

Vakania News

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 16th Jun Real Schools Parent Info Session

Thur 19th Jun Rm 14 Assembly

Fri 20th Jun Interschool Cross Country (Yr 3 - 6)

Fri 20th Jun Choir Breaksea Excursion (AEC)

Mon 23rd Jun - Fri 27th Jun Year 6 Camp

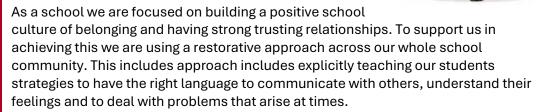
Mon 30th Jun - Fri 4th Jul NAIDOC Week

REMINDER:

This week's Assembly is on THURSDAY!

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,





'Building Resilience in Your Child' PARENT/CARER SESSION

MON 16TH JUNE 5PM - 6PM

YAKAMIA SCHOOL LIBRARY Working in partnership with parents and carers to support children's development is fundamental in building a restorative school.

To support this partnership with families, our **Real Schools** facilitator Candice Brown will be providing a parent information session on Monday 16 June 5pm to 6pm in the library for all parents/carers to attend and find out more about 'building resilience in your child', and what strategies can be used at home to support this.

All parents and carers are invited to this session which will be held in the library and we will have care available in the hall for children if required.

We will also have a <u>free</u> sausage sizzle and drink for all parents, carers and children who attend. Please call the office if you wish to attend and have not yet sent in your RSVP. We look forward to seeing you there!

GENERAL INFORMATION

Principal

Gemma Larham

Deputy Principals

Tristan Mackenzie Simone Barndon Yakamia P.S. Bank Details

BSB: 016-510 A/C: 340823089

Online Lunch Orders

Wed/Thur/Fri www.quickcliq.com.au **Uniform Shop Hours**

Alternate Fridays on <u>even</u> weeks 8.30am - 9am EFTPOS available

Breakfast Club

Mon - Thurs 8am - 8:30am

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Congratulations to our medallion winners of the **Cross Country Carnival** and to Quenda for being the winning house for 2025. Well done to all students who gave it their best for their House.

The results were as follows:





Next Friday a team of Year 3 to 6 students will be participating in the **Interschool Cross Country**. This year will be a combination of all Albany schools, both public and private schools, and will be held at the Centennial Park Eastern Precinct. We wish our participating student's all the best with their efforts on this day.

Next week our **Choir** will be attending an excursion at the Entertainment Centre for the recording of the **Kinjarling** song we have been learning and to watch the Aliwah Bardinar performance. Thank you to Mrs Grosshans for organising this event to and to those who have supported the costing through donations to the choir to attend the entertainment centre. Your support is much appreciated.

Our next **Assembly** will be on **THURSDAY 19 June** and will be hosted by Room 14. All families are welcome to attend.

Kind regards, Gemma Larham 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.

Please see the front office or Mrs Tierney for more details.



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Breakfast and Reading Club Update

Every Monday to Thursday, Yakamia Reading and Breakfast Club happens in the art room. This is an opportunity to read a book to an adult and enjoy something to eat or maybe a hot drink. All students are welcome.

We have a wonderful group of volunteers from the staff and community who help to provide this service.

We would like to say a big thankyou to **Gary and Joan Scott** who have been helping out for the last several years but are now leaving us. Thank you so much for all the meals you have cooked and the children you have listened to. You have helped give so many Yakamia students a great start to the day.

Next semester we are also losing Mrs Wakefield as she goes travelling. This leaves us requiring a volunteer for Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please let the front office know if you would like to be part of this wonderful program.



Cross Country Results

Year 3 Champion Girl	Macy M	Quenda
Year 3 R/Up Champion Girl	Charlie R	Karrak
Year 3 Champion Boy	Austin S	Quenda
Year 3 R/Up Champion Boy	Joshua Y	Quenda
Year 4 Champion Girl	Bridget N	Kardar
Year 4 R/Up Champion Girl	Cynthia O	Kardar
Year 4 Champion Boy	Jesse B	Kardar
Year 4 R/Up Champion Boy	Tyron K	Quenda
Year 5 Champion Girl	Maddison T	Karrak
Year 5 R/Up Champion Girl	Dana J	Quenda
Year 5 Champion Boy	Bohdi A	Quenda
Year 5 R/Up Champion Boy	Mason P	Quenda
Year 6 Champion Girl	Jenaya W	Quenda
Year 6 R/Up Champion Girl	Scarlett N	Karrak
Year 6 Champion Boy	Hamish B	Karrak
Year 6 R/Up Champion Boy	Joe N	Quenda

1ST	QUENDA	596 pts
2ND	KARDAR	518 pts
3RD	KARRAK	497 pts



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Honour Certificate Recipients - 6th June 2025					
Room 11	Millie S & Oakley G	Room 24	Ellie G & Ruby-Rose J		
Room 12	Eboney G & Lachlan M	Room 25	Celeste T & Kelsie E		
Room 13	Ben G & Matthew E	Room 26	Lilly K & Kacie K		
Room 14	Solomon D & Charlotte H	Room 33	Dahrell E & Theo H		
Room 15	Bronson B & Callum K	Room 34	Violet W & Brooklyn M		
Room 16	Maddison B & Lillian M	Room 35	Shem F & Leah W		
Room 22	Ryla B & Declan F	Room 43	Creed W & Isla B		
Room 23	Stella I & Macy M	Room 44	Halia H & Elijah J		





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•	June Birthdays		
	2nd	2nd Declan F	
	3rd	Georgia B & Taylah M	•
	4th	Marcus B, Abby M, Alorah R & Haiven W	•
	6th	Zaylah R	
•	8th	Kyran B & Loki M	
	10th	Connor J	
	13th	Olivia G, Sherrie Anne I, Zahlia W & Raiden W	9
	15th	Jemima A, Charlotte H, Lily M & Bridget N	0
3	16th	Macy C, Stella I, & Harry T	
	19th	Lia L	
	20th	David E	
	21st	Melody T	
	22nd	Ivy W	•
	23rd	Shem F & Ben G	-
	26th	Tex R	
	27th	Genevieve B, Isabella B & Maddison W	
	29th	Jayke 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 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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Science News - Year 1

The Year Ones have been looking at the properties of solids and how those properties can change. We have looked at how spaghetti, popcorn and chocolate can change after heating. When materials change, their properties can change. It was much easier to build with the raw spaghetti and we thought the popcorn tasted much better cooked than when it was hard!



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Science News - Year 6

Chemical sciences in Year 6 are so much fun!

We have been experimenting with changing states of matter. We have had a go at evaporating water, melting ice and now we are moving on to solutions. Sometimes we design our own experiments and sometimes we are given one. We have enjoyed improving our understanding of solids, liquids and gases at a molecular level.

States of Matter



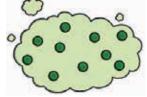












Loose Parts Play

With the school holidays fast approaching and the bulk waste collection happening around Yakamia, it's time to start collecting loose parts to allow for some fun, engaging and cheap holiday activities and entertainment.

Learning through play is essential for children's development as it helps them explore the world, develop problem-solving skills and express creativity in a natural and enjoyable way. Play allows children to learn without pressure, encouraging curiosity and hands-on discovery.

One fun and educational way to support this is by using loose parts found at home, like bottle caps, cardboard boxes, buttons, fabric scraps, old kitchen utensils, safe trade materials and plastic containers for open-ended play. For example, kids can build imaginative structures from cardboard and tape, create musical instruments with jars and rubber bands, or invent games using old keys and lids.

Loose parts play not only spark creativity but also develop fine motor skills, collaboration and critical thinking, all while having fun!











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Whole School Kinjarling Song Filming

In preparation for Albany 2026 it has been thrilling for the whole school to be part of the **City of Albany and Breaksea Acknowledgement Song Project.** The students have enjoyed learning the Kinjarling song and sharing their favourite parts of



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SONG PROJECT

Last Friday a team from Breaksea came to film the visual which will form part of the music video. Though the rain moved us indoors the enthusiastic smiles and respect shown by our students shone brightly and was commended by the visitors.

Next Friday the choir will join with students from other schools at the Albany Entertainment Centre to have a master workshop with the song's composers Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse. During the excursion we shall be recording the audio to complete the video which shall be officially launched at the City's New Year's Eve celebrations on the foreshore.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to our whole school community for their support with this legacy project. A special thanks to Terry White Chemist at Chester Pass, Office National and to the Kohlen, Robbins and Prince families for their financial contributions towards the choir, your generosity is greatly appreciated by us and the Breaksea team.



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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Room 24 - We Love Roald Dahl!

"My favourite book of Roald Dahl's is Matilda because I like the part when the boy has to eat the whole chocolate cake and he can't leave a single crumb!" - Celest

"I love Matilda because in the movie the lizard goes on the principal and then it goes into her clothes!" -Isabella

"My favourite book of Roald Dahl's is The Twits because at the end of the story they both get the "shrinks" and all that was left was clothes and shoes!" - Ruby-Rose

"My favourite Roald Dahl book is Matilda because it is funny when the principal picks up the girl by her plaits and spins around and throws her!" - Kaylah



"My favourite Roald Dahl movie is Wonka because when they get trapped, the room gets filled up with chocolate and they almost drown." - Austin

"My favourite book in Roald Dahl is Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. I love it when Augustus Gloop fell in the river." - Karthikeya

"My favourite character is Willy Wonka because he makes chocolate!" - Jenita

"My favourite book is The BFG and it's written by Roald Dahl. My favourite part is when the girl finds the BFG." - Raiden

"I love the story The Twits because Mrs Twit was flying in the sky with the balloons and when Mr & Mrs Twit were shrinking down." - Matteo

"Matilda is my favourite Roald Dahl book and movie. I love Matilda when she is hiding with Miss Honey from the greedy principal!" - Ava

"My favourite Roald Dahl book is Matilda and my favourite part is when the principal grabs a student by the hair and throws her into the bush." - Grace

"Fantastic Mr Fox is my favourite Roald Dahl book and movie. I like it because it is funny." - Arlo

"My favourite book is The Twits because they buy guns but they didn't use them." - Kaiden

"My favourite Roald Dahl book and movie is Matilda because it is really funny. I like the part where the boy has to eat all the chocolate cake." - Ellie

"My favourite book is Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. I love Willy Wonka because it is fun!" - Madison

"I like Roald Dahl's book called The Witches because it has a scary witch that makes a boy come to her" - Bodhi

"My favourite part of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is when the Oompa Loompa's sing that song." - Avary

"I love Charlie and the Chocolate Factory because it is so creative. Roald Dahl has written over 22 children's books." - Zephyr

"My favourite book is Matilda because it is funny when the bossy teacher swings the girl around and she lands in the flower patch." - Ruby

"Some of my favourite books are Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Matilda and Fantastic Mr Fox." - Paige

"My favourite Roald Dahl book is the Twits. My favourite part is when Mr Twit made Mrs Twit think she had the "shrinks"!" - Charli

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Room 22 Assembly

This term, our class has been focusing on being friendly and caring. Our class has been looking into ways that you can show others that you care and grow or maintain friendships.

During our Assembly we presented: **Bucket Filling from A to Z**, based on the book by Carol McCloud and Caryn Butzke.

Bucket filling is the act of doing things that make other people feel good and appreciated.

Things that fill our buckets in Room 22 include:

Amelia: "Giving my family a hug." Charlotte: "Being nice to people."

Jamie: "Going to the beach with my family." Charlie: "I love drawing."

Tyler: "Hanging out with my cousins." Brooklyn: "My sister Gypsy."

Cady: "Hanging out with my friends." Winnie: "I like helping out and drawing."

Hannah: "When my friends show kindness." Abby: "Seeing my best friend every day."

Declan: "Playing with my friends."

Toby: "When others show they care."

Bryce: "Collecting different feathers and fishing." Kobe: "Being with my family."

Cody: "When people say nice things." Ryder: "Being with my friends."



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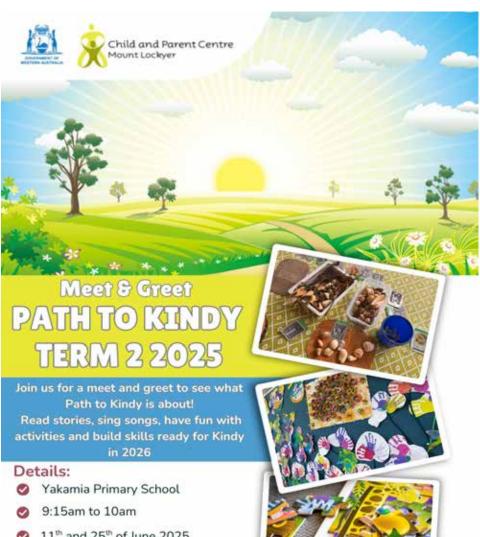
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Kindergarten Enrolments for 2026 are OPEN!

Yakamia Primary School is fortunate to be working in partnership with the Child and Parent Centre Mount Lockyer to support the transition to school. If you have already submitted your child's enrolment or plan to shortly, please come along to our next 'Path to Kindy - Meet and Greet' on the 25th of June at 9:15am.

Path to Kindy is a wonderful program offered in Term 3 and 4 to build connections with other children, families and Yakamia Primary School. The program has developmentally appropriate activities guided by the amazing CPC.





It's a great place to start when transitioning to Kindy!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Barndon or The Child and Parent Centre on 98430071.

11th and 25th of June 2025

Child must be accompanied by a Parent



Contact The Child and Parent Centre- Mount Lockyer on: 9843 0071 or email cpc@wanslea.org.au

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- · Discover unique and easy ways to connect with your child
- · Experience fun experiential activities
- Two lucky participants will take home a set of Moving Nature cards (featuring 80+ movement games)

Spaces are limited - reserve your spot today to avoid missing out

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Claims close Friday 4 July 2025.

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

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ADHD Families Support Group



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 ADHD (or suspected).

When: Sunday 10am | 22 June 2025 Where: Child Parent Centre - Mount Lockyer

This is a FREE event. RSVP essential for catering.

T: Jody 0448 979 059 | GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au









Felting Fun

FREE interactive workshop for grandcarers, parents/caregivers

Enjoy the therapeutic effect of engaging in a creative activity whilst engaging in a guided discussion to address common parenting issues.

- Connect with other grandcarers, parents and carers.
- Give your mind a break from the stressors of everyday life.
- Learn the art of felting and create a beautiful piece to take home.

All materials and morning tea provided. Places are limited.

To Book :

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2026 ENROLMENTS - OPEN

Albany SHS is now accepting 2026 student enrolments. Submit applications by 3.30 pm, Friday, 25 July 2025.

(C) 08 6821 1700 www.albanyshs.wa.edu.au

(E) albany.shs.enquiries@education.wa.edu.au

Contact Albany Residential College for accommodation queries, 9844 2500.



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Yakamia Primary School TERM TWO 2025 STUDENT PLANNER

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	28 April Students commence 2026 Kindy Applications for Enrolment Open	29	30 P&C meeting 8:15am in the Library PP-Yr 4 Swimming	1 May Breaksea Music incursion P-6	2 Staff PL Day: Real Schools – no students attend	
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	5 May PP-Yr 4 Swimming —	6	7	8	9 Orienteering	
2	Lessons		P&C WACSSO training session 9am at YPS Kaboom Incursion P-6	Mother's Day Raffle	Kindy A& B attend Kindy Mother's Day event	
	12 May	13	14	15	16	
3	Book Fair PP Mother's Day Event			Yr 5 camp note & payment due School Board Mtg 4pm	Rm 13 Assembly Newsletter	
4	19 May	20	21	22	23 House Cross Country Yr 3-6 (11am start)	
		1000			P&C Day Rm 22 Assembly Kindy A& B attend	
	26 May National Sorry Day	27	28	29	30	
5	National Reconciliation Week		Year 5 Camp —			
	2 June	3	4	5	Newsletter 6	
6	WA Day Public Holiday		3.	Yr 6 camp note & payment due	Rm 24 Assembly Kindy A& B attend	
7	9 June	NASHS Visit at YPS for Yr 6 - 9am	11	12	13 Newsletter	
8	16 June REAL SCHOOLS Parent session evening	17	18	Rm 14 Assembly School Board Mtg 4pm	20 Interschool C/Country Choir Breaksea Excursion AEC Kindy A& B attend	
9	23 June Year 6 Camp	24 NASHS Parent Orientation night 5:30- 6:30pm at NASHS	25	26	27	
	Toda o camp				Neurolation	
10	30 June	1 July	2	3	Newsletter 4 NASHS Enrolment Applications Due	
10	NAIDOC Week NAIDOC Assembly (Diversity Awards)			Semester 1 Reports on Connect	Good Standing Reward Rm 34 Assembly Kindy A& B attend	