

# The Old Bush Telegraph

Newsletter of Yarrawarra Public School



Issue 7 Term 2– Week 2

Wednesday, 8 May 2019

Welcome back to Term Two. I hope you all enjoyed a safe and restful school holiday break. It was nice to see so many smiling faces back at school last week, ready for another busy term.

Yesterday our Senior Boys Soccer Team played Engadine West in the State Cup Knockout competition. What an epic encounter it was! Both teams enjoyed patches of dominance throughout the game. Our boys dominated possession and field position in the first half, however after two goals against the run of play, the score was two all at half time. The second half was a more scrappy affair with both teams suffering from ill-directed passes and missed opportunities. With a full time score of two all, we headed for extra time. 10 minutes of nerve packed extra time failed to split the teams. With our boys tiring, and the prospect of a countback on corner kicks looming, there were plenty of 'airkicks' as both teams desperately sought to break the deadlock. Finally, at two all, the game headed to penalties.

The pressure was palpable. The responsibility on the kickers and keepers, immense. Yet despite that, our boys showed tremendous courage stepping up to the ball and great team spirit in celebrating successful attempts and close misses. With both teams trading goals and saves, the score was tied at three all after five kickers. Nothing could split these rivals.



## Upcoming Events

### Term 2

#### Week 2

Thursday May 9	Life Education Mother's Day Stall Stage 3 Financial Literacy Incursion
Friday May 10	PSSA & Sport YPS Cross Country 12:10- 2:00pm at school Book Club closes

#### Week 3

Tuesday May 14	NAPLAN Language/Writing Scripture cancelled
Wednesday May 15	NAPLAN Reading
Thursday May 16	NAPLAN Numeracy Community Open Morning 9:45am – 11:15am
Friday May 17	PSSA and School Sport K-6 Assembly 5/6Plutonium

#### Week 4

Monday May 20	Stage 1 Science Space Excursion Wollongong
Thursday May 23	Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill
Friday May 24	Zone Cross Country

The referee gave the command that extra kickers would be required with the shoot out now at sudden death. We missed, they saved. They missed we saved. The shoot-out continued. It eventually took nine kickers, to

decide the result. Liam F slotted home a well-directed shot, then super keeper Tom R made a great save to win Yarra the match. In 17 years watching school sport, I have never seen a game run this long. It was incredible. Well done to the entire squad. It was a very special moment and I hope the memories of yesterday stay with each player for a lifetime. Thanks also to Mr G who did a stellar job coaching the team and providing positive instruction and encouragement throughout the match.

Best of luck to the girls Netball team who play their first State Knockout Competition game today. I hope they enjoy the same excitement, team spirit and thrill competing in their matches.

Our school Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday 10 May at 12:15pm. Parents and families are welcome to attend to cheer on our students.

Please take a look at the Term Two calendar to see what else is happening in the next few months.

Last term I mentioned a new and exciting tool for communicating between school and home. The Sentral Parent Portal will allow the school to send notes, alerts, reminders and messages directly to your phone via an app. We intend on launching this tool sometime this term. More detailed notes and instructions will be made available to help support the launch.

## NAPLAN

Our Year 3 and 5 students will be sitting NAPLAN in weeks 3 and 4. All YPS students will be completing NAPLAN online (except Year 3 writing). Teachers will administer the assessment to students in year cohorts. It is important to maintain a healthy sense of perspective when talking to your child about

NAPLAN. While the data gained from the assessment is valuable for both system and school planning, it is just a snapshot of your child's progress on one day. I would encourage students to embrace NAPLAN as a chance to 'show what they know' and to demonstrate the value of excellence by trying their very best.

Students can trial the types of test questions, and understand the interactive test format and specific NAPLAN Online tools by visiting ACARA's [public demonstration site](https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site?utm_source=TractionNext&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=NAPLAN+Online+News+8+March+2018) - [https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site?utm\\_source=TractionNext&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_campaign=NAPLAN+Online+News+8+March+2018](https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site?utm_source=TractionNext&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=NAPLAN+Online+News+8+March+2018)

Students are encouraged to complete appropriate tests for their year level.

## Earn and Learn

YPS is again participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn initiative. For those who shop at Woolworths, you can deposit your Earn and Learn stickers in the YPS box either at the front of Woolworths or in the school foyer. Tell your friends and neighbours to support our school as well.

## Winter is coming

I'm sure you've felt the change in weather. While the days can be warm the mornings are especially chilly. Students are to wear Winter uniform this term, which will provide just a little more warmth. Remember to make sure uniforms are clearly labelled with your child's name so that it can be returned to them if left in the playground.

Finally, thank you to everyone who has donated gifts and all the mums who have been

preparing items for our Mother's Day stall this week. Students can purchase a gift on Thursday for \$5, \$7 & \$10. I wish all of the Yarra mums a wonderful and restful Mother's Day. To all the Yarra kids, look after your mums, show them how much you appreciate them, and tell them how much you love them.

**Steve Austen**  
**Principal (Relieving)**

### Life Education – Healthy Harold

The Life education mobile Learning Centre has commenced this week at our school from Monday 6 May to Thursday 9 May.

All classes will participate in a learning session in the van during the week.

**Susan Harris**

### Earn and Learn

This year we will once again be participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion.

We have collection boxes in the foyer and the students will be bringing home a sticker sheet. Please place your completed sticker sheets in the box.

Over the past few years we have been able to purchase some wonderful equipment from Modern Teaching Aids using the credits earned from our collected sticker sheets.

Thank you for your continued support in collecting the stickers.

**Susan Harris**

### Public Speaking 2019

Last week a note came home detailing our Public Speaking competition. Please also read through the reverse side of the note, there are lots of ideas to help your child structure their

speech in the form of an argument and tips on how to deliver them effectively.

Students should begin planning their speech, so they are prepared to present it from Week 7 this term. A good place to start is to find a great topic. They should ask themselves:

What am I interested in?

What do I know a lot about? or

What problem would I like to talk about?

Once they have a topic you can discuss with them about their point of view. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask your classroom teacher. Key dates for students include:

From Week 7, Term 2 - Teachers will begin listening to speeches and choosing Stage Finalists.

Term 3 - School Stage Finals - date to be advised.

We value your support and look forward to hearing some fantastic speeches later on this term!

Colleen Santilli  
Public Speaking Coordinator

### CHICKENS

The girls have returned from their holidays and we need volunteers to help look after them for Term 2. If you are able to assist us on any weekend, commencing this Saturday and Sunday, please contact the school office. Thank you



**GOLD AWARD &  
PRINCIPAL HONOUR AWARD**  
Eva C  
**Congratulations**

### **Mother's Day Stall tomorrow – Thursday 9th May**

Thank you to everyone for their donations and to the parents who helped collect and wrap the wonderful gifts we have on offer tomorrow. Please send cash and a carry bag with your child tomorrow so they can purchase a gift for Mother's day. Gifts will be \$5, \$7 or \$10. We will not be doing IOU's unless we contact you and confirm that you do wish your child to purchase something. If you do not want your child to purchase a gift and will not be sending them with money, please explain this to them so they're not disappointed. Thank you

Year 1 & 2 parents – if you can assist on the stall tomorrow from 8.50am that would be great. Please meet under the COLA. (Covered Outdoor Learning Area)

### **Federal Election May 18th**

Our BBQ and cake stall will be happening again for the Federal election from 8am – 2.30pm. Please return your volunteers form if you can help out on either the stall or BBQ with times available ASAP. This note is attached later in the newsletter. Cake boxes were sent home last week. Looking forward to another round of yummy treats baked and dropped off on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> to the office/staff room. Or Saturday morning on Election Day at the latest so that we can get everything priced. If you missed out on a cake box or want extras please grab one from the office. If you'd prefer not to bake but want to still contribute, we really appreciate your \$10 cash donation in the envelope attached to the cake box.

Thanks  
Karen Ezzy  
Fundraising Coordinator

**BOOK CLUB**  
Closes this Friday 10 May





Join us for an interactive morning where prospective parents and students will have an opportunity to tour our facilities and find out about our school.

**Yarrawarrah Public School**  
Opportunity and success in a nurturing environment.

## Community Open Morning 2019

**Thursday 16 May, 2019 9.45am – 11.15am**



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Public Schools NSW

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## FEDERAL ELECTION DAY BBQ and CAKE STALL

When: 18<sup>TH</sup> May 2019

Time: 8.00am till 2.30pm

Please bring along cake box attached filled with something yummy we can sell at our cake stall. Cakes, cupcakes, slices, cookies are all welcome, but please no store-bought items – people want to buy something made at home. Packet mixes are fine and please cover it in glad wrap or individually package (if smaller items that we can sell as single items. Please **make all donations nut free**, and if they are also gluten free or dairy free please write that on the box, so we know when asked by the public. Please bring all cake stall **donations to school on Friday afternoon 17<sup>th</sup> May or Saturday morning 18<sup>th</sup> May.**

If you're unable to make something and bring it along, we would really appreciate a donation of \$10 (in the envelope provided by 18<sup>th</sup> March) so that we can put it towards baking more items the week before to add to the stall.

**We also need volunteers for the cake stall and BBQ – if you can help  
Please fill out below and return to the office by 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

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**Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact phone no:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I am able to assist on the day**

In the spaces below please write the name of the person able to help.

	8.00 – 9.30	9.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 2.00
BBQ				
Cake Stall				

**Thankyou for your assistance and all money raised will contribute to purchasing resources for our kids.**

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Ezzy 0414 851 470



# TERM 2 CALENDAR 2019

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
<b>May</b> <b>1</b>	<b>29</b> Staff Development Day	<b>30</b> Students Return ANZAC Day Service 2:00pm	<b>1 May</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> PSSA/School Sport K-6 Assembly Stage 3 Camp Item	<b>4</b> Yarra Dads Barefoot Bowls
						<b>5</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>6</b> Debating Workshop at Burraneer Bay PS  Life Education ←	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Stage 3 Financial Literacy Incursion in Hall	<b>10</b> YP School Cross Country  PSSA & School Sport Book Club due & closes	<b>11</b>
						<b>12</b> Mother's day
<b>May</b> <b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> NAPLAN Language & Writing Scripture Cancelled	<b>15</b> NAPLAN Reading	<b>16</b> Community Open Morning 9:45 – 11:15am NAPLAN Numeracy	<b>17</b> PSSA/School Sport K-6 Assembly 5/6 Plutonium hosting	<b>18</b>
						<b>19</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>20</b> Stage 1 Excursion to Planatarium	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Kinder to Calmsley Hill	<b>24</b> Zone Cross Country	<b>25</b>
						<b>26</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> School Disco	<b>31</b> PSSA/School Sport K-6 Assembly 3/4 Cobalt item	<b>1 June</b>
						<b>2</b>
<b>June</b> <b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> K-2 Dance Program (Every Tues until 2 July) ↕	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> PSSA/School Sport	<b>8</b>
						<b>9</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>10</b> Queen's Birthday	<b>11</b> Create South Workshops	<b>12</b> Create South Workshops	<b>13</b> Create South Workshops & Performance	<b>14</b> PSSA/School Sport K-6 Assembly 3/4 Helium	<b>15</b>
						<b>16</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Junior Choir Rehearsal	<b>21</b> PSSA/School Sport Stage 1 Financial Literacy Incursion	<b>22</b>
						<b>23</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> PSSA/School Sport K-6 Assembly 3/4 Titanium	<b>29</b>
						<b>30</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>1 July</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Senior Choir Rehearsal	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
						<b>7</b>
<b>HOLI-DAYS</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
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						<b>21</b>

## Welcome Back to Term 2!

A very warm welcome back, we are excited to be back working within your school community for another Term. Children have now had a term to warm up and get settled into 2019, it is time for them to spread their wings and shine. We know how busy yet fulfilling being a parent can be, so that is why we are here to help!

We take care of children in the crucial times before school, after school – and between terms too. Our care programs are well-rounded, meaningful and affordable, based on 30 years of experience. Most importantly, while your child is at school and in our care, you know that they are safe.

### **Not yet Registered? Don't worry, it's never too late. Plus, it is free to register.**

To attend our care, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login). Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your booking options online via our parent portal.

Remember, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy to help you with the cost of child care, visit [www.mygov.com.au](http://www.mygov.com.au) to find out more.

### **Program Details**

For more information on our service and fees, you may visit our website [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au). If you prefer to speak to us, you can contact our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 who are available to support our families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except National Public Holidays. Alternatively, you're welcome to visit us in service and chat with our qualified Educators about the Camp Australia program at your school.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

From the Team at Camp Australia



## Meet your Camp Australia Team

Our friendly team managing the Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) at **Yarrawarra Public School OSHC** are extremely passionate about what they do and take their roles very seriously. They provide a wide range of activities that engage all children each and every day at **before and after school care**.

**Colleen Sanderson** is the **Program Coordinator** that works here at **Yarrawarra Public School**. **Colleen** has been working at your school for **10 years** and is an experienced and qualified Educator with expertise in working with children in OSHC.

As part of **Colleen's** role, **she** has committed to the long-term development of the children in their care and are supported by industry leading training as well as being qualified in line with the National Quality Framework and industry regulations.

Between the hours of **6.30-8.50am and 3.20-6pm**, **Colleen** can be seen chatting with the children who attend OSHC. If you haven't met **Colleen**, please feel free to pop in and visit our **before or after school care program** and **Colleen** will be able to answer any questions you may have.

### Register and Book Now

To register and book your child in our program, visit [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au) and use the school finder on our homepage to search for Yarrawarra Public School. To secure your child's spot, we always recommend making your bookings in advance.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

From the Team at Camp Australia

**FAMILIES WEEK, MOTHER'S DAY, OZ WATER'19, INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY, INTERNATIONAL COMPOSTING AWARENESS WEEK AND WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY AT  
CAMP AUSTRALIA YARRAWARRAH  
7<sup>th</sup> May, 2019**



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

- If your child has a current medical management plan at the service, the "Medical Authorisation Form" for Term 2 must be signed, prior to your child's first attendance this term. Please call into the service to sign the authorisation form.

Hi Everyone,

Welcome back to Term 2 at Camp Australia Yarrowarrah. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are ready for lots of fun at the centre this term. We hope you enjoy spending time at our Camp Australia service.

We ended last term and started this term with a beautiful selection of Mother's Day crafts for the children to create for their Mums or special person in their lives. Mother's Day as we know it started in 1908 when an American woman, Anna Marie Jarvis held a church memorial to honour the legacy of her peace activist mother. Anna wanted to continue her mother's work and pushed to have a day set aside to honour all mothers. Since that time Mother's Day is one of the most celebrated days of the year. The children have created porcelain vases and pots, cards, decorations and many other items to utilise as Mother's Day gifts. We will continue Mother's Day crafts as they have been extremely popular with the children. We hope all the Mums and/or special people in the children's lives enjoy all the gifts made for them with so much love, patience and care.

**Wonderful news!!!** As the result of parent and staff nominations providing positive feedback and for completing various tasks throughout the term, we receive points which provide us with the opportunity to go into a prize draw. I was lucky enough to win one of the Camp Australia Recognition & Rewards Program prizes for last term which means that **our service receives \$500 to spend on Modern Teaching Aids items for the service.** We will purchase such items as Zoobs (construction toys), dolls and other items. We will consult with the children regarding items they would like to add to our wish list and if families have any suggestions please let us know. Please keep voting as staff always appreciate your positive feedback. Thank you so much to those parents who have nominated staff. You can nominate each week if you would like to and we receive notification of your positive feedback. Please let us know if you have nominated as I always like to ensure we have received the feedback and have thanked you for taking the time to vote. Thank you, Camp Australia, for this much appreciated prize.

We hope you enjoyed the Easter gifts that the children created as much as they loved making them for you. Our Easter party was lots of fun with a bunny hopping competition, musical games, dancing and prizes.



we make kids smile

## GREAT FUN

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



Over the next few weeks we will be undertaking our emergency drills. We will strive to ensure that as many children and Educators as possible have an opportunity, to participate in these important activities, by covering every session of a week. We complete evacuation, lock down, medical emergency, Stop, Drop & Roll & Get Down Low and Go, Go, Go drills and a few other drills. We thank families and friends for your patience if we are in the middle of a drill when you arrive.

The children made Anzac biscuits and created art this week to commemorate ANZAC day. They were encouraged to share their knowledge of why ANZAC day is commemorated, increasing their understanding of this important day. Last week we enjoyed World Laughter Day by sharing jokes and having laughing face competitions. We honoured our firefighters through activities that highlight their important role and fire safety as part of Firefighters Day. Puppet making and drawings were promoted to celebrate Star Wars Day. International Dance Day encouraged active participation in a dance off and musical statues game. We encouraged arts & crafts for Greenery Day and made coconut bananas which were “yummy” and very popular as part of our healthy eating and cooking program. This week we are making Mexican Bean & Corn Dip & Fruit Shapes (Mother’s Day theme).

This week for International Nurses Day we are making nurses hats, enjoying some dramatic play activities (puppet show, pretend play, plays etc.) & having a Medical Emergency drill. International Composting Awareness Week will encourage the children to learn about why composting is important and how we can all help in this endeavour both at home and the service. World Migratory Bird Day will encourage outdoor bird watching, drawing and learning about migratory birds in Australia. Oz Water’19 will highlight the importance of water and water saving techniques/ideas.

We will be celebrating Mother’s Day and National Families Week from the 6-21 May. These weeks are a time to celebrate with your immediate family, make contact with extended family and friends and enjoy lots of fun activities. This program will help Educators support children to learn more about the meaning of family and for everyone to celebrate their family. The 2019 theme for National Families Week is “Stronger Families, Stronger Communities” and the aim is to celebrate the vital role that families play in community wellbeing. We hope you will join in our celebrations over the coming weeks. Mother’s Day gifts - wooden signs from recycled buttons, picture frames & cards utilising natural items have been created and an amazing Mother’s Day LEGO building competition was undertaken.

### Program Details:

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)

We look forward to seeing you all at Camp Australia this term.

Keep on Smiling!!!

Colleen Sanderson: Coordinator ☺





# SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL

Help your child be the best they can be at school, socially, emotionally and academically.

Saskia West works with parents to help their children develop social skills, including self-regulation and resilience, in a loving and caring family environment.

**Thursday 30 May | 6.30pm to 7.30pm**

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LEARN TO TWIRL WITH

# TWIRL DANCE ACRO

After school class - Combining Twirling, Dancing &  
Beginner Acrobatics

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Wednesday's | 3:45 PM to 4:45PM  
YARRAWARRAH PUBLIC SCHOOL  
Old Bush Road

BATON TWILRING Is a unique artistic sport combining the technical skill of twirling the baton with the grace of ballet, the enthusiasm of jazz dance, and the stamina of gymnastics.





# **WHY TWIRL?**

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Baton twirling is a great sport for all ages. It teaches discipline, teamwork and good sportsmanship while developing co-ordination, motor skills and encouraging healthy exercise.

If you are looking for a new challenge, why not give BATON TWIRLING a try.

***Come & have  
FUN!***

Contact Ainslie Hunt for details and registration informationn  
0402 515 560 or email [admin@twirldanceacro.com.au](mailto:admin@twirldanceacro.com.au)

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