

YaleNews



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Dates to

Remember!

- School Photos 1st & 2nd March
- In Term Swimming Yrs 1-6 start 6th March

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A note from the Principal

Dear parents,

Welcome back to school for Term 1 2018. We have had a fabulous start to the school year and the students have settled in well. Welcome to all our new parents who are at Yale Primary School for the first time and welcome to our new teaching and non-teaching staff.

Congratulations to all our new student councillors and faction captains we look forward to working with you to make our school a great school.

Parents I would like to remind you that **students are not be at school before 8.15am** in the morning as that is when the school is able to provide supervision for students arriving at school early. It has come to my attention that some parents are sending their children to school as early as 7.30am which is far too early. If students arrive at school before 8.30am they are to go the undercover area where supervision is provided.

If you need before or after school care the school has a before and after school care provider in the Helping Hands organisation who are at school earlier and later than school staff are and work out of the new undercover area each day. Information about the Helping Hands group/service can be obtained at the front office; just talk to Lyn or Kerry and they will be more than happy to help you. I want to reiterate that students should not arrive at school before 8.15am as it is dangerous to assume that they are being supervised before that time.

Thank you for support in this important matter.

Glen Read—Principal

***Our Vision :** At Yale Primary School we seek to develop the whole student and give them equal access to a range of learning opportunities enabling every student to experience success. We are guided by our core values of respect, responsibility, caring for others and being our best. Staff and community members aim for all students to be empowered to set and reach their goals through actively engaging in the pursuit of knowledge and committing to achieving their potential now and in the future.*

SCIENCE NEWS 2018

Dear young scientists, parent and Yale science community.

Welcome back to a new science year.

Year 6 are preparing to go to **Aylesford Reserve** during their science lessons this year.

It is an **A Class Reserve** which is unusual in an urban setting and just behind the school. The students will be doing many ongoing science related activities and planting later in the year.

Terracycle

<https://www.terracycle.com.au>

We are collecting:

- batteries, (small ones)
- shampoo and conditioner bottles
- coffee pods (empty)

These items are sent to Terracycle in Sydney, melted down and formed into benches, rubbish bins, garden borders and the school collects points that the school can reclaim.. and we help keep plastic out of the waste system.

We are liaising with Battery World at Maddington to collect batteries and later in the year do a community battery round-up including car batteries.

Ms Baker's year 5 students will continue the Waste Wise Project through the school and manage the worm farm. We have a newly planted fruit tree orchard near Pre-Primary which they will help to keep an eye on. Thank you Year 5's and pre-primary students.

Mrs Kolevski's class will be encouraging recycling plastic for art and repurposing. Thank you B5.

The Blood/Blue Moon was amazing this year. The Lunar Eclipse was the main feature of conversation in science during the first week back. Below are the dates for the next eclipses.



Eclipse Visibility From Perth	Visibility Worldwide	
28 Jul 2018, Total Lunar Eclipse	Total Lunar Eclipse Much of Europe, Much of Asia, Australia, Africa, South in North America, South America, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Antarctica	A world map with a red shaded area indicating the visibility of the Total Lunar Eclipse on 28 Jul 2018. The shaded area covers most of Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa, and parts of North and South America.
17 Jul 2019, Partial Lunar Eclipse	Partial Lunar Eclipse Much of Europe, Much of Asia, Australia, Africa, South/East North America, South America, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Antarctica	A world map with a purple shaded area indicating the visibility of the Partial Lunar Eclipse on 17 Jul 2019. The shaded area covers most of Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa, and parts of North and South America.

<https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/in/australia/perth>

CONGRATULATIONS TO former pupil Shanice, who graduated in 2013 and has been selected in the WA U19 Softball Team and will be playing in the United States of America this year. Well done Shanice and what a wonderful opportunity and experience.

A NOTE FROM THE COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE:

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of their work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

Sleep

Getting back to the normal school routine can be challenging after a long holiday. Getting a good night's sleep will help your child to be more settled, happy and ready for school, and will strengthen his/her immune system. School-aged children need 10 -11 hours sleep a night. Here are some sleep tips:

- Have a bedtime routine – this will help your child wind down from the day.
- Keep the bedroom dark, cool and quiet - this will help your child drift off easily.
- If anxieties or worries are keeping your child from relaxing, acknowledge the feelings and deal with it straight away or plan to sort the issue out in the morning after a good night's sleep.

Remember, medication is not the answer to children's sleep problems.

The Community Health Nurse contact number is 63303124, or go to <http://raisingchildren.net.au> for more information.

SCHOOL STUDENT

LEADERS 2018

Prefects:

Yeew B	Petimara M
Casey R	Tia H
Fiza S	Rongrong J
Keiko H	Ulan W
Kiara C	Luke S

Faction Captains

Red	Harlam T and Jade A
Green	Clamart C and Riana W
Blue	Jayden M and Justice M
Gold	Sashya D and James M

YALE PRIMARY SCHOOL P & C

The Yale P & C would like to officially welcome everyone to the start of a new school year and extend a warm welcome to all our new families. The P & C has a Facebook page that keeps you up to date with school events, P & C Meetings and the ability to ask other parents questions. Just search for 'Yale Primary School P & C'.

The 2018 Annual General Meeting of the Yale Primary School Parents and Citizens' Association will be held on Thursday 1st March commencing at 2pm to be held in the Hive Room located near the canteen. (Directional signs will be up around the school.)

All current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following positions:-

President **Vice Presidents,** **Secretary,** **Treasurer** (Hon. Title only as we have a hired book-keeper).

If you wish to nominate someone or yourself for any of the above positions, please email yalepandc@hotmail.com.

All current P & C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions on the executive and sub-committees.

The AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however, only financial members are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions. A gold coin donation is the current membership fee per year, which can be paid on the day.

We hope to see as many people there as possible, as the running of the school canteen relies on an operational P & C. Please let us know if you are able to attend via email or Facebook.

Thank you.

SCHOOL PARKING 2018 : Safety around this school remains a high priority for the City of Gosnells Ranger Services and for the staff at Yale. As part of the ongoing commitment to the school community, the City Rangers will inspect every school at the commencement of each term to ensure the correct parking signage is in place and determine its priority level with regards to parking issues. Schools that are determined as a high level of importance will be given priority for Ranger attendance.

For your information, the City of Gosnells has implemented the use of single yellow lines painted on the edge of the road. The yellow lines will be used where placement of signs may be difficult, pose a hazard or affect the amenity of an area. Stopping or parking anywhere along these yellow lines may attract a penalty of \$100.

Outlined below are suggestions that may assist you when you are parking around Yale Primary School.



Parking around schools – Did you know?

Option 1

It is an offence to park on a footpath. Blocking pathways gives pedestrians little choice but to walk on or near the road, increasing the risk of an accident. If you are parking near a school please consider the safety of children.

Option 2

Parking on private property or a verge opposite the private property is unlawful unless the property owner has given permission. Don't risk getting a fine and be considerate of residents who live around schools.

Option 3

Walk or ride to school if you can. Research has shown that exercise has many positive effects including improved health and wellbeing and better learning outcomes at school. Walking or riding to school instead will help relieve congestion and reduce your carbon footprint through less car emissions. If it's too far to travel on foot or bike, consider being dropped off at a safe place closer to school and walk the rest of the way.

Option 4

Congestion around schools can be a major traffic hazard. Some motorists double park or park contrary to signs causing visibility issues or creating blind spots, which put young lives at risk. Please obey all signage and road rules to provide a safer school environment and consider alternative travel such as walking, cycling or public transport.

Option 5

If you get to school by car, plan your travel to assist in creating a safer environment by reducing congestion and ultimately saving time. Try arriving a bit earlier or later in the day to avoid peak drop-off and pick-up periods. Reducing the number of vehicles in the area at the same time will reduce the risk of accidents and crashes. Where it's safe to do so, you could also drop off students a short distance from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Option 6

Instead of trying to find limited parking spaces around the school or risk being fined for illegal parking, why not walk to school or take turns with other parents to walk a group of children to school – you can all enjoy the health benefits. Walking can help children get their daily hour of recommended physical activity, which builds strong bones and muscles, improve fitness and helps maintain a healthy weight. Walking also saves you money on fuel and reduces greenhouse gas emissions.

Option 7

Rangers at the City of Gosnells use the City's *Parking Local Law 2012* to ensure parking remains safe, lawful and allows traffic to flow. Don't risk a fine for parking illegally around a school – many parking infringements are \$100. If you can't find anywhere around the school, consider parking further away and walk the rest of the distance. Better still, if it's possible, leave the car at home and walk or cycle to school to improve your health and reduce congestion on the roads.