

DAILY REVIEWS – Mathematic and Literacy Lessons

In our mathematic and literacy lessons YPS has embedded a learning strategy called **daily reviews**. Daily reviews for learning have the purpose of strengthening long term memory, by having students actively and quickly retrieve and apply knowledge from long term memory, freeing up their working memory for new learning.

The strategy is fast paced, engaging and consolidates learning, building mastery and supports the effortless recall of previously mastered skills.

Daily reviews for mathematics and literacy are placed at the beginning of each lesson. To ensure engagement, concentration and learning, students require only a few learning resources. At tables students will organise themselves with:

- Whiteboard
- Marker
- Eraser
- Water bottle (for hydration) throughout whole lesson

The teacher is responsible for facilitating the fast-paced routine which typically runs for 7-10 minutes. Teachers in their collaborative planning teams select and present a variety of concepts for students to retrieve from memory though spaced retrieval practice and provide immediate feedback on student responses. Students will be asked to “chin”, “chin-up” or “flip” and hold their whiteboard (under their chin) to face the teacher, enabling student answers to be checked and correction, where required, given.

Feedback from our students so far has been super positive. Below are some comments they have shared with me this week in 3/4 Ladner.

Olivia - “It reminds me of things I already know. It brings back that knowledge.”

Thomas – “I like it. It reminds me of things I have been learning.”

Lily - “It helps me get ready for my learning.”

Mac - “I like thinking and talking out loud about what strategies to use.”

Cooper – “Reviews help me remember things, what you’ve already done and learnt.”

As we launch into the final term of the school year, I’ll continue to provide families with information and feedback on our instructional practices in our classrooms. In next week’s newsletter, I’ll provide information on literacy, including the new Department of Education’s stance on implementing a structured literacy approach.

If there are any other practices or approaches families are interested in knowing more about, please let me know so I can feature in a newsletter before the end of the year. Your feedback is appreciated.

Regards Melissa Rock



Thank you

Thank you to our students, staff and families who have made my return to YPS and ELC a warm and exciting one.

My learning journey was huge last term, supporting Principals, Leadership Team and school communities across South Gippsland, including 27 schools, primary, secondary and special education settings. While building my leadership skills, I was also privileged to enjoy the beautiful rolling hills and waterways of the area on my daily drive to schools.

I'm grateful for the opportunity I was given and will certainly consider and use what I have learnt to continue to improve outcomes for our students, staff and families at YPS and ELC.

Regards Melissa

2026 SCHOOL ORGANISATION

It's that important time of the year when student grade placement for 2026 must be carefully considered. Our staff will be thoughtfully working on this for a number of weeks.

Our students will have the opportunity to provide the name of friends and peers they would be happy to be placed with next year as well.

Student placement requests from families **must** be based on educational, social or family circumstances.

Requests based on "I like this teacher" are not accepted.

Leadership have excellent knowledge of each teacher's strengths and will endeavour to place students with teachers who are best placed to suit their needs.

Transition is a really important time in students learning journey and our goal is to make this process as safe and supported as possible for everyone.

We look forward to sharing our Whole School Transition Program with families in the future.

Like previous years, students will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and classmates for a week of learning and fun in early December.

If your child will NOT be returning to Yarragon Primary School in 2026, please let us know so we can take this into account when looking at grade numbers and structures.

Requests

Parents / carers are able to provide written requests that are educationally based.

*Any written requests **must** be addressed to the **Principal** and emailed to the **school** email address only **by Monday 3rd November** to yarragon.ps@education.vic.gov.au*

*Written requests **are not** to be sent to the Principal or teachers via COMPASS or personal work email accounts.*

All requests will be considered. A confirmation email will be sent to families / carers who send in a written request by the Principal.

If required, a meeting will be arranged to provide further information.

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.



DURING SCHOOL HOURS:

- NO PHONES
- NO EAR BUDS/HEADPHONES
- NO SMARTWATCHES
- NO TABLETS

Yarragon's Spring Clean

Sunday 19th October
8.00am – 1.00pm

40+ Registered
Garage Sales
Car Boots Stalls
PLANT SALE & RAFFLE

MAPS AVAILABLE
FROM 8.00AM
YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL
GOLD COIN DONATION

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PLANTS WANTED FOR OUR PLANT SALE

yarragon.pc@gmail.com

Plant Donations can be dropped off near the front office (Colourful Cow) from now until the big day.

If you have contacts and are able to source plants, whether it be a neighbour or a business, we would be very grateful.

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



ZOOPER DOOPER DAY EVERY WEDNESDAY

**\$1 EACH
OR PAY FOR THE
WHOLE TERM**

STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE
COUNCIL
FUNDRAISER

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CRAZY HAIR DAY

FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

GOLD COIN DONATION



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

Thank you to
those **36** who have
already completed
the Volunteer
Induction



YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Important Dates



Is your child starting Foundation at Yarragon PS in 2026?

OCT 29	Parent / Carer Information Night 6.00pm - 7.00pm Yarragon Primary School - Enter Front Office
NOV 11	Transition Session 1 2.30pm - 3.30pm
NOV 18	Transition Session 2 2.30pm - 3.30pm
NOV 25	Transition Session 3 2.30pm - 3.30pm
DEC 2	Transition Session 4 2.30pm - 3.30pm
DEC 9	Transition Session 5 9.00am - 12.30pm



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 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.



Glen: 0408 762 679
Sally: 0403 282 630



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.



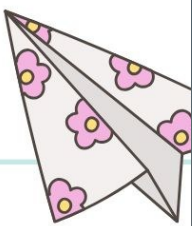
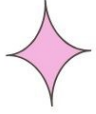
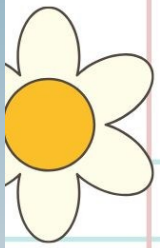
Book Club Issue #7

Our Book Club catalogues for Issue 7 have been sent home with students. Orders will close on Friday 24th October at 9am. Orders can be submitted online via Parents LOOP (details are in the catalogue) or can be submitted and paid by cash at the school office.

Our school library receives a commission for sales made through the Book Club with the rewards earned contributing to our Library being able to order new or replace old/damaged resources. The funds are also used to purchase resources for our Library Lunch Club, Student Wellbeing and for our ELC.

This support from our YPS families and community is very much appreciated. Thank You All!





Early Learning Centre NEWS



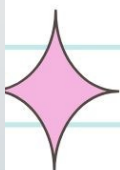
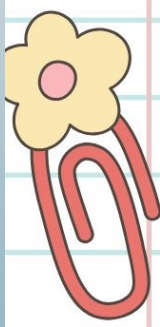
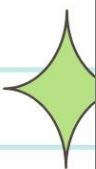
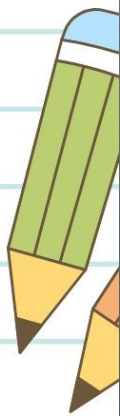
Term 4 has arrived and it's always a busy one especially with school transitions starting for all children heading off to school in 2026. Below are some of the key dates for the term, I am sending them out so all families have time to prepare and pop them into diaries etc.

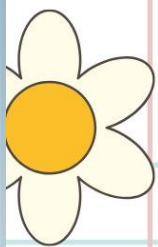


YPS Transition Dates

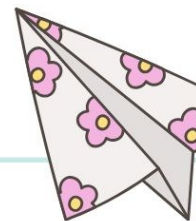
- Information Night Oct 29th 6-7pm
- Transition dates: November 11th, 18th, 25th and December 2nd - 2.30-3.30pm (Parents are responsible for drop off and pick up)
- December 9th - 9am-12.30pm (NO KINDER SESSION for Blue group on this day as new 4 yr old kindergarten children at ELC for Orientation sessions)

Term Dates

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- Term 3 ends: Thursday 18th September *Please note there is NO kinder session on Friday 19th September due to ELC Closure for Staff Training.
 - Term 4 starts Monday 6th October
 - Term 4 Closure Day Monday 3rd November - NO Kinder session for Blue Group children.
 - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday Tuesday 4th November
 - Statewide School Transition Day - Tuesday 9th December (No kinder session for blue group - Orientation Day for 2026 Kinder children, 4 yr old groups only)



Early Learning Centre NEWS



Final Kinder Sessions

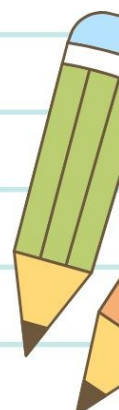
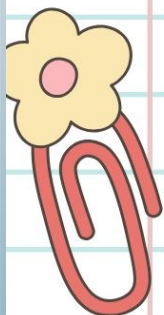
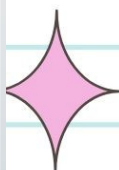


- Blue Group: Monday 8th December – Blue Group party for lunch and parents invited back at 3pm for presentations (More information will be provided closer to date) Blue Group last sessions Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December.
- Red Group: Friday 12th December – Red Group party for lunch and parents 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.

PARENT CLUB NEWS

WHAT'S COMING UP

Volunteers Needed for Spring Clean Garage Sale Day

We're gearing up for our exciting **Garage Sale / Plant Sale Day on Sunday 19th October**, and we'd love your help to make it a success!

The day runs from approx 6.00am through to 2.00pm

Whether you can spare an hour or a few, your support will make a big difference.

We're looking for volunteers to assist with the following jobs:

- Pricing and setting up plants - *from approx 6.00am*
- Selling raffle tickets
- Selling plants, sorting and keeping tidy.
- Taking donations for maps - from 8.00am
- Packing up at the end of the day - *approx 2.00pm*

It's a great way to get involved, meet others, and help out in a fun and relaxed environment.

If you're available to lend a hand, please let us know as soon as possible.

Thank you so much for your support!

Please email through your availability :

yarragon.ps@education.vic.gov.au or yarragonpc@gmail.com

Art-ability: Gippsland: Call for Artists



Share your creativity this International Day of Persons with Disabilities!

Aruma and the Gippsland community invite you to share your unique artistic flare with us! Whether that's a painting, sculpture or something else – we're ready to show Gippsland.

We are hosting an exhibition to showcase the talent of local disabled artists and celebrate the International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPWD).



Exhibition Details:

When: December 3 - 5, 2025.

Where: McGregor Park Hall, Contingent Street, Trafalgar

How to Apply:

Scan the QR code below to complete the online application form.



For questions or assistance please contact:

Sarah Rosse
sarah.rosse@aruma.com.au
0407 369 929

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International Day of
People with Disability

Comedy for kids & families. Ages 4+

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- Kids in Adelaide

Kids laughing within seconds

- Weekend Notes

You'll be giggling along
with the kiddos

- Kiddo Mag



Tickets

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER, 2PM

DROUIN SECONDARY COLLEGE AUDITORIUM, 52 MAIN RD DROUIN

TICKETS: TRYBOOKING.COM.AU



October

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
13	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 6-7pm	30	31 SRC Crazy Hair Dair World Teachers Day

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