



Our Values are to be...

Safe, Respectful, Responsible

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Secondary Learning Area Careers Expo	Wednesday 8 th August 2018
Transition Bus Tour to view Post School Options	Wednesday 15 th August 2018
Coffee morning @ YSDS Café at 10:00am	Thursday 23 rd August 2018
Last day of Term 3 2018	Friday 21 st September 2018

Dear parents and carers,

Parent Session for Proloquo2go

Last Tuesday a number of families attended a session run by our speech therapists on using proloquo2Go app for communication for their child. Thank you to Cathy and Sophie for facilitating the session.

Geocaching and Swimming

Our students braved the cold weather to get out in the community last week as part of their inquiry learning “What’s in my community?”

The Primary Learning Area students completed a 5 days intensive swimming program at Maribryngong Aquatic Centre. Students benefitted from the program in many ways. Benefits of the program includes but is not limited to: increased water safety and confidence, increased confidence in the community, opportunity to enjoy swimming for fitness and social reasons and celebrating achievements. Thank you to all family members who gave up their time to support the program. I also wish to acknowledge the work and planning that staff put in to make the program successful.

Some students in the Secondary learning area ventured into the community to search for hidden treasure using the geocaching app. Others participated in a treasure hunt at school using the school map. Students really enjoyed this challenge whilst familiarising themselves with the school and local community.

School Review

On Tuesday, the school review panel members met with the school reviewer to evaluate the progress and celebrate the achievement of goals that were set in our school strategic plan (2015-2018). The panel members also visited classrooms to look at the delivery of our curriculum and to see how students are involved in making choices about their learning. All members were highly impressed with what they saw and commented how patient and positive our staff community was. They also felt that students were happy at school. We are indeed very proud of the achievements.

Focus on Ability – Short Film Festival competition

We are thrilled to share that Yarraville SDS won the Top choice for Victorian films (documentary category) award and a \$1000 prize at the Art Centre on Tuesday. This award was chosen by Nova Employment, the organisers of the festival. Samuel Baker (starring in the documentary) and other students who attended the screening of Victorian films were congratulated by members of various schools and were treated to a delicious spread of lunch. A special thank you to Greg and Judith for working with students to produce this documentary.

Greg has been teaching the Photography Elective group for two years and has worked with students to produce films for both entertainment and the Film festival for three years.



Parent Opinion Survey

Some of you would have received information regarding the Parent Opinion Survey. The Parent Opinion Survey for 2018 seeks parent opinion on measures of school climate, student engagement and effective teaching practice and will be completed online from July 23rd to 26th August. A computer will be available at the school to assist any parents who are unable to access this link from home.

I encourage parents to complete the survey as the data obtained can assist the school to make more informed decisions.

All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey will close on August 26th and is available in English, Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha) and Hindi.

Survey language guides will be provided in a range of languages including Albanian, Bengali, Burmese, Cantonese, Dari, Filipino, Greek, Gujarati, Indonesian, Japanese, Karen, Khmer, Korean, Macedonian, Malayalam, Pashto, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Serbian, Sinhalese, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Tamil, Telugu, Turkish or Urdu.

School Fundraiser

Our fundraiser event, movie at the Sun Theatre - Mamma Mia 2 was a huge success. We had sold out all tickets and raised over \$300 in raffle tickets. Our profit in total was \$1543.00. Thank you to all of you who have supported this fundraising event. A special thank you to Kim Mace, our school Council president for organising the event and to Geraldine Egry for organising all the door and raffle prizes.

We wish to thank the generous donors of YSDS fundraiser raffle prizes.

Endota Spa, Yarraville
Luxsmith Restaurant, Seddon
Heart of Hall, Newport
Yarraville Health Group
EIR Family Chiropractic & Wellness, Altona Meadows
Private donation - Sue Williams Real Estate, Williamstown
Creative House, Yarraville
Feedback Café, Yarraville
Sun Theatre, Yarraville
Village Store, Yarraville
Village Idiom, Yarraville
Lonni, Yarraville
Odd Spot Cafe, Newport



Kind regards,

Ashwini

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CONGRATULATIONS WILLIAM, YONAS AND AISHA!