



A Steiner Kindergarten
Nurturing wonder and imagination in every child



*"Autumn is
a second Spring
when every leaf
is a flower."*
~ Albert Camus ~



dates for your diary

Kinder Working Bee - Saturday 28th April

Autumn Fair - Saturday 5th May

Next Committee Meeting - Monday 14th May

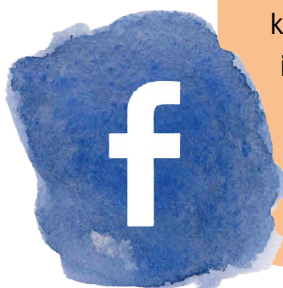
Kinder Photos - 14th 15th & 16th May

Have you connected?

If you use Facebook please join our
kinder groups, it's a great way to share
information and arrange play dates...

4YO - 'Yandell 4 year kinder group'

3YO - 'Yandell Kinder 3YO 2018'



From our President...

Welcome back everyone to term two. It's been wonderful meeting more of you through the gorgeous Autumn Festival's that were held last term. We had a lovely time at the 3 year old festival and I'd like to thank the teaching staff for making it such a wonderful, rich experience for the children.

We are now racing towards the Autumn Fair and still need all the help we can get, so please put your hand up to support the Autumn Fair coordinator if possible.

We would still greatly appreciate some more general members to help out with the committee. It's a great way to get a better understanding of how the kinder is run, and also have a say in what steps it makes towards improving its ability to provide a service that continues to provide greater opportunities for supporting the developmental growth and happiness of our children.

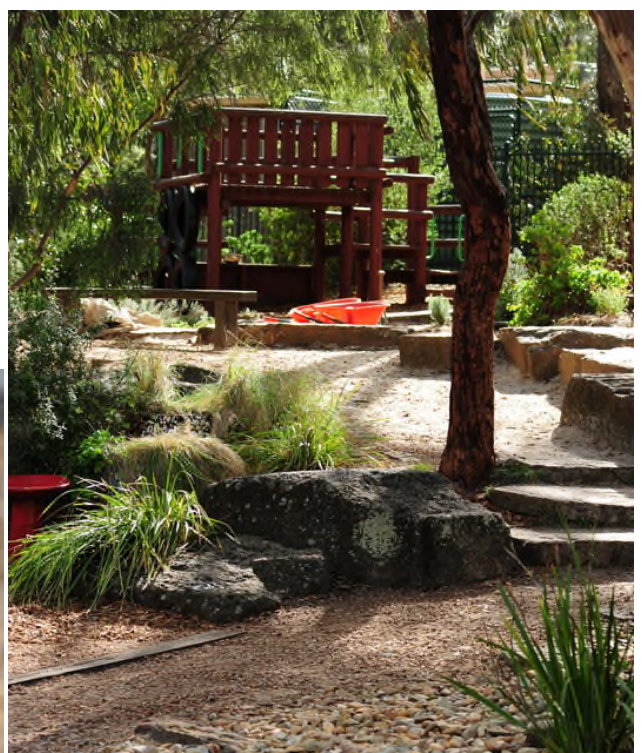
The committee is currently applying for a grant to support the replacement of Yandell's run down play equipment. We now have potential plans for a new fort and swing set with many more climbing options for the children. This will be the first step towards creating a more engaging outdoor environment for the children that will last for many years to come.

Please contact us if there is anything you wish to discuss further.

Warm Regards,

Meg McIntosh

Yandell President and Mum of Amy - Ring a Rosie Group
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Kinder Photos

This year we are lucky enough to have secured the services of the talented Linda from Hello Photo to take mementos of our little ones.

Linda has set aside three days for photography to try to capture as many of our Yandell children as possible.

Mon 14th Tues 15th and Wed 16th May

Parent information sheets will go out soon, and in the meantime you can find out more about Linda via her website www.hellophoto.com.au



Working Bee - Saturday 28th April 2018

Our next kinder working bee will be on Saturday 28th April from 9am - 12 midday.

This is a great opportunity to meet with other kinder families and enjoy some fresh air as we beautify our kinder for the upcoming Autumn Fair. Participating in a kinder working bee helps build connections between families and demonstrates to your child that we collectively care about their kinder.

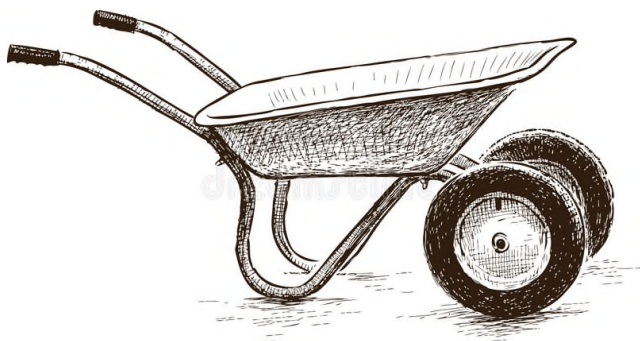
Your help is greatly appreciated, and will get you one step closer to a refund of your maintenance levy.

We will be topping up our sandpit with some fresh sand, so if you have a wheelbarrow, shovel, broom, brush and shovel or rake please bring them along. We will also be tackling some pruning, so if you have a pair of secateurs, loppers or gloves they will definitely come in handy.

AND - We are hoping to position a new sleeper in the smaller mud patch play area.

I am wondering if we have any landscapers in our midst that may be able to assist with the placement?

If so please get in touch with our kinder maintenance coordinator Jonathan - jjyonasan@gmail.com



All Welcome...

Roll up your sleeves and join us!

And remember, if you can, please bring any of the following items
wheelbarrow, shovel, broom and or rake,
secateurs or hedge trimming tools,
gloves and a smile.

From our Four Year Olds...

The season showed itself in all its splendour for our Autumn Festival which was a joyful celebration of our first term at Yandell. The four year old community joined together to celebrate the bounty of harvest.

Our harvest table was adorned with treats and colours of the season. The children shared their morning circle for family and friends, dancing around our surprise apple tree inside the kinder.

We heard the story of the white rabbit who longed to find a gift for the farmer who was so kind and always shared his vegetables every harvest.

Much laughter and joy was heard as families helped to prepare our corn cobs for morning tea using the corn husks to make corn dollies with their children. And we finally got to taste the delicious biscuits we had been baking in the kinder leading up to our festival.

Thank you to all for coming along and for your generous harvest table offerings. I hope that you left the festival feeling warmth in your heart and an experience of the message of this wonderful season that Joy and Love can be found as much in giving as in receiving.

Rachel, Jo & Wendy.



From our Three Year Olds ...

As many of you know our Ring a Rosie teacher Emily is unwell and has been taking time to rest, we send her our love and support. We are very fortunate that Sharon has been able to step in and minimise disruption for our children who finished Term 1 with a very special Autumn Festival. The Ring a Rosie children enjoyed sharing their morning circle with loved ones and celebrating the season with planting and a harvest feast. Thank you Emily, Sharon and Melinda for a wonderful Term 1, we look forward to what Term 2 will bring.





Less than 2 weeks to go...

As the Autumn fair is coming closer, it's now time for our beautiful community, family and friends to join us and pull all the final details together.

What you can do...

*Put your name down on the stall roster.

Rope in your family and friends. We invite each family to volunteer some time here.

The roster will be up in the foyer on Monday with a list of stalls and time slots.

* Get baking.

Next week baking bags will be in each child's cubby for you to take home. Sweet or savoury.

Please keep a look out for notices, newsletters and on FB pages for up-to-date information and requests.

Thank you, Hayley



Congratulations Wendy



The families and teaching group would like to extend their heartfelt thanks and congratulations to Wendy, who has been helping the children in the 4 year old group for the past year.

She is leaving Yandell to find her very own group of students to lead (how lucky they will be!).

Wendy has always been kind and warm with the children, helping to build a wonderful welcoming feel in the kinder. She is often seen helping small hands discover the joys of crafting and creating, as well as contributing many beautiful handmade items to the kinder herself. The teaching staff have also appreciated her great sense of humour which has made working with her a pleasure. We would like to recognise Wendy's hard work in completing her teaching degree while working at Yandell and managing four children of her own at home, and wish her the very best in her next adventures.

Tom would especially like to say

"Thanks for helping and thanks for talking about all the things that we like
and all the stories and all the bed drums and stuff".

All families are invited to join us in farewelling her at 3pm on her last day, Friday 4th May.

May the road rise up to meet you, May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face, May the rain fall soft upon your fields

And until we meet again, May the Lord hold you in the palm of his hand.

With Love, Lucy - 4 year old group



Gate 'Rides' are no longer permitted at kinder...

We know this news will sadden many little people who have been happily enjoying a ride on the entry gate as it opens and closes, but we need to put an end to the swinging on the gate.

We want to ensure our little ones are safe. We want to ensure the gate and it's lovely hinges continue to serve us well for many more years to come. And we want to limit the congestion around the gate area. As I am sure you can imagine it can be difficult for our teachers and educators to keep an eye on who is coming and going when there are many children gathered around the gate waiting for a ride. We want to keep the area clear and highly visible at all times.

Thank you so much for your understanding.

"Anyone keen to order well priced organic fruit and Veges?

The Hurstbridge Co-op is looking for more members... this beautiful produce was \$89, all organic and that was with lots of avos and bananas.

You order as you like off a seasonal list rather than a set box and spend as much as you need."

For further details the organiser is Jo Askham

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Thanks to Ange from our Ring a Rosie group for sharing this!



That's it for this edition of our kinder newsletter. If you have any questions at all or would like to get in touch to share any news for the next edition, please contact me via newsletter@yandellkinder.com.au

Thank you, Jenny

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