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NEWSLETTER

Coming
Events

7-6-19	Learning Assembly 2.30pm
10-6-19	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
11-6-19	P&C Meeting 2pm in Staffroom
12-6-19	Touch Football Gala Day

Principal's Report

6th June, 2019

Congratulations to the following students; Zaharra, Mila, Ashton, Tyson, Natalia, Amy, Kobe, Morgan, Tyleigh, Lilly, Kalyan and Luke who ran in the Razorback Cross Country. All students who participated were excellent ambassadors for Yanderra and tried their very best. Thank you to the parents who were able to transport and support their child at the event. Mr Hockey was very proud of your sporting skills and behavior on the day.

Yesterday Mrs Middleton and I attended the Term 2 Fair Education meeting at Colo Vale School. Our strategic direction of 'Aspirational Communities' was at the forefront of all discussions. Our focus of developing engaged learners, teachers and parents underpins professional learning and school programs. We aim to make learning visible where students understand their learning goals and what it takes to achieve these goals. When students are able to reflect on their personal progress in learning, know, and understand what it takes to achieve their goals they will have the power to engage their parents in their learning journey.

Our focus on spelling professional learning with our Instructional Leader has seen us learn a great deal about spelling concepts and different approaches to teach spelling within our classrooms. We recognize the need to show students that there are a number of different strategies that learners can use to spell words and that an over reliance on one way is not the best strategy. Our focus should be on asking children what the word means, are there different parts to the word, does it follow any rules and then can we hear any letter sounds. At our next meeting, a teacher from Appin Public School will share his spelling program and the strategies he implements to engage learners.

Student Attendance

It is a legal requirement that children attend school every day unless they are sick or have to attend a medical appointment or family event. Having time off school because it is cold, a birthday or because children don't want to attend school is not acceptable. A note or Doctor's Certificate explaining the absence must be provided to the school when the student returns. Home School Liaison Officers regularly monitor attendance and contact made with families when attendance is not satisfactory or a pattern of absences exists. When your child misses one day a week that equals 40 days a year, which is 8 weeks or almost one term. Give your child every chance to succeed - *'Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow'*

N.S.W. Touch Football Gala Day

Thank you to all students who have returned their notes and parents who have offered to transport children to Mittagong Oval on Wednesday 12 June. We will depart school by 9.10am and return by 2.30pm. Please ensure your child has suitable clothing for the event and plenty of food and drink.

Student Reports

At the end of this term all students will bring home a Semester One student report. This report will inform families of the progress students are making in English, Mathematics and other Key Learning Areas. Evidence of student work when matched against indicators will be assessed as 'Working Towards', 'Working At' and 'Working Beyond'. Students will also be assessed on an A to E scale or Outstanding, High, Sound, Basic and Limited. Using this scale 'Sound' means that students are working at the learning outcomes appropriate for their stage of development. Please note Kindergarten students will not be graded on this scale. Your child will also have the opportunity to reflect on their personal learning.

Woolworths 'earn & learn'

Between 1st May and 25th June, Woolworths will be promoting their earn & learn initiative where you can collect stickers every time you shop and spend \$10 at Woolies. The more stickers we can collect the more we can purchase to support student learning. So spread the word and get everyone helping you collect stickers; grandparents, friends and neighbours. A collection box is in the school foyer and at Mittagong Woolworths. Thank you to everyone who has been collecting stickers for the school.

Return, Earn and Recycle

Just a reminder that our Year 6 leaders are collecting bottles, cans and cartons that are marked with the 10c refund sticker. Instead of throwing them in your bin at home please send them to school so we can return them and earn some money. Help us protect our environment.

Yanderra Parents and Citizens Association

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th June at 2pm in the staffroom. Please note the earlier starting time. Mrs Langbien will explain the student reports and answer any questions we may have.

Canteen News

Thank you to all students who ordered a meal deal yesterday and to Mrs Benson and Ms McMahon for helping to prepare the orders. It was good to see so many children ordering the salad options to have with their chicken. We are currently looking at either replacing the current pie oven or repairing the existing oven. It appears that the thermostat is not working correctly.

Parent helpers are always welcome to join us in the canteen.

Janet McCleod

Term 2 Week 4

SAFE, RESPECTFUL, LEARNER AWARD K/1/2

Shakeia



SAFE, RESPECTFUL, LEARNER AWARD 3/4/5/6

Sophie



We must view parents and teachers as partners in education. Why? As philosopher George Santayana simply said, "A child educated only at school is an uneducated child." When both groups are inspired to facilitate learning, children are the winners.

THARAWAL LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

220 WEST PARADE COURIDJAH

NAIDOC FAMILY FUN DAY

FRIDAY 12th JULY 2019

10AM—2PM

FREE RIDES, BBQ

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

ENTERTAINMENT

Open to everyone

INFORMATION STALLS 2-12-02

AND MUCH MORE

MARKET STALLS

FOODSTALLS

