# Yangebup Primary School Issue 17 7 November 2025

**Independent Public School** 











**Our motto: Pride and Achievement** 

# Our values: Kindness, Achievement, Respect and Responsibility

### **Class Placements for 2026**

Staff work very hard in Term 4 to place students in classes for the following year. You can read our Class Placement Policy and our Split Grade Policy on our website yangebupps.wa.edu.au We try to ensure that each class has a range of abilities (split classes included) and that each student has at least one friend. If a student has been in a split class one year, if possible, they are put in a straight class the following year. It is important to understand that split classes are not organised based on ability (we favour independent students for these classes).

If there are any educational or behavioural issues that you think need to be brought to our attention before we place students, please let me know by email by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November andrea.macfarlane@education.wa.edu.au. Parents cannot request a particular teacher or not to be in a spit class. Please note that we have not yet finalised allocating teachers to grades as yet. Students will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher for an hour on the last day of school and class lists will be posted in the library windows the day before. Students cannot be changed once classes are set because there are so many factors that go into the decisions so please do not ask for changes.

### **Open Night**

Fantastic to see so many family members in the school this afternoon! Hope you enjoyed looking at all the fabulous work your children have been doing! Thank you to those who stayed for the family picnic. Always a lovely night.

# Leaving the School for 2026?

Our funding is based on student numbers so if you are considering leaving the school at the end of the year, please let us know asap. It doesn't have to be definite and it does help us with planning classes and staff needed.

### **Calling for Two New Parent Board Members**

Yangebup Primary school are proud to be an independent public school. As such we are seeking new board members to ensure our board truly represents the wonderful diversity we have here within the school. Parents of a culturally or linguistically diverse background are strongly encouraged to enquire.

The role of a Board member in a public school is to advise on strategic directions. Board members are not involved in the operation of the school. No experience is necessary. There is one meeting per term which usually goes for 1.5 – 2 hours and there is occasionally some reading of documents to save time during meetings.

If you feel like you would like to contribute and be a part of the school Board, please send me an email or give me a call to express your interest and find out more by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November. andrea.macfarlane@education.wa.edu.au 9395 3200

> **Andrea Macfarlane Principal**

# **Dates to Remember**

# Term 4

**Friday 7 November** PD Day for staff. No students

**Tuesday 11 November** Interschool Athletics Day 1

Friday 14 November Interschool Athletics Day 2

Wednesday 12 November Room 14 Assembly 2.20pm

Wednesday 3 December **Instrumental Assembly** 2.20pm

Thursday 11 December **Book Award Assembly** 9.15am

Wednesday 17 December Y6 Graduation

**Thursday 18 December** Last day for students

Friday 30 January 2026 Campion Booklist collection 8.30am—9.30am

# 2026 Term 1

**Monday 2 February** First day back at school for children

# **Student Achievements**

Ollie recently completed in the Sail Freo 2025 Premiere Blue Water Dinghy Regatta in the ocean off Fremantle. Ollie who only started sailing at the beginning of this year came first in his intermediate fleet division.

For anyone keen to see how much fun sailing is check this video of the recent Youth Sail out: <a href="https://youtu.be/AmmBF4CA8r4">https://youtu.be/AmmBF4CA8r4</a> or to learn to sail at Freo Sailing Club click here: <a href="https://">https://</a>

fremantlesailingclub.com.au/learn-to-sail/





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# **Compass update**

Have you downloaded the Compass App? We encourage both guardians to use the app. We will be sending you a reminder email with your login details. You can use the app to see your child's profile and to up date us on attendance. There will also be news items from your class teacher or the school office to view on the app too. For more information visit the Compass link via our website: www.yangebupps.wa.edu.au

# **Holidays and absences**

**Sickness:** A reminder if your child is unwell or attending an appointment, please log in to your Compass app and send an attendance note. Alternatively please contact the school office by phone **08 9395 3200** and leave a voicemail with your child's name, reason and date they are absent. An email can also be sent to the school office.

**Holidays:** The Department of Education discourages families taking vacations during school terms. If you are planning a vacation of more than 3 school days, please email the Principal with the request. The Principal will review and decide if it can be approved. Criteria is based on an attendance average of at least 90% and the number of vacations taken.

yangebup.ps@education.wa.edu.au

# 2026 Kindy places still available!

We still have availability for 2026 Kindergarten enrolments.

Application forms and details can be found here: www.yangebupps.wa.edu.au/enrolment

# P & C NEWS

# **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on 2 November**

Our P&C and Yr 6 Grad Committee fired up the barbie at Bunnings on Sunday and thanks to your amazing support, we raised just under \$2,500!

Half of these proceeds will fund the Yr 6 Graduation with the other half to fund P&C contributions to the school.

Huge thanks to everyone who cooked, served, donated, or simply stopped by for a bite - we couldn't have done it without you.

# **Uniform Shop**

We've got a surplus of stock of basketball style black shorts, so we've massively reduced the price to only \$5!

Pop into the uniform shop or place an order online.

The uniform shop is open fortnightly on Fridays (falling on the even weeks of term).

Our remaining open days for Term 4 are 21 November and 5 December.

When the shop is not open, orders can be placed online via the QR code.





# **P&C Meeting**

Instead of our next meeting, we'll be heading out to celebrate the year.

We welcome anyone who helped this year, anyone who wants to know more about the P&C and anyone thinking about joining next year.

Please RSVP so we can snag a table to fit us all.

Buy your own food and drinks.

The P&C (Parents & Citizens Assoc.) is a not for profit, volunteer group of parents, staff and friends of the school who work together for the benefit of Yangebup Primary School. We ALWAYS welcome new members! If you're interested in becoming a member, or you'd like more information, please email your details to us at <a href="mailto:yangebuppandc@gmail.com">yangebuppandc@gmail.com</a> or send us a Facebook message!

Please like and follow our Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/YangebupPrimaryPandC">https://www.facebook.com/YangebupPrimaryPandC</a>
to keep up with any news, reminders about meetings and upcoming school fundraising and community events.

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/yangebup\_primary\_school\_pandc

# How to talk about social media age restrictions with under-16s

# Conversation starters quick guide

# Before you begin

- Prepare yourself! Our frequently asked questions FAQs and Get-ready guide and action plan for parents and carers are a good place to start.
- . Choose a place (and time) that's relaxed and free from distractions.
- · Check in with yourself. Ask: 'Am I prepared for a tricky or emotional conversation?'

# **During the conversation**

- · Ask open-ended questions and listen carefully to what your child has to say.
- Gently prompt them if they need help expressing themselves, and encourage them to ask their own questions.
- It's OK not to have all the answers. You can even search the answers together starting with our social media age restrictions <u>FAOs and resources for young people</u>.
- . If they're not ready to keep talking, respect their space and look for another time to chat.

## After the conversation

- · Reflect on what you learned and may need more exploration.
- If questions were raised that you couldn't answer, set aside time to <u>find out more</u>.
- Follow up. Lots of little chats are often more effective than one big conversation and will help you both adjust to the changes.

# Let them know how to find help

- Remind them they can always come to you if something goes wrong online.
- Help them map out a support network of trusted adults they can turn to for support.
- Reassure them there are no penalties for under-16s using age-restricted social media platforms, or for their parents or carers.
- Check out our <u>I need help: Something has</u> happened online for young people.







### Conversation starters

Choose to follow these in order, or mix them up.

You know your child best – use that knowledge to guide
the conversation in a way that works for your family.

# Ask about their social media experiences

- · 'What are your favourite apps right now?'
- · 'How do you feel when using those apps?'
- · 'What do you spend most of your online time doing?'

# Ask what they've heard about the social media restrictions

- · 'What have you heard about the harms of social media?'
- · 'Do you know if the apps you use will be affected by the social media age restrictions?'
- What do you know about why the law is changing?'

# Ask how they feel about the change

- 'Researchers say the change will help protect young people from things that can be overwhelming or harmful. What do you think it's about?'
- 'I know this change might feel unfair and that's completely understandable. But there's been
  a lot of concern about how social media can affect young people, especially the pressure to
  keep up. What do you think?

# Discuss slowly reducing social media use and find alternatives together

- 'How would you feel about us trying to use [app/platform] a little less each day, and seeing how it goes together?'
- . 'Let's work out a way together to stay in touch with your friends or groups you care about.'

# Show you can make changes too

- 'I'm trying to change how I'm using social media too. It'll help me feel happier and more balanced.'
- 'It's not easy, but I'm trying to remember to take breaks and set limits.'
- 'Sometimes I see things online that make me upset, and I talk to a friend or take a break.'
   What would you do?



No matter how old your child is, let them know if they have a harmful experience they can <u>reach out for support</u> – even if it happens on an age-restricted platform and they're under 16.



# COMMUNITY NEWS



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Hello Yangebup Primary families!

Perth Music Agency are delighted to offer a limited number of vacancies for Term 4.

Lessons on offer are:

**Piano, vocal and guitar/ukulele** (20-minute lessons weekly).

Lessons are held during the school day on-site, and they cater for students in PP-Year 6.

Please contact Perth Music Agency for more details.

# **Cleaner wanted**

# **Yangebup Primary School**

Location: 55 Moorhen Dr, Yangebup WA 6164

We are looking for a dedicated and organised Cleaner to join our friendly team.

For more information: contact Sarah Hyde, Manager Corporate Services, on (08) 9395 3200 or emailing Sarah.Hyde@education.wa.edu.au.

Apply now by scanning the QR code with your smart phone or find our job on <a href="https://www.jobs.wa.gov.au">www.jobs.wa.gov.au</a> and search for Yangebup Primary School

### Applications close:

3.30pm (AWST) on Wednesday, 12 November 2025.









# **Everyday Matters**

a fun before-school program
Games Activities Craft Bible Stories

Thursday mornings from 8am in Block B, Commencing 5th March

Pick up your permission slip from the Front office