STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to...

Hannah Oversby 3G & Sinead Rego 5B

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 7 Sep - Father’s Day Whole School Liturgy and Morning Tea 8.45am Y2 & Y6 to lead.
Mon 7 Sep - Kindy Screening
Tue 8 Sep - CPSSA Cross country carnival, Manning Park 10.30-2.10
Tue 8 Sep - Kindy Screening
Wed 9 Sep - Reconciliation Retreat Schoenstatt Shrine, Arma-dale
Wed 9 Sep - Kindy Screening
Thu 10 Sep - Dianne Harnett - Artist in residence - all day workshop
Fri 11 Sep - Year 1 Assembly
Sat 12 Sep - Parish Children's Mass Practice 2-3pm
Sun 13 Sep - Parish Children's Mass 9.30am
Mon 14 Sep - SCHOOL PHO-TDAY 1
Mon 14 Sep - Kindy Screening
Mon 14 Sep - P&F Meeting 7:30pm

God Our Father Open our eyes to see your hand at work, In the splendour of creation, In the beauty of human life. Touched by your hand, our world is holy, Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, To share your blessings with our brothers and sisters. And to experience the joy of life in your presence. Amen

PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

NAPLAN RESULTS

This week all parents with students in Years 3 and 5 should have received an email from the school advising you that your child’s NAPLAN report was available on ConeqtP parent portal. The paper reports will be forwarded to families this week. This week the staff will be interrogating the NAPLAN results as part of our ongoing school improvement planning.

CHILD PROTECTION

Last Friday child protection information regarding an incident outside of our school was sent home with all students. Please check your child's bag if you have not received this information or drop into the school office for a copy of the note.

Our number one concern is always for the health, safety and well-being of all students at Yidarra. It is our duty of care to ensure that we do everything in our power to prevent accidents and injury during school hours. It is important to remember however, that organised supervision of students begins at 8:20am and ends once school has finished at 3:20pm. After this time, teachers remain on school premises, but to attend meetings, professional development sessions, planning, marking or interviewing. Students who are in the school grounds before or after these supervision times or who have been collected by their parents must be supervised by their parents. In addition, if parents are going to work early or be late collecting their children from school on a regular basis, please make arrangements to have your child attend an out of school hours care service where they will be safely supervised and entertained. OSHClub was brought into the school for this exact reason.

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

This Tuesday, 8th September, our students will be competing in the Catholic Primary Schools Sports Association Cross Country Carnival. Our cross country team have been hard at work training with Mr Debowski early in the mornings for this event. We wish them a rewarding and enjoyable time as they compete in this competition. Parents are invited to attend the carnival which will be held at Manning Park, Azelia Road, Spearwood between 11am and 1:30pm.

SCHOOL VISITORS

On Tuesday and Wednesday a delegation of five staff members of the Santa Maria Regina and Etika Dharma Schools in Surabaya will be visiting Yidarra. The aim of their visit is to strengthen the relationship between Santa Maria Regina Primary School and Yidarra as sister schools. It is envisaged that through this relationship both schools will be able to extend their knowledge and experience of each other’s culture and language. In addition to this, the Indonesian teachers are keen to observe teaching and learning in our school.

PARISH CHILDREN’S MASS

This weekend families are invited to attend the Parish Children’s Mass at St Thomas More Parish on Sunday 13th September at 9:30am. Children can come and take an active part in the celebration of the mass. Primary School aged children who would like to sing in the choir and be involved in the mass are invited to attend the practice for the mass which will be on Saturday 12th September at 12:45pm, followed by the choir practice at 2:00pm.

FATHER AND CHILD CAMP OUT

Last Friday night our school oval was turned into a huge camping ground as over a hundred families pitched their tents and stayed overnight. The fathers/father figures and children enjoyed a barbecue dinner followed by a film and breakfast together on Saturday morning. The children were thrilled to have the opportunity to camp out with their father and friends. This is the first year that Yidarra has held this event and it was a huge success. We are very thankful to Lisa Santaromita and Karen Wear for their organisation of the camp out and to the support on the night and next day of Mike Wear and the band of helpers.

God bless and have a wonderful week,

CARMEL COSTIN
Principal

FATHER’S DAY PRAYER

By Hannah Holgate 3B
I pray for all those dads in the world and especially for all those dads away from their families for Father’s Day, that work for the MUA (Maritime Union of Australia). My dad is one of those people. Amen
P&F NEWS

P&F MEETING

The next P&F meeting will be held on Monday 14 September in the Library at 7.30pm, as always everyone is welcome!

FOOTY TIPPING - ROUND 22 WINNERS

- Lina Blogna
- John Paltridge
- Patrick Dowsett

Winnings can be collected from the office.

FATHER’S DAY CAMP OUT

Thank you to Reward Distribution for the donating all the plates, napkins, cutlery, cups etc. It was very much appreciated.

PE NEWS

Good luck to all those selected students who will be representing Yidarra on Tuesday 8 September at the CPSSA Interschool Cross Country Carnival.

AFL JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLINIC

This clinic will be available for Year 5 & 6 students and will be held on Monday 21 September from 3:05-4:00pm on the Yidarra oval.

- The clinic is free of charge
- Students will be involved in kicking, marking, hand ball, skills & drills
- Program will be run by an ex Yidarra year 9 students as part of the year 9 curriculum

Please note: No supervision is provided - parents must attend

ROB DEBOWSKI

PE Teacher

EARN & LEARN

STICKERS ARE NEARLY OVER!

2015 SCHOOL PHOTO DAYS

MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER
TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER
THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER (3YO ONLY)

Forms have been sent home. Order online, cash or cheque. ENVELOPES TO BE GIVEN TO THE TEACHER ON PHOTO DAY ONLY!

CONGRATULATIONS

Andreas Herrmann (2B) and Gerard Hadianto (1B) on Sunday 16 August 2015 together with their team from Blue Gum Tennis Club have won the Orange Ball Winter Pennant 2015. They were on the top of the ladder amongst the other 6 tennis clubs around Perth who participates in the Winter Pennants and the Winner for the final competition held on that Sunday.

One week after the precious team victory for Winter Orange Ball Pennant, Gerard Hadianto (1B) competed in the individual Orange Ball Superstars Tennis Competition on the 22th September 2015. The competition was joined by numbers of Orange ball players (age 7 – 9 yo) across Perth, and was held in Robertson Park, North Perth. Gerard Hadianto managed to cruise into top 5, and finished as the Runner Up of this tournament.

This tournament is one of the Orange Ball tournament series coordinated by Tennis WA (http://www.tennis.com.au/wa/news/2015/04/22/orange-superstars-tournament-series). The objective of this series is to provide orange ball level players who are aged 9 years and under with an opportunity to compete in singles against their peers to gain valuable experience and knowledge in the competitive side of tennis.

Well done Andreas & Gerard!
2016 YIDARRA 3 YEAR OLD PRE-KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

We are now looking at our 3 year old applications for 2016. We will be running our pre-kind program on Thursdays from 8.55am - 2.40pm. Children must be 3 years of age upon commencement.

An application form and enrolment information package may be collected from the Yidarra office between 8am-4pm Mon-Fri, alternatively this information can be downloaded from our website at web.yidarra.wa.edu.au.

Please submit applications to the office by Friday 18 September.

SIBLINGS OF CHILDREN AT YIDARRA - An application for enrolment form still needs to be lodged at the school, even though you have other children already at Yidarra.

HEALTH NEWS

We have had a number of students going home with the following:
- Gastro (sore tummies etc.)
- Cold & Flu symptoms (Headaches, coughing etc.)
- Headlice
- Conjunctivitis
Please refrain from sending unwell children to school.

CHILDREN’S MASS

Children, come and take an active part in the celebration of the Holy Mass at St Thomas More.

On Sunday 13 September at 9:30am, there will be a Children’s Mass. We invite all primary school aged children who would like to sing in the choir and to be involved in the Mass to register at the Church foyer.

Practice for the Mass will be on Saturday 12 September at 12:45 pm, followed by the choir practice at 2:00pm.

KNOWING GOD EVEN BETTER

The next DVD series titled “Knowing God Even Better” is very exciting especially for parents and grandparents as it touches on how we understand God in our lives. We welcome parents from Yidarra and Parishioners. The first session is titled “Knowing the Father’s Love”. Come and discover how knowing God’s Love will help us to deal with the challenges of life. It is a wonderful opportunity to join others, enjoy a cuppa and fellowship, and also gain a greater appreciation of what God is doing in our lives.

Date and Time: Wednesday 9 September 9.15-10.30am in the Parish hall. You are welcome to bring your children and some toys, they can play at the end of the hall. For further information contact Sr. Ann on 0418 130 200 or Carolin on 0432 855 605.

LOST - Please leave at reception if found.
- White & Purple Scooter - Lost on school grounds - If found, please leave at reception.
- Corpus Christi Uniform size 12 - belongs to Daniel Yao - left in plastic bag near the church St Thomas More sign - If found please leave at reception.

FOUND - Collections in Reception
- Camera in pouch - found in Yidarra car park.
- 'Frozen' Umbrella
LIBRARY NEWS

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

As term three draws to a close it is time to fill the shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Several Yidarra families have already taken part in this great Christian Ministry. Many thanks to those who have sent their boxes in early. It is easy, take a shoebox and fill it with small gifts for a child in the Developing World. Include $9 to help with transport costs and bring it into the library by Monday 21 September. During the October holidays I will take the boxes to the processing centre at Balcatta from where they will be sent off early in November.

For more information of what things to pack and shoeboxes please call in to see Mrs Munro or Mrs Lopez in the library. Or try the website operationchristmaschild.org.au.

THE SCHOOL OF ST YARED, ETHIPIA

This weekend the two boxes of new and near new library books provided and processed by members of the Yidarra, St Jerome’s and St Pius school communities will wing their way to The School of St Yared. Included in the boxes are new library bags for the class of Kindy students who begin school next week. Thanks to Mrs Ruth Rushton (Yidarra grandmother) who sewed the bags.

As many of you know our students had the opportunity to meet the founding principal Yared Wolde when he visited Yidarra a few weeks ago. During Book Week we ran a Charity Book Swap in the library and raised almost $200. That money will be spent sending the books to Ethiopia. It would be great to make these donations an annual event. If anyone has a contact with South African Airways or Emirates who could assist with transport please let me know.

CHERYL LOPEZ

Teacher Librarian

YIDARRA MUSICAL COSTUME BUSY BEE

A sewing busy bee will be held at the end of this week: Week 8, to make some very simple costume items for the Yidarra School Musical.

When: Straight after the Year One Assembly - Friday 11 September
Where: Yidarra Library
What to bring: Your sewing machine (if you can) and any other sewing items e.g. Scissors, pins, needles, thread.

Whether or not you can sew, please come along. If you are not able to help on the day, but are able to assist with sewing, please contact Charmaine Holloway on Ph: 0401 691 473 email: sd.ce.holloway@bigpond.com.au

Morning tea will be provided and it is sure to be fun! We hope to see you there.

CATHOLIC PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

We congratulate the following students on their achievements:

- Victoria Chong - ‘Certificate of Merit’ in the Primary Piano Solo
- Brendan Boudville - ‘Certificate of Merit’ in the Primary Piano Solo
- Sinead Rego - ‘Certificate of Merit’ in the Primary Piano Solo
- Sahill Gill - ‘Certificate of Merit’ in the Primary Piano Solo
- Alexandra Chong - ‘Honourable Mention’ in the Primary Piano Solo
- Kathryn Tan - ‘Honourable Mention’ in the Primary Piano Solo
- Victoria Chong & Kathryn Tan - ‘Honourable Mention’ in the Piano Duet (Primary)

Mercedes College Open Day

Saturday 12 September, 11am - 1.30pm

Join us on Open Day and take a tour of the College, visit learning areas, see displays and engage in interactive activities. Refreshments provided. Street parking available.
Dear Parents

Each family is asked to come along on Monday evening 21st September between 3.30pm and 5.30pm to spend approximately 30 minutes with your child, as they take you on a tour of some of the learning experiences and opportunities that they have been engaged in over last term and throughout the year.

At least one parent or guardian from each family is expected to attend, so that your child has a special opportunity to be affirmed by you and to proudly explain what they have been learning in class.

Your presence, positive attitude and thoughtful questioning are visible signs to your child that you value their education, that you celebrate the growth they are making and that you are proud of their achievements so far.

If younger siblings come to the learning journey, parents are asked to please carefully supervise them. Older siblings will also need reminding to be very respectful when it is their brother or sister’s turn to take their parent on the learning journey. It is always best to prepare your children with your expectations ahead of time, rather than leaving it until you arrive.

Please make time to talk with your child, especially if they become overwhelmed – asking them about various activities, praising them for effort, good ideas, skill development and so on. If you can see room for improvement in a particular area, talk to your child about what they think they can improve on first and then offer your suggestions, keeping it short, to the point and positive. Each class has a feedback page where parents are asked to comment on what you have seen, things you loved and any suggestions you may have on how the learning journey can be improved – it really means a lot for a child to have some positive affirmations from their parent so please make this a priority! Likewise classroom teachers really appreciate some feedback too!

Learning Journeys should be a very positive experience for everyone. Parents are asked to rememter that this is time for you and your child and not time for parents to hold impromptu parent/teacher meetings or catch up with other parents. If you wish to discuss aspects of your child’s progress with the classroom teacher, please book a time to meet via email.

The undercover area, music room, library, multipurpose room and atriums are other spaces where families may find displays that show various aspects of our teaching and learning programs.

Looking forward to seeing you Monday, 21st September – any time between 3.30pm and 6.30pm

Kindest regards,

Carmel Costin & all the YIDARRA Staff
Child Protection Alert

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to bring to your attention the following incident which occurred at Yidarra on Thursday, 3 September 2015 during school hours.

On Thursday, a male aged early 20’s with tanned skin and wearing a grey hoodie was sighted hiding in the bushes at the front of the school near the bus stop on Marsengo Road, Bateman. A passer-by alerted the school staff to his presence, however, by the time staff checked the area he had moved on.

The matter has been reported to police.

In light of this incident, I urge all parents to not leave students unattended before or after school. Please use the services of OSHClub to ensure the safety of your children. Supervision at school by staff commences at 8:20am and is provided after school between 3:00pm and 3:20pm.

All students need to take care when going to and from school, and to report anything suspicious to parents, school and the police by calling 131 444 or the local station to report an incident to police (and only use 000 in an emergency) or 1800 333 000 to reach Crime Stoppers.

Here are some simple suggestions to help your child stay safe. Please ask your child to:

• Always travel in company,
• Walk on the right hand side of the road so you face oncoming traffic,
• Wherever possible, leave space between yourself and the roadway,
• Stay in areas that are well lit,
• Stay in view – avoid going into areas that are hidden from view (such as parkland bush or behind shopping centres) and plan trips to avoid such locations,
• Be alert – earphones and headphones can reduce your awareness considerably,
• If you have a mobile phone, have it turned on and ready to dial an emergency number,
• If a passing car stops nearby never get too close,
• Do not hesitate to run from a situation in which you feel at risk,
• Provide this advice to brothers and sisters, especially if younger,
• Report suspicious behaviour to parents, school and the police, noting number plates of cars and/or clothing or distinguishing features of individuals.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Principal
4th September 2015
CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to two of our former students, Sienna Perruzza and Hannah Harrison, for being cast after open auditions, to perform in an upcoming musical theatre spectacular, ‘The Best of Broadway’.

The show cast with over 70 of Perth’s most talented youth, will bring song and dance from some of Broadway’s favourite musicals including Matilda, The Sound of Music, Oliver, Les Miserables, Gypsy, Shrek the musical and many more.

The Best of Broadway will be showing live at The Regal Theatre on Sunday 13 September (tickets available from ticketek) and at Mandurah Performing Arts Centre Saturday 19 September (tickets available from www.manpac.com.au).

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www.manpac.com.au