



YARRUNGA ELC



Newsletter

Important dates:

- Committee Meeting
Wednesday 17th
September 7pm
- Book week 25th August
and library story times
- Fathers day, special
person lunch
Wednesday 3rd
September 11.30am
- Educators Day 3rd of
September
- Child protection week
7-13th September

Staff News...

Jay will return this month and we thank Shadow for the consistent care

Prakash will be a student in the Preschool 4 weeks

Pushpalal will be on student placement in the Nursery from the 8th September to the 17th October

Tea towel orders are still available for purchase

Thank you for your support.

Tea towels are \$15 each single or

\$12 each when purchasing 3 or more

Your actions are powerful

2025 NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK
7-13 September

NAPCAN PREVENT CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT

Bravehearts Day
During National Child Protection Week

BE BRAVE AND HELP FIGHT CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE!

Friday 12 September
braveheartsdays.com.au

SIGN UP NOW FOR YOUR FREE SUPPORTER PACK!

Proudly supported by
Busy Bees Early Learning, am, Wavemaker

9th EDITION

Protecting Children and Young People from Sexual Abuse:
A GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Empowering parents and carers to start and maintain conversations that can help prevent child sexual abuse and exploitation.

Bravehearts
bravehearts.org.au

<https://www.braveheartsdays.com.au/>

CHILDREN'S WET BAGS & SUN HATS

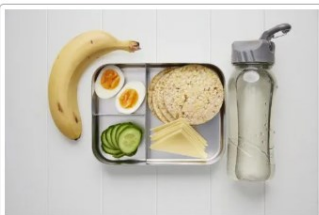
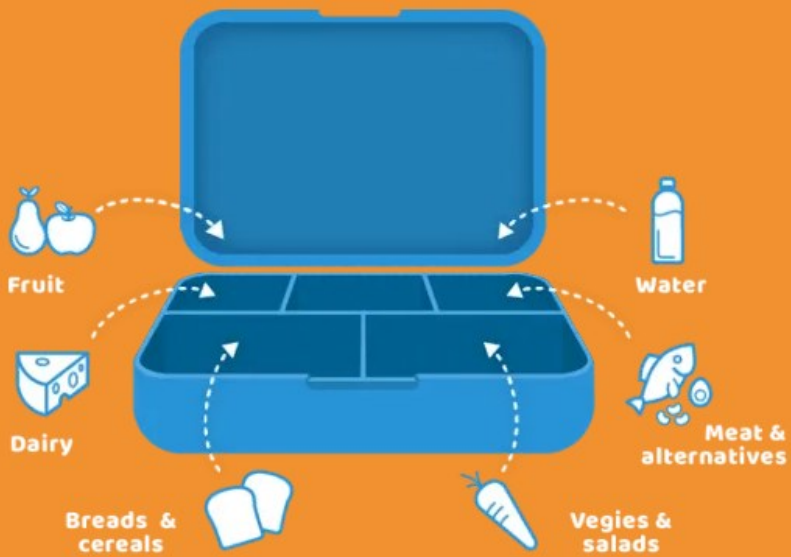
If you would like to purchase a Wet Bag or a Sun Hat for your child/ren, please see the display in the office for available colours.

Wet Bags are \$10 each & Sun Hats are \$15 each.

Kids T shirts \$15 Adult T shirt and windcheaters \$18 are now also available for order.

Please see Deb or Leah for more information.

A healthy lunch box contains...



What's inside?

- Corn thins
- Boiled eggs
- Cucumber slices
- Banana
- Cheese slices
- Water



What's inside?

- Fried rice
- Air popped popcorn
- Celery sticks
- Tub of fruit in natural juice
- Water



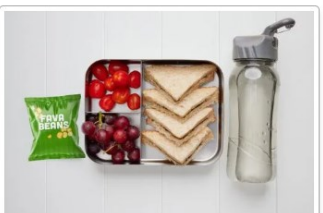
What's inside?

- Falafel, hummus and tomato wrap
- Mandarin
- Dried apricots
- Yoghurt
- Water



What's inside?

- Tuna, cucumber and mayonnaise roll
- Air popped popcorn
- Apple
- Carton of milk
- Water



What's inside?

- Vegemite sandwich
- Roasted fava beans
- Cherry tomatoes
- Grapes
- Water



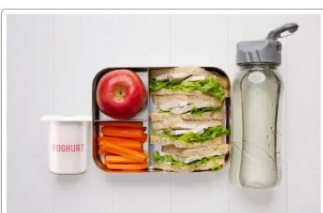
What's inside?

- Hummus in wholemeal flat bread
- Wholegrain crackers
- Cucumber sticks
- Tub of fruit in natural juice
- Labne
- Water



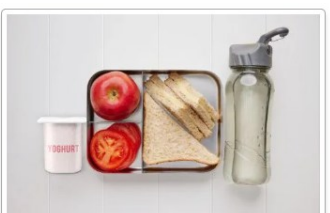
What's inside?

- Rissole and lettuce roll
- Baked carrot chunks
- Sultanas and dried apple
- Banana
- Water



What's inside?

- Chicken and lettuce sandwich on wholemeal bread
- Carrot sticks
- Apple
- Yoghurt tub
- Water



What's inside?

- Cheese sandwich on wholemeal bread
- Tomato slices
- Apple
- Yoghurt
- Water

What's hot in Aunty Amy's Kitchen

Lemon Myrtle Basa Fish Puffs

Ingredients

300g ASC labelled Basa

300g ASC labeled van mi prawns

½ tsp ground lemon myrtle

1 tbsp lemongrass paste

1 tbsp ginger paste

1 tbsp garlic paste

1 egg

½ cup spring onions

1 tbsp coconut cream

1 tbsp miso paste

Rice wine vinegar

3 kaffir lime leaves, thinly sliced

½ cup samphire

Coriander, for garnish

1. Roughly chop defrosted basa and add to a food processor with all ingredients.
2. Blend together until a rough paste forms.
3. Form round fish cakes, 4cm in diameter and shallow or deep fry until golden brown.

Due to allergy's I made these without egg or prawns you can omit samphire and lemon myrtle if these ingredients are unavailable. The children used lettuce to wrap up like a sandwich.



You may hear and see more Wiradjuri words in our learning community. You can access the Wiradjuri dictionary app online to listen and research language



WILAY ROOM

Yarrunga Early Learning Centre Newsletter

Reminders

- Please label clothing and provide clothing for all kinds of weather reminder to pack hats now we have hit spring

Dear Families....

This month we celebrated Book Week and the children engaged in with different costumes all shapes and sizes exploring there favorite books. We have enjoyed music time with our favorite songs, "Hop Little Bunny", "Baby Shark", and "Rock a bye Bear".

We have joined back the Acknowledgement of the Country and Nursery had turn to read out the Acknowledgement.

August was quite when the children have been unwell and away by illness.

For September, we are going to do gardening activity that we will plant some mini carrots in our back yard. Otherwise, we welcome Jay comeback at middle of this month. We welcome a couple new children to join in our room.





GUGUBARRA

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Important dates:

We would like to welcome you to our Father's Day lunch at 11.30pm on Wednesday the 3rd of September. All family members are welcome



Celebrated STEAM during Science Week with a multitude of fun experiments. On Monday we explored motion with Rae using balloons taped to a small section of straws and string, marvelling as our rockets shot forwards. On Tuesday we experimented with invisible ink paintings with Chrissy and the subsequent chemical reaction that made our pictures visible. On Wednesday we discovered density with Alana as we made our own lava lamps using water and oil. On Thursday we explored volcanoes with Zoe through a chemical experiment with bicarb soda and vinegar. We wrapped up the week with a baking session with Elle, exploring how heat can change the dough through a thermal reaction.



Said goodbye to our visiting lambs, squeezing in our last cuddles and pets.

Joined in book week festivities, connecting with literature through dressing as our favourite characters and sharing many a story.



DINAWAN ROOM

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Important dates:

Please check the
Playground App
for additional Bush
Kinder Updates



Hi families,

We have had a busy month with science week, and the children enjoyed watching science time on ABC iView and recreating experiments such as mentos and coke fountain, Volcanos, Bouncy eggs and bottle balloons, reflection of light and many more conversations.

We had Nicole's Lambs visit Stitch, Leroy and little Posie the children thoroughly enjoyed learning to feed them bottles and walking them around the yard and caring for them while they were at Yarrunga. Children learnt to be kind, caring and respectful of living animals and learnt all kinds of facts about the lambs. Please see your child's individual Journal or highlights for further information.

Book week followed and the children attended the library museum and visited Renee at the Real Florist for coffee and baby chinos and some fancy marshmallows they had a wonderful week dressing up and reading their favourite stories.

Bush Kinder in our preschool will start next week Monday 8th, Wed 10th and Friday 12th then the following week Tuesday and Thursday, this will run for 6 weeks weather permitting. This will allow the children to connect with nature, and we will be enjoying nature play and investigating at East hill.

**PLEASE TURN YOUR NOTIFICATIONS ON IN YOUR
PLAYGROUND APP**

This ensures you're not missing daily posts and weekly highlights that give you upcoming events and information for your child's room.



EDUCATIONAL LEADER

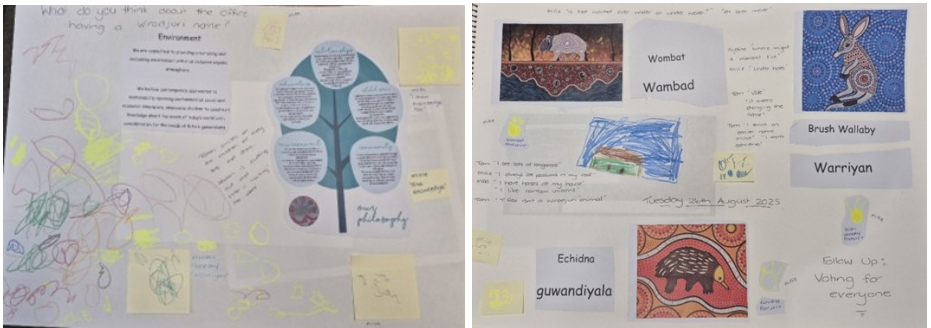
Educational Leader Update:

Follow Up – August Focus of the Month (FOM) QAZ: LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

I have been working with room teams to create ways of capturing children’s voices through conversations, drawings and family input. Our most significant achievement during the past month has been the implementation of a Children’s Council.

Our children’s Council has participants from each room who meet with Deb and myself once a month (on a rotating basis so that all children will have a turn) to explore important topics for children’s consideration and input through conversation, drawing and imagery. At these meetings we ask big questions that directly impact Yarrunga’s children, families, educators and community. We all sit on ‘big’ chairs in the meeting room and the adults prompt thinking about themes relating to Yarrunga’s Philosophy, Focus of the Month (FOM) topics, policies, procedures, etc. We use a large floorbook™ to document our findings.

Our first Children’s Council meeting had a focus on Yarrunga’s Philosophy in relation to environments. We were thinking about how to best represent family’s educator preferences for rooms in 2026 and it became apparent that the office does not have a Wiradjuri animal name. Here are the findings:



Please see our polling boxes in the Office 😊

September Focus of the Month (FOM) QAZ CHILDREN’S HEALTH AND SAFETY

Once again there is a huge focus on Children’s Voices as we reflect on our professional practice and systems. We are currently working our way through the National Child Safety Standards and using the themes as prompts for children’s input. Here is an example:



Health and Safety also focuses on healthy lifestyle practices. Yarrunga embraces the Munch & Move program which has a wealth of resources from Menu Planning to Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS) and Activities for children. Amy has met all requirements for menu planning and educators actively incorporate different FMS experiences into their curriculums. Some great resources can be found at the [Munch and Move resource library](#)

As always we appreciate your input into all that we do.

Please see the family surveys attached:

- Children’s Mid-Year Assessments
- Philosophy Review



Thank you

Krystine

In complying with the National Quality Standards, we ensure that a copy of the Law and Regulations can be accessed by families, including those seeking to enroll their child at the service?

Access via <https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/view/html/inforce/current/sl-2011-0653>

WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK!

How can we make our newsletter better?

What information would you like us to include?

Call us on: (02) 6021 7597

Or EMAIL admin@yarrunga.com.au



NO FOOD FROM HOME!



A reminder that we have children attending Yarrunga with severe allergies and anaphylaxis to dairy, nut, and sesame.

Anaphylaxis is a severe and potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. We want to do our best to keep those at risk safe. Please refrain from bringing food from home. If you are bringing treats to share for your child's birthday, please check with room educators for allergies

Policies/Procedure/Reflection being reviewed this month:

Quality Area 2 Sleep and rest

Risk assessment, Code of conduct, Model code

Yarrunga Policies:

Just a reminder to families – our policies can be accessed on our website www.yarrunga.com.au and the password is 2640

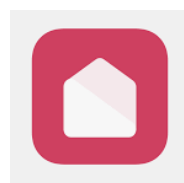
WEEKLY MENU

Our weekly menu is displayed in the foyer



Home App

Please check your home app for your billing account and statement as these will no longer be sent via email.



Reminder to please bring a broad brim sun safe hat for your child as the days are becoming sunny. All children require sun protection when the UV reaches 3.

It's important to keep your family details up to date so you get the right amount of CCS and FTB. This will help you avoid being overpaid and need to pay money back later.

You can update your details online using your Centrelink online account through myGov or your Centrelink Express Plus mobile app.

Raising Children Network have wonderful free and up to date advice and support for families on all topics family, children and babies.

This includes:

- your family's activity test hours
- the type of activity you or your partner do
- your family income estimate.

Learn more about reporting a change in your circumstances for [FTB](#) and [CCS](#).



raisingchildren.net.au



Yarrunga is a
smoke free
environment
This includes
vaping and
e-cigarettes

Educator of the Month

Wendy and Kate-Contributing to quality improvement



Shadow-Relationships and consistency in
the Wilay room



Elle-Flexible and can do attitude

Emma-FOM organisation skills and team ethics

Gugubarra team- Advocating and implementing the 8 ways

schn.health.nsw.gov.au'. On the right is a photograph of a young girl sitting on a couch, looking at a tablet device."/>

Screen time: Disconnect to reconnect
Tips to reduce and balance screen use
Find out more at schn.health.nsw.gov.au



Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia

Please access the kid safe website for information at home <https://kidsafe.com.au/>

Parent Line NSW

Call 1300 1300 52

Parent Line is a free telephone counselling and support service for parents and carers with children, aged 0 to 18 years, who live in New South Wales.