

Yenda Agenda

Yenda Public School

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Term 3 Week 4

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Principal's Report

Welcome to this week's edition of the Yenda Agenda!

There is no doubt that the current drought is causing an enormous strain on the lives of our farmers, their families, as well as rural towns such as Yenda.

This week, the SRC held "Fiver for a Farmer", raising money for Drought Angels and Rural Aid to support farmers through these tough times.

Our students and school community raised \$605 for the cause, which shows enormous compassion and generosity, as many of our families are impacted by the drought themselves.

Thank you to Mrs Kirkman and the SRC for arranging this wonderful fundraiser!



If you would like to support either Drought Angels or Rural Aid, you can find them on Facebook, or at <https://www.droughtangels.org.au/> <https://www.ruralaid.org.au/>

Bel Wallace - Principal

Calendar

Week 5

Monday – Friday	Book Week
Monday 20 August	Kindergarten talk at Yenda Preschool 6pm
Tuesday 21 August	Book Week Parade 2pm Picnic lunch 1pm

Week 6

Monday 27 August	Public Speaking Final – Isla Sergi
Thursday 30 August	Father's Day Stall
Friday 31 August	Riverina Athletics Assembly (2:15pm) Kindy

Week 7

Wednesday 5 September	P & C Meeting 6.30pm Special Guest Peter King from Murrumbidgee Regional High School
Friday 7 September	Pioneer Park Mini Action Day – Year 4

Week 8

Friday 14 September	Assembly (2.15pm) Year 5/6
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Yenda Public School News

3 Way Conferences

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the 3 way conferences this week! We have had 73% of all student's parents attend a meeting with their child and the teacher, which shows a wonderful joint commitment to learning.

If you were not able to attend a conference this week, please contact your child's teacher to make a time. Teachers are often involved in planning, professional learning and programming outside of class hours, so times may be limited.

Walking home from school

Walking home from school is an essential part to many students day. It is critical that all students are safe, and that parents are very clear in their expectations of students getting home after school. There have been an increasing number of students who are NOT going straight home after leaving the school grounds, and there have been reports of some of our students being involved in vandalism in the community.

If you child walks home from school, please take this opportunity to speak to them explicitly about your expectations for them to get home safely and their behaviour to and from school.

- Which way should your child walk to get home?
- Are they to go straight home or are they going to a friend/relative?
- What is a reasonable time it takes to walk from school to home?
- What are the consequences for not following these instructions within the home?

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Book Week

The library scene is almost set, and the teachers and students are buzzing with excitement for this year's book week!

Mrs Chilvers has been excitedly sharing the shortlisted books with students during library classes, discussing the diversity of quality literature.

The Yenda Public School Book Week Parade will be held on Tuesday 21 August at 2pm. Families and friends are invited to join students at school for a picnic lunch from 1pm on the day and stay for the colourful and creative parade!



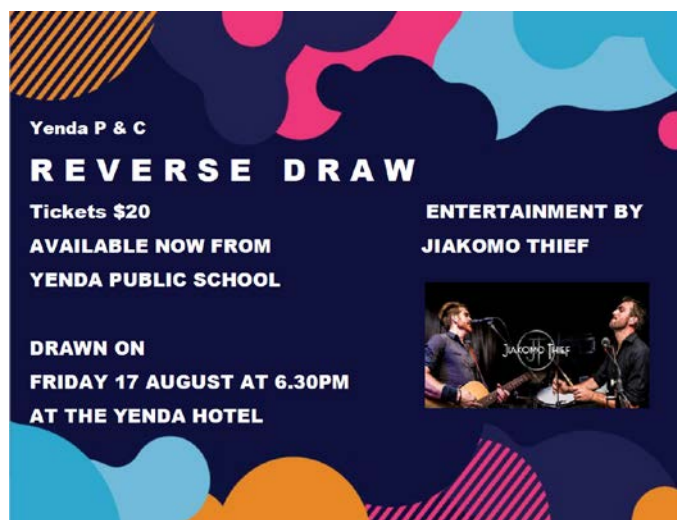
Please note, though the theme for Book Week 2018 is 'Find Your Treasure', this is by no means an instruction for students to dress as a pirate, though they are more than welcome to if they wish!

Get Lost Mr Scary

The Get Lost Mr Scary Program continues to be a success with the current group of students. As we have had a number of staff away, the days and times have changed a few times. Where possible the program will run on Wednesday afternoons. Changes will be advised in advance where possible.

Any questions regarding this program can be directed to Andrew Bartle or Bel Wallace at school.

P and C Reverse Draw



The P and C Reverse Draw will be held on Friday night this week (17 August) at the Yenda Hotel. It is not too late to buy a number, so pop in to the school and make sure you have a chance to win! Tickets are \$20 each with the prize winner receiving \$1000!!!

The money raised by the P and C is used to support the students at Yenda Public School. Every bit helps!!!

Kindergarten 2019 – Enrol Now!

We are currently taking enrolments for kindergarten 2019. Pop in to the school and pick up an enrolment pack, or give the school a call and we will post one out to you.

Enrolments are available in all other year groups also, so if you are new to town, feel free to pop in for a chat and a tour of the school.

TAKING ENROLLMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN 2019



Kindergarten orientation will commence in Term 4 and runs for seven weeks, including a parent information session, and sessions increasing in length.

Major Excursion Payments

With the Borambola and Ballarat excursions just around the corner, we would like to remind all participating families to continue to make payments.

Borambola (19 – 21 September) - \$285

Ballarat (17 – 19 September) - \$380

All payments must be finalised the week prior to the excursion.

If you are having difficulty making payments, please do not hesitate to contact the school and speak to Mrs Wallace.

Zone Athletics Carnival

On Thursday 16 August, the Zone Athletics Team travelled to West End Oval to compete in the Zone Athletics Carnival.

Julius Torresan came 1st in Discus, Paige Mirtschin came equal 2nd in high jump, and Isla Sergi 1st in long jump, each qualifying for the Riverina Carnival!



All other students performed well in their events, and demonstrated positive behaviour.

Thankyou Mrs Conlan for managing the team on the day, and to Mrs Kirkman for assisting with the running of events.



Welcome to the weekly 'Code Corner', where we will be looking at different elements of literacy learning!

Has your child been talking about 'pushing in the sounds'?

This is how we describe to students the strategy to hear the different sounds in a word.

What sounds can you hear when you say the word cat? C-A-T

What sounds can you hear when you say the word weekend? W-ee-k-e-n-d

What sounds can you hear when you say flossing? F-L-O-SS-ING

Each sound is said aloud while they use their arm and hand to make a pushing action. The link between the physical action and the verbal/auditory sound is helping form learning pathways in the brain. Ask your child to show you how they 'push in the sounds' for some simple words at home to see how it is done!

This strategy helps students to use the rules they learn through spelling and reading sessions form correct words in their writing.



ICAS – University Tests

Well done to all of the students who have participated in the ICAS University tests so far this year. The Maths test is the only one left and will be completed next week. Due to staffing priorities, it was not completed on the date advertised in the newsletter previously.

Participation and merit certificates will be handed out at assemblies as they become available.

Team Commitment

At Yenda Public School we are privileged to offer our students the opportunity to compete and participate in a number of extra-curricular activities. Our staff spend a great deal of time and effort training, selecting and managing teams and excursions.

We ask that parents give careful consideration to their child's involvement in teams and activities prior to signing permission notes and making the commitment to attend. Last minute changes are sometimes unavoidable, however, can have a large impact on the organisation of the event and back at school.

P and C News

P and C Meeting

The next P and C meeting will be held on Wednesday 5 September at 6.30pm. Mr Peter King, Principal of Murrumbidgee Regional High School will be attending to talk about the progress of the Griffith Secondary Education Strategy. All parents and community members are encouraged to attend this meeting!

We will also be discussing the next stages of establishing before and after school care at Yenda Public School. If this impacts you, please come along.

Reverse Draw

Thank you to each of the P and C members who have organised the reverse draw, and to everyone who has bought a ticket so far.



2019 Representative Trials
Sunday 16th September
Barellan Sportsground

10am – 11's (Born 2008 and 2009)
12's (Born 2007)

11:30am – 13's (Born 2006)
14's (Born 2005)

1pm – 15's (Born 2004)
17's (Born 2003 and 2002)

We will also be selecting a 17's Development Team who will attend State Champs

ARRIVE 15 MINS PRIOR TO SIGN IN

HEAD TO FACEBOOK.COM/BDNAREP FOR MORE INFO AND TO DOWNLOAD A NOMINATION FORM - Enquiries to Carolyn 0404 472 537




Murrumbidgee Regional High School

Year 6 Parent Information Evening

Thursday 23rd August 2018

Griffith Regional Theatre

5pm – 6pm

From 2019 Murrumbidgee Regional High School in Griffith will provide a unique school model of secondary education provision, one school two sites, which incorporates the two existing high school sites, Griffith and Wade.

**All parents, students and their families of Year 6 students come along and see the new and innovative changes for our two high schools.
See the opportunities for your child.**



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An Evening with

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg

One of Australia's highest profile adolescent and child psychologists.

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg is a well known and respected psychologist, author of 11 books, broadcaster and specialist on parenting, children, adolescents and the use of technology. He is a columnist for a number of publications and he is the resident parenting expert on Channel 7's Sunrise, psychologist for Channel 9's morning extra program and the morning show with Neil Mitchell on Radio 3AW.

Join Dr Carr-Gregg for an informative and practical session suited to Parents, Teachers and Care-Givers on

Raising Happy and Resilient Children and What they are doing online and How to keep them safe

Monday 10th September - Griffith Ex-Serviceman Club - Yambil Street - Griffith

6:30 for a 7pm start - 90 minutes inc Q&A

Tickets: \$20 each or Group Bookings of 3 or more \$18 each

available on line <https://www.trybooking.com/XCAI>

**30c Booking Fee applies.

and at the Hanwood Public School Office - Cash Only

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