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NEWSLETTER OF YARRUNGA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Our Vision: Our school encourages students to embrace learning, strive to do their best and to build their emotional, social and physical well-being.

Today we had Questacon come from Canberra to our school. Their Science Demonstration was awesome! Our students were engaged, learnt lots and had a blast. As part of their visit to Wangaratta, all students were given a free ticket to the Questacon show being held tomorrow at the YMCA from 4pm – 7pm. I encourage you to get along as their shows are exciting, entertaining and fun.

On Friday some of our Year 3/4 students will be representing the school at a Cricket Carnival – we wish them all the best, have a great day and enjoy yourselves.

Next week is going to be epic. On Tuesday we have the Fun Run – have you been collecting sponsorship money so you can earn some awesome prizes? As usual, parents and families are encouraged to join us at the Wangaratta Race Track from midday for lunch and games, this is always a fabulous day.

And our concert will be held next Thursday the 15th. We have moved – after outgrowing the High School, this year the concert will be held at the Wangaratta Performing Art Centre.

Different venue but lots staying the same – entry is a gold coin donation. Please bring along some extra money to buy raffle tickets and to enter in the \$100 note draw. At the Wang PAC, there will be ushers to show you to your seats – this is to ensure that we all fit in and everyone can see. It also means you won't be allowed to bring prams into the concert – there should be enough seats for all kids, with babies on laps.

The theme for the concert this year is 'Underwater', and our grades will be performing songs as well as their STOMP dance. It's going to be a great evening – the concert starts at 5:30pm, with doors opening from 5pm. But please be assured there will be plenty of seats for us all.

We are in the process of finalising the classes for 2019. Parents who wish to make specific requests regarding classroom placement for their child in 2019, are required to send their request in writing to the Principal by Friday November 9th. These can be delivered to the office.

Please be reminded are not able to guarantee requests, but will do our best to accommodate them and communicate with you in relation to the requests.

To ensure all families have clarity around this process, the following is an outline of the initiatives Yarrunga PS undertakes to ensure our classrooms are balanced and true places of learning.

1. Classroom configurations of student groupings is a balanced and educationally sound configuration based on: academic balance, additional needs balance, social and emotional needs balance, and an even distribution of numbers across year level classrooms.
2. The principal and whole teaching team then reviews the lists vigorously to ensure classrooms are successfully configured. This takes into account prior knowledge and experience in acute cases.

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YOU COULD WIN \$100

Want to win \$100?? Our PnF have organised a very special \$100 note. It is under guard in the office. If you can guess the last two digits of the serial code on this note – it's yours! For \$5, come and pick your lucky number at the office and the winner will be announced at the concert. The chance to turn \$5 into \$100 – time to get guessing and good luck!

Donations Needed for our Concert Christmas Hamper.

A big part of our school concert is our Christmas Hamper Raffle. We are asking for donations from families of non-perishable goods to go in our hampers. Last year we had 5 or more hampers, so a good chance to win. You may drop off your donations at the office. Thank you for your support.

COLES BBQ

We are very thankful to the people who volunteered their time to help on the COLES BBQ Fundraiser but we need a couple more people on that day.

If you can spare an hour or so please let Barb know at the office.

I will be sending home slips this week to let those volunteers know their times.

We appreciate your time and support very much.

Principal Awards

Irene	12C	Irene's poem about 'Bags' was original and well written. Irene used some great adjectives in her poem.
Jansen	12C	Jansen has completed an oral presentation poem and poster about his memories of life in the Philippines. Well done.
Ricky	12C	Ricky planned a poem on Rhino's. He used excellent adjectives and verbs to describe a Rhino.
Hamish	12C	Hamish has been working hard on his number strategies, especially doubles and near doubles.
Ryan	12C	Ryan has been working on his problem solving strategies such as doubles, near doubles, build to 10.
Shani	12C	Shani composed an original and 'fun' poem about the colours of the rainbow.
Will	12C	William shared his memories of his dad with his classmates. He wrote about his memories. His writing was well sequenced and neatly presented.

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Georgia	P1P	Georgia practises her reading at home.
Hannah	P1P	Hannah loves reading at home to practise her reading skills.
Jai	34C	Jai wrote a great biography about his favourite Richmond player, Dustin Martin.
Marley	34C	Marley is making an effort with his home reading. He is currently enjoying “The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy”.
Shantelle	34C	Well done with your home reading. Shantelle tries to read most nights.
Lionel	34C	Lionel is very conscientious with his home reading. He enjoyed reading Fantastic Mr Fox.
Hunter	34C	Hunter is taking responsibility for her home reading. She is currently reading a Harry Potter story.
Marley	34C	Marley wrote a very interesting biography about Adolf Hitler. He chose him because he'd heard his name and wanted to find out who he was.
Jacinta	34C	Jacinta researched and wrote a biography about Jessica Mauboy. She chose her because she wants to be able to play her guitar like her.
Ava	34C	Ava has made a big effort over the last month to read at home most nights. This is a great effort.
Luke	34C	Luke regularly reads at home. He takes responsibility for changing his home reading books and chooses a variety of book types.
Emma	34C	Emma chose another Emma to research and write about. She completed a great biography about Emma Watson.
Hunter	34C	Hunter wrote a biography about her favourite actor Robert Pattinson. She discovered that some of the characters he has played, made her think about making good choices.
Emma	34C	Emma is working well with her home reading. It is great to see all the different styles of books she reads.
Brook	34C	Brook is doing a terrific job with her home reading. She reads regularly and always remembers to change her reader.
Chris	34C	Chris continues to do a fabulous job with his home reading. He loves reading to adults and always remembers to change his books.
Nav	34C	Nav researched and wrote a great biography about Kurt Fearnley. She chose him because he is brave and determined.
Darcie	34C	Darcie wrote a terrific biography about Jackie Chan. She chose him because he inspires her to go outside her comfort zone like he did.
Ava	34C	Ava reads most days at home. She has done a terrific job recording her reading on her personal log.
Lionel	34C	Lionel wrote a terrific biography about his favourite singer, Michael Jackson.
Jeremy	12C	Jeremy loves writing poetry. His poem “Grey Things” is an example of how he is expressing himself through poetry.
Savannah	12C	Savannah planned and wrote a poem about her favourite colour pink. She included some adjectives in her poem.
Tayanah	12C	Tayanah’s poem is enjoyable to read. She was creative in the way she set out her poem and used excellent descriptive words to describe green.
Jhye	12C	Jhye works cooperatively during Maths Fluency. He can confidently double numbers to 5.
Summer-Rae	12C	Summer-Rae used fantastic adjectives to describe ‘Cars’ in her poem.
Sam	12C	Sam planned and composed a poem about ‘Yarrunga’. He used personal voice to show the reader how much he loves Yarrunga Primary School.
Jaxson	12C	Jaxson planned his poem by drawing. With support, he composed a poem about his favourite colour red.

November 2018						
◀ October						December ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Vicky the Truck Incursion 5/6	3
4	5 Student Free Day Reporting Day	6 Student Free Day Melbourne Cup Day	7	8 Common Prep Transition Morning STOMP	9	10
11	12	13 FUN RUN	14	15 STOMP School Concert WPAC	16	17
18	19	20 SAKG School Council	21 Common Prep Transition Morning	22	23	24
25	26	27 SAKG WHS Transition for Somers Camp Kids	28	29	30	

December 2018						
◀ November						January ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Somers Camp	4 Somers Camp SAKG	5 Somers Camp	6 Somers Camp	7 Somers Camp	8 Somers Camp
9 Somers Camp	10 Somers Camp	11 Somers Camp Statewide Transition Day	12 Somers Camp	13	14	15
16	17 Awards Assembly Scholarships Graduation night	18 Whole School Movie Day	19 Whole School Swimming Day	20 Early Dismissal 1.30 Last Day of Year	21 Staff Meeting Student Free Day	22

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