Dates to Remember

March
21st  PMP begins for Prep-2
     Cluster Sports - Alexandra
     Community Conversations at
     Yea PS at 3:30pm
23rd  Ride 2 School Day
26th  School Council
27th  Community Conversation 6pm
     Shire Hall
30th  End of term 1 finish 1pm.

April
16th  Start of term 2

Students of the Week

P/1 Perry Moon for
focussing on his Magic Words
and using great reading
strategies.

1/2F Ryan Ockwell
for being a great role
model and making
great choices.

3/4G Holly Granter
for her immaculate
manners in the
classroom.

4/5/6M Teagan Britton
for working hard to learn
spelling words and
complete home learning
every week.

5/6U Keira Lawrence
for being an amazing
audience member,
offering each presenter
(during project
presentations) positive
and well thought out
feedback.

Values Award

Jackson Harding
For phenomenal persistence in
athletics and unrivalled
enthusiasm
Our School Values
Respect, Empathy, Collaboration, Creativity, Integrity, Persistence

A word from Debbie

End of Term
The School Councils at schools in this area have had a discussion about the time of finishing for the day on the last day of term for the four terms. It has been decided that buses will arrive at Yea PS at 1pm therefore we will have a quick assembly at 12.45pm to ensure our students are ready to catch their bus and go home at 1pm. As this is before our usual lunch break it is expected that the students will have lunch after they are collected.

Young Leaders Day
Our School and Vice Captains attended The Young Leaders Day at The Melbourne Convention Centre on Thursday 15\textsuperscript{th} March. The speakers Joy Smithers, Andrew Swallow, Mike Martin, Lorin Nicholson and Marita Cheng all spoke about leadership and how they have achieved some of their goals. Michael, Becky, Nikki and Terry all spoke about one of the speakers at assembly on Monday. Public speaking is an important skill to possess and these four students demonstrated they are becoming more confident when sharing their thoughts.

Visit to Yea PS
Many of you will be aware of the financial contribution Edna McGuinness and her friends in Bowral have made to our school. This started after the fire and we still receive donations that Edna chose to put towards the CRE workbooks. We occasionally have a chat on the phone which is lovely. It was wonderful to meet Edna and her daughter when they visited our school recently. Our newsletter travels to Bowral and we would like to thank these very kind and generous people for their latest contribution to our school.

Fruit
David Lucas gave the school a box of delicious apples. All grades are enjoying them during fruit snack times. Thank you David

AASC
On the 20\textsuperscript{th} and 22\textsuperscript{nd} March Terry will be running bike riding and safety sessions at Yea PS. Please bring a bike to school if possible. Terry has a couple of spares. The last session for AASC this term is the 22\textsuperscript{nd} March.
Next term AASC will be run on Mondays from 3.15 to 5.15pm at the Yea HS Indoor Centre. The students will be playing soccer with students from Sacred Heart. They will travel to the High School on the school buses that leave from our school after school ends. A note will be sent home for parents to give permission for this activity.
On Thursdays games will be held at Yea PS from 3.15 – 4.30pm. Afternoon tea will be provided for both sessions.

Habitat Launch
Amanda Jolly worked very hard to ensure the catering for this event was possible and profitable for Yea PS. The following students distributed food and refreshments at the launch, Sophie Stares, Xavier Jolly, Lily Marsden, Yasmin Ukosich, Nikki Watts, Becky Hall, Terry Vlamis and Michael Cudmore. Their efforts were praised by many at the launch. The following were a great support to Amanda Anna Rasmussen, Judy Watts, Deb Redding and we thank them all for their support. Helen Jolly kindly allowed the Butter Factory to be the preparation point and was also very involved in the cooking for the lunch. Thank you Helen!

Bendigo Bank
On Monday all the students were in a photo holding up the letters to spell the word COMMUNITY. The photo is for the Yea branch.

Lillian, Terry, Xavier, Yasmin, Sophie, Nikki, Becky and Michael.
Autumn Fest
We were very proud of all the students from Yea, Highlands and Flowerdale Primary Schools who sang in a combined choir to open the day’s activities. Miss Fillmore and Sal are to be congratulated on creating such enthusiasm for the singing group as so many students arrived on time to sing. Our skipping team demonstrated some tricks and a routine bringing a lot of these tricks together. It is always wonderful to watch how skilful these students are and the confidence they are developing by being a part of the skipping team. For some of the team it was the first time they have demonstrated in public and this is a great effort. Well done to the team and Miss Fillmore.

Harmony Day
It was a sea of orange at school on Tuesday. Activities were enjoyed by all the students in mixed age groups. The activities were Taichi, cooking, card making on laptops, calligraphy, Harmony Day chain, paper dragons and a dance made for a wonderful day. These days are always enjoyed by the students and many parents. The teachers at this school are always putting in extra time and effort to ensure our students get to experience many varied activities. Sal Phillips organised this day and made sure that the day ran smoothly. Thank you to Spring who came and shared her expertise.

Community Conversation
On the 27th March at 6 - 9pm at the Town Hall a community conversation will be held. This gives young people and community members the opportunity to discuss what is available or would support our young people in Yea. There will be delicious food available for all to snack on while they chat. All in the community no matter what age are invited to attend.

With thanks
Debbie George

Parents’ & Friends’ Association

Habitat for Humanity
Yesterday Amanda Jolly, Jude Watts, Deb Redding, our 8 student helpers and I catered for the Habitat for Humanity launch at the Habitat site yesterday. There were many compliments on the food and the way our helpers presented themselves serving lunch to the approx 80 guests. The students were a credit to Yea P.S. and themselves. We raised approximately $1000 and are looking at putting the money towards an incursion for the students.

Anzac Day
Just after we return from school holidays we have ANZAC day – 25th April. P & F make sandwiches, cakes & slices for the RSL and serve the tea & coffee after the ceremony back at the RSL hall. Deb Bertalli (grade 6 Mum last year) has co-ordinated this event in the past but now we need a new co-ordinator.

If you can help in any way please fill out & return the slip in this newsletter.

Thankyou
Anna Rasmussen
0438 354 886

National Ride to School Day
This Friday 23rd March it is National Ride to School Day. Students are encouraged to participate in an active method of getting to school. On the day students can meet at the rotunda behind the Yea Pool and ride, skate, scoot or walk to school from there. There will be staff members available to ensure that your child gets to school safely and available parents are encouraged to join in the fun too. The group will be leaving the rotunda at 8.30am sharp. If you would like to help out or participate on the day please let Miss Fillmore know.
***URGENT HELPERS REQUIRED***

ANZAC DAY CATERING

We have been asked again to cater for the RSL on Anzac Day, Wednesday 25th April, 2012. We will need at least 12 loaves of bread made into sandwiches, and 8 – 10 cakes or slices. Please fill in form below asap if you can help in any way or ring me on 0438 982 001.

Thank you.
Jane Finlay

ANZAC DAY CATERING

NAME:__________________________________ PHONE : ________________

I CAN MAKE SANDWICHES: _____________________________________________

I CAN MAKE A CAKE: _________________________________________________

I CAN MAKE A SLICE: ________________________________________________

I CAN HELP ON THE DAY (11—1pm): __________________________________

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NSW Testing

NSW University testing is happening soon. It is a family decision if you would like your child to participate. The school will subsidise half of the cost. Please return the slip in this newsletter to the office no later than Friday 20th April (first week back of term two). Please contact Debbie George if you have any questions regarding this testing.

Educational Assessment Australia NSW Testing

Please return this form with payment to school no later than Friday 20th April

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