



Our Values are to be...

Safe, Respectful, Responsible

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Book Week celebrations	Tuesday 21 st August 2018
Coffee morning @ YSDS Café at 10:00am	Thursday 23 rd August 2018
Parents Morning tea	Tuesday 28 th August 2018
Last day of Term 3 2018	Friday 21 st September 2018

Dear parents and carers

It is mid- term and a great time to see how far our students have come this year. I have recently attended presentations by staff on their Performance and Development plans which highlighted achievements of students in their classes. Well Done to the students and staff.

School Review

On Wednesday, we had the final panel day for our school review. The school reviewer shared her findings from the days that she observed classrooms and interviewed staff and students to the panel members. The panel have identified some goals and priorities for the next three years. I wish to thank all of you for your feedback and input through various forums which has been considered for future planning.

In general, we are very proud of the achievements we have made in the school. A strength of the school as noted by the reviewer was student wellbeing which was evident in the calm climate of the school. The reviewer had also observed that students at the school had many opportunities to have a choice in their learning and that staff encouraged student responses.

I wish to acknowledge the staff for their work and commitment to student learning.

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. We only have 3 parents who have completed the survey so far. I encourage parents to complete the survey as the data obtained can assist the school to make more informed decisions. We need at least 20 parents to complete the survey and are happy to support you if you need assistance.

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.

Book Week

We will be celebrating Book Week at the School on Tuesday August 21st. Students can come to school dressed as their favourite Book Character and you are all invited to join in. Please see the attached flyer for details. As this year's theme for Book Week is "Find Your Treasure", our students have been reading "Ollie's Treasure" and participating in various activities.

The geocation activities by students in the Secondary Learning Area also compliments the theme. Hoping to see many of you at school on Tuesday morning!

Careers Expo

Last Wednesday, we had many families of students in Secondary Learning Area attend the Careers Expo held at the school. Families found the evening informative and had a chance to talk to representatives from various service providers.

Attitudes to School (Student Survey)

Earlier this year, 13 students completed the DET 'Attitudes to School Survey' and the results are now available to the school. This is the first year that our students have participated in the survey. The survey assists us to understand what students think about the school and their experiences of school. They were asked about wellbeing, teaching and learning, relationships with their peers and with teachers. We were very impressed with the responses the students gave about the school and the results were very positive. I wish to thank Sophie Keating, our speech therapist, for preparing the DET survey questions using visuals.

NDIS workshops

There are several NDIS workshops held across the Western suburbs. Please see dates and venues of upcoming workshops in this edition of the newsletter.

Parent /carer Café morning at The Y café

We congratulate the work that staff and students doing our recently established café. Please note that some parents are **meeting at the café on Thursday August 23rd at 10:00 am**. The group have decided to meet at the school café instead of Alfa and would like to see many of you join them for coffee.

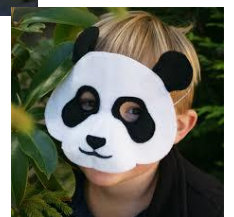
Lastly to all footy fans, I hope you have enjoyed 2018 footy season and that your team will make it to the top 8.

Have a great weekend.

Ashwini

Every Child, Every Opportunity, Every Day

Book week celebrations



Please join us to Celebrate Book Week on

Tuesday 21 August

11:15 – 12:15

Yarraville Special Developmental School

Participate in a Language Experience activity in your child's classroom and join us to watch the full school parade

The NDIS is coming to this region October

Community Conversations for 13th – 17th August 2018

These sessions will provide an opportunity for people with disability, their families and carers to have a short one on one conversation with someone from the NDIS and the local partners in the area, Brotherhood of St Laurence about the NDIS and how to best prepare for an NDIS planning conversation. They are intended to provide an alternative way of sharing information with people who may not wish to attend the larger 'Getting Plan Ready' community information session. NDIS and Brotherhood of St Laurence staff will be available at the below locations and times during August. These sessions are informal, you are not required to register to attend these sessions, but should be prepared for possible short wait times during busy periods.

Altona North – Monday 13th August from 10am – 2pm

Altona Gate Shopping Centre, 124-134 Millers Road, Altona North, 3025

Keilor Downs – Tuesday 14th August from 10am – 2pm

Keilor Central Shopping Centre, 80 Taylors Road, Keilor Downs, 3038

Sunshine – Wednesday 15th August from 9am – 5:30pm

Sunshine Market Place Shopping Centre, 80 Harvester Road, Sunshine, 3020

Braybrook – Wednesday 15th August from 1pm – 2pm

Braybrook-Maidstone Neighbourhood House, 113 Melon Street, Braybrook, 3019

Melton – Thursday 16th August from 10am – 2pm

Woodgrove Shopping Centre, 555 High Street, Melton West, 3337

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Talors Lakes – Monday 20th August from 10am – 2pm

Watergardens Shopping Centre, 399 Melton Highway Talors Lakes, 3038

Sunshine – Tuesday 21st August from 10am – 12pm

Duke Street Community House, 27 Duke Street Sunshine, 3020

Tarneit - Wednesday 22nd August from 2pm – 6pm

Julia Gillard Library, 150 Sunset Views Boulevard, Tarneit, 3029

Werribee – Thursday 23rd August from 2pm – 6pm

Wyndham Library Service- Plaza Library, Pacific Werribee Shopping Centre, Level 1, Shop MM1, Derrimut Road, Werribee, 3030

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CONGRATULATIONS SAKERIA, DAVID AND DUKE!

