

YANDELL
KINDERGARTEN



*A Steiner Kindergarten
Nurturing wonder and imagination in every child*

Yandell Kindergarten Newsletter, April 2015

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Save the Date!

Working bee

1st May

To assist with set-up for the fair! 3.30pm onwards.

Plant Sale & Fair

2nd May

See pages 6-10 for just a glimpse of what's in store!



Welcome!

Welcome, friends, to the second newsletter for 2015! So much has been happening at Yandell this term, with community plant sale preparations in full swing, the fantastic Steve Biddulph evening last week, and of course our precious little ones enjoying the first few weeks of Term 2.

Inside you will find updates from our teachers, details of the plant sale, and more!



4-year-old Group Update

What a wonderful beginning to the term we have had. The children have all settled back after the holidays and are playing with one another harmoniously and with joy and enthusiasm. Thank you to everyone who supported the Autumn Harvest Festival with contribution towards the bounty. The children were very excited (as well as a little shy) to share with you our morning circle work as well as all the scrumptious food we had been preparing in the last weeks of term. The hot cross buns and biscuits were a huge success.

This term we have begun a new morning circle called 'The Pancake Mill' which is a story that has been adapted into a morning circle with delightful songs and rhymes and is complemented with both fine and gross motor movements. Our puppet story for the first two weeks of term is Mother Nature's Autumn Blanket, which was told during Festival. Stories I intend to tell over the coming weeks are The Star Apple, The Little Gourd and The Giant and the Gnome. The children are enjoying participating in the story telling by helping to set up the puppet story as well as moving the puppets as I tell the story. Even though many children ask each day to be a story helper, only two children are chosen. This encourages the practice of patience and turn taking.

Next week we will begin preparing wool for dying. We will chop up beetroot, purple carrots and turmeric with the hope of making pink,

purple and yellow wool. We will also be dying onion skins to make brown wool, so please hold onto all your onion skins over the next couple of weeks, as we need lots to achieve a strong brown colour. The children will then help to wind the wool into little balls so we can continue on with the making of our pom poms.

In the coming weeks I will be looking forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress at kinder. I will put out a roster soon for interview times. Please note that it takes two terms to meet with everyone. Of course I am happy to meet with families on request and arrangements can be made to meet outside of the interview times.

Lastly, please be reminded to name all kindergarten clothing, including gumboots and raincoats and check the lost property basket in the entranceway regularly for unnamed belongings.



3-year-old Group Update

Welcome back for term 2! We hope you and your families had a happy and refreshing break. It is really feeling like Autumn now. Many trees are beginning their transition into blazing colour. The nights and mornings are fresh and cool. It is so lovely to get cozy!

There is likely to be more rain this term, so make sure to always pack coats, beanies and gumboots. It is wonderful for children to play in the elements, so unless it is a very wet day we will always get outside. It saves us sorting through kinder coats if your child is prepared.

This term we are all more familiar with each other and our Kinder. We look forward to sharing more play and joyful days together!

With love, Mandy

Community advertisement



Early Childhood Conversations

With Megan Young

... nourishing the child's belief in goodness and beauty ...

Tuesday mornings - 9.30 - 11.30 am in the Acorn Room

April 21st & 28th

May 19th

Megan Young has a long-time interest in Anthroposophy. She has experience in secondary teaching in government schools and more recently in Steiner Early Education. She conducted playgroups and kindergarten groups at Carnegie Steiner Pre-school (now Taraleigh Steiner Kindergarten) at Bentleigh East, and then taught the Steiner Prep classes for a number of years at Collingwood College where the Steiner stream is in its 16th year. Now retired, she conducts a playgroup at Collingwood College.

Come and listen to Megan, join the conversation and share a cup of tea/coffee with Megan, Tricia & Jenny.

April 21 & 28, May 19, 9.30-11.30am

Melbourne Rudolf Steiner School, 213 Wonga Rd Warranwood, 3134

**Ph: 03 9876 2633 Email: office@mrss.com.au
www.mrss.com.au**

Fundraising update

Tea Towels:

Thank-you to everyone for your wonderful support with our Yandell Tea Towels. There were 80 ordered from our Yandell Community. They are hot off the press and will be available by the end of the month. So please keep an eye out for them :)

They look great!! I also have a few spares - if you missed the deadline and would still like to order one please let me know.

Bulbs:

Thank you also for your Garden Bulb orders which were due in last Friday (17th April).

Our gardens are going to look wonderful!

Look out for their arrival also in the next few weeks.

Steve Biddulph Talks:

Two wonderful nights! Thank you to everyone who attended and absorbed Steve's thought-provoking and gentle approach to parenthood. Well done to Jenn and Felicia for their fantastic organising of the event! Also, thank-you to those who helped on the nights.

All profits raised go directly to Yandell Kindergarten!

Any ideas, suggestions or feedback please feel free to contact me at yandellgrants@gmail.com

... From Michelle (Yandell Fundraising Coordinator)



From the committee...

- ☞ A reminder that the next working bee is Friday the 1st of May, from 3.30pm to help with the community plant fair set-up.
- ☞ Remember to bring in more donations of children's clothing. These can be left in the foyer.
- ☞ Michelle has been working hard to fundraise for Yandell, and would love some extra support from people to focus more on applying and/or searching for grants. If you can offer any assistance please contact Michelle at yandellgrants@gmail.com or the office on 9435 9472
- ☞ A big thank you to Chris and Kara for painting the office over the holidays, Kara is a professional painter and the room looks amazing, warm appreciations from the Committee.
- ☞ Finally, the plant fair roster is out. A link has been emailed to everyone with instructions to edit it as a live document. Please include your name where you can help. If you are having difficulty working with the live document, contact Sharyn (yandellofficemanager@gmail.com) or Susi (yandellplantsale@gmail.com) to assist you.

Craft for our Children



*Come sit
Come chat
Come sip chai
Come craft*

The teachers welcome handmade toys and resources for our children to play. The toys shall nourish our children's imagination, bringing the warmth and love of something homemade.

*Come join us
Come regularly or occasionally
Fortnightly
Monday mornings 10-12*

Let's begin...
Monday 4th May
79 Progress Road
Eltham North
(enter off Brixton Ave)

You need not have any experience just willingness.

*Children are welcome
I seek to share the hosting, could you open your home
alternate weeks? It need not be a Monday.*

...From Clare and Eve (4yr old group)

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0428 779 630

The poster has a dark blue background with stylized illustrations of native Australian plants, including banksias and waratahs in shades of pink, orange, and yellow. The text is arranged in a central, slightly irregular layout. The main title 'AUTUMN FAIR' is in large, white, serif capital letters. Below it, '& NATIVE PLANT SALE' is in smaller, white, sans-serif capital letters. A blue ribbon banner with white text reads 'SAT 2ND MAY 2015'. Below the banner, 'YANDELL KINDERGARTEN' is in large, white, serif capital letters. Underneath that, '1 COMMUNITY DRIVE, GREENSBOROUGH' is in smaller, white, sans-serif capital letters. The event time '10 am to 4 pm' is in white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, three colored shapes (blue, pink, and yellow) contain text about the activities: 'Cakes Preserves BBQ Chai Coffee' in white, 'Kids Activities Face Painting' in white, and 'Kid's Op Shop' in white. The phrase '... and lots more' is in white, sans-serif font at the bottom right.

AUTUMN FAIR

& NATIVE PLANT SALE

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KINDERGARTEN

1 COMMUNITY DRIVE, GREENSBOROUGH

10 am
to 4 pm

Cakes
Preserves
BBQ
Chai
Coffee

Kids Activities
Face Painting

Kid's Op
Shop

... and lots more

Thank you

Just a few our growing list of generous businesses who have contributed to the Yandell silent auction...(details on pages 9-10)



3392 Warburton Hwy
Warburton 3799
For massage and naturopathy
Phone 59669922



Bringing kitchens to life



AWARD
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NEOFLAM
Cookware for healthy living

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reddot design award winner 2013 **DESIGN PLUS**

Special finishes on the 10th of May

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Circus Oz 2015: But Wait...there's more



When

Wednesday 17 June, 7.30pm

Friday 19 June, 7.30pm

Saturday 20 June, 1.30pm or 7.30pm

Sunday 21 June, 3.00pm

Where

Circus Oz Big Top, Birrarung Marr, Melbourne.

Bookings www.circusoz.com



✧ SILENT AUCTION ✧

Yandell Kindergarten

Sat 2 May 10am-2:30pm sharp

Wonderful items and vouchers totaling \$4000 on offer! Come to Yandell Kindergarten Fair on Saturday 2 May and pick up something for Mothers' Day. Bids open 10am and close 2:30pm.

Neoflam Australia	Crepe & pancake set with eco-friendly non-stick coating	www.neoflam.com.au	\$240
Orgone Effects	Geoclense home EMF harmonizer, plus 3 Mobile Phone Harmonizers	http://www.orgoneffectsaustralia.com/	\$225
Jets Gymnastics	Term of Gymnastics in Mini Jets (2-6yrs) or Fun Gym (5-7yrs)	http://www.jetsgym.com.au/	\$220
Skaterz	\$200 party voucher	http://www.skaterz.com.au/	\$200
Young Living	Package of nine essential oils: Essential 7, Orange, R.C. & small NingXia Red	https://www.youngliving.com/en_AU	\$200
Puffing Billy	2 x family vouchers (2 adults, 4 children)	http://www.puffingbilly.com.au/	\$198
Sentient Being	Ultimate Sensation: 2 hour full body massage & aromatherapy facial	http://sentientbeing.com.au/	\$175
Banyule Art & Garden	2 x double pass vouchers for sustainable living & gardening classes	http://www.baag.com.au/	\$160
Family Tree Health	Chiropractic consultation for a child (new patient)	http://www.familytreehealth.com.au/	\$160
Moveology	3 x 45min training / remedial exercise sessions	http://www.moveology.com.au/	\$150
Terra Madre	\$75 voucher, plus \$75 worth of health/beauty products	http://terramadre.com.au/	\$150
Circus Oz	A reserve' family pass (2 adult, 2 children) to 'But Wait...There's More'	http://www.circusoz.com/	\$145
Natures Workshop	Crystals: Amethyst Geode, Rose Quartz & Zeolite Cluster	http://www.naturesworkshop.com.au/	\$123
CERES	One day gardening workshop	http://www.ceres.org.au/	\$120
Earth Garden magazine	Magazine packs (4 in a set) value \$40 ea	http://www.earthgarden.com.au/	\$120
The Hibi Farm Pottery Studio	Handmade white pottery butter dish and set of 4 latte cups	www.hibifarm.com/pottery	\$100
Holistic Healing Melbourne	1 hour Reiki Healing or Indian Head Massage	http://holistichealingmelbourne.com.au/	\$95
Family Tree Health	Osteopathic consultation for a child (new patient)	http://www.familytreehealth.com.au/	\$90
Honeybee Toys	A bag of 36 TreeBlocks, sustainably made in Europe	https://www.honeybeetoys.com.au/	\$89
Yolande's Feet Retreat	Reflexology voucher		\$80
Endota Spa Eltham	30 min facial	http://www.endotadayspa.com.au/eltham	\$70
Heide Museum of Modern Art	Family pass covering all current exhibitions	http://www.heide.com.au/	\$64
Wellers restaurant	2 bottles of Lovegrove wine	http://www.wellers.com.au/	\$60

Bendigo Woollen Mills	A voucher for yarn	https://www.bendigowoollenmills.com.au/	\$50
Melinda Morriss	90 min kinesiology session		\$50
Pro Health	Hamper of items	http://www.prohealth.websyte.com.au/	\$50
Mercurius Australia	Wooden puzzle of a house with doors and lintels by Gluckskafer	http://www.mercurius-australia.com/	\$47
Natures Art Melbourne	A unique hand-crafted pepper corn tree heart necklace	https://www.etsy.com/shop/naturesartmelbourne	\$47
Melinda Morriss	Book: 'Milandra, a tale of distant castles'		\$45
Eco Toys	Beautifully handmade set of felt gnomes	http://ecotoys.com.au/	\$45
Northern Ashtanga Yoga	Handmade yoga mat bag	http://northernashtangayoga.com.au/	\$40
Warburton Wellbeing	Half hour massage voucher	http://warburtonwellbeing.com.au/	\$40
Shekinah	Timeless Treasure hand embroidery		\$40
Cinema Nova	Double pass to movies	http://www.cinemanova.com.au/	\$39
Mercurius Australia	Wooden Table and Chairs 3D Puzzle Dolls House Furniture by Gluckskafer	http://www.mercurius-australia.com/	\$39
Wobble-Tee	Wobble-Tee Sprinkler	http://www.wobble-tee.com.au/	\$39
Baby Move	Baby activity / movement chart	www.babymove.com.au	\$38
The Yellow Dance Spot	3 x dance class vouchers (\$37.50 toddler, \$46.50 preschooler, \$49.50 prep, \$54 grade 1+)	http://www.theyellowdancespot.com/	\$38
ATA	Sanctuary magazine subscription	http://www.sanctuarymagazine.org.au/	\$36
Carolin's Wellness Centre	Half hour pilates session	http://www.carolinsorganicfarm.com/mbs.php	\$35
Apiwraps	Set of beeswax food wraps 'Kitchen Basics Pack'	https://www.etsy.com/shop/apiwraps	\$30
ATA	ReNew magazine subscription	http://renew.org.au/	\$30
Wobble-Tee	Clever Drop Sprinkler	http://www.wobble-tee.com.au/	\$25
Apiwraps	Set of beeswax food wraps 'Cheese Lover Pack'	https://www.etsy.com/shop/apiwraps	\$20
Ivy Chow	Trio of nesting 'Babushkups' glasses		\$20
Bunnings Eltham	A voucher	http://www.bunnings.com.au/	TBC
Claydreamers Pottery	A voucher for class	http://www.claydreamers.websyte.com.au/	TBC
Grampians Eco YHA	A voucher for accommodation	https://www.yha.com.au/hostels/vic/regional-victoria/grampians-halls-gap/	TBC
Kundalini Yoga			TBC
Loving Earth	Chocolates	https://lovingearth.net/	TBC

Newsletter contributions welcome!

We'd love the next edition of the newsletter to include as many recipes, poems, artwork and photos (with permission) as possible. Please send contributions to me at yandellnewsletter@gmail.com

Or, feel free to place them in the newsletter envelope in the foyer at kinder.

Kylie Kerr *Newsletter Coordinator & mum of William (4yo group)*

