Harmony Day
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Calendar

Term 1, Week 10 (31st March-4th April)

Monday, 31st March Young Leaders Conference
Tuesday, 1st April Return from Young Leaders
Wednesday, 2nd April Japanese Cultural Visit
Thursday, 3rd April School Athletics Carnival

Term 1, Week 11 (7th-11th April)

Monday, 7th April Riverina Debating Day
Wednesday, 9th April GRUNT/League Gala Day
Thursday, 10th April Bikeathon
Friday, 11th April Last day of term

Term 2, Week 1 (28th April – 2nd May)

Monday, 28th April Staff return
Tuesday, 29th April Students return

Harmony Day was celebrated last Friday with students wearing a splash of orange and participating in a number of cultural activities.

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Yanco Public School......Towards a better world
Principal’s News

Welcome back to Week 9 of Term 1. We are heading towards the end of Term 1 with a flurry of activity, with numerous events and activities taking place. Could I please ask you keep up to date with all which is taking place and return any permission notes to the school promptly, to assist with organisation.

Primary Assembly
Thank you to the parents and carers who were present at last Thursday’s Primary Assembly. It was truly a magnificent attendance and it was wonderful to see the number of community members present to see the students be recognised for their achievements and receive awards. The assembly included a wonderful performance of The Wombat Wobble by K/1/2 and the morning tea after assembly was also well attended. Thank you everyone for attending and we hope to see you again at the Week 4 Primary Assembly in Term 2.

Bike Day
A reminder that the school’s annual Bike Day will take place on the second last day of Term 1, on Thursday, 10 April 2014. Attached to last week’s newsletter were the student’s sponsorship forms. The Bike-a-thon is a major fundraiser for the school community and I encourage all students to attract as much sponsorship as possible.

Harmony Day
Harmony Day was celebrated last Friday. Students participated in a number of cultural activities on the day. Than you to Mrs Hermann, who is from Canada, who came to the school to talk to the students about Canada. Activities during the day included making maple syrup pancakes, researching, identifying and creating a poster of each students Chinese Zodiac animal symbol in Mandarin and a technology base research quiz on a country. After lunch students participated in Indigenous games activities.

Year 6 Shirts
The Yanco P & C is once again supporting students by purchasing the shirts for Year 6 students. This year Mrs Binns has been busy with the Year 6 students designinng and organising the delivery of the shirts. Mrs Binns has done a fantastic job, I have seen the design and I think everyone will be very impressed with the shirts when they arrive.

Young Leaders Excursion
This Sunday, School Captains Kyle Zylstra, Talee Warren and I will depart Leeton, along with principals and captains from Leeton, Murrami and Whilton Public Schools, to travel to Sydney to participate in the National Young Leaders Conference. We will all return to school on Wednesday, 2 April 2014.

GRUNT
The popular musical production ‘Grunt’ will make a welcome return to the Narrandera stage in April 2014. It is planned for all students to travel to Narrandera on Wednesday, 9 April 2014 to watch a matinee performance of the musical and to meet cast and crew. After the matinee students will have lunch in the park before returning to Yanco. Permission notes are attached to this week’s newsletter.

Parent Ideas – Michael Grose
I hope everyone enjoyed the copy of Michael Grose’s Parenting Ideas magazine sent home with last week’s newsletter. There will be more parenting tips provided in the school newsletter in the coming weeks.

Coming Events
Coming events include the Riverina Debating day, with Elliane Boulton and Callum Dunn travelling to Griffith with Mrs Binns on Monday, 7 April 2014. On Wednesday, 2 April 2014 students will participate in a display of Taiko, or Japanese drumming, as well as learning other Japanese culture from presenter Kiyomi Calwell.

Crunch & Sip
As part of the Live Life Well @ School initiative the school’s fruit break, previously known as ‘Fruito’ will now be known as ‘Crunch&Sip’. Students will still be required to bring only fresh fruit and vegetables and water for Crunch&Sip. Crunch&Sip is a program developed by NSW Health and the Healthy Kids Association and once fully accredited as a Crunch&Sip school, we will receive a sign to put up at the front of the school, as well as numerous resources to encourage healthy eating. Please find attached to this week’s newsletter is a Crunch&Sip information booklet.

Until next week
Tim Allen

News from the Office

Attached for your action:
- GRUNT Permission Note
- P & C Bulb Fundraiser

Now Due:
- Yrs 5/6 Netball/League Gala Day permission notes
- Excursion Planning Survey
- Voluntary Contributions
- Ongoing permission notes

COMMONWEALTH BANK
STUDENT BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY
Please bring your banking to the school office on Tuesday morning.

TERM 1
VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS are now due.
$10 per term per child or $40 for the full year.
News from the Classrooms

K/1/2

Harmony Day last Friday was a huge success. K/1/2 have demonstrated how much they learnt from Beth Hermann about Canada through their writing. I was “blown away” by their writing.

K/1/2 are slowly but surely getting in to the swing of literacy groups in the L3 structure. All students are developing the skills to monitor their time to ensure they can get through all the allocated “can dos”.

This week we learnt all about halves and quarters in maths. We all have an excellent understanding of how to divide shapes and groups in to half and quarters. Some students have even extended themselves on to 1/3s and 1/5’s.

I have noticed that not all students are completing their sight words every night. Please take the 5 minutes each night to complete these. It really helps to consolidate what we are doing in the classroom.

Sports Report

LNPSSA Netball/Rugby League Gala Day
The LNPSSA Netball Knockout and Trials and Rugby League Knockout will be held at the Leeton Town Ovals and Leeton Stadium on Monday, 7 April 2014. All students in Years 5 and 6 received permission notes yesterday. Please note that if a student wishes to play in the Classic Shield Rugby League they will be required to have parental consent to participate in a full contact sport. Further details are included in the permission note sent out

Athletics Carnival
The Yanco Public School Athletics Carnival will be held at the school on Thursday, April 3 2014. We would greatly appreciate some parent helpers to assist with running of events and timekeeping throughout the day. Please contact Carmel in the front office and leave your name with her if you would like to help out.

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 us.

Parent-Carer Tips

Homework for little kids
Schools develop homework policies with the help of teachers and parents. These are used as a guide and are based on common sense. If you find homework is becoming too much or is too difficult for your child, have a chat with your child’s teacher. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/getting-your-child-used-to-writing

Helping your child to become a good speller
What do you do when your child is struggling with spelling? Should you let your child use a spell checker, for instance? Here are a few tips and techniques to make spelling easier.

P. and C. News

Garden Express Fundraiser
Attached to today’s newsletter you will find a Bulbs pamphlet and order form. Please return these by Friday, 11th April (last day of term).

PARENT HELPERS REQUIRED
This year Yanco P & C will be running the canteen at the Small Schools Athletics Carnival on Tuesday, 20 May 2014, as well as sharing the canteen with Leeton Public School at the LNPSSA Touch Gala Day and Knockout on Friday, 20 May 2014, with both events being held at the Leeton High School Ovals. Parent helpers will be needed for both days. Parent helpers will also be needed to run both the school Athletics carnival and Bike Day. Please consider helping out on these days, as ‘many hands make light work’.

Canteen News

Primary Assembly Schedule

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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.
Be healthy – be active

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Open Monday and Thursday

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The simplest way to set a healthy example for our kids.

Did you know that in NSW 9 out of 10 parents are not eating the recommended daily amount of veg and half are not eating the recommend daily amount of fruit?

What you eat influences what your children eat; this is especially important with fruit and veg because eating adequate amounts all your life can help protect you and your children against all of these:

- Coronary heart disease
- Some forms of cancer
- Obesity and being overweight
- Constipation
- High blood pressure and cholesterol levels
- Diabetes

By eating more fruit and veg now you’ll be a healthy role model for your kids and help protect their health in the future.

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

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## BOB’S RE-USE CENTRE

**Leeton Landfill & Recycling Centre**  
Thursday to Sunday  
9am to 5pm  
Enquiries: 0416 109 676

## IAN’S LAWN SERVICE

**Golden Apple Super Store**  
P.O. Box 750, Leeton  
Yanco Road, Leeton  
Phone: 6953 2000  
Fax: 6953 2772

- Edge and Hedge trimming  
- Rubbish removal  
- Tree Trimming  
- Gardening  

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

## Yanco All Servicemen’s Club Limited

**LEETON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB (SOCCER)**  
**JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY FOR LOCAL COMPETITION**  
Saturday March 29, 2014  
Leeton No 1 Oval kiosk  
10am to noon  
Ages: Boys 4-15, Girls 4-16  
Details for online registration  
Enquiries: Rod Harrison 0417 450 546  
Shane Dunn 0428 649 481  
Lena Porcu 0418 552 075  
leetonunitedfc.org.au

## 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.  
Thank you

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**YANCO LIONS CLUB**  
“WE SERVE”