossing when the crossing supervisor is out, as well as cut through the car park to avoid being stopped at the crossing. The Melba Highway is a very busy road. Unfortunately, this

behaviour happens around many schools, not just ours. We cannot control what others do, but we can encourage you to ensure your child is safely in the gate each morning. It is not about them becoming more independent, nor less independent. It is also about providing a good role model for all our students to observe. I appreciate your care and effort in this matter. Please note that if any of you wish to come along on and excursion, or to watch swimming, etc, you will need to have had a volunteer Working with Children's Check. I have included the link below for your perusal. Please see me if you have any questions.

[Working with Children Check \(service.vic.gov.au\)](http://service.vic.gov.au)

Our Grade 5/6 students all had a fantastic day last week at Lake Mountain cross country skiing, tobogganing and snow play. Thank you to Meridith for attending (participating) with the girls, even though I didn't have to twist her arm. 😊

The annual Parent/Caregiver survey commenced on Monday 7th August and is open to complete until Friday 8th September. This gives all families the opportunity to provide feedback to the school. The feedback contributes to the data collected for the Annual Report and School Strategic Plan. I will email all the necessary information you need, in the next few days, to complete the survey.

It is Science Week next week. We will celebrate Science Week during the week and share any photos that are taken. Please ask your child about their week celebrating this event.

We hope to see as many of you as possible at the Working Bee on Tuesday. An hour of your time would be much appreciated.

Deanna Cole

Principal

Quote for the fortnight: Education is not a problem.
Education is an opportunity.

Student of the Week Awards



Cruz for displaying excellent drive in Maths.

Keira for displaying a more positive attitude to Maths and PE.

Kasey for listening so well in cooking.

Jordan for amazing skills in the kitchen.

Keira for an amazing effort for her book recount.

Working Bee



We will be holding a working bee, mainly to deal with the onslaught of weeds around the school, on **Tuesday 15th August** after school. It would be great if every family could spare an hour or so to clean up the school. We do not have enough gardening forks so if you BYO garden fork, that would be great.

Afternoon tea will be provided.

It would be great to see you all attend.

Book Week



On Friday 25th August, during Book Week, students can come dressed as a favourite book character if they wish. This is MARC Van (library) day with Ms Vine, so it seems like a good day to participate in a Book Week dress up.

Bike Education



Eastern Health, as part of the Health Promotion team, has provided us with some funding after giving us the opportunity to put in an application. The application was to run a Bike Education program. We have organised a teacher, Alex, who is trained in Bike Education to come to our school each Thursday for the next four weeks to take the program. Weather may play a factor in the running of this program. The program will run from 9.30am-12.30pm on these days and will include some theory, as well as practice.

We have investigated whether your child has a working bike, helmet (a necessity) and the need for training wheels. We have a couple of bikes and helmets that we can utilise for those who might not have these items.

Bikes and helmets will need to be at school on Thursdays for the next four weeks, commencing Thursday 17th August.

If you have any questions about the program, please see Deanna or Meridith.

Thank you to Eastern Health for providing the funding to enable our students to participate in such a wonderful program.

Bank Account details



Here is just a reminder of our bank account details, and for our new families to our school, for making payments to the school for excursions, camps, etc.

Yering Primary School Council Official Account - Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 063 093

Account Number: 1000 2816

When making payments into the school account please ensure that you clearly state your child's surname.

Cooking



Everyone enjoyed their cooking experience yesterday. The sausages were sizzling, some of us tried the coleslaw, onion & bacon. The jelly and ice-cream was delicious. Lots of us seconds and some even thirds. Thanks to Ruth for working away in the kitchen with all the students.

Class Talk

Whole School Writing focus

Our writing focus is Recount text.

Spelling Program - Soundwaves

We have recently covered the following phonemes (sounds) – 's' as in seal and 'ar' as in star. The sound box for each phoneme (sound) are below showing you the most common graphemes (letter/s) that make the sound.

s ss se ce x(ks) c	
seal	juice
kiss	fox
mouse	pencil

Sound Box

s seal	sc science
ss kiss	ps psychology
se mouse	st listen
ce juice	sw sword
x(ks) fox	sce acquiesce
c pencil	

Extended Sound Box

ar a	
star	
glass	

Sound Box

ar	star
a	glass
ear	heart
al	half
au	laugh
er	sergeant

Extended Sound Box

Whole School Maths focus for Term 3

- Fractions and Decimals (finishing off from Term 2)
- Patterns and Number Systems
- Addition/Subtraction
- Multiplication /Division
- Shape
- Geometric reasoning
- Location and transformation
- Time

Science Focus for Term 3

Earth and Space

Night and Day

Integrated Studies for Term 3

Civics and Citizenship

Whole School

We have been revisiting nouns, verbs and adverbs and have completed some more poetry using these.

In writing, we have been writing many recounts of events and books we read in the classroom, following the basic formula of a recount.

As part of our Civics and Citizenship integrated topic we have furthered our concentration on rules. We shared a rule that we have at home, for example, no eating in the bedroom. We shared a rule from school, for example, no going out of bounds (front of the school or behind buildings and we shared a rule that we have for ourselves such as keeping our bedroom clean and tidy. Next week we will have Aaron Violi MP come and talk to our senior students about his role.

In Maths, we are working on addition, completing Mathematics tasks and problem solving. Meridith is continuing her work on Time.

Skiing Recounts



On Friday 28th July, Keira, Zoey, Meridith and I went to Lake Mountain. We went to Lake Mountain because we wanted to go to the snow and go skiing.

We first met at Healesville, then we waited for the bus. When the bus arrived, we found a seat. Then we watched a movie on the way there.

When we got there, we put our bags down inside, then we ate some food before we went outside.

We went to put our shoes on. Then on our way outside we grabbed a toboggan, and we slid down the hill on the toboggan. Then we changed shoes, then we went to eat food.

We grabbed our skiing gear then we went on a hill and we skied. We threw snowballs at the coach and teachers. Then we had to pack up and go back on the bus. When we went back to Healesville we grabbed our bags, then went home.

I can't wait to go again.

Jordan – Grade 5

On Friday 28th July, Jordan, Zoey, Meridith and I went skiing at Lake Mountain. First, we went tobogganing down the hill and we threw snowballs at each other. Firstly, we went by ourselves, then Jordan and I went on one together, then Zoey and I went on one together.

We went to have a lunch break, then headed to skiing. This guy was teaching us how to ski. It was fun. After we did some activities, then went skiing with the sticks. It was pretty easy!

We headed home and the way home we watched a movie.

Keira – Grade 6