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Message From the Principal

Rain Event

What a fortnight it has been! The rain event last week did some minor damage however, we were able to work around it. Unfortunately, the rain event claimed both marquees that were used for outdoor teaching. We were fortunate that the school was closed for only one day. I believe there were some issues with receiving emails which we will endeavour to identify the issues. We have learnt from previous events such as cyclones, rain events and storm warnings that texting messages to our Yarranlea Community is a successful tool. Yarranlea is fortunate compared to other schools, which will be out of operation for a period of time.





CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY – MARCH 6

The amount of plastic waste has been surging because of the pandemic and we're concerned there will be long-term impacts on our environment. Over a third of Aussie households reported producing more waste and having had more items delivered than

usual during lockdown periods. Get a small group of your friends, family, and neighbours together and give back to your community.

FIND YOUR LOCAL CLEAN UP HERE

NEIGHBOUR DAY – MARCH 27

For the last 20 years Neighbour Day is Australia's annual celebration of community, encouraging people to connect with those who live in their neighbourhood. Loneliness can affect anyone, at any time throughout their lives, and addressing loneliness across Australia is everybody's business. Getting involved in Neighbour Day is good for you and your community.

FIND OUT WHAT YOU CAN DO.

MARCH CALENDAR 2022

March will be a very busy month, below is events/information what will be happening during the month. Due to COVID restrictions and the subsequent rain event we have decided to combine our end of term reporting with meet the teacher.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
28th Feb Swimming	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	
7 th Assembly Swimming	8 th P&F Meeting	9 th EPIC Workshop afternoon	10 th	11 th	
14 th Swimming	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th <hr/> 19 th First Aid Training for Staff	
21 Oral reporting To parents	22 nd Mount Gravatt Advisory Meeting	23 rd Whole school excursion trip to Botanical gardens and Parliament house for the upper group.	24 th	25 th Community Meeting – Student Induction	
28 th Wellbeing Afternoon Oral reporting To parents	29 th ← School Board Meeting →	30	31 st	1 st April School Nurse Free Dress Day Planning Day for students Crazy Hair Day	



Swimming

Will be extended to March 14th due to the sudden rain event in which Brisbane schools were closed.



Student Leadership Induction

On March 25th we are hoping to host our community event which is the induction of our Grade 5 and Grade 6 students as school leaders. At Yarranlea we believe that leadership is learnt over a period of time with students taking on this responsibility. In other schools' students vote which can turn into a popularity contest. With our small cohort we can support our students as they move through the leadership process and from our point of view it is interesting and wonderful to see the students mature and develop their skills as they take on different roles within the school. We will be guided by the CHO advise in relation to the current COVID advise.



Bunnings BBQ

Thank you to all that are going to help at the Bunnings BBQ on March 13th.

COVID – 19 Practices

From 6pm Friday 4th March masks are no longer mandatory. We will be continuing our health and hygiene practices with the students to the end of term 1. For further information follow the link below.

<https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/current-status/public-health-directions/mandatory-masks>



For the further information please find the following link:

<https://www.health.qld.gov.au/clinical-practice/guidelines-procedures/diseases-infection/immunisation/service-providers/influenza>

KEEPING ACTIVE

5–12-year old's need at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity every day. That includes fast walking, riding a bike or scooter, playing, running and doing organised sports. There should be a mix of activities that make them puff and activities that are good for their bones, like climbing on monkey bars, gymnastics, dance, running, skipping and jumping. The 60 minutes doesn't have to be done all in one go. You can build it up, so your child accumulates the physical activity over the day. **How many minutes are your children doing?**



OSHC NEWS

New Staff Member

You may have noticed a new face in the afternoons when collecting your child. If I have not introduced, you to Deborah (Debbie) please take the opportunity to do so. Debbie is trialing with us 2 days per week. She is currently studying her CertIII and will look to complete her Diploma in Outside School Hours Care at a future time. Although Debbie has no previous OSHC experience she has three grown children ranging from 17 – 25 years old.

VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Our vacation care program is complete. I will be emailing to all families tomorrow – Friday 4th March.

Please complete the booking form and permission forms as soon as you have organised your dates. This will help me to organise the materials and resources required for each day as well as confirming Educators rosters to assist your children in enjoying their day fully.

MINECRAFT RETURNING

for a

3 DAY PROGRAM

Times: 08:30am – 04:30pm

Dates: April 4-6 [2022]



THURSDAY AFTERNOONS

Sharing the LOVE

Some of our activities have not hit the ground running so I am taking this opportunity for a catch up.

Each week there is a different activity occurring and for some of the weeks we ask that you may be able to donate some canned or boxed food for our **FOODBANK DONATION** and also for our **ANIMAL SHELTER**.

Our other big recycling project that we would like to get under way is the collection of **PLASTIC LIDS**. So when you trade in all of those bottles for your 10c please remember to save the lids and bring them to us. Any plastic lids, the more the merrier. One of the many uses for these lids is the manufacturing of artificial limbs and many other disability items as well as other beneficial and useful projects.

Link below for your interest:

<https://www.lids4kids.org.au/>

