Yea Primary School

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Students of the Week

P/1 Stephen Clue
for great reading and for learning that if he focuses he can achieve the learning intentions.

1/2F Marko Ciantar
for working quietly and being helpful in class.

2/3/4G Declan Fulford
for bringing enthusiasm and creative thinking to numeracy lessons.

4/5/6M Chloe Bennett
for using initiative at clean up time EVERY day!

5/6U Aidan Etherton
for encouraging others to make good choices during class-time. Well done Aidan.

Dates to Remember

AUGUST
30th Grade P-2 School Camp
Active After School Care
31st Grade P-2 School Camp

SEPTEMBER
4th Active After School Care
5th Footsteps Dancing
6th Student Performance Assembly
2:15pm
Active After School Care
11th Active After School Care
12th Junior Fun Day—Highlands PS

Sports Award
Josh Johnson
For consistently running laps and challenging himself during cross-country practise.

Values Award
Heath Kelly & Aaron Chuah
For sharing beautifully in the sandpit.
A word from Debbie

Many of our students are enjoying attending the new gym that has opened in Yea and is being run by Daniel Marks a parent of our school. It is great for them to have a place to get fit and learn new defensive skills. Daniel and I have had discussions about the need for all children attending the gym to have a sense of responsibility about the skills being learnt and when it is appropriate for them to be used. As discussed with our students Daniel and I will not tolerate inappropriate use of skills learnt outside the gym.

Times for the gym are:
Monday to Friday
Primary students: 3.20 - 4.15pm cost $3
Secondary students: 4.15 – 6pm cost $5
Saturday and Sunday
Times on the door
Times subject to change depending on demand

Sausage Sizzle
The following students Ethan Aldous, Ryan Lucas, Zak Firman, Johnny Turvey, Josh Johnson and Dylan Butler cooked and served sausages on Saturday to raise money for sports equipment. The boys were great ambassadors for the school and are very pleased with the $480 they raised. The sausage sizzle was Zak’s idea and we commend him and his helpers for their initiative. Thank you to Richard Firman and Trevor Aldous who supported them on the day.

Teachers Strike
As you would be aware from current news reports there is a strike planned for all teachers, support staff and business managers for September 5th. The Victorian Government has not moved from their stand with negotiations. They have continued to dismantle regional and metropolitan DEECD staffing which involves our consultants and support for student services. Notification will be sent home if issues have not been resolved and the strike action continues. Staff at this school is very aware of the inconvenience this action would cause to families and are hoping that the situation will be resolved.

Literacy/Numeracy Week
It was great to have some parents come to school on Tuesday to observe their children at work and play. The students enjoy sharing their work and we thank all those families who made the time to be at school.

Fathers’ Day Stall
Amanda Jolly had sourced some great gifts for the Fathers’ Day stall held on Wednesday. There will be many happy fathers on Sunday! Thank you to Amanda and Belinda Johnston who helped the students choose gifts.

Grade Prep/1/2 camp
Excitement is running high and we are all looking forward to camp on Thursday 30th and Friday 31st, gumboots may be the required fashion accessory! It is wonderful to share experiences away from the school environment with the students and observe them interacting with their peers and students from Highlands PS. The bus leaves at 9am so please be at school by 8.45am to allow time for packing the bus. There will be many stories shared when we return at 3pm on Friday.

Teaching Round
Suzie Bennett an ex student of Yea PS has been a volunteer classroom helper for many years. Suzie has been studying to be a teacher and has just completed a teaching round in Sal’s room. Suzie has taken on many additional roles whilst at this school and we thank her for her support, Suzie will be on camp with the grade Prep/1/2 students.

Josh, Zak, Ethan and Dylan enjoying the fruits of their labour.
Yea Primary School understands that sometimes absences from school are unavoidable, be it illness, family business or other reasons. However, in these circumstances we ask that parents please:

1. At your earliest convenience give us a call to let us know what is going on.

AND/OR

2. Send in a note from the Yellow notepad explaining the absence the next day of attendance.

Thank you all so much for the cooperation and patience during the implementation of this new program. Caitlyn will only be calling you if we have not received notice of the absence.

*Yellow Absence Pads are available from the Front Office.

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Yea Primary School is now taking enrolments for 2013. Our kinder to prep transition program will begin this term however we invite families to arrange a time to tour our new school.
Goulburn Fish Festival

Friday August 31st & Saturday September 1st
5.30 pm - 9.30 pm
9.00 am - 2.00 pm

Free activities for the whole family at the Eildon Community Centre.

- celebrate trout season opening
- guided tour of the Snobs Creek Fish Hatchery
- fishing expo and presentations
- talk and learn about fishing the region
- showcase of local produce
- face painting, jumping castle and fishing activities
- prizes and giveaways
- catering available.

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