

YEA PRIMARY

newsletter



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COMING UP

July

- 24th 100 Days of School
- 26th Boite Rehearsal at YeaPS
- 27th School Council Meeting
- 29th Quantum 1S and 2M
- 31st 2027 Prep enrolments close

August

- 3rd Book Fair
- 4th Book Fair
- 5th Book Fair
- 6th Book Fair
- 7th Special Persons Day
Book Fair
- 11th Boite Choir Melbourne
- 21st National Principal's Day
- 24th School Council Meeting
- 27th ELF Reading Day
- 28th Curriculum Day
- 31st Grade 6 Market Stalls

September

- 1st Kids Teaching Kids - Gr 4
Fathers Day Stall
- 2nd Whole School Swimming
- 3rd Prep / 1 / 2 Camp departs

A WORD FROM CRAIG

Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing and well-deserved break with family and friends. We certainly finished Term 2 at a hectic pace! Along with Parent-Teacher Meetings and student reports, our students who completed the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program celebrated their efforts with a well-earned Pizza Day. Thanks to Graham for manning the pizza oven.

Like many schools, we also managed staff absences, professional learning opportunities and the challenges associated with the ongoing Enterprise Bargaining Agreement negotiations and industrial action. I would like to thank our families for their patience, understanding and flexibility throughout this period. We know changes to school operations can be disruptive, and we greatly appreciate the support our community has shown. I would also like to acknowledge our staff, who have continued to place the needs of our students at the centre of everything they do while navigating a period of uncertainty.

Looking ahead, Term 3 is shaping up to be another exciting and action-packed term. Our calendar includes **Boîte, the Prep-Grade 2 Camp, the Kids Teaching Kids Conference for our Grade 4 students, QUANTUM excursions, the Book Fair and Special Persons Day, ELF Reading Day, Swimming Lessons**, and of course, the ever-popular **Grade 5 and 6 Market Stalls**. Our curriculum newsletters will come out later this week providing more detail on the learning programs as well. One thing is for sure, there will be plenty of opportunities for students to learn, challenge themselves and create lasting memories. It's going to be other fantastic term at Yea Primary School—and I have a feeling it's going to fly!

Outstanding NAPLAN Results Reflect Student Success

We are incredibly proud to share that Yea Primary School has once again achieved outstanding results in this year's NAPLAN assessments.

A WORD FROM CRAIG CONT...

Our Grade 3 and Grade 5 students performed exceptionally well across the assessment areas, with results comparing very favourably against our local network, similar schools and, in many areas, the Victorian state averages. These achievements reflect the hard work and dedication of our students, the commitment of our staff, and the ongoing support of our families. These results continue Yea Primary School's strong progress in improving our results for all students and helping us to identify students that need further support or extension. Congratulations to all of our students who completed NAPLAN this year. Whether striving to improve on previous results or tackling the assessments for the first time, every student should be proud of their effort and persistence. Individual Student Reports will be sent home with Grade 3 and Grade 5 students this week. We apologise for the delay in distributing these reports during the first week of term. Reports will be sent home in sealed envelopes, and copies will also be mailed to alternate families where applicable. Please note that NAPLAN is only completed by students in **Grade 3 and Grade 5**, so families of students in other year levels will not receive a report.

Exciting Improvements to Our Learning Spaces

Our school facilities continued to improve over the holiday break, with several exciting projects completed to further enhance our learning environments. One of the most significant additions has been the installation of **acoustic sliding doors**, allowing us to separate the Learning Street from adjoining learning areas when required. This will provide greater flexibility for teaching and learning, enabling multiple classes and activities to operate simultaneously while minimising noise and distractions. We have also invested in **new tables and chairs** for our Grade 4/5 and Grade 6 classrooms, providing students with modern, comfortable and functional learning spaces. In addition, furniture has been reconfigured throughout our specialist learning areas, while new cabinetry has been installed in both the **Kitchen and The Pod**, creating improved storage and more efficient teaching spaces. These projects are part of our ongoing commitment to continually improving our school facilities and providing high quality learning environments for all students. We look forward to sharing photographs of these exciting improvements with our community in the coming weeks.

Enterprise Bargaining Agreement Update

Many families may be aware that negotiations regarding the Victorian Government Schools Agreement are continuing. At this stage, we remain hopeful that an agreement can be reached in the near future. However, further industrial action remains a possibility while negotiations continue. Should any future industrial action impact Yea Primary School, we will communicate with families as early as possible to allow adequate time to make alternative arrangements where required. As many of our staff are members of the Australian Education Union, any future industrial action is likely to have a significant impact on normal school operations. On these occasions, the school may only be able to supervise students whose families are genuinely unable to make alternative care arrangements. We sincerely thank our families for their ongoing understanding and support and remain hopeful that negotiations will be successfully concluded soon.

2027 Prep Enrolments Closing Soon

A reminder to families that applications for **Prep enrolment for 2027 close on Thursday 31 July**.

If you have a child starting school next year or know of family or friends considering Yea Primary School, we encourage online enrolment forms to be submitted by the closing date to assist us with planning for 2027.

If you require an enrolment pack or would like to arrange a school tour, please contact the school office. We would be delighted to showcase everything Yea Primary School has to offer and welcome new families into our school community.

100 Days of Prep – Going Wild!

One hundred days of learning is certainly something worth celebrating! Our prep students will mark their **100th day of school**, celebrating just how much they have grown and learned since beginning their school journey earlier this year. To mark the occasion, students will embrace the theme by adding **"a touch of wild"** to their outfits before enjoying a range of fun classroom activities and a House Sports afternoon this Friday. Congratulations to all of our prep students on reaching this wonderful milestone and thank you to **Mrs Turner** for organising such a memorable celebration.

100 days... what an incredible achievement! Well done, Prep!

Kind regards, Craig



VALUES AWARDS



Congratulations to these amazing students for displaying our school values. You did a great job!



Week 1

Aleah, Ellie,
Cillian and MATilda



SRC Term 3



PT Brayden & Lachy
1S Pippa & Charlotte
2M Archie & Ethan
34C Tyson & Kaden
45P Archie & Eva (absent)
6P Haylee & Toby





To help us celebrate our Prep students' first 100 days of school, we invite all YPS students and staff to add a hint of wild to their school uniform on:

Friday 24th July 2026

Think fun and simple:

- 🐾 Animal-print socks
- 🐾 Animal ears or a headband
- 🐾 A spotted, striped or safari-inspired accessory
- 🐾 Wild hair or a jungle-themed hair ribbon
- 🐾 Animal-print leggings, shorts or a t-shirt

There's no need for a full costume—just a little touch of wild to help us celebrate 100 amazing days of learning, growing and adventuring together!

We can't wait to see everyone's wild side!



BOOK FAIR

Our annual Book Fair begins on Monday 3rd of August, in the Multi-Purpose room and will run until Friday 7th of August.

We are pleased to announce we will be open before and after school each day for you to browse and purchase the books on offer.

Purchases can be made by EFTPOS or cash at school or online at www.scholastic.com.au/payment. Instructions for paying online are on the back of the Wish List. Student will preview the Book Fair on Friday the 31st of July and will fill out a wish List. Please note you are under no obligation to purchase these items but please know that all Book Fair sales earn valuable resources for our school. So, it would be wonderful if you could support this worthy School event.

If paying online, PLEASE fill in the details on the back of the Wish List and RETURN this list to the Book Fair to collect your purchase.

If you have any queries, please contact Vicki on 57972724 or vicki.mueller@education.vic.gov.au

Thank you



I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.



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