YANCO PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Calendar**

**Term 1, Week 6**
Friday, 7th March   LNPSSA AFL Trials

**Term 1, Week 7**
Tuesday, 11th March   Years 3/6 Cooking
Wednesday, 12th March   Girl Guides & Air League Visits
Friday, 14th March   LNPSSA Rugby League Trials

**TERM 1 VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS** are now due.

$10 per term per child  or  $40 for the full year.
Welcome back to Week 6 of Term 1. Congratulations to all Year 5/6 students for their efforts in representing Yanco PS at the LNPSSA Soccer Gala Day last week, especially Brittany Dolan, who was selected in the LNPSSA Girls Soccer Team. You were all excellent representatives for the school and displayed outstanding sportsmanship and behaviour at both events. Today and tomorrow I will be out of school attending a Primary Principal’s Conference in Griffith, where principals will have the opportunity to discuss many of the new initiatives taking place within the department.

School Contributions
Thank you to those parents who have paid their school contribution for 2014. Each year the school asks for a small contribution towards the resourcing of the school. The contribution goes towards stationary items for classrooms and other resources needed for subjects such as visual arts.

School Excursion Planning
Could I please remind parents to complete the short survey included in last week’s newsletter on school excursion planning. Yanco PS is looking to change its long term excursion planning, with the traditional bi-annual Year 4-6 excursion to Borambola being changed to an annual Year 5/6 excursion to Borambola, with an excursion for Year 3-6 students to take place very alternate year to such places as Canberra and Ballarat. Your input into planning is essential for this initiative to be a success.

Riding to School
Once again I have to mention the number of students who are once again riding bikes and skateboards to school without wearing the proper protection, namely BIKE HELMETS. Parents and students are reminded that the wearing of a helmet when riding a bike in NSW is enforceable by law. Students who bring a bike to school without a helmet are not allowed to ride their bike home, but walk it. Unfortunately, when out of sight of staff students will then ignore this instruction. Please assist the school by ensuring your child wears a bike helmet when riding a bike or skateboard to school.

Schools Clean Up Day
Last Friday students participated in Schools Clean Up Day as part of Clean Up Australia events. The school grounds looked wonderful, thanks to the efforts of the K/1/2 class, while the Year 3-6 students cleaned up the streets and footpaths surrounding the school. A great job everyone!

Merit Award System
The new Merit Award system has commenced and it is fantastic to see the number of students being presented with an Achievement Award in classes. Once a student has collected 3 Achievement Awards they can be handed to Mr Allen for a Merit Award. We already have 5 students who will be presented with a Merit Award at the next Primary Assembly. Keep up the fantastic work!

Japanese Cultural Visit
Yanco Public School will have the opportunity to immerse ourselves in Japanese culture when the school is visited by the Taiko Experience on Wednesday, 2 April 2014. Students will participate in a display of Taiko, or Japanese drumming, as well as learning other Japanese culture. The presenter, Kyiomi Calwell, is a bilingual primary school teacher who trained and qualified in Australia after moving here from Japan and becoming an Australian citizen. This opportunity will take place at no costs to students, as it will be funded from additional funds received through the RAM.

Primary Assembly
Parents and all community members are invited to attend the first primary assembly for 2014, which will be held on Thursday, 20 March 2014, commencing at 10.30 am under the COLA. During the assembly students who have achieved them will be presented with Merit Awards and there will be a fantastic performance by K/1/2. After the assembly parents, carers and school community members are invited to stay and enjoy morning tea, which will take place after the assembly during recess, commencing at approximately 11.10 am.

Harmony Day
Staff are currently planning this year’s Harmony Day celebrations, which will be held on Friday, 21 March 2014. It is planned for students to participate in a number of cultural activities on the day, with the possibility of other small schools joining the celebrations. More information will be sent home with students nearing the day.

Child Protection Education
As part of the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education curriculum (PDHPE) students will be participating in Child Protection lessons through the year. These lessons are designed to assist children to identify dangerous or uncomfortable situations and seek advice from trustworthy adults. Some lessons involve the naming of private parts of the body in a sensible and correct manner. The Child Protection lessons have been developed by the NSW Department of Education and Communities and they are an important priority for schools. Please feel free to contact either myself or your child’s teacher if you have any questions regarding the implementation of these programs.

Girl Guides and Air League Visits
Students in Year 3-6 will be visited by representatives from the Girl Guides and the Australian Air League on Wednesday, 12 March 2014 at 12.30 pm. Mrs Shelley Campbell has recently moved to the Leeton district and would like to re-establish a Girl Guides unit, while Mr Bob Manning will be visiting the school promoting the Australian Air League Leeton/Narrandera Boy’s Cadet Squadron. Information on these activities will be provided to the students on the day by these presenters and also in the school newsletter.

Until next week
Tim Allen
LNPSSA Soccer Gala Day
Last week students in Year 5/6 attended the LNPSSA Soccer Gala Day and selection trials at Parkview PS (girls) and the Leeton Town Ovals (boys). Hearty congratulations to Brittany Dolan, who was selected in the LNPSSA Girls Soccer Team to compete at the regional championships to be held in Albury on Friday, 2 May 2014.

LNPSSA Rugby League Trials
The Leeton Narrandera/Griffith PSSA Rugby League Trials for selection in Open’s and Under 11’s will be held at Parkview PS on Friday, 14 March 2014 for commencing at 10 am. Any students interested in attending must have their name to Mr Allen by Monday afternoon.

LNPSSA News
Details of remaining Term 1 events are:
- Riverina PSSA Tennis Selection Trials – Griffith, Friday 14 March (Individual nominations, must be able to serve)
- LNPSSA Netball Knockout and Trials – Leeton Stadium, Monday 7 April 2014 (Gala Day, all Year 5/6 girls)
- LNPSSA Rugby League Knockout – Leeton Town Ovals, Monday 7 April 2014 (Gala Day, all Year 5/6 boys)

In addition to these events, Year 5/6 students are also invited to nominate for the following sports by the due date:
- Rugby Union – Individual nominations by 19 July, 2014
- Hockey – Individual nominations by 24 March, 2014
- Girls Softball – Individual nominations by 2 May, 2014

School Uniform
The wearing of school uniform builds school pride and a sense of belonging in students. All items of clothing in the school uniform are available from the school office, which is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays. If any parents or carers are having difficulty purchasing items of school clothing, please contact the office.

News from the Classrooms
3/4/5/6
This week students have been completing a number of Maths assessments. As part of our HSIE unit on Russia, next Tuesday, 3-6 students will be cooking Borsch, which is a Russian Beetroot Soup. Could all students please bring along $2 to help cover the cost of ingredients?

P. and C. News
The next meeting of the P & C will be held next Tuesday, 11 March 2014, commencing at 3.30 pm in the school library. Please come along and support the small number of parents who enthusiastically support the school.

K/1/2
A very big thank you to Karen for giving K/1/2 the opportunity to experience the wonder of a chocolate fountain for the letter ‘F’ on Tuesday. Unfortunately, the fountain did not work, but we all got the opportunity to dip two marshmallows into some freshly melted chocolate. Thanks again Karen.
IGA Shopping Dockets

The Golden Apple is once again supporting Yanco Public School. Please collect your shopping docket from the Golden Apple and place in the box provided in the front office.

Primary Assembly

Schedule

Term 1
Thursday, 20 March

Term 2
Thursday 22 May, Thursday, 19 June

Term 3
Thursday, 7 August, Thursday, 4 September

Term 4
Thursday, 30 October, Thursday, 27 November

All parents, carers and community members are invited and encouraged to attend. The assembly will commence at 10.30 am and will be followed by a community morning tea during recess.

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POSITIONS VACANT

Temporary School Learning Support Officers

Three SLSO positions are available at Yanco Public School, commencing Term 2, 2014 (Monday, 28 April 2014)

Two positions are until the end of Term 4, 2014, four days a week, from 9.30 am -1.30 pm, with some flexibility in the days required, assisting students in the classrooms and playground.

One position is until the end of Term 3, Thursday, 18th September, Monday to Thursday, from 9.15 – 11.15 am, assisting staff to implement individual education programs, including a speech program.

Interested persons should contact Yanco Public School on 02 6955 7162 or email yanco-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to obtain an application package.

Applications close 5pm Wednesday, 19 March

Mrs McClymont has bravely volunteered to shave her head if her goal of $750 is reached.

Kim Evans and Sandra McDougall are on board, so have a chat to Mrs McClymont if you are interested in signing up too!

Go to: http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/rachaelmcclymont

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**Nutrition Snippet**

The simplest way to improve the health of your family and save money.

Want to know how to get your family to eat all the fruit & veg they need to stay healthy?

Think fruit & veg cost too much?

Over the coming weeks we’ll give you tips and ideas that will help you:

- Make healthy meals the whole family will love
- Pack healthy lunch boxes that will get eaten
- Save money by eating more fruit and veg
- Encourage fussy eaters with fun food ideas
- Grow your own fruit & veg without fuss

Got an idea to help us? Get in touch!

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

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Community Events

**Trivia Night**

Saturday 15 March

Grab some friends, test your knowledge and have some fun!

- **Main Prize:** Bike worth $200
- **Secondary Prize:** $100 worth of Gift Voucher
- **Third Prize:** $50 worth of Gift Voucher

*Hosted by Yanco Public School
Located at Leeton Soldiers Club
Phone 02 6953 3444

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**Ian Lucas Memorial Bike Ride and Hike**

Sunday 23rd March

9.00am Grong Grong Sports Club
Registration at Grong Grong and Matong from 8.00am

Riders can complete a course from Grong Grong to Matong and return or any part of the course they feel comfortable in tackling. Walk to be held concurrently to Bundidgery Channel and back.

**Prices:**
- $20 per adult,
- $10 per child,
- $50 per family.

Morning tea and lunch included in entrance fee.

Morning tea and lunch available for purchase on the day for non-riders and non-walkers.

*Primary school age children to be accompanied by an adult*

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**Cystic Fibrosis Disco**

For Juniors & Teens

**DATE:** FRIDAY 14th March

**VENUE:** Platform Lounge
Racecourse RD Leeton (Also known as the MIA Social Club)

**TIMES:**
- Juniors – Kindergarten to yr 6 6.00pm – 8.00pm
- Teens – yr 7 to yr 10 8.30pm – 10.30pm

**ENTRY:** $5.00 pp
**MUSIC BY:** DJ...ML...

Full lock in with supervision, no persons will be allowed outside the premises until collected by an adult.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Yanco Village Markets
Yanco Community Hall
Sunday, 23rd March

Powerhouse Museum
Open Day
Sunday, 23rd March

Yanco Lions Club Meeting
Yanco All-Servicemen’s Club
2nd and 4th Wednesday of
every month
7.00 pm

Please support the businesses that support our kids and our school!

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Extra charges will apply for removal [depending on how many trailer loads].
Rates: $20 per hour
Pensioners: $13 per hour
Contact Ian on 0411 846649

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DAYCARE
Now Open
8.00am—5.00pm
Monday to Friday
4/10 Waratah Street, Leeton
□ 0-2 Years: $ 7.00/hr.
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Child Care Benefit Available.
Ph: 0428 556286 b.h.
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Thursday to Sunday
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