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A word from Craig...

Hi everyone,

Congratulations, we have made it to the end of term 2. Well nearly, one sleep, one day, one long walk away from a couple of weeks holiday. I am really proud of how families, students and staff have all managed this term in spite of the student and staff absences. I hope everyone gets to recharge over the break and can come back in term 3 ready for a fantastic term.

Reports

Our student reports will have been sent home with the eldest student in each family today. Please take the time to read the teachers feedback and comments about your child. I think we are really lucky to have a group of teachers who know all the students so well. While you are reading if you have any questions note them down. We will have Parent Teacher Conferences early in term 3. I think that our students have done really well given all of the disruptions over the last few years. I highly encourage praising effort over achievement when reviewing the reports. Some students are really talented at running, some at reading, some at maths and some at being a good friend, but all we can ask of anyone is that they try their best. We know that effort and determination are great predictors of success and with the caring teachers at Yea Primary School there are opportunities to improve and grow for all students.

Walkathon

Our major community fundraiser the Walkathon will be on tomorrow (weather permitting). Thank you to Zanni, Yea High School students, our staff and families for organising and being a part of the event. We hope that your child has been able to get some donations to raise money for a class set of iPads. Please do not send funds to school this Friday. We will be collecting the money in the first week of next term. We will provide options to send the money in either using the QKR app for convenience or in cash. Thank you to families for their support of this event. If the weather is too unkind we will run the event on Thursday the 14th of July, 2022.

Staffing

A big congratulations to Lucie Carneli and her partner Jamie who are expecting their first child. Lucie's last day with us will be Friday the 19th of August, 2022. We are also pleased to announce that we have employed Sophie Watts to teach 456E for the rest of 2022. Sophie has worked in Lucie's classroom as an Education Support staff member last year and some days this year. She has recently completed her studies and is super enthusiastic to support the students in 456E this year. Congratulations Sophie!

Winter Sport

Due to the conditions of some of the sporting fields we had to modify our Winter Sports Day and held a fun day of competition between ourselves at our school. Students were able to take part in netball and football competitions on this day. Thanks to Yea High School for providing officials and helpers on this day.

Fundraising Committee

Lauren Cronk organises a termly meeting for our fundraising committee as all fundraising events need to be approved by School Council. All members of the community are welcome to attend this meeting and have input. We are always looking for more volunteers or support. The meeting for term 3 fundraising will be held in week 1 of term 3 on Thursday morning at 9am, please come for a cuppa if interested. Alternatively, if you are interested in being involved or have a good idea you would like considered please send an email to yea.ps@education.vic.gov.au and put Fundraising in the heading. We are really lucky to have such a supportive community in our school.

Happy Holidays, Craig



It's back on again - last year's walkathon was so much fun and such a great fundraiser for the school we are running it again!

This year's walkathon will be held on Friday 24th June, and will leave from the Railway Park at 11am, returning to school at 1.30pm.

This is a great fun and healthy activity for the school community and gives the kids a chance to contribute to the school and show off their walking stamina.

The students will walk between 3 and 10km's and students are to be sponsored per kilometre.

Parents, carers, grandparents and friends are all invited to join in. Students will enjoy a sausage sizzle once back at school!

We will have an assembly at 2pm, with early dismissal at 2.15pm for the last day of Term.

Please do not give any money to the student until after the walk. Money can be paid on QKR! App (under school evemts) or parents can deliver cash to the office at the beginning of Term 3 (Please do not send cash in with students)

Staff will be on check points along the way.

We will walk in light rain, however if the weather looks really bad and we need to cancel, we will post our decision by 8am on the school facebook page. We have scheduled Thursday 14th July as our back up day.

Please let us know if you can help out on the day!

Passion Projects 2022

Thursday 4th August





This year for Passion Projects we are asking all students to create a presentation about one of their interests or passions to present on Thursday 4th August. The presentation could be about their favourite book, author or subject. The presentation can take the form of a PowerPoint presentation, a book review or a poster. Students can dress up as a character or as the author but the main goal of the exercise is to speak for no more than 3 minutes about your topic, then answer questions about your topic. Students have more than 5 weeks to prepare their presentation, and hopefully this could be a winter holidays' task. This is a fun project that gives students a chance to practice their speaking and listening skills as well as sharing their interests with others.

All students, Prep to Grade 6 will present a Passion Project of their own choice, the presentation needs to go for about 2 to 3 minutes, and some example topics could be Harry Potter books, a Paul Jennings story, trucks, Australian animal information, science fiction, planets, Australian Explorers. etc. This is a home project, whilst we love parents to help source materials we would like students to do their own preparation. Each classroom will be covering public speaking skills and I have attached some tips for a great presentation. Public speaking can be challenging for some but a great achievement for all, please support your child with this venture.

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All students will present to parents in multi-age family groups, so keep 11:30-1:30 pm free on Thursday 4th August



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Important Dates

June

24th Walkathon Term 2 Ends Early Dimiss 2.15pm

July

11th Term 3 Commences 14th Fundrasing Meeting 9am 15th Sub Finance Meeting 2pm 18th 5/6 Camp Departs

School Council 6pm

22nd 5/6 Camp Returns

28th Curriculum Day - School Closed

August

4th Passion Projects
8th Book Fair
9th Book Fair
10th Book Fair
11th Grandparents Day

Book Fair 15th Book Fair

18th P/1/2 Camp departs 19th P/1/2 Camp Returns





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