

Wandin Yallock News



WANDIN YALLOCK P.S.
CARING & EXCELLENCE

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Creativity, Achievement, Respect, Integrity, Nurture, Growth

Principal's Report

Dear Parents/Carers/Kin,

Yesterday our teachers attended a professional learning day with Misty Adoniou. Our school is a member of the Lilydale Network, and the priority this year is extending teachers' practice to ensure writing is fun for students and that teachers enjoy teaching writing.

Misty asked, 'What if we stopped teaching writing as small isolated skills and remembered the purpose of writing – to engage the hearts and minds of readers?' She passionately argues the case for reading 'real books', loving the text, responding to it and then working out how the writer created the piece of writing. Misty suggested that we fill our children's reservoir of language with rich vocabulary, written literary structures, catch phrases and to make sure that all writing we asked our students to undertake had a real purpose.

It was a great day for our teachers to all work together, to learn from Misty and to have a go at planning writing with a shift in focus, to look at building and extending student vocabulary.

Thank yous

I would like to extend a huge thank you to our parents and staff who helped run our Election Day BBQ, as well as those who baked yummy goods for the stall.

Overall we raised about \$1300, which is a huge amount and will go towards upgrading our outdoor whole school eating area.

I would like to personally acknowledge the time and work Catherine Ramsden and her husband volunteered to this event. Catherine spent many hours baking yummy goodies for the stall. I was lucky enough to purchase some of her baked goods and thoroughly enjoyed her yo-yos and her delicious rocky road.

Next I would like to thank three pre-service teachers who have spent time at Wandin Yallock PS on their final placements before hopefully having their own classrooms next year at their first school. Catherine McGregor in Prep, Kellie Frank in 3/4N and Emily Spicer in 5/6P. Placements is a vital way for pre-service teachers to apply their theoretical knowledge and it also provides an opportunity for their mentor teacher to consider their own practice to ensure "best practice" is modelled at all times.

Term Planner

MAY

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June -
Reconciliation Week

JUNE

Wednesday 1st—Friday 3rd—Grade 3/4
camp to Camp Adanac

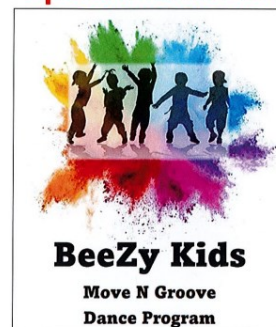
Friday 3rd—Grade 5/6 Aussie Sports Day

Friday 10th - Student Free Day—No
students at school—**no OSHC**

Monday 13th - Queen's Birthday Public
Holiday

Friday 24th—Last day of Term 2, 2.30pm

WANDIN YALLOCK OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE Special Term 2 Dance Program



During Term 2, on Monday afternoons our OSHC Program will be running a special dance program run by a experienced dance teacher starting from Monday 2nd May. The program will run from 3.45pm–4.45pm and be part of OSHC activities.

Your child can be involved in this even if you do not normally use our OSHC service. You just need to have them enrolled into our service. If your child is a regular attendee on Mondays and they do not wish to participate there will be other activities offered as usual.

The cost of the dance lessons are included in the \$25 after school care fee. If you are eligible for Child Care Subsidies, this could cost you as little as \$5 per week. It also includes afternoon tea before they start the lesson. Normally a 1 hour dance lesson would cost around \$15-\$25 per week.

The students will learn a dance routine to be performed at our end of term school assembly.

If you wish to enrol your child, please see the information below.

As a licensed Child Care provider, we require all guardians accessing our service to complete mandatory registration for their child to attend our care. This registration is a legal requirement for Wandin Yallock's Outside School Hours Care program to accept children into our care and give our staff all the necessary information so we can provide the best care for each child entering our doors.

Enrol your child through our secure online registration system via https://prodadmin.mvexplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/G8B94231EK04Uo3I7UzJHl.6w or contact Veronica in our school office on 5964 4276 for help with enrolling your child into our program.

More thank yous

World Bee Day was last week. Thank you to Glenn (Mrs Davidson's husband) for coming in with some of his bee keeping paraphernalia and for doing a show and tell for the P-2s and for talking to them about how bees do what they do, and why they are so important.

Did you know that Mrs Davidson own about 30,000 bees?

Welcome to Josh Cowman

Wandin Yallock PS has a new staff member, and I would like to warmly welcome Josh Cowman to our school as a new ES staff member. Josh will take on the role vacated by Kate Heintze.

I believe Josh will be great fit to our school and if you see him around, please introduce yourself and say hi.

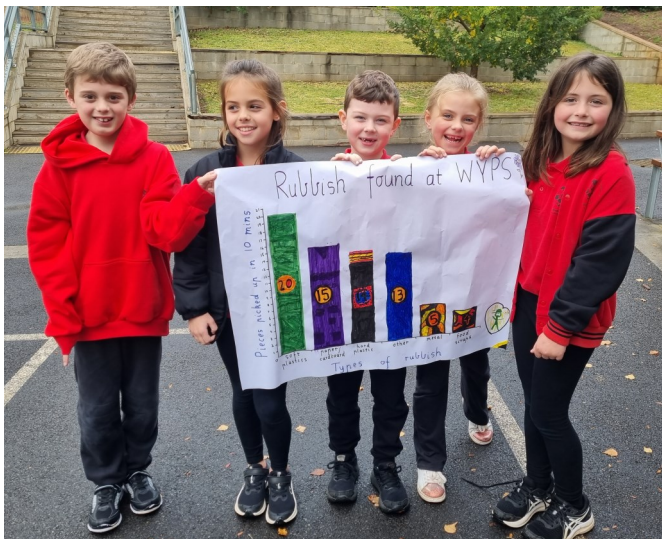
Sustainability in 1/2B

This term in 1/2B we have been learning about sustainability in Inquiry. This week in maths we have been learning about displaying data as bar graphs.

On Wednesday we went outside to pick up rubbish for 10 minutes. When we came back to the classroom, we sorted the rubbish into categories.

Altogether we picked up 71 pieces of rubbish. Can you believe that! The most common type was soft plastic. Soft plastic is very harmful to the environment.

If you see rubbish in the yard, please do the right thing and pick it up. If we all work together, we can make a light footprint on our world.



Sustainability in Junior School

In addition our Junior School are keen to start Waste Wise Wednesdays.

As part of our sustainability focus this term, students in the junior school have been counting and recording the different types of waste produced each day in the classroom, and looking at the impact our waste has on the environment.

To help reduce the amount of waste we produce at school each day, the classes have decided to introduce Waste Wise Wednesdays, where we will endeavour to have little to no waste in our lunchboxes.

We have had discussions in class about the ways we can reduce the amount of rubbish we bring to school - putting our food into containers and leaving the packaging at home, buying big packets of chips instead of lots of little packs etc. The children are keen to make a change to their lunchboxes, and we would love your support.

All things OSHC

We are currently looking for qualified people to create a pool of casual staff to support our OSHC program. Please contact the office for further information.

We will NOT be running OSHC on our upcoming student Friday 10th June.

We have also sent home via XUNO a survey for any families who are interested in using our OSHC service for Holiday Care Program. Please complete the survey by Friday 3rd June.

WANDIN YALLOCK PS
WE ARE
HIRING

Casual position Out of School Hours Care

Send Your Resume To :
wandin.yallock.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Morning shift: 6.45am - 8.45am
Afternoon shift: 3.30pm - 6.00pm

National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD)

On Friday 20th May our school will be participating in WSTSD.



It was great to see so many students meet our teachers at the Wandin oval and walk together—even up the big hill—to school.



Junior School Council

Each year the Cancer Council holds Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. In Wandin the event is held at Mont de Lancey.

In Australia 1 in 2 Australian's are diagnosed with cancer before the age of 85 and the morning tea helps to raise funds to change this statistic.

Two of our JSC members, Lucius and Dakota attended the event at presented the event with our donation of \$54.00.

In a couple of weeks some JSC members will be attending Healesville Hospital to present them with the funds they raised at our Milkshake Day.

It is so great to know the future leaders of our country and world are already showing outstanding leadership qualities.

Caring Values recipients

Well done to these student for demonstrating outstanding Respect whilst at school.



COVID Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs)

Schools will continue to be provided with Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) for use by students for the remainder of term 2.

From Monday 23 May 2022, the new recommendation is that RATs are used by students when symptomatic. RATs are also required to be used for 5 days if a student is a close contact of a confirmed case and they are attending school.

Students and staff must continue to notify the Department of Health and their school if they return a positive RAT result.

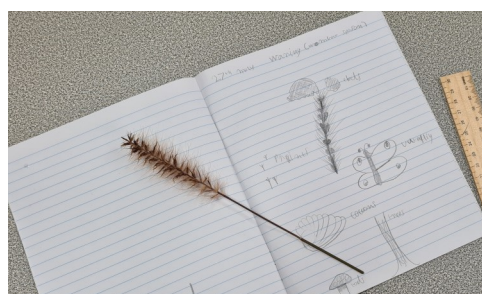
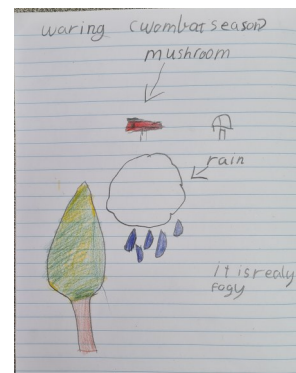
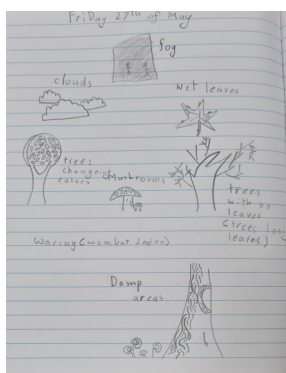
Cross Country

Last week our grade 3-6 students participated in cross country at Margaret Lewis Reserve in Coldstream. They competed against students from other local schools. All the students who attended and participated demonstrated determination and upheld our CARING values all day. Several students placed in the top 10 for their age group and will go through to the next round.



Nature Journals

Nature journaling, channelling their ability to capture stories from nature, observe, replicate and identify indigenous seasons of Victoria. It's Waring (Wombat) Season, misty mornings and cool days



Farm News

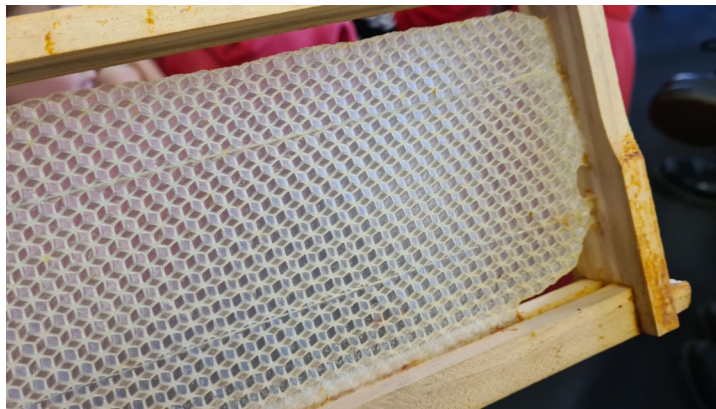
World bee day was on Friday 20th May and the students celebrated in a number of ways. The 3/4 students sowed a mix of beneficial bug attracting seeds (as well as a blend of chook grazing seeds). The 1/2 students propagated some bee favourites - Lavender and Rosemary. The Foundation class had a special visitor - Farmer Glenn who brought in his bee keeping equipment to show us and we talked everything Bees and how extremely important they are to the ecosystem and to make sure our school grounds are full of biodiverse plants for pollinators.




The highlight of the day was tasting Farmer Glenn's home grown honey and a quote from a student: "did you know bees fly 60 minutes per hour!" 🐝

Garden tips: Remember to collect those fallen leaves to add dry (Carbon) element to your compost and get those garlic bulbs in now. You can soak them over night in a seaweed solution to give them a boost.

Happy gardening ~ Farmer Jill





WANDIN YALLOCK
TINY TOTS
PLAYGROUP

ALL WELCOME
EVERY FRIDAY

9:30AM - 11:00AM

IN THE MULTI PURPOSE
ROOM

COST: \$2

BYO SNACK/LUNCH
COFFEE & TEA PROVIDED

FUN ACTIVITIES INCLUDING ARTS &
CRAFTS, SONGS, GAMES & FREE PLAY

AGE 0 - 4YRS

VIC GOV COVID RULES APPLY



Everyday Parenting

Parent information session - supporting parents of infants



Everyday Parenting session provides information, conversation and support on parenting and child development - language, literacy and talking to our babies, play and learning, nutrition, mealtimes and routines.

Presented by qualified Inspiro Occupational Therapist,
Speech Therapist and Dietitian.

Opportunity for Q and A

For parents and carers of children aged 0-18 months

In partnership with Yarra Ranges Council

Kilsyth

Wednesday 15th June 2022

10am-11:30am

Venue:

Japara Living and Learning Centre
Early Years Building,
54-56 Durham Rd, Kilsyth

Registration:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BZICA>



For enquiries contact Yarra Ranges Council - Early Years on 1300 368 333



This program adheres to Covid safe practices.

For more information about Yarra Ranges Councils services and programs for families and children aged 0-12 years visit:
<https://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Community/Family>



Yarra Ranges Council is a Child Safe Organisation