Yidarra Catholic Primary School
TERM 2 - WEEK 8 - MON 13 JUNE 2016

PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING SEMESTER REPORTS
Reporting to parents in a way that gives an honest and current picture of where your child is tracking in their education is something we take very seriously and endeavour to do so in the best way possible. To do this takes a lot of work prior to you receiving the formal written report later this term.

Reporting student achievement is in terms of grades (A - E) and is a broad classification of performance where each grade represents a wide range of student ability. The School Curriculum & Standards Authority (SCSA) Judging standard is a tool to support teachers when reporting against the achievement standards for each year of schooling. The achievement standard describes an expected level that the majority of students are achieving or working towards by the end of that year of schooling.

Some students will have progressed beyond the achievement standard ('A' or 'B' grade) and others will need additional support ('D' or 'E' grade). The expected standard for each year is described as 'C' or Satisfactory. These formal reports are written to you as parents and how you choose to share this with your child is up to you; however, we urge you to praise your child for their accomplishments, no matter how small, and know that you will work together on their learning weaknesses, as a team.

It’s important to promote a positive mindset on achievement based on intrinsic values rather than bribery for certain results or even worse placing a monetary value on achievement that is placing a stress than your child has no control over. Teachers are always happy to clarify results with you.

All Semester One student achievement reports for PP – Year 6 will be sent to parents via Seqta Engage at the end of the semester, therefore it is essential that parents have an active Seqta Engage parent portal account set up. A note will be sent home to parents today regarding Seqta passwords, if you missed this information, please contact the office for assistance.

2016 NATIONAL EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARDS (NEITA)

KINDERGARTEN LITURGY
Parents of kindergarten students are invited to attend the kindergarten liturgy on Tuesday 14 June at 9:30am in St Thomas More Church.

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL
Good luck to all our students in Years 3 – 6 who will be participating in the Cross Country Carnival on Tuesday 14 June between 11:30am and 2pm. Parents are welcome to join us at Piney Lakes to support the students.

May God bless you this week.

CARMEL COSTIN
Principal

THANK YOU IGA WINTHROP & YIDARRA COMMUNITY
Donation of $1,243.00
See P9 for more information

PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY

Within Yidarra, we raise funds for LifeLink through our Principal for a Day event. More information will follow in the coming week about this activity, which is being organised by our Year 4 classes.

We encourage you to consider how you can contribute to the work of these important charities in our community. For more information, check out the LifeLink website: https://lifelink.com.au/lifelink-day-2016/
P&F NEWS

P&F MEETING
The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 29 June in the Library at 7.30pm. As always everyone is welcome!

CAR PARK RAFFLE TERM 3 TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
Tickets have been sent home, see P8 to print off extra tickets.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS
Issue 4 is now closed.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK NEWS - NEW SPECIAL BALI OFFERS!!!
• To PURCHASE - keep the book and return the order form or pay online at www.entbook.com.au/8g3295
• If you do NOT want the book, please return in the provided envelope to the office.

Any further enquiries, please contact Alex Rossi on 0419 962 963 or email: aarossi@iinet.net.au

SCHOOL DISCO - RESCHEDULED FOR TERM 3, FRIDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER
Further information will be sent out shortly.

SCHOOL BANKING - COLOURING IN COMPETITION!
ENTRIES ARE DUE BACK BY TUES, 14 JUNE
If you have not returned your entry ‘hurry’ Tuesday, 14 June is the last day. They will then be on display for a week at the Bull Creek Commonwealth Bank Branch. Mariana from the Commonwealth will be judging the competition and the two winners will be announced at assembly on Friday 24th June.

FOOTY TIPPING
ROUND 11 RESULTS
This week’s winners are:
1. Daniel Morales DCSL Adult $20
2. Nathan L Year 3 - 6 $15
3. ALKlass Ava Kindy - Year 2 $15
Winnings can be collected from the office.

JUNIOR LAPATHON PP-Y2 - WED, 15 JUNE
We invite parents to come down to sit on the oval and watch our Pre-Primary, Year 1 and Year 2 students take part in their carnival. Runners complete as many laps as they can by running, jogging or walking. A runner’s card will be marked after each lap. Students will then return to class. Students are to wear their P.E. uniform (shorts) with faction coloured t-shirt or sport shirt, hat, and bring a water bottle and all required medications.

Program for the afternoon:
1:40 PP Girls
1:50 PP Boys
2:00 Year 1 Girls
2:10 Year 1 Boys
2:30 Year 2 Girls
2:40 Year 2 Boys

LIBRARY NEWS
The Scholastic Book Fair is fast approaching. Put the dates in your calendar!
Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th June, in the library, before school, lunchtime and after school. Parent/grandparent/aunty/uncle volunteers would be most welcome to assist with selling to make the checkout lines shorter. Watch for the sign-up sheet on the library door after June 10th.

CHERYL LOPEZ
TEACHER LIBRARIAN

IONA PRESENTATION COLLEGE—GOLDEN GIRLS REUNION
Seeking Past Pupils of Iona Presentation College who left before 1966. A Golden Girls Reunion will be held Friday 16 September 2016, 10.30am to 2.30pm at Iona Presentation College, 33 Palm-erston Street, Mosman Park.
For further information and to update your details, please contact: Georgia Allen, 9384 0066 or email: gallen@iona.wa.edu.au
PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT
Keeping Safe Programme
Tuesday 28 June 2016
7:00pm-8:30pm
Parish Hall

In Semester Two, as part of our Health lessons, teachers from K-Y6 will be teaching the “Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum”. Teachers in the school received training in this program from the school psychologists from the Catholic Education Office. The program is a developmentally appropriate, best practice curriculum produced collaboratively with child protection specialists, teachers, educational leaders and other professionals. It covers a range of concepts around two main themes:

- We all have the right to be safe
- We can help ourselves to be safe by talking to people we trust

These two themes are explored through four focus areas:

- the right to be safe
- relationships
- recognising and reporting abuse
- protective strategies.

The focus areas are examined in complexity according to the age of the learners.

We encourage parents/caregivers to attend our parent information night, presented by school psychologist Terry Andrews, to familiarize themselves with the content of the program, be provided with relevant information, alleviate any concerns they may have and discover ways to support the learning in this essential area at home with your children.

Please indicate return the slip below if you will be attending this information night.

Tanya Giovannangelo
Assistant Principal

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Reply slip

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT
Keeping Safe Programme
Tuesday 28 June 2016
7:00pm-8:30pm
Parish Hall

Please note that it is not suitable for children to attend this evening.

I will be attending the above information night.

Family Name: ____________________________

Number of attendees: _________
NEWSLETTER

Six ways to support positive mental health in children

Keeping children healthy and happy involves looking after their mental health as well as their physical health.
Mental health is about having a healthy mind and body, and influences how we feel about ourselves, what we do, how we think, and how we relate to others.

Good mental health helps us to form positive relationships with others, handle ups and downs and generally enjoy life.

With good mental health, children can feel good about themselves and be more open to trying and learning new things.

How parents and carers can support children's mental health

Things can happen in children's lives that make the risk of developing mental health problems more likely. It is usually not possible to eliminate all the risk factors that affect your children, but there are things that parents and carers can do to reduce the impact of stress and help them build strengths for effective coping.

1. Listen to children's concerns

Having a caring adult to turn to when they are troubled, someone who will listen, understand without judging, and help them solve problems, is a critical protective factor for children's mental health. Listening to children and understanding their concerns lets them know they are important to you. Remember, however, that children may not always be able to explain how they feel. By observing their behaviour and gently inquiring about it, you can often get a clearer picture of how they are feeling.

2. Provide reassurance

Children often worry that the bad things they experience will happen again or get worse. For example, in a family breakup, when one parent or carer leaves the family, children often become anxious that the remaining parent or carer will also leave them. Similar worries are common when someone dies or is hospitalised. Often these kinds of fears are expressed through behaviours rather than words, such as becoming clingy, or being fearful about sleeping by themselves. Showing that you understand children's fears and providing reassurance and support is important for helping them cope.

3. Provide security

Different kinds of stress and change can be very disruptive to family life. Maintaining regular routines, such as bedtimes and mealtimes, reduces disruptive impacts and helps to provide a sense of stability and security for children. Similarly, children are reassured by knowing that a responsible adult is taking care of them and looking after their needs.

4. Build children's strengths and allow for vulnerabilities

Providing encouragement and positive feedback helps children build confidence in their ability to manage difficult situations. Acknowledging and appreciating the help and support that children provide to you during stressful times also helps to build their strengths.

At the same time, it is important to give children permission to not always have to be strong. Children who take on significant caring roles when parents or carers are struggling often hide their vulnerabilities. Their desire to avoid burdening parents and carers can cause additional hardship for these children, who need to know that support is available to them and that there are adults who will take care of them.

5. Make the connections and talk to educators

Early childhood educators and school staff can provide more effective support for children when they understand some of the pressures they may be facing in other parts of their lives. It is often very reassuring for children as well as for parents and carers to know that educators understand their difficulties and are ready to provide support. Staff at your child’s school or early childhood service may also be able to provide you with support and advice, or help you find support services that can assist you and your children.

6. Seek additional help

If children show signs of emotional or behavioural difficulties, it is important to seek professional help early, so that problems can be addressed before they get worse. Getting support for yourself, through family and friendship networks, your child’s school or early childhood service, or mental health or community services, is also very important. Getting support helps to build your own resilience so you can provide more effective care for your children.
Rewards Program

Register now for your Winthrop Gardens Supa IGA Frequent Shoppers Club card and start earning points for you and your school. It’s free to join!

Earn for your school!

The Winthrop Gardens Supa IGA School Benefits Program is an easy and practical way for schools to earn funds! A no-cost fundraiser! Join today and nominate your school. Then every time you shop and present your Frequent Shopper card your school will earn 1% of all your purchases (excluding tobacco products).

Fundraising couldn't be any easier! Schools receive a cheque representing the total points earned each term and there are no conditions on how the money is spent.

Join today!

Customers are welcome to join The Frequent Shopper Program and the School Benefits Program to earn points for both themselves and their school. Join online today and receive 250 bonus points to get you started!

Current Frequent Shopper members and School Benefits Program members update your details online to also receive 250 bonus points!

Cross Country & Lap-a-Thon
School Fun Run Fundraiser

Dear Parents,

We will be holding the Adidas School Fun-Run as a major fundraising event this year. The event will be held in two stages on the following dates:

- Cross Country (Years 3-6)  Tuesday 14th June 2016
- Lap-a-Thon (Pre-Primary – Year 2)  Wednesday 15th June 2016

This event is being held to fundraise much needed money towards school sporting equipment and the development of the nature playgrounds.

About The Program
The School Fun-Run promotes healthy and active lifestyles while helping us raise funds! It’s all about participation, with students treated to a great day and rewarded for their fundraising efforts with fantastic incentive prizes. Family support is key to our fundraising success and we encourage all students to get involved.

How Does My Child Fundraise?
Attached is your child’s Sponsorship Form where the money collected is to be noted. In the Sponsorship Form you will find many other benefits such as the chance to win a Samsung Galaxy Tablet.

Students can use the back of this form to collect cash donations, noting down their supporters for ease.

We have educated students on the dangers of door knocking without adult supervision, please reiterate this at home. The best people to ask for sponsorship are people you know (eg. friends, family, work colleagues and neighbours).

Online Fundraising
The easiest way to help your child raise money is through online fundraising. Students raise an average of $103.38 using online fundraising, which really benefits all involved; plus you don’t have to worry about handling money! To set up an online student profile please visit: www.schoolfunrun.com.au/students.

Ordering Prizes
Students who raise just $10 or more will receive a reward for effort. To reward your child for getting involved, they’ll receive a prize based on the total amount they’ve fundraised. Please help them with Step 4 – How to Claim Prizes, this can be found and filled out on the back page of the Sponsorship Form. This will need to be returned along with all money raised to the front office on or before the 21st June 2016. Please ensure that you take a copy of your fundraising form and place the original form with the money raised in an envelope with your child’s name clearly marked “School Fun Run Fundraiser”. The student prizes will arrive shortly after.

If you require any assistance in setting up the student profile or have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising!

Lisa Lindner
P&F Secretary
Email: lisa_lindner@msn.com
Phone: 0419 192 923
YIDARRA CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

BUSY BEE

Second Sunday, Term 3

We have a lot of work to do.

Please come along to one or even both of the sessions.

A sausage sizzle will be provided.
CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A FREE ICYPOLE

DATE:  Sunday 31st July 2016  (Second Sunday, Term 3)
SESSION 1:  10AM – 12PM
SAUSAGE SIZZLE:  12PM – 1PM
SESSION 2:  1PM – 3PM

Please register your interest at

yidarrabussybee@gmail.com

More information will be sent out closer to the date.

SEE YOU THERE!
Tickets are again on sale. We have 2 Bays to raffle.

- One bay in the Pre-Primary car park for the Kindy and Pre-Primary families *(you must have children in Kindy and/or Pre-Primary in 2016 to be in the draw for this car bay).*
- The other bay which is near the P&F Shed, is for the families in the rest of the school *(you must have children in Years 1-6 to be in the draw for this car bay).*

Tickets are only $5 each or 6 tickets for $20 & will be drawn on FRIDAY 1 JULY 2016 (winners will be notified on the day).

Please send correct money or cheque payable to Yidarra P&F Association, together with the completed tickets below in an envelope labelled: Car Park Raffle - Term 3, 2016 & your eldest child’s name & class to the office by Monday 27 June 2016.

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Name: __________________________

MY CHILD/REN ARE IN CLASSES: ________________

☐ KINDY–PRE-PRIMARY BAY ☐ YRS 1–6 BAY

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY TO NOMINATE A CAR BAY

Phone/Mobile: ___________________________
30th Anniversary Mass
11am 19th June (Sunday)
Followed by
Sausage Sizzle & Entertainment by:

St Thomas More Choir
Family Choir
Youth Choir
MenAlive
Como Holy Family Parish Ukelele Group
Shower Singers

• Hosted by:
• our very talented Brendan D’Sa

Come Celebrate Together!
HEALTHY MELVILLE’S FREE WEEKLY ‘ACTIVE KIDS IN THE PARK’ GROUP SESSIONS.

Children love to play and be active. PlayFit is just as it sounds, a play based activity class, getting children active through games and play.

Making physical activity a part of your child’s daily routine can:
- Improve their concentration and sleep patterns
- Increase their self-esteem and confidence
- Build stronger bones and muscles
- Help maintain a healthy weight

Give your child the opportunity to make new friends and enhance their social skills

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<td>Every Thursday from 5 May to 23 June</td>
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<td>Piney Lakes (Off Murdoch Drive Winthrop)</td>
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PLEASE NOTE:
- Parents must be present at all times
- Children should wear enclosed shoes and bring a water bottle
- Classes may be cancelled due to rain
- Participants must register through the link below; this will not prompt a reply.

Check the webpage www.melvillecity.com.au or the City of Melville’s LeisureFit Facebook page for all updates.
Enquiries to memberships@melville.wa.gov.au

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