

# Yandoit Primary School

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*'Learning and Growing Together'*  
*Be Respectful Be a Responsible Learner*  
*Be Honest and Trustworthy*  
*Be Caring and Compassionate Be a Good Citizen*

## CALENDAR

### February

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

- Prep health check with School Nurse

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

- School Council 6pm Child Care available.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>

- Excursion to Daylesford PS for Drummond and Yandoit Annexes
- Grade 3-6 House Swimming Sports
- P-2 Get to Know Daylesford PS

### March

Monday 10<sup>th</sup>

- LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>

- Excursion to Daylesford Primary School to celebrate Cultural Diversity Day
- Drummond and Yandoit Annexes

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

- School Council 6pm Child Care available. (AGM and Elections)

**Pupil Free Days** – Jan 28, 29, July 14 & Nov 19

## School Term Dates 2014

Term 1 Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Jan – Fri 4<sup>th</sup> April  
Term 2 Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> June  
Term 3 Tue 15<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Term 4 Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Dec

## WELCOMING

### OUR 2014 NEW STUDENTS ☺

We welcome 4 students and their families to our Yandoit PS Family this year and we also welcome back Taria and Emanjilli.

Prep Lila and Lily  
Three Seth and Zoe  
Six James

## CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF

☺ 2014 ☺

## YANDOIT PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## WELCOME

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We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our 2014 students and their families.

It is exciting to have 18 students, 3 teachers, 2 teacher's – aides and 6 support staff.

### Teachers

Jose Berto	.6 Classroom Teacher
Robyn Strickland	.4 Classroom Teacher
Deb Rauber	.3 Admin/Class teacher

### Teacher's –aides

Dave Lewis	.8
Michelle Quinn	.2

### Support Staff

Carlene Klas	Administration
Phillip and Danielle Sartori	Cleaners
Chris Olver	Grounds-Mowing
Jane Kingston	Child Care School Council

A great team combined with equally supportive families. We have enjoyed a great start to the 2014 school year.

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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I would like to offer a warm welcome, to all our new students and families in Prep and our new students and families across the three schools.

A lot of work has been completed over the break, including cleaning (Danielle and Phillip), watering (thank you to John and Lisa), work on our grounds (thankyou Chris), and teaching staff working within their classrooms.

I would like to introduce our new staff. Firstly, David Garner has been appointed into the position of Assistant Principal and his main roles will be Student Wellbeing and Curriculum across the three schools. We welcome David and I ask parents to introduce themselves to David over the course of the term.

Also we welcome Emily Joyce who will be teaching in Grade 1 and Tom Powell who will be teaching Grade 5/6. Nadine Jankowski has joined the team at Drummond PS and we welcome her.



Emily Joyce



Tom Powell



Nadine Jankowski  
(Drummond Annex)

The school community was shocked and saddened by the news of Ivor Bowen's death. Ivor a member of U3A, volunteered his time to all three schools for over a decade. Ivor will be remembered for his gentle approach with the children, for his mentoring and as the Grandfather of DPS, as we so affectionately referred to him. Our sincere condolences and a tribute of his contribution have been passed onto his family.

Due to lower numbers of enrolments across the three schools, than we were expecting, we are still calling for enrolments. Due to the spread of children across Daylesford Primary School we have put a thirteen class structure in place. This however places considerable strain on our funding and therefore a few adjustments are required. Firstly, LOTE will not be delivered by a specialist teacher at Yandoit and Drummond and choir at DPS is under review and may not be able to be offered this year at DPS.

We await the outcome of our Census at the end of February and the funding models that we will receive for 2014 for the three sites.

So if you do know of anyone who is still deciding on where to send their child for 2013, please ask them to contact myself at Daylesford PS 53482480 or the teachers at Drummond and Yandoit Annexes.

Welcome back to school to everyone, for what I am sure, will be an exciting and eventful year.

Peter Burke.

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## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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David Garner (AP)

It is with great pleasure that I introduce myself to the Daylesford Primary School, Drummond and Yandoit Annexes communities, as Assistant Principal.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the great work of Chris T within the school community and wish him all the best in his

future endeavours. His impact has been far-reaching, and we will no doubt see Chris around this year.

I look forward to getting to know all the students and families over the coming weeks as we settle into the year at Daylesford PS and look forward to also meeting the students and families at Drummond and Yandoit Annexes over the next few weeks.

I would also like to take this chance to introduce our Focus of the Fortnight, which is a key component of our social competencies program and Student Engagement and Wellbeing initiative. These foci provide our schools with a common focus and language around our social behaviours each fortnight throughout the year. They become part of our everyday language, and are also referred to in each newsletter and in the classroom which enables them to become part of your dialogue with your children at home.

Regards,  
David Garner

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### **SCHOOL NURSE PREP VISIT**

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Included with this week's Newsletter, is an information envelope for Prep families from our School Nursing Program.

We would ask our Prep families to please complete the enclosed forms and return to school by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February.

Our School Nurse, Deborah Mayman, will be at Yandoit at 9am on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February to do the prep health checks.

Parents are most welcome to stay for the checks.

#### **HEAT ALERT**

We would ask parents to ensure that their child has a named drink bottle with them each day, that can be refilled with tank water and kept cool in the fridge. We have water in the drinking taps but on these extreme high temperature days, the water pipes are so hot and consequently so is the drinking water.

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## **SOCIAL COMPETENCIES PROGRAM CURRENT FOCUS**

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### *Good Manners ( Be Respectful )*

Daily life provides us with many opportunities to demonstrate our manners. In many ways it is simply extending a courtesy to others. Some examples include the use of saying, "please, excuse me, thank you". The use of good manners lets other people know that they're appreciated, respected and valued. We can use good manners in a variety of settings: at school in the classroom or in the playground, at home, down the street, when visiting family and friends, etc. Waiting for others to pass before we move or holding a door open for someone else are other ways of using our manners. Use your manners with community members of all ages!

### **EMA 1st Instalment Terms 1 & 2**

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided by the Victorian Government to lower-income families to help with the cost of essential educational items for their children, which they would otherwise be required to purchase.

If you have a child under 16, and you hold a valid Health Care Card, Pension Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible to receive the EMA. The allowance is paid in two instalments, one in March and one in August.

In 2014, the annual EMA amount per student is:

- \$200 for prep students
- \$150 for students in years 1 – 6.

Your card must be current on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 and applications must be submitted to the school before Friday 21st February, 2014. All applications must be in the name of the main card holder. Late applications cannot be accepted. Please contact the school office to obtain an EMA application form.

Please note that a photocopy needs to be taken of your Health Care Card to be attached to the application. This can be done at Yandoit PS.

*Are you eligible for CONVEYANCE  
ALLOWANCE*

*For students to be eligible for a conveyance allowance they must:*

- *Be aged over five by 30<sup>th</sup> April*
- *Live more than 4.8km by the shortest practicable route from the nearest bus stop, and*
- *Be enrolled at the nearest government school.*
- *Parents who applied last year will need to reapply for 2014 by Friday, 21st February, 2014.*

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## **LA PAROLA DELLA SETTIMANA**

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Benvenuti (Welcome)

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## **PARENT /GRANDPARENT HELPERS**

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*We are always so grateful for the contribution that our Parents and Grandparents make to our school programs. Please look at the attached note and return it to school asap with activities that you would like to help with. Every offer of time is so appreciated by teachers and students. ☺*

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## **STUDENT AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

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### **HOT SHOTS JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM**

The Mt Prospect Tennis Junior Association (Creswick) is proud to offer an 5 week Hot Shots Junior Tennis Program From: Saturday 01 February 2014 through to Saturday 01 March 2014.

Facilitated by: Ashleigh Jolliffe for Primary school aged children between 5-8 years.

*Note: Parents must be in attendance for the duration of their child's session.*

Registration: Contact Tulsa Andrews on 0400 299 882 to book a place, and pay on Saturday 01 February.

Where: Mt Prospect Courts (Creswick) Bring: Hat, drink bottle, racquet (if you have one) and a smile! Cost: \$25 per player

### **AUSSIE HOOPS PROGRAM - 2014**

Aussie Hoops entry level program for children aged 5-9 yrs, in conjunction with Basketball Victoria Country Basketball Australia. It's a great way to learn and develop new skills. Most important make new friends and have FUN.

**COME AND JOIN NOW.**

Venue: ARC, Smith St. Daylesford. Cost \$25 which covers 2 terms. Money is needed to cover court hire costs only

Register for Terms 1 & 2, 2014: for further info contact Jan-Maree Yanner 5348 3446.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS: Sue Morris will be offering lessons at the school next year on the following instruments: Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet and Trombone. If your child is interested, please contact Sue on 0429 136 494 for more information.**

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## **PHOTO GALLERY NEW FAMILIES AND FIRST DAY**

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Seth, Ty and James



Zoe



Denise, Lily and Glenn



Charlie, Ryder, Judy and Harry



Taria, Emmanjilli and Honey



Dave, Kate and Honey



Rufus and Michelle



Andy and John



Renier and Tara

Archie and Lenny ...next week



Santi and Ana