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# YERONG CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Week 2 Term 3 2019



*Dear Parents and Carers*

*A big welcome back to everybody for a busy Term 3 full of learning! All our students have settled well straight back into the school routine and by all accounts everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing break (especially appreciating sleeping in during the cold mornings we have had).*

*This week I will be accompanying our recorder group to the Sydney Opera House. Good luck to all our performers- they have worked very hard throughout the first half of the year practicing every day at lunch time to make sure they have learned the fairly complicated songs. I look forward to seeing and hearing them on stage with students from throughout NSW.*

*Thank you to the families who have taken the time to fill in and return the parent surveys. These form an important part of driving future school directions and priorities. Could I please urge those who have not yet filled them out to do so over the next couple of weeks. The information will be collated and discussed at the P and C meeting in Term 4. Miss Midgley has started back with us this week and will be teaching in the K-2 classroom under my supervision. Please make her welcome to our school and say*

*hello when you see her 😊. She is thrilled to be back and getting reacquainted with our students.*

*Forms have gone home to all families to ask for assistance at the Bernie O'Connor Cup being held on Friday, Week 4 this term. This is the major fundraiser for our P and C and provides funds for much needed additional resources for the school. If you are able to spare any time to help at this event it will be greatly appreciated.*

*On Monday, we participated in a whole school excursion to The Rock Central School to join in NAIDOC Week celebrations.*

*Although the weather was not ideal, our students represented our school brilliantly.*

*They participated in a range of Indigenous games and Indigenous artworks.*

*Congratulations to each and every one of our students for their exemplary behaviour and positive attitude in participating in all activities enthusiastically- even if we all did get a little damp! Thank you to Ms Donna Rockley, Principal, The Rock Central School, for making us so welcome.*

*Until next time, keep safe and well.*

Kym Poidevin  
Relieving Principal

## K-2 News

Welcome back ☺

During Week 1 and 2 we are engaging in our literacy rotations, with a focus on reading comprehension. We are continuing to develop our phonemic knowledge through weekly focus on digraphs (2 letters saying the one sound). All students are making pleasing progress at their individual level. The support provided at home in listening to the readers nightly has been invaluable in the progress being made. Thank you.

For the first 3 weeks of term, we will be engaging in a unit of work on fractions in maths. Miss Midgley will be delivering the lessons under my supervision. We have introduced a new formative maths assessment program this term, and students will be taking home worksheets to practice concepts they have not yet mastered. During Education Week we will provide families with a resource pack of games to play at home to reinforce numeracy strategies.

Next week we will be commencing our unit of work on energy and forces. Our class will be learning about these concepts through engaging with musical instruments. You will be excited to know that some student made instruments should find their way home to you by the end of the term ☺

Please make a time at the office to make an appointment to discuss your child's Semester 1 report. I am available most afternoons after school, and look forward to sharing your child's accomplishments with you. If you require a longer meeting, please mention this when you book a time.

Kym Poidevin

## 3-6 Class News

Welcome back to Term 3! Already this term is looking busy with many exciting learning opportunities in store for our students! It was great to start this week off sharing the celebration of NAIDOC Week with students from The Rock Central School. Good luck to our four students representing Yerong Creek Public School in the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House on Thursday night.

Our maths topics for the first three weeks of this term are the number sub strand of subtraction and addition and the measurement sub strand of 3D objects. In addition and subtraction our focus will be strategies and accuracy. Too often students are making simple errors while solving

equations requiring multiple steps. It is important to pay attention to each step to ensure a high level of accuracy.

During writing this term we are focusing on skills and strategies to improve our students writing skills. We are using 'mini lesson' and 'quick write' ideas from 'The Writing Book' by Sheena Cameron & Louise Dempsey. Please ask your child to explain the focus of their writing each week this term. One strategy which will feature each week is editing to improve our writing.

In History this term we are looking at the 'Age of Exploration'.

It is exciting to have access to another STEM Share Kit this term. Students will be exploring the world of virtual reality!

Have a great fortnight!

Mrs Noske ☺

## Education Week

Education Week is a statewide, annual event, held during the first week of August, to celebrate NSW public education. The theme for 2019 is '**Every Student, Every Voice**'.

Our school will celebrate Education week on Friday 9 August from 2pm.

Parents, carers and friends are invited to participate in an afternoon of games and activities with the students. A sausage sizzle will be provided.



## PJ Day- Asthma Australia

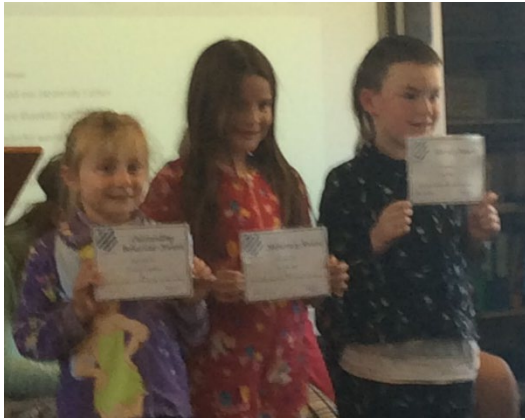
Thank you to the students and staff who contributed to the charity event by donating a gold coin. \$25.00 was raised for Asthma Australia.

## Bernie O'Connor Football/ Netball Carnival

Our Football/ Netball Carnival is fast approaching. Students in Year 2 – Year 6 will have the choice to pick which sport they would like to participate in. Please remember that students playing AFL will need to wear a mouthguard, which can be purchased from your local pharmacy.

Notes regarding helpers for the canteen were sent home last week, please return as soon as possible.





## School Calendar

### Week 2

Thursday 1 August	Recorders @ Sydney Opera House
Friday 2 August	SRC Lunch Day School Sports

### Week 3

Monday 5 August	Chess Club
Tuesday 6 August	<b>P&amp;C Meeting @3.30pm</b>
Wednesday 7 August	BHS Year 6 Transition @ 2.15pm
Friday 9 August	<b>Education Week Activities from 2pm.</b> SRC Meeting @1.40pm

### Week 4

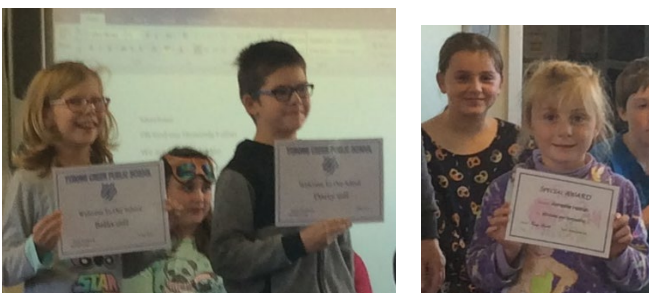
Monday 12 August	Chess Club
Friday 16 August	Bernie O'Connor Football/Netball Carnival

### Week 5

Monday 19 August	<b>Book Week/ Book Fair</b> Chess Club
Tuesday 20 August	<b>Assembly @ 2.45pm</b>
Friday 23 August	School Sports SRC Meeting @1.40pm

### Week 6

Monday 26 August	Chess Club
Wednesday 28 August	<b>School Photos</b>



Friday 30 August      BHS Year 6  
Transition @ 2.15pm  
SRC Lunch Day  
School Sports

### **Week 7**

Monday 2 September      Chess Club  
Friday 6 September      School Sports  
SRC Meeting  
@1.40pm

### **Week 8**

Monday 9 September      Chess Club  
Friday 13 September      SRC Lunch Day  
School Sports

### **Week 9**

Monday 16 September      Chess Club  
Tuesday 17 September      Henty Field Days  
Wednesday 18 September      Henty Field Days  
Thursday 19 September      Henty Field Days  
Friday 20 September      School Sports  
SRC Meeting  
@1.40pm

### **Week 10**

Monday 23 September      Chess Club  
Friday 27 September      SRC Lunch Day  
School Sports  
Last day of Term 3.

### **SRC Lunch Day**

**Party Pies - \$1.00**  
**Steamed Dim Sims - \$1.00**  
**Hot Dogs - \$3.50**  
**Fruit Boxes - \$1.00**

**Orders to be in by Thursday.**  
**No late orders will be accepted.**

### **WEEK 10 ASSEMBLY AWARDS**

#### **Literacy Awards-**

Seth- Great Improvement in Reading  
Comprehension  
Riley- Excellent Assessment Results in Grammar

#### **Numeracy Awards-**

Rori- Outstanding Perseverance with Numeracy  
Strategies  
Desiree- Consistent Effort in Mathematics

#### **Library Awards-**

Leilya- Consistently Borrowing from the Library  
Desiree- Returning All the Library Books

#### **Behaviour Awards-**

Annaleise- Outstanding Behaviour During Class  
and Break Times  
Serenity- Displaying Our School Rules through  
Actions  
Charlotte- Displaying Our School Rules through  
Actions

#### **Reading Awards-**

50 nights: Ryan  
125 nights: Serenity

#### **Attendance Awards-**

Charlotte, Serenity, Bella, Darcy, Connor,  
Campbell, Leilya, Annaleise.

#### **Kindness Award-**

Annaleise

### **Notes and Payment Reminder**

Class/ Year	Event	Date of Event	Cost	Due Date
3-6	3-6 Excursion	16/09/19	\$50 ongoing payment	02/09/19
2-6	F/N Carnival	16/08/19	No cost	05/08/19
Kinder – Year 1	Walk to F/N Carnival	16/08/19	No cost	05/08/19