Yinnar South Primary School Newsletter
18th November 2016

Wellbeing
Integrity
Self-Mastery
Empathy

School Vision Statement –
At Yinnar South Primary Learning Community we strive to create a flexible, vibrant and dynamic learning environment that customises individual wholistic development and maximises personal achievement.

School Terms 2016
Term 4
3rd October – 20th December

Up Coming Events
November
24th  School Council 6pm
30th  Flying Doctors Visit
      Cost $6.00

December
1st  Grade 6 Graduation
      2.15pm
20th 1.30 Early dismissal

The Egg Drop Challenge
On Friday when Wattle was on their zoo excursion, Callistemon took the opportunity to conduct a science-based challenge for the day; the egg-drop challenge.

In small groups, students had to design a device that would protect their egg from breaking when dropped from a three metre height. The day started by learning about what makes things fall (gravity) and what makes eggs break (the force of impact).

The device had to include a method of resisting gravity and reducing the force of impact. Students planned their design and then created their device with classroom resources. Students had to problem solve to overcome challenges and use math in real-life scenarios to complete the task. Collaboration was also a large part of the activity as students had to work together, support each other and communicate effectively. Students explained how their design was intended to work prior to the egg drop.

Students came up with many creative ideas, with most using parachutes to resist gravity and many different designs used to reduce the force of impact. Another fun part of the activity was to name their egg with an egg-related pun, such as Mi-shell or Egg-ward. The challenge was a great success, with many real-life learning experiences, and a lot of fun was had.

Students pictured (apart from Tom) are those whose egg managed to survive the fall.

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Sustainability
We had an ambitious cooking session this week. Our broad beans were harvested and used in Broad Bean Patties. We made Calzones using our Silver beet and Mint and to finish off the meal we had Golden Syrup dumplings with our eggs. Great to be able to feed the school from our patch.

Play is the Way Focus
WISE values
Self - Mastery - Personal Control

Zoo Excursion
On Friday the 11th November the Prep, 1 and 2 students attended the Melbourne Zoo. We couldn’t have had a better day. The sun shone, the children had a great experience at both the Zoo and the train journey.

Breakfast Club
We are coming to the end of the year and have a surplus of Vita Brits, instant oats and some UHT milk that is close to best before date. If you would like to relieve us of some, see Julie.
**Walk to School**

We had a really top day last Wednesday celebrating the success of walk to school month. Claire from Latrobe Community Health and Shane from Parks Victoria shared advice on hiking and camping safely. The students shared a B.B.Q and those with V.I.P had entry to the special campsite. The students made their own version of Craig’s Hut out of cardboard boxes, this proved to be a popular play area.

**Woolen Blankets**

In preparation for the upcoming fire season we require old woolen blankets. If you have any that you no longer and would like to donate them to the school it would be greatly appreciated.

**Book Covering**

We have new books that require covering before the students are able to use them. If you would like to take some home to cover, see Kylie, thanks.
Kurnai College - Hands on Learning Team

We were fortunate to have the Hands on Learning Team visit us on Thursday and work with some of our senior students repairing garden beds and painting garden seats.

Art Smocks

Reminder that if you haven’t already done so please send along an art smock for your child. We recommend one that is water proof and covers the back as well.