YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL & EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

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Dear Yarragon Community,

As my time as Acting Principal at Yarragon Primary School comes to an end, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your support, kindness, and encouragement throughout the term.

This has been a valuable learning experience, and I have genuinely enjoyed my time here. The students and families of Yarragon are truly fortunate to be part of a school community supported by such dedicated and passionate staff.

Next term, we look forward to welcoming back Mrs. Rock.

Wishing you all a safe, restful, and enjoyable school holiday.

Thank you once again for the opportunity and support during my time at Yarragon.

Warm regards, Gail Harding

Exciting News for Term 4—Welcoming Miss Madison Cording

We are delighted to share that Miss Madison Cording has been appointed as the new classroom teacher in the Foundation/1 space and will be beginning permanently with us in Term 4.



Some of our students will already be familiar with Miss Cording as she has spent several weeks this term in the 3/4 Ladner classroom completing her placement as well as attending our Grade 3/4 camp.

To support a smooth transition, Miss Cording has begun visiting her new classroom this week to get to know the students and become familiar with school routines. She has been supported by Mrs Kalan and Mrs Bundy, who will assist her as she settles into her new role.

We are confident that the Yarragon community will warmly welcome Miss Cording, and we look forward to the positive contributions she will bring to our school.



YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPORTS GALA DAY

FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

STUDENTS MAY WEAR ANY SPORTING OUTFIT THEY WISH (MUST BE SUN-SMART, EG: SHIRT UNDER FOOTY/BASKETBALL JERSEYS)

JUNIORS 9AM-11AM, SENIORS (3-6) 11:30-1:30PM.

PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO COME AND SUPPORT.





WARRAGUL LITTLE **ATHLETICS**

No matter your ability, there's a place for you at Little Athletics. Make friends, learn new skills, and chase your own personal best. Athletics is for every child.









Season commences: Saturday October 4th 8:30am REGISTER TODAY LAVIC.COM.AU/MEMBERSHIP Uniform Collection & Info Night October 2nd 4.30pm-6pm Club Information: warragullac.org.au & Find us on Facebook







Sign up now at https://bit.ly/NetSetGo_Summer25 Find out more

Meaghan Romano, NSG Coordinator M 0409 990 867 or wdna@hotmail.com.au





SIGN UP TODAY!

SCAN THE OR CODE TO REGISTER!

VENUE: DOWTON PARK RECREATION RESERVE DATES: SUNDAYS - STARTING NOVEMBER 2

TIME: 9AM - 10AM AND WILL HAVE 10 SESSIONS

Q Play Cricket







YARRAGON TENNIS CLUB

WE ARE SEEKING JUNIOR PLAYERS FOR THE UPCOMING TENNIS SEASON STARTING SATURDAY 11th OCTOBER 2025

ARE YOU KEEN TO PLAY OR KNOW ANYONE THAT IS?

WE CAN MAKE UP JUNIOR TEAMS TO SUIT ALL ABILITIES & AGES... INCLUDING BEGINNERS.

INTERESTED?

PLEASE CONTACT DANA ON 0458 990 570 PRIOR TO THE END OF SEPTEMBER.



Come and Learn Tennis at the Yarragon Tennis Club Lessons Friday afternoons during school terms from 3.45pm

"HOTSHOTS Tennis"

A program teaching children aged 4 - 12 the basics of the game.

"Let's Play Tennis"

A program for children aged 12 and above. Groups available for those that have never played before and for those that want to improve on their current skills.

FREE 'Come and Try' Session

Call for times

FREE trial lesson available for all programs. **FREE** junior racquet and Hotshots t-shirt for new players

Senior and Junior competitions starting in October.

G & S / TENNIS ACADEMY

Glen: 0408 762 679

Sally: 0403 282 630

ATTENTION

IF THESE ITEMS ARE AT SCHOOL THEY MUST BE HANDED INTO THE OFFICE AT THE START OF THE DAY AS PER OUR MOBILE PHONE AND PERSONAL DEVICE POLICY.

NO SMART WATCHES ARE TO BE WORN DURING SCHOOL TIMES, IF SEEN THESE WILL BE TAKEN TO THE OFFICE TO BE COLLECTED AFTER SCHOOL.



VOLUNTEER INDUCTION AT YPS

At Yarragon Primary School, we truly value the time and support our volunteers give.

To help everyone feel confident and prepared, we ask **all volunteers** to complete an online induction before getting started.

This induction is designed to introduce you to our school's policies, procedures, and expectations, especially those related to child safety and wellbeing. It's an important step in making sure our school remains a safe and supportive place for all students and volunteers.

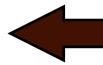
Whether you're helping out in the classroom, on excursions, Parent Club activities or at school camps, completing the **Volunteer Induction** is a must.

It's more than just providing a copy of your Working With Children Check, it's about understanding how we work together to keep children safe and make volunteering a positive experience for everyone.

Getting Started

This link will take you directly to our Volunteer Induction page on our school website. Having this online allows families to do it in their own time when it suits you. In 2026, we will look at Onsite Volunteer Induction Sessions.

VOLUNTEER INDUCTION - Link



By reading through the policies and completing the Volunteer Induction Checklist, you're letting us know that you understand your responsibilities when it comes to keeping children safe while volunteering at Yarragon Primary School & Early Learning Centre.

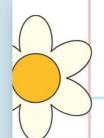
Examples of volunteers:

- •Parent / Carers / Guardians
- •Family Members
- •Community Members

Examples of volunteer work includes:

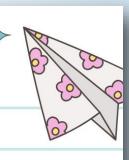
- Parents Club members / activities
- Assisting in a classroom
- •Gardening/ Grounds Clean Up
- School Fetes / Activities
- •School Concerts, Graduation, Sports Days
- School Excursions / Incursions / Swimming Program













Term 4 is fast approaching and it's always a busy one especially with school transitions starting for all children heading off to school in 2026. Below are some of the key dates for the term, I am sending them out early, so all families have time to prepare and pop them into diaries etc.





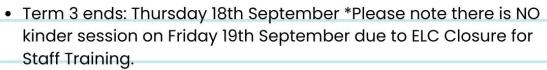


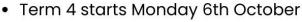
YPS Transition Dates

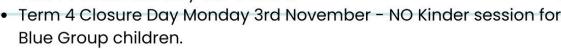
- Information Night Oct 29th 6-7pm
- Transition dates: November 11th, 18th, 25th and December 2nd 2.30-3.30pm (Parents are responsible for drop off and pick up)
- December 9th 9am-12.30pm (NO KINDER SESSION for Blue group on this day as new 4 yr old kindergarten children at ELC for Orientation sessions)



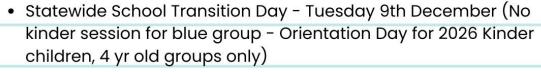








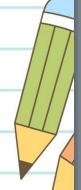


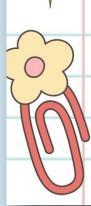


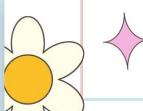




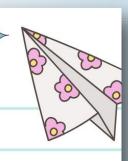














Final Kinder Sessions



- Blue Group: Monday 8th December Blue Group party for lunch and parents invited back at 3pm for presentations (More information will be provided closer to date) Blue Group last sessions Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December.
- Red Group: Friday 12th December Red Group party for lunch and parents invited back at 3pm for presentations (More information will be provided closer to date) Red Group last session Thursday 18th December
- 3 yr old session: Wednesday 10th December party for lunch and parents invited back at 3pm for presentations (More information will be provided closer to date) Final session for 3 yr olds Wednesday 17th December



Please Note

- The week of the 15th December is the final week of all kinder sessions for 2025. Normal session times will apply for this week however an alternative program will run as we will be cleaning toys and equipment ready for the new year. There is NO session on Friday December 19th as this is a clean-up day for all ELC Educators.
- We hope the information above helps all families in planning for a busy term 4. Please reach out to any of the ELC team with any questions anytime.

Kind Regards, Lee and the ELC Team.







YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Important Dates



Is your child starting Foundation at Yarragon PS in 2026?

ост 29	Parent / Carer Information Night 6.00pm - 7.00pm Yarragon Primary School - Enter Front Office
лоv 11	Transition Session 1 2.30pm - 3.30pm
NOV 18	Transition Session 2 2.30pm - 3.30pm
25	Transition Session 3 2.30pm - 3.30pm



ELC staff won't be able to bring children over to the school.

ALL ELC staff need to stay at the ELC to supervise the children who are not attending.

To help with a smooth transition to Yarragon Primary School in 2026, YPS staff would like to familiarise themselves with our 2026 Foundation students.

Please send a photo of your child through via email to yarragon.ps@education.vic.gov.au





Yarragon PS TheirCare

- Times 7:00am 6:00pm
- Location 65 Loch Street, YARRAGON VIC 3823
- Call 0461 264 478

via **myGov**

Booking are still open!

The juggle is real!

For parents, we understand that the holidays can be a real juggle.

Let us take the pressure off and keep your children

entertained and engaged so the time you have with them is enjoyable and relaxed.

There are 2 types of Child Care Payments. Up to 1. Child Care Subsidy of Child Care costs can be covered The amount you can get depends on: by Child Care 1 your family's income 2 the type of childcare you use Subsidy! the age of your child the hours of recognised activities you and your partner do This is **extra support** for some families including: grandparents / great grandparents 2 families moving from an income support payment to work **3** those experiencing temporary hardship

TheirCare Holiday Program Flyer

Book Here



REMINDER

School Holidays are coming up and we would like to remind families and the community that the TheirCare School Holiday Program will be running onsite between 7.00am-6.00pm.

TheirCare have a license agreement for full use of our school playgrounds, basketball courts and facilities after school hours and during the school holidays as part of their program.

We ask for parents and carers to please remind children not to intrude on the running of the school holiday program and to avoid the school grounds.

We want to ensure the staff and students involved in the program feel safe at all times.

Thank you



2025 PREP BAG SURVEY

Each year, the Department of Education gives every Prep student attending a Victorian government school a bag full of goodies to celebrate this milestone in their education journey. The educational resources and information in the bags are aimed at helping Prep students and their families have a great start to the year.

The department is inviting parents and carers of current Prep students to complete a short survey about the 2025 Prep bags, by 11:59 pm on Sunday 26 October 2025.

Your feedback will help the department learn what families liked and what can be improved in 2026. You can have your say at Prep bags 2025 evaluation survey.

The survey takes 5 to 10 minutes. It is voluntary. Responses are anonymous and will not be shared with third parties outside the department.

For more information about this year's Prep bags, refer to Prep bags, refer to Prep bags.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

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FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER



CRAZY HAIR DAY

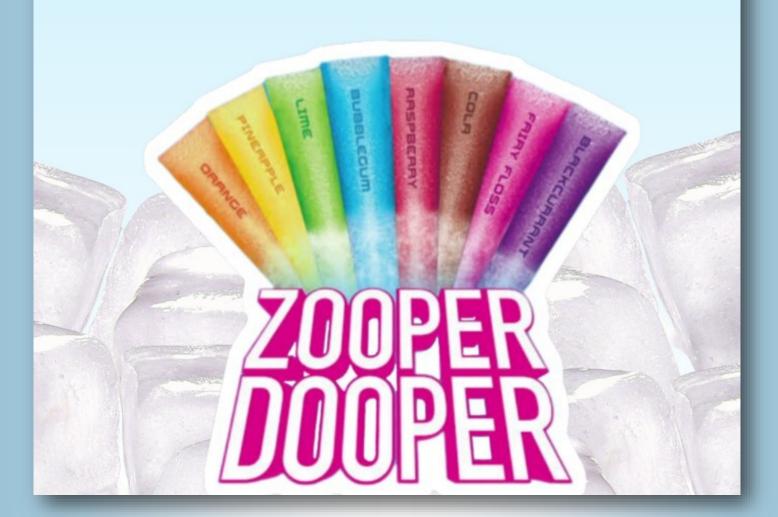
SRC Zooper Dooper days will be returning in Term 4.

Each <u>Wednesday</u> students will have an opportunity to purchase a Zooper Dooper with the SRC deciding the money will go towards the purchase of a new speaker for Zone 2 so the students can hear the music and bells clearer while playing.

Zooper Doopers will be <u>\$1 each</u> or we have to option to pay <u>\$10 upfront and this will cover the term</u> (this will run from weeks 1-10)

This can be paid at the office or cash sent in with your child in a labelled envelope.

We will be accepting payments now so you can have it sorted and be ready for term 4.





Now that we have entered Spring and the UV is beginning to rise school hats are required to be worn by students at all times while outside



If students do not have a hat at school they will be required to stay undercover during recess and lunch.



Hats are available here at the office for \$15.

ARE YOUR FAMILY DETAILS UP TO DATE? HAVE YOU RECENTLY MOVED?

It is important that you update your family information to ensure that our records are correct and up to date at all times.

- •Parent Phone~ Mobile and Work
- Residential and Postal Address
- Emergency Contacts*
- Employment Details
- Medical Information

*Emergency Contacts:

Every effort is made to contact parents/carers when your child is unwell and or injured and needs to be collected from school.

Compass entries, phone calls and SMS messages are sent. In the event that parents can not be contacted, or do not respond, we will be calling your listed emergency contacts.



A friendly reminder to parents, carers to please use the front door of the main building to access the office or the external doors for classroom spaces.

Our students and staff use the open space for library borrowing, small group sessions, tutoring, staff briefings /meetings and teacher planning.

We kindly ask for everyone to please use the **front door only** and **not walk through the library space.**

Students who are late to school can walk themselves off to class or be accompanied by a staff member if they feel more comfortable.

Thank you for your cooperation.

PARENT CLUB NEWS

WHAT'S COMING UP



Registrations are open for the 2025 **Spring Clean** Garage Sale Day.

Registrations can be done online or by completing a registration form at the school office.

We are again offering Garage Sale Registrations and Car Boot Stalls.

Car Boot Stalls are a fabulous idea if you don't have quite enough for a full garage sale.

Register or download form here

All registrations go into the draw to win a voucher for Neeri Nuff Wine Bar and Kitchen.

ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BACK TUESDAY 7TH OCTOBER THIS IS THE 2ND DAY OF TERM 4





Our Parents Club is busy preparing for our upcoming **Spring Clean & Plant Sale Day** on **Sunday 19th October** and we need your help to make it a huge success!

This event not only raises valuable funds for our school but also brings our community together in a fun and sustainable way. To make it happen, we're asking families to get involved by:

- **Donating plants** seedlings, cuttings, herbs, flowers, succulents, indoor plants, or even spare pots and garden items. Every little contribution adds up!
- **Using your contacts** do you know someone who works at a nursery, garden centre, or hardware store? Or perhaps a neighbour with an overflowing garden bed? A small donation from them could make a big difference to our sale.
- Spreading the word tell family and friends about our sale and encourage them to donate or come along on the day.
- Donations can be dropped off at Yarragon Primary School (Colourful Cow) in the week leading up to the day.

Together, we can create a wonderful community event that's full of life, colour, and plenty of bargains—all while raising funds that go directly back into supporting our students.

Thank you for your generosity and support—we can't wait to see our Plant Sale overflowing with plants!

October

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
6 Start Term 4	7 Garage Sale & Car Boot Registrations Due	8 Zooper Dooper Day	9	10
13 Donation of Plants to be dropped in this week.	14	15 Zooper Dooper Day	16 First Aid in Schools Program	17 First Aid in Schools Program Spring Clean THIS SUNDAY
20	21	22 Zooper Dooper Day	23	24
27	28	29 Zooper Dooper Day 2026 Foundation Parent Info Night	30	31 SRC Crazy Hair Dair

November

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 ELC & School Closure Day	4 Public Holiday	5 Zooper Dooper Day	6	7
10	11 2026 Foundation Transition	12 Zooper Dooper Day	13	14
17	18 2026 Foundation Transition	19 Zooper Dooper Day	20	21
24	25 2026 Foundation Transition	26 Zooper Dooper Day	27	28