



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS



GROW SHINE BECOME



STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to:

Chelsea Ernst IB
Lachlan Edwards 5B

Dates to Remember

- **Tue 18 Nov** - Edulance
- **Wed 19 Nov** - Edulance
 - Board Meeting 7.30pm
- **Thu 20 Nov** - Y2&Y5 Buddy Mass
 - PP Excursion to Ciccello's
- **Fri 14 Nov** - Presentation of the Virgin Mary
- **Mon 24 Nov** - Advent Liturgy at Assembly

Reflection



PRAYER

God of peace,
You sent Jesus into the world
To teach us to be friends
and to create peace.
Give us peace in the world.
May our homes and school
always be happy peaceful places.
And may we always try to be
understanding, loving, and
considerate people who bring
peace to each other.
Amen.

2015 P&F COMMITTEE

Thank you to the parents and staff members who attended the P&F Annual General Meeting last Wednesday evening. At that meeting elections were held for the 2015 P&F Committee. I would like express our appreciation to the following parents who nominated and were duly elected to the following positions:

President: Malcolm Bradshaw
Vice President: Julie Piscioneri
Treasurer: Jeremy Cordina
Secretary: Lisa Lindner
Board Nominee: Will Schaefer
Committee Member: Laura Butler

CLASS PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Last week we canvassed the school community for class parent representatives for 2015. A small number of parents have come forward. However, there are still many classes who do not have class representatives. Please contact the school office or a member of the P&F committee if you are interested in being a class representative next year.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES 2015

Kindy	Anna Rushton	Kindy	Vacant
Pre-Primary	Vacant	Pre-Primary	Vacant
Year 1	Catherine Simon	Year 1	Vacant
Year 1	Vacant		
Year 2	Laura Butler	Year 2	Vacant
Year 3	Vacant	Year 3	Vacant
Year 4	Vacant	Year 4	Vacant
Year 5	Vacant	Year 5	Vacant
Year 6	Vacant	Year 6	Vacant

SPELLING BEE

On Wednesday some of our students from Years 4-6 will be competing in a Spelling Bee at St Jude's Catholic Primary School. We wish our students the very best of luck for this event.

KINDY 2015 ORIENTATION SESSION

Parents and students of the 2015 intake are reminded that an orientation session will be held in the Kindergarten classrooms this Thursday, 20 November between 2-3pm.

FIRST AID FOCUS

This week all students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating in the first Aid focus program. First Aid Focus is a free school program that provides first aid training to school students of all ages. The program was developed as part of the St John Ambulance's mission to ensure at least one person is trained in First Aid in every household in Western Australia. Experienced St John Ambulance first aid trainers will visit our school and teach tailored first aid courses to the students.

THREE YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Yidarra will be changing our Three Year Old program from half day to full day in 2015. The main reason for the change is the clear benefits of such programs for the children who participate in them and the strong research that already exists. Below I have included some of this research which you may find informative or helpful particularly if you or someone you know may be considering sending their child to such a program.

Benefits of Early Access to School

By the age of three years, a child's brain has reached 90% of its adult size and research indicates that the brain sensitivity to language, numeracy, social skills and emotional control peaks before the age of four.

Over the past decade advances in the science of early development have shown that the biological pathways developed in early childhood influence lifetime health, well-being, learning and behaviour. The science also shows that improving children's development before this critical period can have transformative social and economic effects.

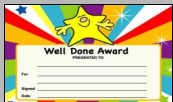
Longitudinal research of at-risk children in the United States found those who do not receive a high-quality early childhood education are:

- 25% more likely to drop out of school
- 40% more likely to become a teenage parent
- 60% more likely to never attend higher education
- 70% more likely to be arrested for a violent crime.
(The Ounce of Prevention Fund, 2014)

Well-defined programs (like our Three Year Program) which serve the interests of young children can provide the stimulating environment that is of critical importance in the early years and which may be missing in the home (A Mindereroo Foundation position paper October 2014).

God bless,

CARMEL COSTIN
Principal



**MERIT CERTIFICATES
Week 6**

Friday, 21 November

'Congratulations' to the following students who will be receiving merits awards

- Naomi Karczub PB
- Alexia Foriglio PB
- Poppy Donegan PG
- Elizabeth Young PG
- Annaliese De Luca PR
- Kristal Chapman 1B
- Tom Cmrlec 1B
- Nicola Barnwell 1G
- Rueben Russon-Ryan 1G
- Mikayla Antonelli 2G
- Sienna Fillis 2G
- Thomas Montague 3B
- Luke Laing 3B
- Jade Jerome 4B
- Joshua Raschella 4B
- Phoebe Cockrell 5B
- John Paltridge 5B
- Adam Van Ravestain 6B
- Luke Spadaro 6B

Reading Recovery Awards

- Jordan Hamilton 1G
- Claire Anderson 1B

P&F NEWS



P&F MEETING

The next P&F meeting is Monday 8 December at 7.30pm in the Library.

Scholastic Book Club Issue #8 is now closed.

Books will be delivered before the end of Term.

Thank you for your support and Happy Reading. Coordinators, Rebekah Ernst and Diana Munro.



GUEST SPEAKER NEEDED IN 3B

Have you been to Antarctica? The students in 3B would love to learn about Antarctica and possibly see some photos. Please come and see me if you can help.



JOCELYN GALLIMORE
3B Teacher

CONGRATULATIONS



Lexi Frayne 4B has been selected as a member of the Bumblebees basic novice Synchronised Ice Skating Team WA 2014. Lexie and her team will be competing at the Australian Figure Skating Championships in Brisbane against some of the strongest teams in the country.

Well Done Lexi!

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED

I am looking for families who currently live in the Como/Manning Area who may be able to assist with drop offs and pick ups for my son in 5B.

If you are able to help, please contact me on 0434 934 061.

Thank you, Monica



CANTEEN ROSTER

- Tue 18 Nov** - Mary Holloway
- Wed 19 Nov** - Jodie McManus
- Thu 20 Nov** - Peta & Joe Lanza
- Fri 21 Nov** - Volunteer Needed
- Mon 24 Nov** - Volunteer Needed

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SCHOOL BANKING



Tuesdays
8.15-9am
Undercover Area



Christmas Appeal



Christmas Hamper Ideas

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Pudding • Custard • Tinned Fruit • Bon Bons • Tea • Coffee • Milo • Long Life milk • Cereal • Dried fruit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fruit Mince Pies • Sweet biscuits • Savory biscuits • Candy Canes • Jelly • Jams • Long life juice • Christmas Cake • Christmas napkins • Christmas tablecloth | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extras • Pancake mix • Tinned vegetables • Confectionery • Muesli bars • Pasta • Pasta sauce • Vegemite • Soft drink • Cordial |
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Yidarra will be filling hampers for the St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal.

Children are asked to bring in an item from the list to put into their classroom basket by **FRIDAY 21st NOVEMBER.**

This is a simple and effective way to assist those in our community who find Christmas a time of great struggle.

All hampers will be distributed by SVDP to local families in need.

2015 ENROLMENTS STUDENTS LEAVING YIDARRA
We are now planning classes for 2015 if your child will not be returning to Yidarra in 2015, please notify in writing to the Principal. Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

WANTED OSHClub
If you have any spare packing boxes. The OSHClub would appreciate your donation. Boxes can be left in the office.
Thank you for your assistance!