

Yakamia News

Volume 12 8th August 2025

# DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 13th Aug P&C PJ & Muffin Day (K-6) Thurs 14th Aug - Kindy B

Thurs 14th Aug Room 23 Assembly (No students attend)

Fri 15th Aug Staff PL Day (No students attend)

> Mon 25th -Fri 29th Aug Book Week

Fri 29th Aug Book Week Assembly & Dress-Up Day

Mon 15th -Fri 26th Sept Swimming Lessons (Yrs 5 & 6)



# From the Principal

**Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,** 



Today we celebrated **Science Week** with a buddies afternoon with our Pre-Primary to Year 6 students joining together to do some amazing experiments to explore science concepts. A big thank you to Mrs Tierney for organising the Science Week activities.

Next week the P&C have organised **Cozy Treats Day**. Students can wear their pyjamas to school on Wednesday 13 August and are to bring a gold coin donation. All money raised will go towards improving resources in our school. Students who ordered a muffin and/or flavoured milk will be given these at recess time on the Wednesday.



**Book Week** will be celebrated in Week 6 this term. The theme for this year's Book Week is 'Book an Adventure'. Students will be engaging in a range of activities over the week and we will have our whole school 'Dress Up as Your Favourite Book Character Day' on Friday 29 August. We look forward to seeing all of our Kindy to Year 6 students' costumes that day and there will be a special assembly to parade costumes at 9am.

#### **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 <u>even</u> weeks 8.30am - 9am EFTPOS available uniforms.yakamia.pc@gmail.com

Ph 9892 5500 Email yakamia.ps@education.wa.edu.au Website www.yakamiaps.wa.edu.au

Page 2 Yakamia Primary School

## **School News**

**Book Week Book Nooks** – Each year in the library, as part of Book Week celebrations, families can create a Book Nook to be displayed on the library bookshelves. We encourage all families to get involved and create a Book Nook (either individually or as a family) of a scene from your favourite book. Please place a clear plastic cover on the front to stop any accidental touching. The Book Nook must not exceed 26cm in height and be no wider than 30cm to fit on the shelves. Entries are due to the library by Thursday 21 August. We look forward to seeing what is created!

**Mobile Phone Policy** – a reminder to parents, students are not permitted to bring a mobile phone or wearable devices with messaging, Internet and/or Bluetooth capabilities to school. If there are reasons for needing a phone at school such as safety for students before and after school, parents and students must complete an application form and use agreement of the phone. The phone or device is then handed into the office to be stored securely when the child arrives at school and is collected by the student at the end of the day. If you have any questions regarding the mobile phone policy, please see the front office staff.

Our next assembly is on **Thursday 14 August** and will be hosted by Room 23. All families are welcome to attend.

Also, a reminder that next Friday 15 August, we have professional learning for staff. Students do not attend school on this day. Have a lovely long weekend!

Kind regards,

5.黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色黄色

Gemma Larham Principal

4		. * . * . * . * . * . *						
Ì	Honour Certificate Recipients - 1st August 2025							
	Room 11	N/A	Avary H & Ava B					
Ī	Room 12	N/A	Room 25	Dylan W & Amelia B				
Ę	Room 13	13 Isla M& Ava B Room 26 Jayke P & Matthew S						
Ę	Room 14	Riley H & Jemima J	Room 33 Amelia B & Jasmine B					
	Room 15	Willow P & Eleanor D	Room 34	Gracie C & Brooklyn M				
Z	Room 16	Dylan L & Rachel U	Room 35	Blade L & Ava I				
Ē	Room 22	Cady D & Amelia B	Room 43	Jack A & Penny K				
	Room 23	Evie F & Adam T	Room 44	Ava H & Phoebe A				

## Reading & Breakfast Club Needs You!



We are looking for a volunteers for Monday to 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.

School Vision: Belong Be-

Page 3 Yakamia Primary School

# **School News**

#### Room 15 - A Fun Start to Term 3!

Room 15 has hit the ground running in Term 3! Our Year 4 students have shown great focus and enthusiasm, diving straight into their learning with fantastic energy.

One of the highlights so far has been our work with **limericks**. These fun and silly poems have brought lots of laughter to our classroom, but they've also been a great way to explore important writing skills. Students have been learning about rhyme schemes and syllable patterns, using their creativity while developing a deeper understanding of how poetry works.

There once was a silly old brown dog,
He looked like a silly old green frog,
He slipped on a smelly shoe,
Then went to the loo,
And ended up on a mossy old log.
By Demi Stenhouse

There once was a grumpy old dog,
While he was chasing a big old frog,
He tripped on a vine,
And got a big fine,
And ended up having to eat fog.

By Bronson Button

It's been a wonderful mix of fun and learning – and we're looking forward to everything else this term has in store!



Page 4 Yakamia Primary School

## **School News**

#### **Great Southern Netball Cup**

Last Friday, five teams of students and staff members braved the cold to go to Katanning to play in the Great Southern Netball Cup. Students left school at 6.30am to get there in time and returned late in the afternoon - what a day! If success is measured by the amount of fun had, then Yakamia was hugely successful. Students displayed respect and good sportsmanship while having a fabulous time. Congratulations to some of the Year 6 girls, who made it to the Grand Final but lost by just a tiny margin. Days like this are what memories are made of, and some special thanks must go out.

Thanks to Mrs Gemma Sandy, Mr Jason Nunn and Ms Tamara Boyle for going above and beyond to attend. Special thanks to Sarah Tieman, Tanya Paunic and Hayley Bolton for coaching and Renee Batten, Kristy Slater, Casey Greay, Cheri Muir and Sienna Greay for umpiring.



A massive, massive shout out must go to Lee Stonell and Tanya Paunic. Although the school subsidised each student to attend, these lovely ladies made huge donations towards the cost of the bus and without this, we wouldn't be able to afford to go. We can't thank them enough. Looking forward to 2026!







Page 5 Yakamia Primary School

# **School News**

#### **Science Fun**

Last term Year 3 and 5 learnt lots about **Chemical Sciences**. **Year 3s** explored the properties of solids and liquids and how heat can help them to change states - not to Queensland - from liquid to a solid and back again!



Page 6 Yakamia Primary School

## **School News**

August Birthdays							
2nd	Jesse B	19th	Jenaya W				
3rd	Avary H & Tezeal W	20th	Ruby W				
5th	Ruby W	21st	Violet Y				
6th	Harper H & Axel L	22nd	Jude M				
8th	Rose B & Edward O	23rd	Finley B				
9th	Lucas P	25th	Brock B				
10th	Raven H	26th	Evette W				
13th	Auski B, Madison C, Maddy G, Emily H & Willow P	27th	Miriam D				
16th	Kaylah B & Sam D	28th	Vaughn C, Jenita K & Jack S				
17th	Rory P & Ellie-May W	30th	Sammy B & Ryland L				

## **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!



Yakamia Primary School would like to thank Tanya Paunic and Lee Stonell, Merrifield Real Estate for their generous support of the Katanning Netball Carnival.









Page 7 Yakamia Primary School

## **P&C News**

## **Cozy Treats Day**



Kind Regards, Courtney Stenhouse P&C Secretary Get ready for a fun and cozy day at school! The Yakamia P&C is hosting a Cozy Treats Day fundraiser this Wed 13th August full of sweet treats and school spirit (Room 45 Kindy B on Thursday).

Wear your pyjamas to school for extra comfort and fun - and don't forget to bring a gold coin donation for free dress!

We're also calling on our amazing Yakamia community to help out by:

- . Donating chocolate chip muffins
- Volunteering just 1-2 hours to help deliver the treats

Let's make this a day to remember and raise funds for our school together!

Sign up to help here:

https://volunteersignup.org/AAAPQ

Thank you for being the heart of Yakamia!





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!



Page 8 Yakamia Primary School

# **School News**

#### **Lunchbox Inspo!**

Looking for tasty lunchbox treats packed with hidden veggies?

Visit goodiegoodielunchbox.com.au for fun and delicious recipes the whole family will love!

Scan these QR codes to check out:

### **Gingerbread Sweet Potato Blondies**





#### **Healthier Monster Cookies**







Yakamia School Sustainability Committee



Are you interested in the **environment** and **sustainability** at our school? We welcome new members to join our school Sustainability Committee.



We meet once each term to look at ways to make our school more sustainable. Please see the front office or Mrs Tierney for more details.

Together for a Greener Future

Page 9 Yakamia Primary School

## **School News**

#### Path to Kindy

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 on the 13th of August 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 9843 0071.



# **Community Notices**







Page 10 Yakamia Primary School



# Yakamia Primary School TERM THREE 2025 STUDENT PLANNER

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	21 July Students commence Term 3	22 Fotoworks Kindy B Group & PP	23 Path to Kindy commences Fotoworks Kindy A Group & 1-6 Plus siblings	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 <sup>th</sup> ) School Board Mtg 4pm	8 Semester 2 Census Science Week Buddies Principals Day Newsletter
4	11 August	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	Staff PL Day – no students attend
5	18 August 19  K/P Albany Library excursion excursion		NASHS Visit Rm 12	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	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 Fathers Day Basketball Carnival	4 Rm 44 and Kindy A Fathers 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
	22 September	23	24	25	26 Last Day of Term 3
10	Yr 5&6 Swimming — Lessons		P&C Disco TBC		Good Standing Reward Rm 33 Assembly Kindy A& B attend