

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Mon 30th Jun
- Fri 4th Jul**
NAIDOC Week

Mon 30th Jun
Diversity Awards

Tues 1st Jul
International
Fruit Day

Thurs 3rd Jul
Semester 1 Reports
on Connect

Fri 4th Jul
Last day Term 2
Room 34 Assembly
Uniform Shop open
8:30am - 9am



**THE NEXT
GENERATION:
STRENGTH,
VISION &
LEGACY**
6-13 JULY 2025

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

As we reach the end of what has been a busy and successful term, I'd like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment shown by both students and staff. Everyone has earned a well-deserved break, and I hope the holidays bring time for rest and recharge.

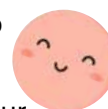
Last week, many of our Year 3 – 6 students had the opportunity to represent Yakamia Primary School in two community events. While some students were participating at the Interschool Cross Country, others took part in an excursion to the Albany Entertainment Centre as members of the YPS Choir. There, they recorded vocals as part of our exciting collaboration with Breaksea.



Next week, we will celebrate **NAIDOC Week**, with a range of activities running across the school. It's always a highlight of the year, and I'm looking forward to seeing students from different classes and year levels working and learning together as they participate in these events.



Congratulations to
all students who
took part.



You represented our
school with pride.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Principal
Gemma Larham

Deputy Principals
Tristan Mackenzie
Simone Barndon

Online Lunch Orders
Wed/Thur/Fri
www.quickcliq.com.au

Breakfast Club
Mon - Thurs 8am - 8:30am

Uniform Shop Hours
Alternate Fridays on even weeks
8.30am - 9am
EFTPOS available
uniforms.yakamia.pc@gmail.com

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A reminder that **School Photos** will take place in **Week 1 of Term 3**.

Tuesday 22 July: Kindy B (Rm 45), Pre-Primary (Rms 43 & 44), PP/Yr 1 (Rm 35), Yr 1 (Rm 34), Yr 1/2 (Rm 33) and Sibling Photos.

Wednesday 23 July: Kindy A (Rm 46), Yrs 2-6 (Rms 11,12,13,14,15,16, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26).

Please ensure your child wears their school uniform on these days with a red school shirt rather than a House Shirt.

At their recent meeting, the School Board endorsed the updated **School Uniform Policy**. This policy has been discussed with students, and a copy is attached to this newsletter for your reference.

Year 6 Camp

This week, our Year 6 students enjoyed an exciting and action-packed camp at Point Peron. The week was filled with a variety of memorable experiences, including visits to Parliament House, Fremantle Prison, Scitech, and the WA Museum.

Back at the camp school, students participated in a full day of team-building and adventure activities, strengthening their friendships and leadership skills.

A huge thank you to Mrs Sandy and Mr Nunn for their incredible organisation of the camp—an experience that will no doubt be a highlight of the year. We also extend our thanks to Mrs Walmsley and Mr Field for supporting the students throughout the week. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Term 3 will begin on **Monday 21 July**. I wish all our families a safe, restful, and enjoyable holiday break.

Kind regards,
Tristan Mackenzie
Acting Principal



Reading & Breakfast Club Needs You!



We are looking for a volunteer for Wednesday/Thursday mornings at our Reading and Breakfast Club from roughly 8.00 - 8.45am. Come and be part of the Yakamia School Community contributing towards giving students a great start to the day.

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Room 14 Assembly



In Room 14, we've been diving into Australian history with a focus on the 1800s and we've uncovered some fascinating facts! Did you know Edward Hargraves discovered gold in Bathurst, sparking a major gold rush? Or that Camp Quararup was originally a quarantine station before it became a camp?



These are just a few of the discoveries we've made. We've also found that Albany has so much history right at our doorstep! Room 14 thought what better way to share it than by creating our own news reports to teach others and sharpening our acting skills! Students have really enjoyed exploring the past and making connections between history and life today.



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Interschool Cross Country

Interschool Cross Country was held at Centennial Park Eastern Precinct last Friday, June 20. Our Yakamia team worked well leading up to the event, with several lunchtime training sessions and many students improving their times to run our Cross Country Course.

The Year 3s and Year 4s ran a distance of 1.5km and the Year 5s and Year 6s ran 2.0km. The course this year ran around the junior football grounds next to the pavilion behind Retravisson Stadium.



Each race had a field of up to 65 runners competing. Each member of the team contributed to the team's overall score and result, so it was a real team event and all runners are to be congratulated on the way they conducted themselves. The support and cheering for team members was great to see. We had a team that strived for their personal best and showed excellent sportsmanship.



Thanks to Miss Nichols, Mrs Walmsley and Miss Sobik for assisting with the team shelter and supervision. Thanks also to the parents who attended and supported our team on the day.

Championship Shield Scoreboard

1st	Denmark P.S.
2nd	Mt Lockyer P.S.
3rd	Albany P.S.
4th	Little Grove P.S.
5th	St Joseph's College
6th	Yakamia P.S.
7th	Flinders Park P.S.
8th	Great Southern Grammar
9th	Australian Christian College
10th	Mount Barker Community College
11th	Spencer Park Primary School
12th	Bethel Christian College
13th	Parklands Primary School

Yakamia Highlights

Yr 6 Boys	Hamish B	6th
	Joe N	13th
Yr 6 Girls	Opal K	7th
	Scarlett N	14th
Yr 5 Girls	Maddison T	2nd
Yr 4 Boys	Bronson B	14th
	Tyron K	20th
Yr 4 Girls	Cynthia O	6th
Yr 3 Girls	Charlie R	9th

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SONG PROJECT

Last Friday, the Yakamia Choir and friends had a very exciting trip to the Albany Entertainment Centre. We combined with other school groups to rehearse and record the audio for the Kinjarling song which will now be edited together for the launch on New Years Eve.

We were then privileged to watch the world premiere of Aliwah Bardinar, the new children's musical written by Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse, which shares the story of how Bardinar (the Western Rosella) got his colours. The show was sensational with talented performers, vibrant costumes, and catchy tunes which we could sing along to.

The whole project has been a thrilling experience for our school community. Our thanks to the whole Breaksea team for providing Albany students with the opportunity to participate in this incredible opportunity. The Yakamia Choir and I would also like to thank again those who generously donated funds for our excursion; Terry White Chemist at Chester Pass, Office National Albany and the Kohlen, Robbins and Prince families. We are very grateful!



"It was a spectacular experience and it was very fun." - Avery, Baylie and Esta

"We thought the play was very intriguing, had many characters, songs, and themes." - Lenny and Campbell

"It was very fascinating; Gina's voice was wonderful." - Asia

"My favourite part was Aliwah Bardinar because the costumes were amazing and they really acted as the character. Everything was amazing. I am so grateful I was one of the extras." - Ruby

"I liked how they used the Noongar language in the song and the full show. It was fun and enjoyable." - Ava

"My favourite bit was when we sang Kinjarling and Gina Williams cried because we sang beautifully and to know that makes my heart warm up." - Sophia

"I loved all the songs and dance moves that they did and their costumes were amazing. It was so funny. I also loved when Gina was singing." - Phoebe

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P&C News

Upcoming Events

International Fruit Day

Date: Tues 1st July (Kindy A (Rm 46) - Wed 2nd)

Dress in your **favourite fruit colour** for a gold coin donation!
Each class will enjoy a fruit platter provided by the P&C.
Thank you to our sponsors Anchor Ceilings and Scott Leary (Member For Albany) for their support.

Pyjama & Muffin Day - Wed 13th Aug
(Kindy B (Rm 45) - Thurs 14th)

Father's Day Raffle - tickets on sale 07/09/25

Courtney Stenhouse
Secretary (Yakamia P&C)



P&C UNIFORM SHOP

OPENING HOURS:
Assembly Fridays
8:30am - 9am

Email: uniforms.yakamia.pc@gmail.com

Online orders are packed weekly on
Wednesday afternoon.

Yakamia P & C (general):
yakamia.pc@gmail.com

Uniform Coordinator:
uniforms.yakamia.pc@gmail.com

Follow Yakamia
Primary School P&C
on Facebook for all
of our latest news
and events!

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July Birthdays			
1st	Elouise A & Myla W	18th	Imogen D & Olivia R
2nd	Hudson P	20th	Farren C & Lachlan M
3rd	Elijah F, Selina K & Mya W	21st	Arthur M
5th	Isla P	22nd	Jett S & Leah W
6th	Gypsy H, Theo M, Wayde P, Winter S	23rd	Austin M
7th	Hartley S	25th	Joe N
8th	Jackson B	26th	Ava B & Jarrad M
9th	Lenny R	27th	Kaliera B, Julian B, Stephanie B, Harley B & Olive C
10th	Emily L & Jhye W	28th	Samantha G
12th	Isla B & Ziggy C	29th	Lenny S
15th	Sophie M	30th	Tori B & Cleo G
16th	Caleb P	31st	Nicholas B & Hugo S
17th	Ben C & Kayden P		

Telethon Birthday Boxes

Do you have a child celebrating a birthday soon?

Want to let them celebrate at school, but a bit short on time?

Our Telethon Ambassadors are here to help!

For just \$25, the Ambassadors will deliver a Birthday Box to your child's class on the morning of their celebration.

Boxes can include either a cupcake for each child in the class or a jelly cup each.

If you would like to order a Birthday Box for your child, please complete the form which can be collected at the office and return it to school with payment at least 5 days before your child's birthday.

Thank you for supporting Telethon 2025!



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JULY 2025 SCHOOL HOLIDAY, NAIDOC & MARITIME EVENTS

Not sure how you are going to keep your kids entertained over the holidays?
Never fear, we have done the research for you!

Get ready for an action-packed July school holiday as the City of Albany, ALAC, Albany Public Library and Rio Tinto join forces to bring you a fantastic lineup of fun-filled activities for all ages.

Scan the QR Code to see what's on!



Remember, there's always something exciting happening at the **Museum of the Great Southern**! These holidays, explore a range of interactive, hands-on programs designed for all ages. From sea glass and 3D coral dioramas and sculpture workshops, to exciting activities in the Discovery Centre, there's something for everyone to enjoy.



Scan the QR Code
to see what's on!

Call for Book Week resources! Can you help?

We are looking for old, good condition suitcases for Book Week. If you are able to help, please see Mrs Barndon or Miss Scott.



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Waste Warriors

This year we were overwhelmed with how many wonderful students wanted to be Waste Warriors. Hating to turn anyone down, we decided to have different Waste Warriors each semester. It is time to say goodbye to our Semester 1 Waste Warriors who have done a wonderful job. Currently they are training up the new recruits, ready to look after our school in Semester 2.



Thank you so much to Joseph, Phoebe, Farren, Bailey, Avery, Clara, Sammy and Esta.

Looking forward to introducing our new Waste Warriors in the next newsletter.

Honour Certificate Recipients - 19th June 2025

Room 11	Sonny V & Frankii T	Room 24	Isabella B & Karthikeya M
Room 12	Hamish B & Ayden L	Room 25	Tate P & Lucy P
Room 13	Shelby W & Blake R	Room 26	Cielle T & Chayse S
Room 14	Phoebe B & Brock B	Room 33	Lincoln T & Julian B
Room 15	Jacob S & Jordy G	Room 34	Gracie C & Archer T
Room 16	Angus B & Aleiya R	Room 35	Declan J & Georgia B
Room 22	Riley H & Tyler C	Room 43	Connor J & Val G
Room 23	Emily R & Saxon F	Room 44	Mallik E & Jack S

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JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

VANCOUVER ARTS CENTRE

\$5
n/a, booking essential

All Ages

The Luminous Landscapes of the Deep

School Holiday Immersive Art Space

14 - 19 July

Morning session 10 - 11.30
Afternoon Session 2 - 3.30

\$30
n/a, booking essential

Ages 6-10
Ages 10-15

Clay Fish Sculptures

Kids Pottery Class

Tuesday 8 July

10-11.30: Ages 6-10
1-2.30: Ages 10-15

FREE
booking essential

Storytime of the Sea with Dora

Ages 3+

Thursday 17 July

10.30 - 11.30

For more information or to book: artsandculture.albany.wa.gov.au/workshops

Get up to \$500 for education costs

Achieve a savings goal for 10 months, and ANZ will match it up to \$500.

To be eligible, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- 18+**
18 years or older
- \$**
A regular income (you or your partner)
- 💻**
Attend free online financial education workshops
- ✓**
Are studying yourself or have a child at school, or starting next year
- 📄**
Current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card

Saverplus.org.au

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Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.



The WA Student Assistance Payment

Helping you get the things you need for your kids. Claim by 4 July 2025.

\$150

For each Kindergarten and primary school student

\$250

For each secondary school student

[Find out more](#)

Claim on the ServiceWA app



Just 1 week left to claim!

The **WA Student Assistance Payment** helps with school costs — don't miss out.

\$150 for each Kindergarten and primary student

\$250 for each secondary student

Claim now through the ServiceWA app, online or by post in a claim form.

Claims close Friday 4 July 2025.

Visit www.education.wa.edu.au/wasap for eligibility info and how to claim.

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Albany Senior High School

2026 ENROLMENTS - OPEN

Albany SHS is now accepting
2026 student enrolments.

**Submit applications by
3.30 pm, Friday, 25 July 2025.**

☎ 08 6821 1700



www.albanyschools.wa.edu.au



albany.shs.enquiries@education.wa.edu.au

Contact Albany Residential College for
accommodation queries, 9844 2500.

**Applications
for 2026
close on the
25th July 2025**



Parenting
Connection WA

Grandcarers'

Monthly Morning Tea

Are you caring for grandchildren in Albany or the Great Southern?

Join us for a FREE morning tea and connect with other grandcarers in the community and learn more about the services available to support you.

Thurs 10:30am - 12noon | 3 July 2025

CWA Albany Branch, 94 Serpentine Rd, Albany

Wed 10:30am - 12noon | 6 August 2025

Wanslea Albany, 26 Prior Street, Centennial Park

Please RSVP for catering

Margot 0448 137 192 or Jody 0448979059



Parenting
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ADHD Families'

Support Group Sausage Sizzle

Come along, bring your kids and enjoy the morning with other parents. Together we can fill our toolbox with information, resources and strategies to better support our children and each other.

For parents and caregivers of children with/or suspected ADHD.

Sunday 10am | 27 July & 24 August 2025

Where - Child Parent Centre - Mount Lockyer

Humphreys Street, Lockyer

Please RSVP for catering: Jody 0448 979 059

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Yakamia Primary School TERM THREE 2025 STUDENT PLANNER

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	21 July Students commence Term 3 	22 School Photos - Rm 45 (Kindy B), Rm 43 & 44 (PP), Rm 35 (PP/1), Rm 33 (Yr 1), Rm 33 (Yr 1/2), Siblings Photos	23 Path to Kindy commences School Photos - Rm 46 (Kindy A), Rms 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26	24	25 Footy Colours Day (Telethon Ambassadors) Newsletter
2	28 July	29	30	31	1 August NETBALL CARNIVAL Rm 15 Assembly Kindy A& B attend
3	4 August	5 Yr 4 PEAC Testing	6	7 PEAC Catch up (7-15 th) School Board Mtg 4pm	8 Semester 2 Census Science Week Buddies Principals Day Newsletter
4	11 August	12 NASHS Visit Rm 11 9-11am	13 P&C - PJ and Muffin Day K-6	14 (Kindy B) PJ and Muffin Day Rm 23 Assembly	15 Staff PL Day – no students attend
5	18 August K/P Albany Library excursion	19 K/P Albany Library excursion	20 NASHS Visit Rm 12 9-11am	21 Dockers Shield	22 Newsletter
6	25 August Book Week Theme: Book an Adventure	26 Dockers Cup	27 Diane Wolfer Incursion Yr 1-6	28	29 Book Week Assembly Kindy A& B attend
7	1 September EA and Support Staff Day Staff Meeting 3.30pm	2	3 Rm 43 and Kindy B Father's Day Basketball Carnival	4 Rm 44 and Kindy A Father's Day	5 P&C Father's Day Raffle Newsletter
8	8 September	9	10 Music Festival	11 School Board Mtg 4pm	12 Rm 25 Assembly Kindy A& B attend
9	15 September Yr 5&6 Swimming Lessons	16	17	18 Whole School Learning Journey 4-6pm	19 Newsletter
10	22 September Yr 5&6 Swimming Lessons	23	24 P&C Disco TBC	25	26 Last Day of Term 3 Good Standing Reward Rm 33 Assembly Kindy A& B attend

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