**Principals Report**

I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter long weekend. It was a good opportunity to recharge the batteries, ready for the last two weeks of Term 1. There are still a number of events happening around the school running up to the holidays, so please see the calendar in this newsletter or continue to check the calendar on our website for further information.

**Easter Hat Parade**

What a great day the students had last Thursday. The weather wasn’t in our favour, however we were still able to undertake a number of modified games in the afternoon as well as a shortened version of our hat parade. Well done to our K,1,2 students for constructing such colourful hats. I would like to say a special thank you and congratulations to the students who produced our ‘Egg in a Scene’ display in the library. They were all of an extremely high standard, with a lot of time and effort being put into creating these masterpieces. Thank you to all involved. Students, I hope you place these ‘scenes’ in a safe place at home so you can continue to enjoy them into the future.

**Young Leaders**

Our school captains and vice captains went to Sydney last Monday, along with five thousand other school leaders from around the State, as part of the NSW Young Leaders conference. What a great opportunity for our students to attend and witness such an exciting event. Two of the speakers were Nathan Hindmarsh and Jess Fox, who spoke about their upbringing and how they succeeded in their chosen fields, even when things got tough. I was so pleased to see our students represent the school with such pride and I also received many positive comments about the way our students conducted themselves.

**Calendar**

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**Cross Country Carnival**

Our Cross Country Carnival will be held this Thursday. Have a read of the information in this newsletter and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the school. Also, please take note of the arrangements for the students auditioning for the Dance Festival after the carnival. This information is also in the newsletter. Remember asthmatics to bring their puffers.

**National Curriculum**

As you may have heard, the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), in collaboration with the States and Territories, has developed an agreed Australian Curriculum for Literacy, Numeracy, Science and History. Each of these learning areas includes content statements that represent essential learning for all Australian students. As part of these changes new syllabus documents have been developed and posted to schools, so teachers can familiarise themselves with the various changes. As part of the package, there are information brochures for parents. If you would like a copy, please grab one from the office foyer.

I will be taking a week’s long service leave next week. If you have any concerns or questions regarding our school or any events that are taking place, please give the school a call and Karen Date will be able to help. I will be back at work from the beginning of Term 2.

Have a great week.  
Derek Noffke  
Principal
A reminder to return all Cross Country permission notes and money as soon as possible, thank you!

5/6 NEWS
“All About Me” projects for both classes are due next week! Please remember to get these completed!

This will be the last week for Maths homework. 5/6S will still have spelling next week but it is a revision week!

Remember Thursday is our school Cross Country so I hope everyone is fit and ready for a great day!

Mrs Chilvers, Mrs Serafin and Mr Turner

CANTEEN NEWS
Thank you to everyone who has helped over the last few weeks. I still need a helper for next Friday, 12th April.

Thank you to everyone who has put their name down to help at the Cross Country. Just come over to the canteen area when you are able to help on the day. I will need a few helpers when it is time to cook and serve the sausages.

I will have some lollies for sale on the day as well as the normal chips/biscuits etc. I will also have tea/coffee and cake for the adults.

Thank you, Linda Piva

DANCE FESTIVAL
Our audition for the Riverina Dance Festival will be held this Thursday afternoon after the school Cross Country. Students in the dance group will need to return to school for the audition after the carnival.

Thanks, Mrs Brown

FUNDRAISING
At our last fundraising meeting we discussed a fundraising schedule and decided on the following:

- Reverse Draw at Yenda Pub 12th April (tickets are now selling)
- Chocolates and Bunnings BBQ Term 2
- Movie Premier Night Term 3
- Barefoot Bowls Term 4

We will be having our next fundraising meeting on Friday, 5th April at 5pm at the Yenda Pub. Everyone is welcome, please come along. We will discuss the Reverse Draw and the Term 2 activities.

Please contact Linda on 0458 538161 or Simone 0417 489708

Congratulations to Seaena Penfold on her fine performances as part of the Griffith District Soccer Team

CROSS COUNTRY
This Thursday 4th April we will be holding our annual school cross country at the Yenda Golf Course. Students will be travelling to the Golf Course by bus and the cost is $2.00 for each child.

Students are asked to dress in their house colours and to bring adequate supplies for the day including water, medications, hats, towels to sit on etc.

Linda Piva will be running a canteen on the day including sausages, snack and drinks. If your child is not purchasing lunch please ensure they bring their own. Students are able to depart early with parents, but please ensure you notify your classroom teacher. Dance students will need to return to school!

We would love parents to attend the day and help to cheer on their children during their event! We would also appreciate parent volunteers as course officials around the track or to set up the tents in the morning.

Volunteers will be called for down at the golf course once we are settled!

Events will start at around 9.30am and they will include:
5 years, 6 years and 7 years - 700m
8/9 years, 10 years – 2000m
11 years, 12/13 years 3000m

With thanks, Melinda Serafin

KAREN ROBERTS FAMILY DAY CARE
Has vacancies for school aged and preschool children.
8 West Ave, Yenda 0435 972618
Early starts or late nights.

SOCCER NEWS
Yenda Tigers Soccer Club will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 9th of April at the Yenda Hotel at 6.30pm. Anyone wanting to become involved as a committee member is encouraged to come and have a say. Meetings are informal and held once a month at the Yenda Hotel. Everyone is welcome.

Jason Wood 0447681441.Kathryn Starr 0427781392
YENDA PRESCHOOL HAS REOPENED
Open from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday (Extended hours are available for working parents)
Cater for ages 3 to 6 years
Cost $28 per day
Yenda Preschool implements a child centred program based upon the principles outlined in the national Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) – “Belonging, Being and Becoming”.

For enquiries about our service please do not hesitate to come into Yenda Preschool on Bingar St, Yenda or phone the Director Christian Callinan on 6968 1335
Reverse Draw is on again!
Last Friday of Term 1
April 12th 2013
Get your tickets now
Send your $20 in an envelope to the office with your name & phone number on it or contact Jodie Gilbert  0414 412 088
Tickets on Sale at school each Monday & Friday morning before school. (Money goes to School)