

Yidarra Catholic Primary School

TERM 2 / WEEK 8 / EDITION 4

FRIDAY 13 JUNE 2014



Dates to Remember

- **Mon 16 Jun** - Y3-6 Cross Country, Piney lakes 11.30 - 2PM
- **Tue 17 Jun** - ICAS Spelling Test 9AM
- **Wed 18 Jun** - ICAS Writing Test 9AM
PP - Y2 Cross Country on Yidarra Oval 1 - 3PM
Board Meeting 7.30PM
- **Thu 19 Jun** - First Holy Communion Rehearsal & Retreat
Year 6 Homeless Sleepover
- **Tue 24 Jun** - CPSSA Y5-6 Lightning Carnival 8.40 - 2.20pm
- **Thu 26 Jun** - St Thomas More Day Celebration Mass 9AM Lead by Yr5
Parents Morning Tea after Mass 10AM
- **Fri 27 Jun** - First Holy Communion Certificates at assembly
Cake stall run by Yr2

Reflection

Insight from
Catherine McAuley:

"The life and teachings of Jesus Christ should be as a book always opened before us...and as a seal we impress on our hearts."

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS



GROW SHINE BECOME

WELCOME

This week we welcome Mrs Meghann Blakeman to our school as the Year 1G teacher. We hope that Mrs Blakeman's time at Yidarra is an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

BOOK FAIR

Our Book Fair has been an outstanding success with masses of parents and students filling the Library to purchase books. It is great to see everyone so excited about getting new books to take home to enjoy. We are very blessed to have Mrs Lopez and Mrs Munro in our school, as they organise the most exciting Library events. Thank you to the staff members and parents who helped out with the Book Fair. I would also like to thank everyone for supporting the Book Fair, because of your efforts Mrs Lopez will be able to purchase more books for our students to read.



TEACHER QUALITY

Parents that attend our school enrolment interviews are often seeking to know how to select the best school for their child. What I inform these parents is that what impacts most on the achievement of students is not in buildings, or the well groomed grounds or how many computers the school has or even whether it is a public school, independent school or Catholic school. What determines the quality of a school is the quality of its teachers. This is widely supported by the research on quality schooling. Such research is unambiguous in concluding that excellence in teaching is the single most powerful school-based influence on student achievement. To assist our teachers to improve the quality of their teaching I regularly observe a class teacher's practice and provide the teacher with feedback that will allow the teacher to improve and enhance their instruction to improve the learning of their students. This does mean that for two days a week I am in the classrooms rather than in the office. Parents therefore need to make an appointment with the office staff to meet with me on the days that I am in the office. Thank you for your understanding as this is all designed to enhance the quality and effectiveness of our teachers.

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

This year we have reverted back to having one event per year level rather than two levels. After reviewing the previous carnival and feedback, it was noted that the students were all participating in the second level which defeated the purpose of having two events. We do not expect the students to run all of the course if they are unable to, they may walk and run. Also we wish to encourage the students to do **their personal best** on the day. Good luck to all our students who are participating in the annual Cross Country Carnival.

God Bless,

Carmel Costin
PRINCIPAL

PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY WINNER

'Congratulations'

DICKSON PHOON

BOARD NEWS

Want to help the school Board and the Principal steer Yidarra towards a bright future?

Join the Yidarra Strategic Committee! Just two hours per term.

Get in touch with Will Schaefer on 0450 476 331 or Carmel Costin on 9332 3011 to register your interest.



RELIGION NEWS

First Holy Communion Date & Time

Saturday 21 June from 4pm - Class 4B

Sunday 22 June from 11am - Class 4G

NEXT P&F MEETING

TERM 3

MONDAY 11 AUGUST

7.30PM

IN THE LIBRARY

Everyone is Welcome

SCHOOL BANKING

Every Tuesday

8.15-9am

Undercover Area

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 16 Jun - Christianna McCarthy

Tue 17 Jun - Heidi Jupp

Wed 18 Jun - Craig Dowsett

Thu 19 Jun - Amanda Forrester

Fri 20 Jun - Volunteer Needed

Mon 23 Jun - Michelle Davey

Tue 24 Jun - Emma D'Alfonso

Wed 25 Jun - Mellena Morgan

Thu 26 Jun - Natalie Toth

Fri 27 Jun - Anita Thompson

LOST & FOUND

AFL Card booklet found in junior atrium

Mazda Car keys found near church

Collections & Drop-offs to the office

PARENTS & FRIENDS INFORMATION



Parents Morning Tea

A morning tea will be held in the Parish Hall at 10am following the St Thomas More Celebration Mass on Thursday 26 June.

Cake Stall

There will be a scrumptious cake stall held at recess by the Year 2 students on Friday 27 June.



Entertainment Book

Contact Alex Rossi on 0419 962 963 or email aarossi@inet.net.au and order forms can be collected from the office.

PE NEWS

Senior Cross Country

This Monday 16 June, Yidarra will be holding the 2014 Senior Cross Country Carnival at Piney Lakes. The first race is due to commence at 11:30am. Running in this race will be the Year 3 girls followed by the Year 3 boys and so on. Please ensure that your child is wearing the appropriate uniform including shorts, faction shirt, hat and runners as well as a packed lunch and drink bottle as canteen facilities will not be available.

If the carnival has to be cancelled as a result of poor weather, a decision will be made by 9am. Parent assistance is still required, if you are able to help please let me know.

Junior Cross Country

This Wednesday 18 June Yidarra will be holding the 2014 Junior Cross Country on the Yidarra Oval. The first run is due to commence at 2.00pm. In this race the Pre-Primary girls will be running followed by boys, then Year 1 and finally Year 2. Please ensure that your child is wearing the appropriate uniform including shorts, runners as well as a faction top if they have one. If not their green sports top is fine.

I am looking forward to both carnivals. I hope to see you there.

Rob Debowski

PE TEACHER

LIBRARY NEWS



Book Fair

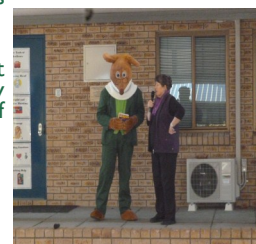
The June Book Fair was a great success. The library was packed each day with students, parents and grandparents selecting books. As usual the stationery stall was very popular with students where they could buy fancy pencils or erasers for a dollar or two.

Thank you to the wonderful staff, Year 6 students and parents who helped with selling. In particular, thanks to Mrs Rushton, Mrs Wear, Mrs Rowan, Mrs Boudville, Mrs Barnwell, Mrs Tan and Mrs Christiana McCarthy. Your contribution to our school library is greatly appreciated.

At our special Book Fair assembly on Wednesday morning we welcomed eminent author and book character Geronimo Stilton to Yidarra. Geronimo was very happy to hear how our students love reading his books. He gave us all two simple words of wisdom 'Keep Reading'. That should be easy for our students to do!

Cheryl Lopez

TEACHER LIBRARIAN

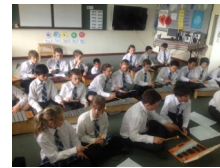


MUSIC NEWS

Another busy week in the music classroom. Our song lists are growing and we are excited about the new screen that has been put up in the classroom.

Congratulations to the following Year 4 students who have been selected as Cantors for the Year 4 First Holy Communion:

- Audrey Ho
- Mairead Carrabba
- Georgia Waddy
- Jorja Allanson
- Jade Jerome
- Isabella Cross



The Year 5 classes have started work on the Percussion Family of the Orchestra. This week we explored the TUNED percussion instruments in the work and began learning our percussion piece for the Catholic Performing Arts.

The Year 6 classes have started work on their scripts for the Catholic Performing Arts in Term 3. It's a poem by Alan Ahlberg called Heard it is in the Playground and it's been adapted for use by Vanessa Jensen. We are having a lot of fun with it so far and can't wait to show off the results!

Natasha Rich

MUSIC & DRAMA TEACHER

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS

Issue 4 - Has now closed and the orders have been placed

Thank you to everyone that has ordered and entered the Minecraft competition to win a prize for themselves and a big box of Books worth \$500 for Yidarra.

If you have any queries, please contact coordinators Rebekah Ernst 0417 908 896 or Diana Munro on 0417 457 007.

OSH CLUB NEWS

At OSHClub, we are committed to providing children with the best environment during before and after school hours. OSHClub run weekly themes, based on children's interests. This helps our children to gain behavioural & interpersonal edge. It is paramount to teach children the value of family. A fun way to incorporate this concept is by creating lessons and activities that children love to get involved in.

Our weekly themes often encompass a complete range of activities, such as:

- outdoor group play,
- art & crafts,
- board games,
- some cooking/baking and other activities.

Introducing the New Coordinator

Hi my name is Zaida I am a fully qualified and registered early childhood teacher who has joined the team over the last three weeks. I have a wide variety of experience and I am looking forward to getting to know all of the children and family members over the course of the year. Feel free to come and have a chat with me so that I may get to know all of the fantastic families in our service.

WAAM NEWS

The WA Academy of Arts and Music invites you to attend our 2014 Winter Inter-School Concert. It will be a wonderful day filled with beautiful music and fun for the whole family.

The concert will be held at the East Fremantle Football Club on Sunday the 29th of June 2014. The concert will be kicking off at 2.30pm with a special performance from our tutors. Tickets for the concert are \$10.00 for an adult and \$5.00 for a child, or \$25.00 for a family pass (two adults and two children).

If you would like to purchase tickets please do contact us via email admin@waam.net.au or on 9314 1110.

UPDATES - TERM 2 CALENDAR WEEK 8 TO 10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8	16 JUNE Y3-6 – 11.30AM-2PM CROSS COUNTRY PINEY LAKES	17 JUN SCHOOL BANKING 8.15AM ICAS SPELLING TEST	18 JUN ICAS WRITING TEST PP-Y2 – 1-3PM CROSS COUNTRY ON YIDARRA OVAL BOARD MTG 7.30PM	19 JUN FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSAL & RETREAT Y6 HOMELESS SLEEPOVER	20 JUN	21 JUN 4B FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 4PM	22 JUN 4G FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 11AM
9	23 JUN	24 JUN SCHOOL BANKING 8.15AM CPSSA Y5-6 LIGHTNING CARNIVAL 8.40AM-2.30PM	25 JUN	26 JUN ST THOMAS MORE DAY CELEMASS 9AM LEAD BY Y5 PARENTS MORNING TEA AFTER MASS 10AM	27 JUN FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CERTIFICATES AT ASSEMBLY CAKE STALL RUN BY Y2	28 JUN PARISH GIFTS GIVEN OUT AT MASS	29 JUN PARISH GIFTS GIVEN OUT AT MASS
10	30 JUN REPORTS SENT HOME	1 JULY SCHOOL BANKING 8.15AM	2 JULY KINDY FAIRYTALE DRESS UP DAY	3 JULY PP LITURGY 9AM	4 JULY LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS	5 JULY	6 JULY