Principal’s Report

Principal Classification 2016
As part of our Local Schools, Local Decisions reforms, in 2016 the Department of Education is introducing a new school classification structure that is based on levels of school complexity.

Yenda Public School will be reclassified as a P1 Classification for 2016 and the principal position will remain as an administrative role (ie. non-teaching). This classification level is determined by 2015 funding data.

I will be continuing in this role at Yenda PS for 2016 and am looking forward to another exciting and productive year at this wonderful school.

Presentation Night
As you will have noticed on our calendar, our Annual Presentation Night is being held tonight at 6:00pm in our school hall.

I would like to encourage all families to attend this evening as it is a celebration and recognition of student achievement over the 2015 school year. I understand that families are very busy at this time of year, however your support and attendance would be appreciated.

Students will need to wear full school uniform and should arrive at 5.50pm.

School Magazine
We will again be producing our own School Magazine this year. We will be asking parents to pre-order their magazine using the order form attached. This year the Magazine will cost $7.00 per copy and will be available in the coming weeks.

Feel free to order as many as you like as they are a great item to keep for future memories.

School Choir
Our Yenda Public School Choir will be presenting a number of Christmas Carols at Griffith Central on Thursday 10th December, commencing at around 2:00pm. Parents are welcome to attend and enjoy our students’ performance.

Star Awards Presentation Assembly
Although we have finished formal fortnightly assemblies, Star Awards will continue! This Friday, at 9am we will be holding a short presentation assembly in the hall to give students any outstanding certificates.

School Disco
A whole school disco will be held on Thursday 10th December in the infants block. All students from Kindergarten to Year 5 are welcome to attend. This is the same night as the Year 6 farewell, therefore Year 6 students will join the disco after the completion of their dinner.

The disco will commence at 7:00pm and conclude at 9:00pm. The cost will be $3.00 per student on entry and they will be able to purchase drinks, chips and lollies from the canteen. Glow sticks will also be available for purchase. It is always a fun night for the students.

Semester 2 Reports
Finally, Semester 2 reports will go home on Friday 11th December. Please make an appointment with your child’s classroom teacher before or after this date, if you feel you need to discuss your child’s educational journey.
Classes for 2016
We are currently filling an Expression of Interest for a teacher in 2016. The skills and experience that this person brings to the role will influence the placement of the classroom teacher for next year.

We will have the following class graphs: K, 1/2, 2/3, 4/5, 4/5 and 6.

Have a great week!
Kate Brace
Principal (Rel)

New awards for Presentation Night
This year Bidgee studio begins the sponsorship of a new award at Yenda Public School awards night. We are very pleased to announce six (Yr 1 to Yr6) Visual Arts and Creativity awards. An opportunity to celebrate even more of our talented kids!
Thank you 😊

Year 6 Mini Fete
Last Friday Yr 6 held a mini-fete. Yr 6 would like to thank everyone for coming and spending your money on our stalls. We raised $1365.45 which will be going to a donation for our school. We hope you all had an enjoyable day at our mini-fete. Thankyou, Yr 6.

Due to very generous donations made by some of our families to the school, we have been able to purchase this amazing digital piano. Thank you. The students (and teachers!) will have lots of fun with this amazing new resource!

Library News
Please remember to return your Library books as soon as possible. There are at least 34 students with overdue books and I will be sending notices home every day this week as we do need these books returned to finalise our stocktake. Also, please check if you have any other Yends PS books like ‘readers’ at home as these need to be returned also.

Mrs S Chilvers
Teacher – Librarian

Year 6 2016 Shirt Order
If you wish to order a shirt this year so you will have it for Term 1 2016, orders need to be returned to the office by this Friday 11th December. Remember you can leave your order until the beginning of next year but we cannot guarantee they will be ready before Easter.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE
Our School Magazine will be available soon please order your copy now. The cost is $7.

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YENDA CAROLS
A huge thankyou to all the students who sang at Carols last night. They did an amazing job despite the heat!
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The Christmas Surprise

On Christmas Eve Will.T, Will.B and I went to sleep. As soon as I closed my eyes I heard a bang. Everyone woke up!

I got out of bed. I sighed. “I wish toys were alive”. Then I heard an unfamiliar voice. “Hi Riley,” it said. I turned around. IT WAS DUCK!!! I was confused. “Aah I wish cats can talk?” I said. “Can I please come in?” said a voice. It sounded familiar, just like Millie’s meows. So I opened the door and...IT WAS MILLIE!!!!!! “Well I better be careful what I wish for then,” I said.

Will.B came into my room. “It’s not Christmas,” he said. We went in the lounge room. There weren’t any presents under the tree. We looked at the clock and it was 8 o’clock. Meanwhile... at the Terrazas Will.T went to sleep. Will.T woke up as soon as he closed his eyes.

When I got back to my room I said “Why do I wish dinosaurs never died out?” Then I had a flashback. “Well, I better be careful what I wish for then,” said a ghostly version of me. Will.T, Will.B, all the toys, all the cats and I ran outside. There were time vortexes everywhere in Yenda. The toys tried attacking the dinos but the toys didn’t even hurt the dinos. Then I tried. “I wish dinosaurs died out!” I shouted. Nothing happened! I just fell to the ground. Will.T and Will.B joined the toys kicking and punching the dinos.

When I got up I ran to a trike. I tried to jump on it’s tail, but it hit me. Suddenly Santa flew across the sky and for some reason it started to snow. Sleigh bells rang in a jingle bells tune. Then the church bell struck midnight, it was Christmas morning. When Santa fell off his sleigh a T-Rex opened his mouth wide ready to have its breakfast! But! No, no, no an Ankylo saved Santa by getting into a fight with the T-Rex. What I didn’t think about was the fact that when Santa hits the ground he would die.

That’s when I noticed that I was standing next to all the Transformers cars from the movies. “If I have enough wish power,” I figured, “I can WISH TRANSFORMERS REAL!!”. When I looked at the closest T-Rex, it’s head was gone.

I woke up, and I saw Santa. After the presents were delivered, I got a ride on Santa’s sleigh. And that’s it. It was all a dream!!

By Riley Brown