

# Yenda Agenda



## Yenda Public School

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Term 1, Week 5

Friday, 24 February 2023

### Principal's Report

It has been another busy week of learning at Yenda Public School.

Congratulations to our 2023 SRC members, who were presented with their badges by their parents today at our first assembly for the 2023 school year. These students will be guided by Mrs Sarah Brown this year to support worthy causes.

Congratulations also to our Sport House Captains who were also presented with their badges by their parents today. These students are already presenting themselves as wonderful role models in their job.

Today we also presented this year's Swimming Champions with their trophy and announced the winning sport team. Congratulations to these students and the winning house, Tandarra.

On Wednesday, our Zone Swimming team participated in the Zone Carnival at the Griffith Aquatic Centre. Well done to all students who participated on the day. Thank you to Mrs Ceccato for organising the team, and to all parents who assisted with timekeeping on the day. Congratulations to Rowdy Damini and Dean Serafin, who have qualified for the Riverina Swimming Carnival.

This year NAPLAN is in Term 1. Please see further information regarding NAPLAN in the following pages.

Thank you to all parents attending the 3-way goal setting meetings this week and next week. These meetings help to develop and maintain an effective partnership between the school and home.

As was announced earlier this week, Mrs Nicholle Callinan has been appointed as the Relieving Principal for the rest of 2023. Mrs Callinan will commence in the position on Monday 6 March.

Have a great weekend!

**Michelle Perez**  
**Relieving Principal**

### Calendar

#### 2023 - Term 1

#### Week 6

##### Throughout the week

Dr Kate Bricknell at Yenda Public School

##### Monday 27 February

Zone touch football trials

##### Tuesday 28 February

School Leaders' Reception – Griffith Regional Theatre

**Sports uniform (netball clinic)**

Soccer trials

##### Wednesday 1 March

Zone AFL trials

##### Thursday 2 March

Dr Kate Bricknell parent information meeting

##### Friday 3 March

Clean Up Australia Day

#### Week 7

##### Monday 6 March

Riverina Swimming

Young Leaders' Conference - Sydney

##### Tuesday 7 March

Young Leaders' Conference - Sydney

**Sports uniform (basketball clinic)**

##### Friday 10 March

Netball knockout

#### Week 8

##### Tuesday 14 March

**Sports uniform (basketball clinic)**

##### Wednesday 15 March

NAPLAN

##### Thursday 16 March

NAPLAN

### Welcome Mrs Callinan

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs Nicholle Callinan who has been appointed as the Relieving Principal for the rest of 2023.



### Netball/Basketball Clinics

All students K – 6 are to wear sport uniform on the following days for netball/basketball clinics at school:

**Week 6** – Tuesday 28 February - Netball

**Week 7** – Tuesday 7 March - Basketball

**Week 8** – Tuesday 14 March - Basketball

**Week 9** – Tuesday 21 March - Basketball

Students are still required to wear their sport uniform on Fridays for class sport.

### NAPLAN

From 2023, NAPLAN will take place in Term 1. Year 3 and 5 students will sit NAPLAN tests in Week 8 of this term in reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy. All tests will be online, except for the Year 3 writing assessment, which will be handwritten. If parents have any questions regarding NAPLAN, please contact Mrs Perez.

### Dr Kate Bricknell Parent Session

Next Thursday afternoon, you are invited to join Dr Kate in our Library from 3.30-5pm for a session in which she will demonstrate ways you can help your child. She is an engaging presenter and I encourage you all to join us and learn some useful skills from Kate.

Dr Kate Bricknell is an Education Consultant from Tamworth in Northern New South Wales. She has had 30 years experience as a classroom teacher, school executive and as a Project Officer with the Department of Education. In 2016 Dr Bricknell established her own business, Crossroads Education. The staff and students have had the privilege of working with Dr Kate over the past three years, developing writing skills which have led to improvements in our students' writing and our school's NAPLAN results. We would love as many parents and caregivers as possible to join us!



## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

### Principal Award – Jacinta Smith

### Class Awards

**KA** – Ryder Lawrence, Ivy Walter, Bethany Wilkinson, Heath Bull

**1/2P** – Macie Everett, Liam Charles, Kenzie Ward, Jaggy Singh

**1/2Q** – Tyson Higgins, Anthony Irvin, Savannah Riggs, Sienna Café

**3/4B** – Damon Tsai-Kellett, Alex Rossetto, Emily Nehme, Stella Forster

**4/5C** – Amelia Ryan, Rikki-Claire Damini, Robert Nehme, Hayden Ings, Leo Richards, Emily Harman

**5/6B** – Jacinta Smith, Rowdy Damini, Noah Everett, Dominic Cirillo, Alex Bastianon, Lizzy Starr

# Yenda Public School 2023 Swimming Champions

## Junior champions



Sienna Serafin



Leo Richards

## 11 Year champions

Rikki-Claire  
Damini

Dean Serafin

## Senior champions



Samara Sergi



Rowdy Damini

Winning house  
**Tandarra**



## Zone Swimming Carnival

Our Zone swimmers had a fantastic day on Wednesday, with all competitors eager to swim and some beating their personal best. A big congratulations to Rowdy Damini and Dean Serafin for making it to Riverina.

Thank you to our timekeepers who helped make the day run smoothly.





### Kiss and Drop Zone

Kiss and Drop Zones are designed for your convenience and for your child's safety. Designed for quick entry and exit, these zones minimise congestion and risk when used properly by all parents and carers. These zones operate under the same conditions as no parking zones, which means you may stop to drop off or pick up children for a maximum of 2 minutes. You're required to remain in, or within 3 metres of, your vehicle. Days and hours of operation may apply to some zones.

If you are waiting for your child, please move forward to allow other vehicles to enter the zone.

PENALTIES apply! If you do not follow these rules, or leave your vehicle unattended, you may be fined \$196 and lose two demerit points.



## Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

**1** day per fortnight

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**4** weeks



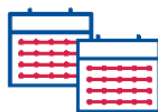
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Over **1** year missed

**1** day per week

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**8** weeks



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Over **2.5** years missed

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## Under the sea with 1/2 P

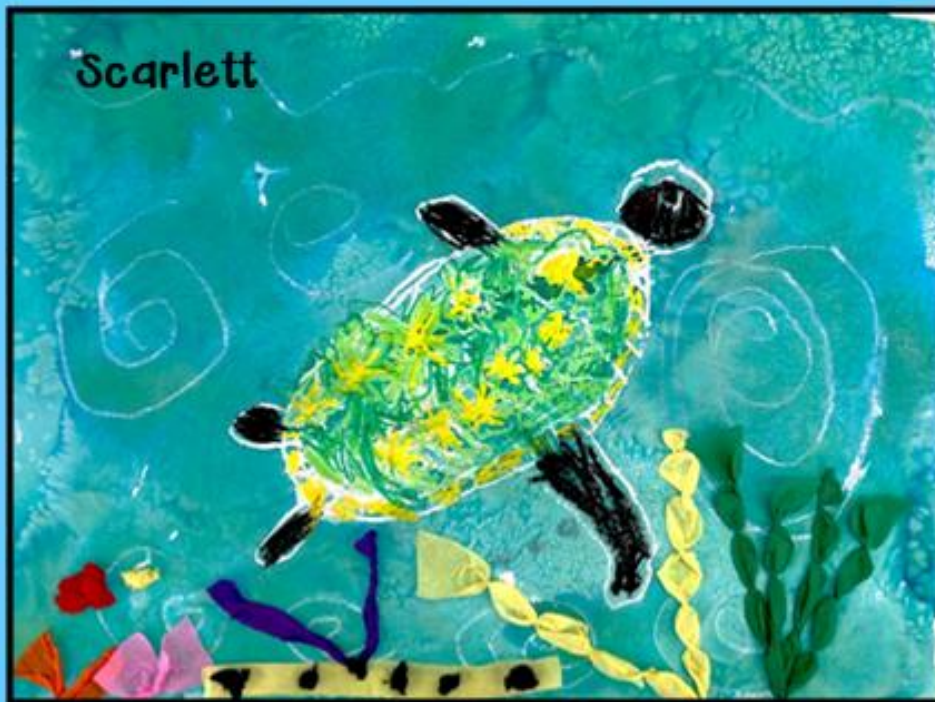
1/2P have been working with the text 'Our Island' by the children of Gununa with Alison Lester and Elizabeth Honey.

The pictures in this book were created by the students of Mornington Island State School and represent the special animals of Mornington Island. 1/2P experimented with similar techniques to create these wonderful turtle artworks and compose their own writing.



Turtle glides through the sea and looks around and eats seaweed. Turtle's grazing, eating and happy looking in the ocean.





In the waves, a beautiful turtle glides through the clear salt water.



In the peaceful sea, the majestic turtle glides through the green sea grass.



In the big blue ocean, the medium turtle grazes on the long green kelp.



In the turquoise sea, the hungry turtle eats the green seaweed.





In the salty sea, the big turtle floats on top of the water.



In the blue sea there is a big green turtle near the rocks eating the long green grass. He flaps his flippers to glide along.





Felicity

In the deep blue sea, the beautiful turtle glides through the salty water.



Liam

In the turquoise sea, the big hungry turtle grazes on seaweed.



Under the stormy turquoise sea, the happy turtle plays with his friends.

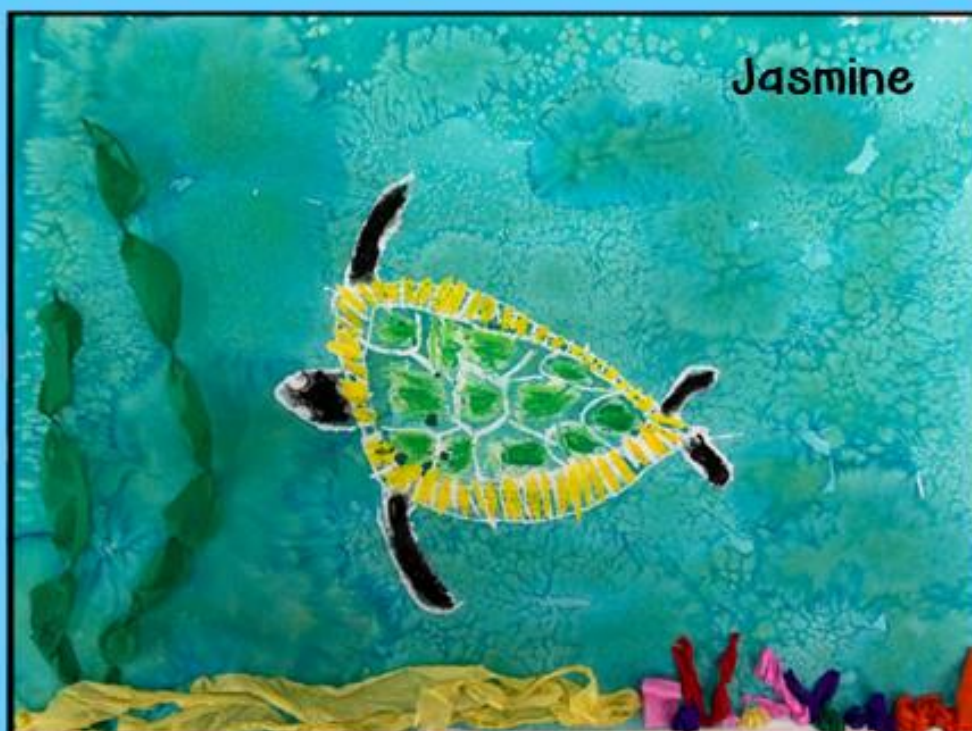


In the blue ocean, the green turtle swims home.





Through the deep blue sea, the majestic turtle glides gracefully.



Under the coral bridge, the little green turtle grazes on the sea grass.





In the blue sea, the giant turtle glides through the short seaweed.



Under the salty, clear water, the small turtle plays near the coral.





In the stormy, endless sea, the big turtle plays with his friends.



Through the peaceful blue ocean, the majestic sea turtle glides, circling gracefully above the coral.



## Information Evening for Prospective Students and Wider Community

*Are you interested in your child going to Murrumbidgee Regional High School?*

*Are you a member of our community who wants to see our facilities?*

Murrumbidgee Regional High School will open its doors to parents, community members and their families on:

### Wade site

Date: Tuesday  
7 March 2023  
Time: 5.00pm to 7.00pm  
Address: 1-39 Poole St,  
Griffith NSW 2680

### Griffith site

Date: Thursday  
9 March 2023  
Time: 5.00pm to 7.00pm  
Address: 88 Coolah St,  
Griffith NSW 2680

School tours will depart every ½ hour starting at 5:15pm

Light refreshments provided. For further information please contact Ms Kara Sergi on 6969 9300

## PARENT SEMINAR

Join Nathan Wallis, an International speaker on  
**THE DEVELOPING BRAIN**

### CAPTIVATING AUDIENCES AROUND THE WORLD

- St Patrick's Primary School Hall (enter from Kooba St)
- Thursday March 30th 7.30-9pm

### WHY JOIN US?

- Learn little tricks to make parenting easier
- Have a better understanding of how your child thinks
- Lively and engaging speaker
- Nathan uses humour and plain language
- Open up communication with children of all ages

REGISTER NOW

on [eventfinda.com.au](https://eventfinda.com.au)  
or scan QR code



More information call Sue  
at Kindylane Preschool 69644283



## Registrations now open!!



Register your player by 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2023.

Support your local club!

Now registering Junior and Senior players.

If eligible, don't forget to Redeem your \$100

Active Kids Rebate Voucher towards your rego.

[www.playfootball.com.au](http://www.playfootball.com.au)

## Registration Day

COME TRY  
**RUGBY**

With the  
**Griffith Junior Rugby Union Club**



**Saturday  
25<sup>th</sup> Feb  
11AM-2PM  
Jubilee Oval,  
Griffith**



Open to Girls 5 to 17 & Boys 5 to 16



All welcome, new & returning players

Free BBQ

For more info contact us on 0423 492 172 or  
[secretarygjruc@gmail.com](mailto:secretarygjruc@gmail.com)

Mates - Team Work - Fair Play - Family