**Principal's Report**

**Parent Information Sessions-What's Next**
I hope you found the Parent Information Sessions informative and learnt more about the number of programs we are running at Yenda Public School. Our next planned event involving parents is our Term 1 Parent/Teacher interviews. These will be held in Week 10, starting Monday 31st March. Like last year, each class will be allocated a day where these interviews will take place. A timetable will be released soon, so parents can start planning their diaries. I would encourage all parents to attend these interviews.

**Annual Permission Notes & Administering Medication**
There were a number of forms for parents to fill in at our Parent Information Nights. These included local walking, Internet and permission to publish notes. If you were not at any of these nights or you have misplaced these notes, please have your child ask for other copies. There are still a few of these outstanding and it would be appreciated if these could be returned.

Attached are two copies of ‘Request for Administering Prescribed Medicines’ forms, giving our staff permission to administer medication to your child. Please keep these handy and fill them in if you require your child to be given their medication during the school day. Staff are unable to administer medications without this form being signed. Thank you for your help regarding this matter.

**P&C Movie Night**
Thank you to those parents and community members who came along to the P&C Movie Night. It was a very deep movie, however it gave the viewer an insight into the plight of so many African Americans during that time. Something that we hope never gets repeated.

Please keep an eye out on future fundraising events this year as there are many planned.

**Zone Swimming Carnival**
Congratulations to our Zone Swimming Team. Mr Turner has reported back that all students tried their very best and were all very well behaved. Unfortunately we didn’t have any students progress through to the Riverina level, however I am sure there were many personal best times recorded. I would like to thank each student on representing the school with pride.

**Dress-Up Day**
This Friday is our first SRC fundraising event for the year. We are asking students to dress up as “what they want to be when they grow up”. It will be a gold coin donation, with the money raised going towards Children’s Cancer Research. Get planning and thinking as we will hold a mini fashion parade during our K-6 assembly.

**Homework Help**
Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practise their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments? The free School A to Z app has been created by the Department of Education and Communities to help parents and their school-aged children, wherever and whenever they have homework and study questions. Find out more: [http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/school-a-to-z](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/school-a-to-z)

Somewhere along the line we seemed to have absorbed the idea that teenagers can multi-task perfectly because they’re digital natives. Can kids really do their homework and multi-task? Find out more:[http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/homework-and-multitasking-can-it-be-done](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/homework-and-multitasking-can-it-be-done)

Have a great week.
Derek Noffke,
Principal
**Calendar**

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**FUNDRAISING**

On behalf of the Year 3 fundraising committee I would like to thank all the people that supported our first fundraising event for 2014. We raised $689.00 which was a great effort considering the short notice. I would like to especially thank Lois Clifford, Jo Patten and Sonia Scott for their help. Also I would like to thank those who donated gifts for our raffle and lucky door prize, they were Yenda Pharmacy, Starfish Florist, Casella Wines and Griffith Central. We look forward to future fundraising events throughout the year and ask for support and help where possible.

**Welcome to Our New Kindergarten Students**

Each newsletter we will have pictures and information on two of our new Kindergarten students. This week we have Lili Vaccari and Quade Callinan.

**Name**

Lili Vaccari

**What do you Like about School**

I like everything especially playing with my friends and playing in the sandpit.

**What do you want to do when you grow up**

I want to be a Scientist when I grow up.

**Name**

Quade Callinan

**What do you Like about School**

I like playing on the iPads and playing on the equipment

**What do you want to do when you grow up**

I want to be a Tennis Star when I grow up.

**YENDA RAIN EXHIBITION**

The official opening this Thursday 6 March, 6pm at the Griffith Regional Art Gallery. Exhibition runs 28th February to 30th March.

**P&C NEWS**

The P&C AGM will be held on Tuesday 11th March 7pm in the school library. All parents are welcome to attend. Please come along and find out what is happening at your school.

All positions on the committee will be declared vacant and nominations are required for all roles on the executive committee, Phone 0428202719 for further information.