Yesterday the Yarra Road Cross Country team competed in the Ringwood District Cross Country Carnival. As a result of the outstanding effort of all 53 members of the team we achieved the highest aggregate score and we are the **2016 Ringwood District Champions!!**

The following students placed in the top 10 in their age groups and have qualified to run in the Division Cross Country to be held on Tuesday 7th June at Yarra Glen Racecourse. Good luck team, go Yarra Road!

- 9/10 Girls 1st Keely P
- 9/10 Girls 3rd Savannah W
- 9/10 Girls 10th Lahni W
- 9/10 Boys 6th Cooper S
- 11 Girls 1st Ashleigh R
- 11 Girls 2nd Emma S
- 11 Girls 7th Charlotte M
- 12/13 Girls 3rd Charlee S
- 12/13 Girls 4th Sienna K
- 12/13 Girls 6th Bella W
STARS OF THE WEEK

PrepK Millie S
For the resilience she is showing as she tries to remember he ‘special’ words

Prep M Liam I
For showing responsibility by helping out in our classroom

1B Joshua B
For confidently sharing his writing with our class

1D Oscar G
For coming to school with a smile on his face and for not letting his injury hold him back!

Kiara R
For demonstrating excellence in reading by going up 4 levels!

1/2MP Sienna O
For confidently writing 5 sizzling starts in 5 minutes!

2E Jack Mc
For an absolutely amazing ‘sizzling start’ in his story

3/4A Ryan G
For being such a helpful boy on Cross Country Day

3/4JQ Savannah W
For always showing confidence in her class work and excellence in her district cross country run!

3/4R Reese C
For showing excellence in reading and writing

Krissada G
For showing confidence to share his stories with his peers

3/4 S Andre M
For showing excellence in creative writing

5C/H Brennan D
For writing an intriguing ‘sizzling start’ to hook readers

Hannah H
For writing an engaging ‘sizzling start’ to hook her readers

5H Ashleigh R
For publishing a fantastic narrative story using Storybird.com

6RV Jack S
For resilience when missing out on sport and continuing to fulfil his role as soccer vice-captain

6VL Billy D
Excellence—for his persistent work on irregular 3D shapes!

360 Panorama
Price: $1.99
Age: Foundation – Grade 6
Genre: Photography
Description: This app is so much fun for the budding photographer! 360 Panorama turns your iPhone, iPod Touch, or iPad into a full featured 360-degree panoramic camera. Simply pan the camera and watch as images are stitched together. 360 Panorama captures the scene in a way you never could with a traditional camera. It is very important that you move the device slowly otherwise the picture will become blurry. It is very fun to take videos of places you want to show your friends and family.

By Jackson & Ethan
My name is Ava Cooper and last year I was in Prep K with Mrs Kirby. On my first day of school I was very excited and a little bit nervous but Mrs Kirby met me with a smile, which made me feel better that my teacher was nice.

My grade 5 buddy Ebony, helped me around school at playtime and lunch to make sure I was happy in the playground. We got to bring home a reader on our very first day, which I thought was pretty cool. My Mum said that I read it about 20 times because I was so excited.

Every morning we would have silent reading, talk about the weather and what we would be doing for the day. We also counted each school day until we got to 100. We then got to have a big party and celebrate being at school for 100 days. We dressed up and ate lots of yummy food. We got to do lots of other fun things during the year like

- Teddy Bears Picnic on the oval with our buddies
- Cross Country at Lilydale Lake and I came 5th
- Athletics Day
- We got to bring home Mrs Kirbys friend Constable T Bear for a few days and share what we did with him with the class
- Production
- School swimming
- Superhero Day
- Prep Alphabet Concert
- Celebrated Yarra Roads 90th birthday
- Excursion to the farm where we had to pick up poo YUK

Along with all that we learnt to read and write and make lots of new friends in all different grades. I love coming to school and thank you Mrs Kirby for helping me in my first year.
PREP ENROLMENT FOR 2017

Don’t forget to submit your enrolments for Prep 2017 as soon as possible. Enrolment forms can be collected at the office.

You do need to be enrolled to attend the transition sessions commencing in term 3

Term 3 2016:
Friday 15th July
(Parents are asked to stay with their child)
Friday 12th August
(Parent afternoon tea with the Principal)
Friday 9th September
(School readiness talk for parents)
All sessions 2.15 to 3.15pm

Term 4 2016:
Friday 14th October
Friday 4th November
Friday 25th November
All sessions 2.15 to 3.15pm

Prep Information Night
Monday 5th December @ 7.00pm
(Preparing your child for school)

Orientation Morning
Tuesday 6th December
9.15am—12.45pm
(children spend the morning with their class for 2017)
Yarra Road Primary School
Working Bee
Sunday 5th June, 2016
9.00 am to 12.00 pm

This working bee will be focused on sprucing up our award winning Sanctuary and will involve weeding, mulching, raking, trimming, etc.

*Please BYO wheel barrows, forks, shovels, brooms, rakes, secateurs, protective gloves etc.

Sausage sizzle and refreshments at 12.00 pm

Looking forward to seeing you there,
Buildings and Grounds Committee

WORKING BEE RETURN SLIP
I / We will be attending the Working Bee on Sunday 5th June 2016
Family Name:_________________________________________
Number of Adults Attending: __________ Number of Children attending: __________
Tasks we are keen to do________________________________________________

Major Fundraiser for YRPS!!

Chocolates will be coming home on 6th June - we look forward to selling lots of yummy treats as this is one of our major fundraisers for the year!
Student Banking

School banking has now changed to Wednesday’s.

Could students please make sure they have brought in their bank books by Wednesday now please.

Canteen Autumn Meal Day—Friday 27th May

Just a reminder that there will be no normal lunch orders this Friday

There will be snack orders only through the class basket and the window will be open as per usual at lunchtime for zings/icy poles etc

Thank you,
Caroline & Lisa

Canteen Roster—Term 2

Friday 27th May
Vanessa Kennedy & Amanda Simpson

Friday 3rd June
Liz Armstrong & Britt Millward

Friday 10th June
Carrie Van De Graff & Ruth Robertson

Friday 17th June
Jenny Brown & Leesa Ferguson

Friday 24th June
Libby Prasad & Chelsea Weeks

Regards
Caroline and Lisa

Junior School Council Badge Presentation

Just a reminder that JSC badges will be presented again at assembly this coming Monday for all of those parents that missed out on a photo opportunity!

YRPS Information

Click on the links to view:

Current Notices
Diary Dates
Noticeboard
Yarra Road Primary School has been collecting mobile phones for the Melbourne Zoo to assist with gorilla conservation for the past 6 years. We have donated **1553 mobile phones** in that time!

In 2010 Yarra Road was invited to join in the zoo’s 148th birthday celebrations because they had donated 360 mobile phones, which equated to 1 for every child in the school. Yarra Road PS has featured on the channel 7 news and in the Maroondah Leader as a result. When Yarra Road had donated 1000 mobile phones, we were in the Zoo News.

**What happens to the phones?:** The phones are sold to a recycling company and the money goes towards gorilla conservation. Coltan that is mined from the gorilla’s natural habitat is also in mobile phones, so by recycling you not only raise money, but hopefully lessen the impact of mining.

If you have any old mobile phones that you no longer want, please drop them to the office at school. Let's see if we can reach 2000 by the end of 2016.

For those of you who don’t know why we are having a mobile phone drive, here is some information:
Coltan is a metallic ore that is mined both in and out of Africa and can be found within many electronic devices such as mobile phones. The mining of coltan within the Congo River Basin is contributing to forest loss and unrest in the region, and is accelerating the loss of mountain gorillas at an alarmingly fast rate. Whilst efforts are being made to tackle this issue, the majority of the world's known coltan reserves are found within Africa, and the mining of coltan within gorilla habitat continues. It is very difficult to know which phones contain coltan mined from Africa, however every phone can help save gorillas when donated to “They're Calling on You”.

By donating your mobile phone you are:
Diverting your phone from landfill. Phones are refurbished and resold
Helping Zoos Victoria raise money to support primate conservation
Lessening the demand for coltan mining in gorilla habitat
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