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NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL- SHARON MCMORROW

A VERY BUSY FIRST TERM OF LEARNING

It is hard to believe that we are very quickly approaching the end of the Term 1 2018. It has been a very busy and action packed term with numerous events and exciting learning opportunities across the year levels including:

- Student Leadership Conference and Presentations
- Yr 5/6 Gala Interschool Sport Day
- Middle School Swimming Program
- Shave for a Cure/ Crazy Hair Day Student Council Fundraiser
- AFL Gala Day
- Book Fair
- Deadly Australians Visit in Prep
- Walk to School Days
- Clean up Australia Day
- National Day of Action Against Bullying
- Senior School Camp
- Beginner Strings Workshop
- Music Enrichment Special 2 day Workshops
- Reward Day Excursions for Years 1,2,3 to Wetside

And much, much more.

The final week of term is also a very big one with Reward Day Activities planned for Level 1, 2 and 3 students in Years 1 to 6, the final days of the Middle School swimming program, the School Cross Country and Fun Run occurring on Wednesday 28th March and our Behaviour Level Award Ceremony which planned for Thursday 29th March. Please keep an eye on our school Facebook page for updates about these events in the last week of term.

Great state. Great opportunity.

DATE CLAIMERS	
PAYMENT DUE	
27/04/2018	Cross Country Fun Run- All year levels
	Voluntary Family Contribution – fundraising for air conditioning
20/04/2018	Krispy Kreme Doughnuts fund raising
UPCOMING EVENTS	
28/03/2018	Cross Country Fun Run- All year levels
29/03/2018	Behaviour Awards Assembly 9.00am
29/03/2018	Last Day Term 1
30/03/2018	Easter Friday – Public Holiday
16/04/2018	Pupil Free Day
17/04/2018	First Day School Term 2
04/05/2018	Krispy Kreme Doughnuts collection day
No Late payments will be accepted	
No Credit Card payments by telephone	
Bank Account details for direct payment BSB: 064-426 ACC: 10180705 Reference: Invoice Number or Student Name Please send an email once payment has been made to: admin@yarrileess.eq.edu.au Note: Please ensure BPOINTS & EFT are submitted at least 2 days prior to due date as processing time is required.	
Uniform Shop Hours: Tuesday 8:30-9:30am, Thursday 2:30-3:30pm, Wednesday-Friday (Tuckshop Days) 8:30am-2:15pm , excluding 1 st and 2 nd break times Change of Details: Please let the office know if your contact details change. Student Absences: Please call the absence line on: 41977179; Yarrilee State School Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8am to 4pm; Fri 8am to 3.30pm; School Tuckshop: Wed, Thurs, Fri 8:30am-2:15pm	

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS UNDERWAY THIS WEEK AND INTO NEXT

In order to provide more timely information to parents about student's progress from 2018 we will be reporting in the following ways:



Term	Format	Focus
End of Term 1	Face to Face Parent Teacher Interviews	Progress to date throughout Term 1, areas of strength and areas to focus on.
End of Term 2	Semester 1 Report Cards (Meetings available with teachers on request)	Formal report cards issued
End of Term 3	Face to Face Parent Interviews	Progress to date throughout Term 3, areas of strength and areas to focus on.
End of Term 4	Semester 2 Report Cards (Meetings available with teachers on request)	Formal report cards issued

Thank you to all parents and families for returning your interview booking sheets. We have had a record number of families attending parent teacher interviews which is wonderful to see. Thank you for your overwhelming support of these changes to the way in which we implement Parent Teacher Interviews.

Classroom teachers look forward to this opportunity to meet with you and share your child's progress to date.

HALL REFURBISHMENT AND UPGRADE

At the start of Week 3, Term 2 on the 30th April our school hall will be undergoing a refurbishment. This will see our hall inaccessible and out of action for at least 6 weeks, perhaps longer (possibly the majority of the term).

- The ceiling will be completely enclosed with an acoustic material which will ensure improved sound quality in our hall. This will also enhance the appearance of the hall ceiling.
- A "Big Fan" will be installed from the ceiling which will greatly improve airflow throughout.
- The fluoro lighting will all be replaced with energy efficient LED lights as the current lights draw a great deal of power.
- The floor will be repoured with a new surface and it will have sports court line markings so the facility has dual purpose for school use.
- The front foyer of the hall will be stripped down and repainted as it is looking very tired and has suffered great wear and tear over the years from various organisations accessing the facility.

We are currently working with OSHC so that they can continue to operate out of a shared space while these upgrades are underway.

SCHOOL COUNCIL TRAINING

Last week our School Council Members participated in School Council Training together with other Independent Public Schools in Maryborough and Hervey Bay. Joining us for this training were school council teams from Kawungan SS, Tinana SS, St Helens SS and Urgan SHS.

Our focus for our School Council here at Yarrilee at the present time is around unpacking Our Independent Public

School Vision for our school community into the future and what this might look as we develop a " Creative, Curious, Capable, Connected and a Caring community of learners" .

WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2018 P&C ELECT

On Tuesday 20th March the AGM for the P&C was conducted. I would like to congratulate the 2018 P&C Executive Elect:
Sharon Rattray- P&C President
Paul Van Doorn- P&C Vice President
Kathryn Rodda- P&C Treasurer
Simone Stern – P&C Secretary

The position of P&C Fundraising Coordinator is still vacant at this stage. If you are interested in helping with the P&C fund raising events we would love to hear from you. I look forward to a great year ahead and working with our fabulous, hardworking P&C team.

3RD DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Due to our increasing enrolments we have reached entitlement for a 3rd Deputy Principal. An open merit selection and recruitment process was conducted mid- term with the position coming into effect at the start of Term 2. Ms Tanya Mesken will fulfil the role of Acting Deputy Principal for the remainder of the year.

The position will be reviewed at the end of the school year to ensure that enrolment growth can maintain the position into the future.

CHANGES TO TEACHING STAFF

S5TM- Mrs Melita Rohrlach will be teaching the class of S5TM from Term 2 onwards as Mrs Mesken steps up into her new role as Acting DP.

New Teacher Aide – we welcome Felicity McDougall to our Prep Teacher Aide team. Felicity has relocated from her previous school due to increasing numbers here at Yarrilee.

Due to health issues we have some temporary changes to teaching arrangements next term:

- **Mrs Nicole Van Doorn** will be teaching the class of M3AS until Mrs Simpson is well and able to resume her role.
- **Mrs Chris Rheuben** will be replacing Mrs Susan Kane in our Lighthouse Team until Mrs Kane is able to resume her role.

YEARS 1-6 ASSEMBLY FOR LEVEL 1 AND 2 BEHAVIOUR CERTIFICATES

The students at Yarrilee are expected to be respectful and responsible in the way they conduct themselves throughout the school day. Our students are encouraged to strive to achieve and are very focussed on reaching their goals. Behaviour levels are an important component of this process.

In my travels around the school, children are able to explain to me their current behaviour level and what they need to do in order to move to the next level. Children who achieve a level 1, 2 or 3 are then invited to participate in reward days as a recognition of their focus towards achieving these goals. We are very proud of our students for their efforts. Reward Days are an important aspect of our whole school Responsible Behaviour Plan and it is wonderful to see our children aspiring to these targets.

On Thursday 29th March, the final day of term we will be having a Year 1-6 school assembly commencing at 9.00am in

the hall to present the Level 1 and 2 Behaviour Certificates and wrist bands. Students who have achieved these levels will receive a letter to bring home in the coming days inviting parents and family to attend our Behaviour Awards assembly.

Please be sure to add this event to your calendar as we look forward to sharing and celebrating this special assembly with family and friends.

ADDITIONAL PUPIL FREE DAY AT THE START OF TERM 2

Due to the impact of the Commonwealth Games on school bus systems in South East Qld the 16th April has been designated as an additional Pupil Free Day in 2018.

All staff will be involved in professional development activities on this day and children do not attend school. The first day of Term 2 for students is Tuesday 17th April.

HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY

We would like to wish all of our Yarrilee families a safe and restful Easter vacation. We hope that you are able to find the time to relax and spend time with those you hold dear. On behalf of all of the team here at Yarrilee we would like to thank you for your wonderful support and we look forward to seeing your back for the start of Term 2 on Tuesday 17th April. Monday the 16th April is a Pupil Free Day.

Have a wonderful fortnight
Sharon McMorrow
Principal

P & C NEWS

MOVIE THEMED DISCO TONIGHT

The first disco for 2018 will be held in our school hall tonight. Come dressed as your favourite movie character. Entry cost is \$5. Food, drinks, popcorn and glow sticks can also be purchased. All funds raised will go towards air conditioning the teaching and learning places throughout the school.

Junior School Disco: 6pm-7:20pm
Middle/Senior School Disco: 7:30-9pm

EASTER RAFFLE

Tickets for our Easter Raffle need to be returned to the P&C box in the office by this coming Tuesday, the 27th of March. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday at the Cross Country. Winners will be notified and must collect their prizes from the school by 3pm on Thursday afternoon before the holidays commence.

KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUT DRIVE

A Krispy Kreme Doughnut Drive has been a popular fundraising request from our families. We need your support to make this a success. Forms for our Krispy Kreme Doughnut drive have now been sent home. All funds raised from our Krispy Kreme Drive will go towards air conditioning, which we hope to begin rolling out throughout the school this year.

Forms and money are due back to the school by Friday the 20th of April, with the donuts available for collection from the school on Friday the 4th of May. Donuts will need to be collected from the school staffroom on the Friday as it is a long weekend with school closed on the Monday. Please ensure names and phone numbers are supplied on the donation forms in the event we have to contact the purchaser.

P&C FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR POSITION

The position of P&C Fundraising Coordinator is currently unfilled. We are seeking a volunteer for the position for 2018. Fundraising Coordinator duties include overseeing and organising fundraising events and chairing our fundraising meetings. The P&C have a great group of volunteers happy to help with organising and running our fundraising ventures, so there will be plenty of support for whoever takes on the position.

With no fete this year and our plans to commence air conditioning the school, it is a great year to get involved with lots of new and exciting fundraising events already planned throughout the year. If Fundraising Coordinator is a position you may be interested in, please get in touch with the P&C.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS VOUCHERS

With all of the wonderful Parent and Community support for Yarrilee, our current Coles Voucher count stands at 21 225. The collection box at Coles at Stocklands has already been emptied five times as it has been filled to the brim with vouchers. The last day for collecting vouchers is 3rd April which will fall during the Easter School Holidays. Please do not worry if the boxes are removed at this time as any vouchers you may have can be sent into the school administration Coles Box during the first week of Term 2. The vouchers can still be collected, collated and counted during this time. Once our voucher count has been verified, we can then start shopping for sports equipment and we will keep you posted on what we order. Thank you once again to everyone who has been supporting Yarrilee by collecting the Coles Sports for School Vouchers. It is appreciated!



CROSS COUNTRY / FUN RUN

Next Wednesday 28th March, our annual Cross Country / Fun Run will be held. Students will have the choice of participating in the Competitive Cross Country or the Fun Run in their age group. Only those participating in the Competitive Cross Country will be eligible to progress to HBDSS Cross Country Trials. Please encourage your child to wear their house uniform / colours. Student Council will be offering coloured Zinc for a small donation.

9.15am	Grade 2 Fun Run
9.20am	11 year olds: Born 2007 (3km Cross Country, 1.5km Fun Run)
9.40am	10 year olds: Born 2008 (2km Cross Country, 1km Fun Run)
9.45am	12 year olds: Born 2006 (3km Cross Country, 1.5km Fun Run)
10:00am	Grade 3 and 9 Year old Grade 4 students Fun Run (2km Cross Country, 1km Fun Run)
10.05am	Prep Fun Run
10.25am	Grade 1 Fun Run
10.50am	Lunch

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