Feature Photo

K/1/2 thoroughly enjoyed their excursion to the Botanical Gardens and Circus Quirkus.

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Yanco Public School…….Towards a better world
Welcome to Week 2 of Term 3. Next week will be a very busy week, with Education Week being celebrated at both the school and regional level. As many of you would be aware, the Bike Day was cancelled at the end of Term 1 due to the wet weather. It is now planned for the last day of this term, Friday, 19 September 2014. Keep the date free as we need some parents to assist us!

Welcome
This term we welcome Miss Gabrielle Turner, who comes to us from Charles Sturt University in Wagga Wagga. Miss Turner is completing the final year of a teaching degree and is completing her internship at Yanco Public School. Under the guidance of Mrs Binns, Miss Turner will be teaching the Year 3-6 class for a 5 week block later this term. I am sure you will all join with me in welcoming Miss Turner to the school and hope she enjoys her time with us.

Term 3 Organisation
This term we have a number of programs operating, including Middle School Transition, Kindergarten Transition and Music programs. Mrs McClymont will remain in the K/1/2 class on Wednesday afternoons while Kindergarten Transition takes place. Mr Allen will now teach K/1/2 on Tuesday afternoons, as well as the usual Friday. Kindergarten student’s library lessons will now take place on Tuesday with Mr Allen, while the Music program has been moved to Friday to accommodate transition.

Parent /Teacher Interviews
Parent interviews with classroom teachers will be held tonight, commencing at 3.30 pm in the K/1/2 and Year 3-6 classrooms. This will be an excellent opportunity to discuss your child’s academic and social progress at the school after receiving their Semester One Student Report. Confirmation notes informing parents of their time were sent home with students yesterday.

Circus Quirkus
On Monday K/1/2 travelled to Wagga Wagga to attend Circus Quirkus. Students also had the opportunity to visit the Wagga Wagga Botanical Gardens. A fantastic time was had by all students and both Mrs McClymont and Mrs Edis were proud of the student’s behaviour and the way they represented the school. Mrs McClymont has told me that the excursion will provide lots of experiences and opportunities for writing!

Kindergarten Transition Program
The Kindergarten Transition Program for prospective Kindergarten students for 2015 commenced last week. The program will take place each Wednesday, commencing at 12.30 pm. For any further details please contact the front office or Mrs McClymont.

Education Week
Education Week will be celebrated next week, from Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August 2014. Next Tuesday morning a Community Breakfast will be served under the Canteen verandah and on Thursday there will be a special Education Week Primary Assembly and Community Morning Tea commencing at 10.30 am. Please see the attached Education Week invitation and flyer of events taking place at the school and join with us in celebrating public education.

NAIDOC Week
As part of Education Week activities students will travel to Murrami Public School on Friday, 1 August 2014 to celebrate NAIDOC Week with the Leeton Small Schools community. NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each year to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The activities at Murrami PS will be a great opportunity for students to participate in a range of activities to support the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and to participate in activities that will broaden their knowledge of Indigenous culture. Students will travel to Murrami PS by bus and will be provided with a free BBQ lunch during the day. A permission notes is attached to the newsletter.

SHINE and Leeton Eisteddfod
On Monday, 4 August 2014 students will travel to the Roxy Theatre to participate in the Primary Verse Speaking Competition, before walking to Leeton High School to undertake rehearsals for SHINE. Students will travel by bus and a permission note is attached to the newsletter. Please see the Leeton Eisteddfod Schedule included in this week’s newsletter for all dates students are participating in the eisteddfod. SHINE Tickets are available at the school office.

Hearing and Eye Screening
On Tuesday, 12 August 2014 staff from the Griffith Aboriginal Health will visit the school to carry out basic hearing and eye screening tests. Screening Consent Forms will be sent home with the relevant students and must be returned to school in order for the tests to take place. The results of the test will be sent home with students and if a problem has been identified parents will be recommended to seek further assessments.

Lost Property
Lots of parents have been reporting lost property, particularly jumpers. Unfortunately, lots of students take their jumpers off during the day and leave them laying around both the classroom and the playground, despite numerous reminders from staff to pick up after themselves. Please ensure all student clothing is properly labelled, as staff have great difficulty returning jumpers to students if they can’t find a name on the item!

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News from the Office

Permission notes attached;
• NAIDOC Day Permission Note
• Hearing & Eye Screening Note (if relevant)

Outstanding Permission Notes to be returned (if highlighted)
• KROP Permission Note
• Shine Permission Note
• League Tag Day Permission Note

Please try and return permission notes promptly as your child may miss out on an event if we do not hold permission and we are unable to contact you.

P and C News

Unfortunately, the school canteen will again be closed until further notice. To cater for students, the Year 6 leadership team will once again provide a cooked, healthy and nutritious lunch for students each Thursday. Order forms will be sent home with students early each week and must be returned to school on Wednesday morning. The menu for Term 3 so far will be:
• Thursday, 31 July – Chicken kebabs and rice
• Thursday, 7 August – Chicken and pasta bake

Sports Report

Premier’s Sporting Challenge
Students once again have the opportunity to participate in the premier’s Sporting Challenge in 2014. Log books have been provided to all students in Year 3-6, while students in K/1/2 are not required to complete a log book. By participating in the Fundamental Movement Skills program, weekly primary sport, school sporting carnivals and Leeton Narrandera PSSA activities, students will be eligible to receive a Premier’s Sporting Challenge Certificate at the end of the year.

Fundamental Movement Skills Program
The Fundamental Movement Skills Program initiated by Mrs McClymont and Mrs Binns continues this term, with the Year 6 Leadership Team coordinating activities. The program takes place after recess for 15 minutes from Monday to Thursday.

Year 3/4 Sport
Most of the Leeton Narrandera PSSA sporting commitments for the year have been completed. The first of this term’s sporting events will take place tomorrow with students in Years 3 and 4 participating in the Leeton Narrandera PSSA Year 3/4 League Tag Gala Day. Students will be accompanied by Mrs Binns and Miss Turner. Students in Year 3 and 4 will also have the opportunity to participate in the following events this year:
• Year 3/4 AFL Gala Day – Friday, 5 September
• Year 3/4 Soccer Gala Day – Friday, 24 October

Riverina Athletics Carnival
The Riverina Region Athletics Carnival will be held in Albury on Monday, 4 August 2014, with Jack Cross and Raena Dixon representing the zone in the Leeton Narrandera PSSA Athletics Team.
Education Week at Yanco Public School

2014 marks the 60th anniversary of the first Education Week. The slogan for the original, 1954 Education Week was: "Lighting the way to a better world". We have adopted that slogan for this anniversary celebration and the artwork from the 1954 poster has been adapted for use in 2014. Please join with us in celebrating Public Education

Tuesday, 29 July 2014 - Community Breakfast
Join the Yanco Public School community for an Education Week Breakfast. Bacon and Egg Rolls, Pancakes and maple syrup, tea, coffee and fruit juice will be served under the Canteen verandah from 8.00 am to 9.30 am.

Thursday, 31 July 2014 - Education Week Assembly and Morning Tea
Join students and the school community in attending a special Education Week Assembly, commencing at 10.30 am under the COLA. There will be performances by students and a special presentation of Education Week Awards. After assembly a Community Morning Tea will take place, commencing at 11.15 am.

Thursday and Friday, 31 July and 1 August 2014 - KROP
The Year 3-6 Girl’s Dance Group will perform at KROP at the Griffith Regional Theatre. Tickets are available from the theatre on (02) 6962 8452

Friday, 1 August 2014 - NAIDOC Week Celebrations
Students will travel to Murrarmi Public School, together with students from Wamoon and Whitton Public Schools to recognise NAIDOC Week and participate in numerous activities to celebrate Indigenous culture. Organised and hosted by Murrarmi Public School for the Leeton Small Schools Community.
No time for breakfast?

Try some of these quick breakfasts children can enjoy “on the go”.

- reduced-fat yoghurt, or a yoghurt drink.
- reduced-fat milkshake
- healthy cereal in small plastic bag (a small carton of milk can add a calcium boost)
- slice of banana loaf or other low fat fruit loaf.

COMPLAINTS HANDLING POLICY

All minor complaints and disputes should be resolved promptly and without using formal procedures. Whenever possible, informal resolution should be attempted first in all matters assessed as less serious.

Schools – a guide for parents and carers
It is best to discuss your concerns with your child’s teacher first. Make an appropriate time to meet with them or phone the school and ask for an appointment with the teacher.

If you are not happy with the result, or if you do not feel it is appropriate to talk to them, phone and make an appointment to discuss your concerns with the principal.

You may bring a friend or relative to be your support. If you need an interpreter, we can arrange that – just ask beforehand.

If your complaint is about the principal you will need to contact the Director of Public Schools in your area. Ask the school office staff at your school for their name and number.

If your complaint cannot be resolved in an informal way, we may ask you to put it in writing. It is important that you include specific details of the situation and tell us what you would like to happen as a result of your complaint. We can help you to put your complaint in writing, if you require it.

Alternatively a complaint form may also be used. Complete the form and send it to the principal, or the Director of Public Schools in the Griffith office.
**Term 3 Calendar, 2014**

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PRIMARY ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

Term 3
Thursday, 31 July,
Thursday, 4 September

Term 4
Thursday, 30 October,
Thursday, 27 November

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.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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BOB’S RE-USE CENTRE
Leeton Landfill & Recycling Centre
Thursday to Sunday
9am to 5pm
Enquiries: 0416 109 676

Please support the businesses that support us

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