Students Sharing Information About Themselves

**F/1P Maya**

- Likes to go to Grandma’s house and to play with her pet cat. She likes to hold her baby Holly and play with her sister Kensi.

![Maya](image1.png)

**F/1B Mia**

- I like to count. I like to play with my dog.

![Mia](image2.png)

**2/3S Nellie**

- I like to go on holidays with my cousins to Dubbo and Narromine. I like skipping. I like to spend time on the farm.

![Nellie](image3.png)

**4/5F Brea**

- I started rock climbing when I was 2yrs old. I have 4 baby quails and budgies. I used to have peacocks at home.

![Brea](image4.png)

**5/6U Declan**

- I like Lego. I like soccer. I like video games.

![Declan](image5.png)

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**Dates to Remember**

**MARCH**

12th Reading Info Night  
13th Young Leaders Day  
16th Foundation Students begin fulltime  
Saturday 21st  
155 Years Education Celebration  
23rd School Council  
26th Harmony Day  
McGrath Cricket Day  
27th Last Day of Term  

**APRIL**

13th Term 2 Begins  
16th School Photos  
22nd Cross Country at Eildon  

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**FEES DUE 31st May 2015**

Thank you to all families who have paid their fees in full or have begun making part payments.

Financial Statements were sent home last Monday and we ask that accounts are paid in full by the due date. If you are having any financial difficulty please contact Kylie to discuss a payment plan.

Thank you
Chaplaincy Program
Last year I applied for a grant under the Chaplaincy support initiative scheme. This is not a religious based program but one that is in line with our school values of Respect, Creativity, Integrity, Empathy, Collaboration and Persistence. Shelley Davies will be starting her new role with us at the beginning of Term 2. Shelley will be creating programs for students to participate in during recess and lunchtimes, working in classrooms and providing time for students to practise ukulele. This role will continue to develop as time goes on and we are very pleased to welcome Shelley to our team.

Note Folders
At the beginning of the year all students were given a new folder that was for notes from school and home. We were frustrated that often notes were lost and parents and teachers were not getting important information. These folders ensure that notes are in one place and parents can quickly check if there is any information from the school. The folders need to be checked daily and then put back into your child’s bag. It is disappointing that many students are not bringing these folders to school. If you have lost your folder it needs to be replaced.

Census Day
On Census Day the 27th February I inform the DEECD of our enrolments and this determines our funding for the year. We had 124 students on this day and since we have welcomed Mariden back to our school. Thus our current student number is 125.
The fees paid by parents are not a contribution that we can use for anything in the school. There seems to be some confusion about what the fees pay for at Yea PS. The Requisite fee pays for all the materials your child/ren use in class such as paper, pencils, lease of computers, art materials etc. We order these in bulk as it is then cheaper for families. We have to pay for them at the beginning of the year so we are requiring the money from families to pay the cost of what we have already purchased. The Curriculum Fee pay for all the additional costs that occur throughout the year. Such as visiting artists, dancing & ukulele sessions, bus costs to sporting events etc. It was annoying for parents to have to send in bits of money during the year and after discussions it was decided that it was easier for all to have these costs worked out and paid in one hit. Thank you to all the families who have paid their fees or set up a payment plan with Kylie.

Congratulations
Shayla swam in backstroke at the Regional Swimming competition last week and came 8th out of 20 swimmers. This is an amazing effort and we are very proud of her.
Thank you, Deb

F/1 News
F/1 have been thinking about ways to raise money for The Steven Tito School in Tanzania and we have decided to have a second hand toy and book stall. We would love all students to donate a couple of toys or books that they no longer need to sell to each other for a nominal amount, say 20-50 cents. This would provide some valuable money maths learning as well as a chance to help other less fortunate children. We have set our stall date for Thursday 26th March that is Harmony Day, the second last day of Term 1. Please have a rummage and see if you have any unwanted toys or books that are in a reasonable condition to donate. Thanks Sal
School Uniform Shop

New Opening Day

Uniform shop will now be open every Thursday at 8.50am-9.10am and 3.00pm-3.20pm

Order forms can be handed in at the office with payment of cash or cheque or BPay (reference number to be provided).

The order will be processed & sent home with your child.

Any queries can be forwarded to Katherine on 0417 188 633

2014 School Production DVD’s “Mumbo Jumbo”

Simon Cronk very kindly edited and converted the school 2014 musical video to DVD. Families are able to purchase a copy for $20 from the office.

Art News

There are still a number of students who do not have their own Art Smock to use in the Art and MACC programs that run every week. Students will not be able to participate in messy activities if they do not have an art smock. Borrowing one from another student in another grade is not an option as smocks get wet and dirty and need a chance to dry between uses. Named art smocks are kept in class tubs and they will only be used by your child. Art smocks can be as simple and as cheap as an oversized shirt from the Op Shop and need to come to school as soon as possible, with your child’s name clearly marked.

School Bus Travel

Football and Netball training commenced this week. If your child will not be on the bus due to training please send a note to the school so we do not need to check with you each week.

Thank you Beth & Sal
Easter Saturday, 4th April 2015
5.00pm Entrée and Easter Egg hunt for the Kids:
At Michael & Sue Spagnolo’s
‘Box Hill’ 67 Hamiltons Road, Yea

6.30pm Mains, Sweets & Dancing:
At Homewood Hall
Homewood Road, Homewood

Spit Roast by JBL Catering
Music at both venues by “Summer Rain”

Fundraiser for Homewood CFA and Homewood Hall

3 Course Dinner, Adults $35, High School Students $25, Pre/Primary School Students $10
Wine, Beer & Soft Drinks at Bar Prices at both venues

Direct Deposit: Account Name - Homewood Hall
BSB - 063-812
Account Number - 1003 9124
Reference - (Your Name) & email receipt to jocoonan@bigpond.com

* Final Ticket Sales Wednesday 1st April 2015 *
Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder in Early Childhood Education and Care

A series of three workshops for parents and early childhood professionals

Developed and written by A. Brereton & K. Bull, Monash University Centre for Developmental Psychiatry and Psychology

Venue – Yea & District Children’s Centre
The Semi-Circle, Yea VIC 3717

Presenters – Jenny Drysdale
ECIS Key Worker – Specialist Children’s Services

These sessions are designed as a series of 3, and aim to provide information about Autism Spectrum Disorders from early signs and diagnosis through to strategies for developing communication skills and positive behaviour.

Session One        Wednesday 11th March – 6pm-8pm
– Understanding children with ASD: parents and professionals working together

Session Two        Tuesday 17th March – 6pm-8pm
– Developing Communication skills and social interaction through play

Session Three      Thursday 26th March – 6pm-8pm
– Approaches to positive behaviour support

Please RSVP to Fiona Purvis – (03) 03 5797 2730
Email – yea.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au
THE KILMORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
“INTERNATIONAL DAY”

Parents and children are invited to attend “International Day” at The Kilmore International School on Wednesday 18 March 2015 from 10:00am – 12:00pm. As well as various curriculum displays and presentations, we also showcase the many different cultures and nationalities of the students and staff in the school. Many students wear national dress, cook their local cuisine and prepare displays and performances including Bollywood dancing, the traditional Chinese lion dance and much more.

The Kilmore International School was established in 1989 and is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. We are a boarding and day school of 400 students and currently offer Year 3 through to Year 12. The school has a family atmosphere where girls and boys from Melbourne, country Victoria and from around the world become part of a close-knit learning community.

The Kilmore International School has an impressive record of academic success and many of our graduates attend leading universities throughout the world. In Years 11 and 12, all students study for the International Baccalaureate Diploma.

To register your interest in attending our “International Day”, please call reception on (03) 5782 2211.

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NAVIGATING YOUR WAY THROUGH THE SUPERMARKET

WHAT FOODS DO OUR KIDS REALLY NEED?

LEARN HOW DIET ALONE CAN INFLUENCE IMMUNITY

WHY THE FOOD WE EAT INFLUENCES THE BODY’S INTERNAL BIO-CHEMICAL BALANCE

PRESENTED BY
TIM HOWDEN ND BHS MNHAA
Paediatric Naturopath
School Banking Day Reminder.

Don’t forget that **Tuesday** is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Yea Primary School.