Term 1 - Week 7
Monday, 7 March 2016

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

At Yoogali Public School we are Safe, Respectful Learners!
Just a reminder that we will be hosting a parent information evening on Wednesday 9th March at 7:30pm. We will be sharing with you a few tips on what you can do at home to help your child with literacy and numeracy and keep you informed with the latest best practice.

Yoogali Public School is very fortunate to have Karen Date here working with the teachers and students as our instructional leader. Karen will also tell us some more about Early Action for Success goals and our learning targets. These are very exciting learning and teaching initiatives for our school. We would like to invite all parents and carers to come along.

Babysitting has been arranged for families also.

Have a great week everyone and I look forward to seeing you all at our school assembly this Friday.

Lucia Gargaro
Principal

Excursion to the Griffith Regional Theatre
We have secured tickets to the matinee performance The 52-Storey Treehouse on Thursday 10th March. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to experience live theatre by a professional team of actors. The play is based on a story by a very popular children’s author Andy Griffiths. All permission notes and money need to be returned to school by tomorrow.

School Communication
Electronic Yarns - saving paper and trees

At the recent P&C meeting it was requested that the Yoogali Public School Yarn Newsletter and school notes be sent home via emails to families. If you would like to receive your correspondence from school via emails please email the school with this request. The email address is:- yoogali-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

We also have a school web page and Facebook page which provides current events and school news.

Paper copies and notes will still be available to those who wish to receive them.

A note regarding this matter was sent home last week for you to sign. Please contact the school office if you did not receive this information.

School Photos
Save the date Friday 1st April will be your child’s school photo day. More information and notes about this will be coming home as we get closer to the date. This year our school photos will be taken by EM Photography and we are very excited about supporting our local photographer.

THANK YOU
Thank you to SUPAGAS for the donation of 2 gas bottles for our Barbeque on Friday. COLES for the donation of sausages, bread and drinks. Also to PFD Food Services for the donation of the ice-creams. Thank you also to Dan Victor for volunteering to be our “Master Chef” on Friday.

City2Lake
Thank you to all those students and families that participated in the Cit2Lake Fun Run on Sunday.

Congratulations to the following students who helped Yoogali Public School once again win the Schools Challenge – Small Schools Division.
Katrina Draper, Chaise Sergi, Michaela Oldham and Nate Sergi.

SRC NEWS
As you may have seen or heard on Facebook or the local and national news Brendan Farrell has been transporting thousands of bales of donated hay to drought affected farmers in Queensland. Whilst the hay has been donated the fuel to transport this hay is a huge cost. We have decided to hold an ice cream day and BBQ lunch at Yoogali Public School to raise money to donate towards the cost of the fuel. This SRC fund raising event will be held on Friday 11th March. Parents, teachers and the wider community are invited to make a donation if they wish.

P&C News
Oder forms for our Hot Cross Bun Drive have been sent home. The buns are supplied by Vaccari’s Bakery. All orders and payments need to be returned to school by Wednesday 16th March please. Pick up of orders from school will be Thursday 24th March. We will be holding an Easter Raffle also. Notes and raffle tickets for these will be going home this week. We will be holding a pasta day this term and also a sausage sizzle on the last day of the term to coincide with the Easter hat parade. Thank you to all the families that helped out at the working bee. We will be holding another one next term. Next meeting will be the AGM on the 15th March followed by a short general meeting.

Assembly Awards
Term 1, Week 6 4th March

K/1 Respectful Travis Lawlor
Safe Tameka McDermott
Learner Craig Earl

2/3 Respectful Robbie Lonard-Slade
Safe Kyle Earl
Learner Paige Sergi

4/5/6 Respectful Nicholas Sayers
Safe Jordon Bartolo
Learner Chaise Sergi

Citizenship Award Jordon Bartolo
PBL Award Lexi Cumberland
Principal Award Brandon Burns

CAFÉ YOOGALI LUNCH PRICE LIST
MEAT: $2.50 – ham, turkey, salami (hot/mild) chicken meat, Devon
FILLS: 30c - lettuce, tomato, cheese, beetroot, carrot, avocado
If no meat is requested, the first fill will be the meat price.
Chicken / Veal Schnitzel with salad roll $9.00

BREAD AVAILABLE: Sliced: white, wholemeal, multigrain
Rolls: white, wholemeal, multigrain (+ 50c)
Wraps: $1 (+ meat and fills)
PLEASE LABEL LUNCH BAGS CLEARLY
• Name
• If change is required, it will be taped to the lunch bag
K/1 News
K/1 have been working hard and it is sure to continue into week 7! This week in Maths students will be learning about creating patterns using shapes and numbers and will continue with their unit on Data. Ms Gargaro will continue to come into the classroom during Literacy groups to help Year 1 students with their writing.

Last week, a note was sent home asking parents/caregivers to help out with the Perceptual Motor Program that will begin next week. Could parents/caregivers please return the slips from the bottom of the note to the school as soon as possible.

Have a good week!

Lizette Taylor

TERM 1
WEEK 7
Wednesday 9th March - Parent Information Night 7.30pm School Library
Thursday 10th March - Middle School Yr 6 - 52- Storey Treehouse Griffith Regional theatre
Friday 11th March - Hay Run Fundraiser Ice-cream & BBQ Lunch

WEEK 8
Friday 18th March - School Assembly 2.30pm

WEEK 9
Monday 21st March - Harmony Day
Thursday 24th March - Middle School Yr 6
Friday 25th March - GOOD FRIDAY

WEEK 10
Saturday 26th March - EASTER

WEEK 11
Thursday 7th April - Middle School Yr 6
Friday 8th April - LAST DAY TERM 1

TERM 2
WEEK 1
Monday 25th April - ANZAC DAY
Wednesday 27th April - Students return to school

Last Friday our Captain Krystal Mackenzie and Vice-Captain Sarah Atkinson attended the 2016 School Leaders Civic Reception. Both students enjoyed the morning.
Parent Line is a unique telephone and online counselling and support service for parents and carers. We cover issues with babies, children and young people up to 18 years of age, all over NSW. Our counsellors are professionally trained and specialise in working with families.

Only the best will do
Parent Line counsellors use research-based understanding of children and families together with proven parenting strategies to help parents develop more positive relationships with kids. We support parents to find strategies that best work for their family and we provide thousands of referrals every year to services all over New South Wales.

Top 5

Concerns in 2015

Last year we were most often asked about:
1. Child anxiety
2. Reducing parent/child conflict
3. Managing challenging behaviour
4. Managing parents’ stress
5. Impact of parental conflict and separation on kids

Child development and learning

Many parents have concerns at times during the primary school years about their child’s social development or learning skills. Talking over concerns with a parenting counsellor can identify where problems might be occurring and we can offer referrals and/or parenting strategies to assist. We can also talk about changes in a child’s behaviour or character to help parents understand what may be happening for their child.

Signs of a healthy family

Whilst every family is unique, researchers find there are common signs of healthy families:
* Members are committed to one another
* Families engage in positive communication
* The family spends significant time together
* Members show affection to one another
* The family actively engages together to resolve crises (Furman 1999)

Our counsellors can help families develop these ways of being together.

Tough conversations

The primary school years are filled with tough conversations parents need to have with kids. Some of these include:
* Strangers and safety
* Using technology
* Sex education
* Bullying
* Grief

Parent Line counsellors are very familiar with these conversations and can help parents find the best ways to communicate concerns without making kids distressed or defensive. Call us or jump online at www.parentline.org.au to chat to a counsellor.

“You just DON’T want to go!”

Our counsellors receive many calls from parents with this issue, and there are many reasons why children may not want to go to school. Our counsellors can discuss your family situation and what your child may be experiencing so that we can help you find some strategies that work.

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