

YULUMA PRIMARY SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

Community Newsletter

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School Details	School Hours	Canteen Days	Yuluma Dental Clinic
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Coming Events

2018 Term 4

November

- 16 2019 Kindy Info Session Playgroup
- 23 2019 Kindy Orientation Sessions
- 27 Parent Helper Morning Tea
- 28 P&C Meeting
- 29 Music Concert

December

- 3 Playgroup
- 6-7 Year 4 Zoo Camp
- 7 Reports to go home
- 9 Board Meeting
- 12 Yr 6 Graduation Assembly and excursion
- 13 Awards Assembly Last Day of School

Term Dates

Term 4 2018

Tues, 9th October – Thurs, 13th Dec

Term 1 2019

Mon, 4th February – Fri, 12th April

Greetings All,

Our school will have a new principal in 2019. The process to select a new principal is similar to many professions, such that advertisements online seek suitable applicants. A written submission and interviews are held to determine the person *most suited – the best fit* for the school by a panel consisting of the Assistant Regional Director Paul Meacock, an external consultant, the Chair of the Yuluma PS Board Dr Christina Read and myself. We should be able to introduce the successful applicant before the end of the year, and have some time for them to discover what a fabulous school Yuluma is – and by that I mean what a fabulous community we have here. If I were to emphasise anything too much – it would only be to say that RELATIONSHIP and COMMUNICATION are probably the most important aspects of successful growth and achievement.

NAPLAN results this year have been quite rewarding, with our Year 3 students demonstrating better than like schools in a number of areas, and our year 5 students being similar to our like school counterparts across all areas. I say this with pride, because we're all encouraged to see NAPLAN as the defining factor for school effectiveness. I would hasten to add though that NAPLAN is one test on one day, does not measure creativity or mental wellbeing and the like, and to boot this year there is the ongoing controversy on whether the ONLINE tests either disadvantaged or advantaged students unfairly when compared to the paper and pencil tests. [See graphs later in this issue].

The Year 4& 5 students have been working on the Western Power Renewable Energies "Circuit Breakers" project and have presented at Scitech Friday 2 November. Terrific turnout by all concerned and another opportunity for YPS students to showcase their learning.



Circuit Breakers at Scitech

CALL FOR 2 BOARD MEMBERS

I'd like to thank Dr Mike Newton and Mr Dave Amin for their capable and regular contribution to the functioning of the school board. During their term the board has grown in skills, understanding and appreciation for the complexity of the school's progress. They have been part of the school's first IPS Review and we thank them for their contribution.
– Kim Pitts-Hill and Dr Christina Read (Chair)

Two vacancies for parents will arise on the School Board for 2019. The Board meets twice a term after school, generally Mondays, to discuss the student progress and achievement, the business plan, and other agenda of such as uniforms, stationary and the annual budget. You do not need to know anything in particular, but have an interest in discussing how best to promote the school in the future. **If you would like to nominate please complete the form in this newsletter and return it to the school.** For anyone wanting to more of the Board please feel free to ring me, or ask any of the board members or staff. This year's board has been comprised of the chair, myself, the gentlemen mentioned, Mrs Mariam Hoda, Mrs Sonja Roeterdink, Mrs Barnes, Mrs Johns, Miss Rennie with support from Mrs Wendy Whalan.

Finally the Board did want to survey the community on proposed changes to the school creed. The attached paper survey may be completed and returned to the front office anonymously or alternatively the SURVEY MONKEY online version is available here. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/66MFMRD>

All up, our school is growing from strength to strength and I am very proud of the efforts of all students, all staff and all parents so that we live the motto: Learning and Growing Together.

Kim Pitts-Hill
Principal

2019 Kindy Enrolments

We are still accepting enrolments for Kindergarten in 2019 for children who live within our catchment area. We ask that all parents who have a younger sibling that is ready to start kindy (born between 1st July 2014 and 30th June 2015) to complete an enrolment form. If you have friends or neighbours with young children in the area that may not be aware of kindy starting ages perhaps you could share this information and encourage them to enrol early. Enrolment within 2018 helps our school planning for 2019 and allows us to set up the best possible programs to match the needs of our incoming new learners.

Western Power Engineering Circuit Breakers

On Friday 2nd November, a group of students from years 4 and 5 attended Scitech to share their Western Power network of the future. Over a period of weeks, students designed and created a sustainable and energy efficient community which included schools, a shopping precinct, housing district and community services area, all powered by wind and solar energy. Many of the components of the community were 3D printed on the printers we received from Western Power. All the students that have attended our circuit breakers sessions and the Scitech fair must be commended on their amazing enthusiasm and team work. We would like to thank Jared Stone from Western Power who attended our Circuit Breakers sessions to support us in learning about the many components required to power a community.

If you would like to see the amazing community the students have created, it is on display in our library.

Editor's Note: Congratulations students, Mrs Kaaks, Ms Rennie and Miss Greenway for the completion of a



solid project.



Year 5 and 6 Camp

Our years 5 and 6 students attended Bickley Recreation camp from Monday to Wednesday 5th - 7th November with Mrs Burrell, Miss Eden, Mrs Barnes and Ms Rennie. We enjoyed many outdoor activities that required teamwork, cooperation and encouraged students to challenge themselves. Activities included bush hut building, flying fox, rope climbing, raft building, canoeing, search and rescue, crate climb and a trip to Bounce on the way back. Our students did Yuluma proud, taking on every challenge with enthusiasm, respect and responsibility.



Japanese 日本語 news

Connect and Communicate with Nihon

Minasan konnichi wa

You may have seen our visitors from Takinoya PS, Hyogo Prefecture, Japan walking around Yuluma last week. They would like to bring students to Perth with a possible visit to Yuluma in August 2019. They also would like to have Australian students visit their school too in the future. This was the first meeting to discuss possibilities for fostering international relationships. Look for further details in Yuluma news about how to Connect and Communicate with Nihon. If you are interested to hear more please feel free to ask Whittle sensei.

Whittle sensei

Japanese language teacher

MUSIC NEWS

End of Year Concert

Our concert this year will be held on Thursday 29 November starting at 6pm in the Undercover Area. All students from Years 1 to Year 6 will have the opportunity to be involved. They will be rehearsing during school time, and performances will include singing, dancing, and instruments such as guitar, clarinet, recorder and drums.

Permission slips have gone home and need to be returned as soon as possible for planning. Students will need to be at school by 5.30pm for a 6pm start. Finishing time will be 7.30pm.



MCF WA MASSED CHOIR FESTIVAL

Our Performance Extension Program (PEP) students performed at the WA Massed Choir Festival on 20 September at the Perth Concert Hall. Our students did an amazing job and it was a fantastic night.

Well done to Mrs Hadfield and Mrs Burrell and all the students for a great show.

Year 1 Assembly

The year 1 assembly was on Thursday 8th November. The students did an awesome job performing the play Wombat Stew and singing and dancing to the Wombat Wobble!! Thank you very much and congratulations to the amazing students for learning their parts and performing with such confidence in front of a large crowd. Thank you also to our wonderful parents and carers for organising costumes and for cooking and providing cakes for the cake stall. All of your help and support is much appreciated!

Jo Johns and Leanne Ireland



Remembrance Day – Sunday 11th November



Remembrance Day this year fell on a Sunday. At school both at the Thursday Assembly and over our PA system on the Friday, senior student leaders lead the school with information, explanation and empathy. A minutes silence was held to reflect and remember. It is never too late to try and resolve conflict and differences through ways other than fighting.

Chaplain's Chat

Hello Parents and Students,

I can't believe how quickly this term is flying by! There have been so many exciting things happening around the school. Last week I went with Ms Burrell, Ms Barnes and Ms Rennie, and an excitable bunch of Year 5 and 6's, to Bickley Outdoor Recreation Camp for 3 days. We had a wonderful time, and the students participated in a wide variety of activities designed to grow their resilience and give them opportunities to develop important skills such as working in a team. I enjoyed getting to know the students better and seeing them trying things for the first time, and overcoming fears as they rose to the challenge.

Earlier in the year I applied for and received funding to undertake a project which promotes reconciliation in our local community. As a result, we have Urban Indigenous coming in to the school this week to deliver an Aboriginal cultural experience for our Year 5 and 6 students. Students from these year groups will be making a collective canvas which we will be able to keep and display at school. I look forward to sharing more on this in the next newsletter.

Have a wonderful week,

Miss Eden

Chaplain (Tues, Thurs, and fortnightly Monday)

P&C

Canteen

New Canteen Manager

The P & C and I are very pleased to announce the selection of our new Canteen Manager, Ms Christine Mack. Ms Mack will be working with Mrs Evans in the short term ready to take over in 2019. Congratulations Ms Mack. – *Kim Pitts-Hill*



A Note from Anna

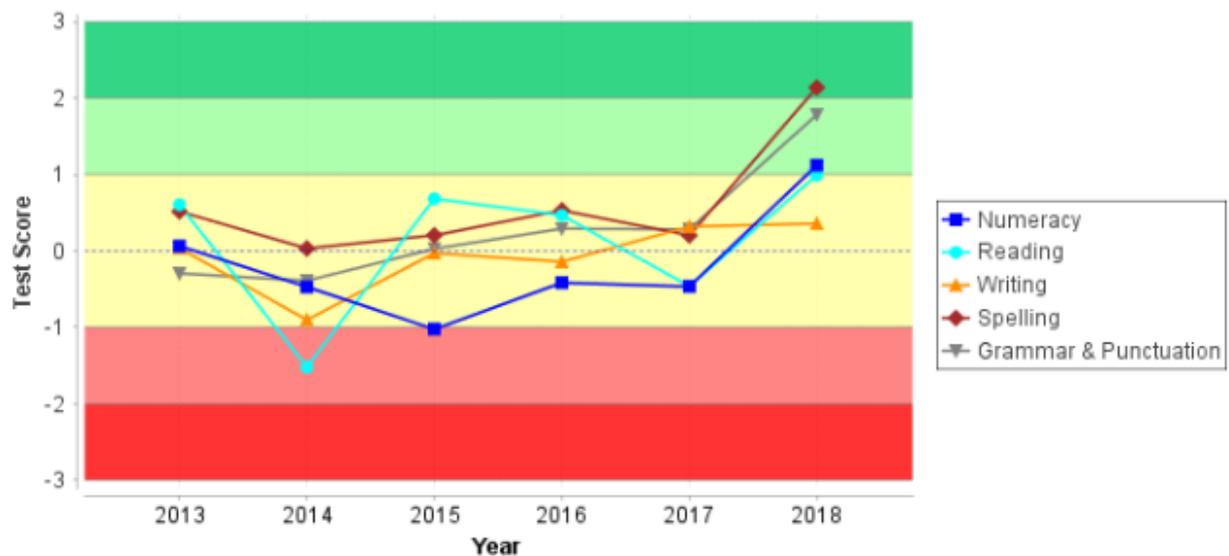
As the last term for 2018 commences my time in the canteen will soon come to a close. As most of you may have already heard, sadly this will be my last term in the canteen at Yuluma Primary. I will take this opportunity to thank each and every volunteer that has kindly donated their time in helping not only me but the school over the past 3 years. With all your efforts the canteen has been able to continue providing the students with orders for 3 days a week, as well as supply other schools when hosting major events. What an outstanding achievement! I would also like to thank Mr Pitts-Hill, the P&C, Yuluma Primary staff, parents, carers and especially the students for all their help and support. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and wish the new manager all the best.

Anna Evans

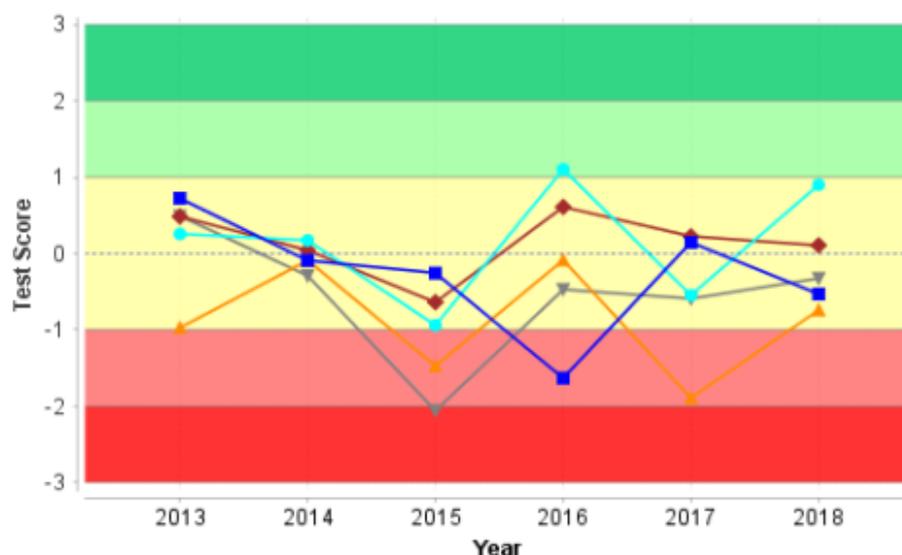
Canteen Manager

2018 NAPLAN RESULTS

Year 3 Performance



Year 5 Performance



Strive

To strive is to make great efforts to achieve or obtain something.

We are encouraging our students to strive to do their best at everything they do, at home, in class, out in the community.

Some advice from our School Nurse

Healthy eating for families

In our modern society, very few of us use up enough energy to take on the extra calories of 'treat' food and drinks. The Australian Dietary Guidelines provide up-to-date advice about the amount and kinds of foods and drinks that we need regularly, for health and well-being.

By providing your family with the recommended amounts from the Five Food Groups and limiting the foods that are high in saturated fat, added sugars and added salt, your family will get enough of the nutrients essential for good health, growth and development. A healthy diet reduces the risk of chronic diseases such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes, obesity and some cancers.

The amount of food your child will need from the Five Food Groups depends on their age, gender, height, weight and physical activity levels. For further information go to www.eatforhealth.gov.au

Healthy eating - ten tips for parents

1. Give children a variety of different foods
2. Offer nutritious snacks, like fruit, yoghurt, crackers and cheese
3. Encourage your child to eat breakfast
4. Ensure that the family eats together at least once a day
5. Pack your child's lunch at home. Let your child help.
6. If your child refuses a new food, don't make a fuss. Try again several times.
7. Listen when your child tells you they are full
8. When your child is thirsty, encourage them to drink water.
9. Allow your children to help with planning and preparing healthy meals.
10. Plan physical activities for your family



Soft drinks, fruit juices and cordials

Did you know that soft drinks, fruit juices and cordials are strongly linked to being overweight in children?

In our modern society, very few children use up enough energy to take on the extra calories of 'treat' food and drinks. Research shows there is a very strong link between consumption of 'treat' drinks (soft drinks and other sweet drinks) and being overweight in children.

Provide water for children as the standard, everyday drink and offer soft drinks only on special occasions. Give children fresh fruit instead of fruit juice.

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Child and Adolescent
Health Service

Dear Families,

Hope you are enjoying term 4!

We have been having lots of fun doing arts and crafts, playing games, doing science experiments, and outdoor play! Here at YULUMA OSHCLUB we provide a safe, caring and stimulating environment. Children will learn through play and have fun through child-based learning. We respect other and their interests and include family input.

If you are interested in joining our OSHCLUB family or have some questions, please feel free to pop in and have a look.

Thank you

Lindé Kyras (YULUMA OSHCLUB COORDINATOR) &

Christina Tse (YULUMA OSHCLUB EDUCATOR)



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VACSWIM 2018-19

Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the summer school holidays.

Choose from four VacSwim programs:

Country early start program Every day from Saturday 15 December to Friday 21 December 2018 Enrolments close Sunday 4 November 2018	Program 1 Every weekday from Wednesday 2 January to Friday 11 January 2019 Enrolments close Sunday 11 November 2018
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Dear Parents and Carers of Yuluma Primary School

GOD in the Yuluma Primary School Creed

Your opinion is sought on this important issue.

The School Board at the meeting held on the 10th of September discussed the concept of updating the School Creed sign, displayed in the Under Cover Area. Apart from the new logo which needs to be added, discussion was held about the use of the word **GOD** in the creed and a suggestion to change this to "the earth".

The creed is printed in full here for you. Several questions are posed at the bottom of this page to which we request you respond. Information from the school community response will inform the board and the decisions that follow. This survey is anonymous.

YULUMA SCHOOL CREED

This is our school,
Let peace dwell here,
Let the rooms be full of gladness,
Let love abide here –
Love of one another,
Love of mankind,
Love of God,
And love of life itself.
Let us remember – that –
As it takes many hands to build a house,
It takes many hearts
To make a school.

Question 1.

Do you think that the School Creed needs changing? YES NO

(If you answer NO then do not answer any further questions).

Question 2

Should students have a say in whether the School Creed is changed? YES NO

Question 3.

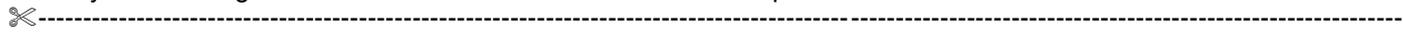
Should the word GOD be changed to "the earth"? YES NO

Question 4

If NO to question 3

Do you have another suggestion or comment?

Thank you for taking the time to contribute to the school's development.



**School Board Membership
Parent Position – TWO**

The school board is a group of 4 staff including the principal, and 5 parents of students enrolled at the school. The Board meets twice per term in weeks 3 & 9 after school from 3.15 – 5.00pm usually on a Monday. The term of appointment is 3 years.

Please indicate in the section below your nomination for a school board position. If you are nominating another person please seek their consent prior to submitting the nomination. Applicants can be self nominated but still require a seconder. All parents of enrolled students are invited to consider nominating for the two parent member vacancies. In the event that there are more than 2 nominations for the vacancies, a confidential, anonymous vote on paper will be held to determine the highest ranking nominee. Elections will be held again in 2021 or earlier should vacancies arise. Please contact the principal, or speak with any board members or staff to find out more about the board and it's functions.

Thank you for participating in this process.

Kim Pitts-Hill
Principal
31 October 2018

Nominee (PRINT NAME) _____ Date _____

Secunder (SIGN) _____ Date _____

Please return the nomination to the principal by the COB Wednesday 14th November 2018.

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