**Yinnar South Primary School Newsletter**

**12\(^{th}\) August 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.

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**Reece’s Chat**

This week has been full of new experiences for me, I would like to thank the Yinnar South Primary community for the way in which they have invited me into such a fantastic learning environment. I have been extremely impressed with the way in which students can explain a range of different skills and attitudes that they bring to each activity.

As a new member of staff it is clear that students own their learning and have a real enthusiasm for all that is on offer throughout each day.

Thursday afternoon I spent time in Callistemon admiring the creative ideas that the students had chosen to perform experiments on and appreciated the individuality in the way in which students approached their science activities. The students of Wattle were very keen to share their writing developments with me and appeared to be very proud of varying elements of their writing, whilst demonstrating a real desire for feedback.

A big “Thank-you” to all the students for the way in which they used their collaboration skills to assist in tidying up the play pod shed.

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**School Terms 2016**

Term 3
11 July – 16\(^{th}\) September

Term 4
3\(^{rd}\) October – 20\(^{th}\) December

**Up Coming Events**

**August**

17\(^{th}\) Coolamatong Camp Information session
17\(^{th}\) Restaurant Night Years 3-6
25\(^{th}\) School Council 6pm

**September**

7\(^{th}\) School Expo Night
14\(^{th}\)-16\(^{th}\) Coolamatong Camp Year 3-4

**October**

14\(^{th}\) Wattle Sleep over
27\(^{th}\) School Council 6pm
28\(^{th}\) Questicon Incursion
31\(^{st}\) Pupil Free day

**November**

4\(^{th}\) Callistemon: Melbourne excursion Science works
11\(^{th}\) Wattle Excursion Melbourne Zoo
16\(^{th}\) Flying Doctors Visit (tentative date)
24\(^{th}\) School Council 6pm

**December**

8\(^{th}\) Grade 6 Graduation 2:15

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**Camp Coolamatong Information Session**

We are aware that the information evening for Camp Coolamatong at Yinnar Primary School clashes with our Restaurant Night. Therefore we will be holding an extra information session at **3.15pm on Wednesday the 17\(^{th}\) of August** in the Callistemon classroom at Yinnar South.
**Tree Planting Day**
We were lucky with the weather, only a few drizzles of rain. We planted over 450 plants. Every one enjoyed the day especially the hot sausage after the hard work was done.

![Image of children planting trees](image1.jpg)

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**Play is the Way Focus**
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If someone is unlike you, seek to understand them.

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**Lifestyles Levies Term 3**
Lifestyle levy of $30 per child are due to be paid by the 22nd July. If you have any outstanding levies please pay these ASAP. Students with outstanding Lifestyle levies (and no agreed payment plan) will be unable to participate in our shared lunch.

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**Breakfast Club**
All of our students are welcome to attend breakfast club. The times for breakfast club is **8:30 am** to **8:45 am Wednesday, Thursday, Friday**. This allows students time to finish their breakfast before class at 9:00 am.
A reminder please that students should not be in attendance before 8.45 on **Monday** and **Tuesday** as they will not be supervised prior to this time.

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**Restaurant Night**
Restaurant Night is this Thursday 17th August **6pm- 8pm** in the hall.
**Wattle Lifestyles**

This week in Lifestyles Wattle students have been identifying natural and made items, and change in the environment. They planted six different types of seeds in the garden and will be tracking their growth over coming weeks.

**Cultural Day** On Thursday August 4th Wattle students attended the Chinese Culture day at Kurnai College in Churchill. Students participated in five different activities throughout the day and enjoyed a chicken and fried rice lunch. A great day experienced by all involved.
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