



Term 1 Week 2

Yenda Agenda



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Principal Report

What a fantastic start to the school year! The first day went smoothly, with plenty of smiles as students settled into their new classrooms and met their teachers. It was wonderful to see everyone excited for the year ahead. A highlight of the week was a visit from the GWS netball girls, Olivia Harris and Jamie-Lee Price who spoke to the whole school about their journey and upcoming game in Griffith. Their visit was truly inspiring for our students. Everyone is getting back into the rhythm of school routines, and the first two days have been filled with great learning.

Next week is shaping up to be a big one! We have our swimming carnival, which is always a highlight for our students. This year, this event is for students in Years 3-6 and any confident 8-year-old swimmers in Year 2. It's a great day of competition, fun, and school spirit.

We also have our classroom information sessions, where parents will have the opportunity to meet their child's teacher and learn about classroom routines and expectations for the year ahead. We encourage all parents to attend—it's a great way to stay connected and support your child's learning.

We're looking forward to a fantastic term ahead!

Mrs Nicholle Callinan - Principal

Yenda Public School Term 4 2025

Term 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3	10 February Classroom Information Sessions KQ & 1V	11 February	12 February Swimming Carnival Students 8 years and over ONLY	13 February Classroom Information Sessions 2/3B, 3/4B & 5/6P	14 February
Week 4	17 February	18 February	19 February	20 February	21 February
Week 5	24 February 3-Way Goal Setting Meetings	25 February 3-Way Goal Setting Meetings	26 February 3-Way Goal Setting Meetings	27 February 3-Way Goal Setting Meetings	28 February 3-Way Goal Setting Meetings Clean up Australia Day
Week 6	3 March	4 March Zone Swimming Carnival	5 March	6 March	7 March

Dates for your Calendar 2025

Monday 10 February

Parent Class Information Sessions- KQ & 1V

Wednesday 12 February

Swimming Carnival Students 8 Years and Over

Thursday 13 February

Parent Class Information Sessions- 2/3B, 3/4B & 5/6P

Monday 24 - Friday February

3-Way Goal Setting Meetings

Wednesday 12 - Friday 21 March

NAPLAN Test Window

Monday 24 - Tuesday 25 March

Young Leaders Conference - Sydney

School Swimming Carnival Wednesday 12 February

We are excited for our upcoming Swimming Carnival, which will be held at Barellan Pool on Wednesday, 12th February. **This event is for students in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6, as well as Year 2 students who are 8 years old and confident swimmers.**

Students should come prepared with goggles, a towel, swimmers, and a change of clothes. A canteen will be available on the day. To show their house spirit, students are encouraged to wear their house colours or sport uniform. Permission note is to be completed on School Bytes.

We look forward to a fantastic day of competition, fun, and school spirit! 🎉🏊‍♂️

Supplies for 2025 Years 3 – 6

The school provides a variety of materials for students to use at school; however, we would appreciate it if the students are able to bring the following items for personal use:

PLEASE BRING

Fine point blue/red ball point pen
30cm ruler marked in mm and cm (no metal rulers please)
Set of coloured pencils
Rubber
Sharpener
HB and 2B pencils x 6
2 glue sticks
Medium pencil case
Highlighters
Scissors
Textas
A4 clipboard
Whiteboard markers
Headphones

PLEASE DO NOT BRING

Click pens or pencils
Fluffy/overweight pens/pencils
Novelty pens/pencils
liquid paper
Gel pens
Compass (these will be provided by the school)
Felt tip pens
Big pencil cases

K-2 Students

These students are not required to provide classroom equipment as these will be provided by the school.

School Bytes

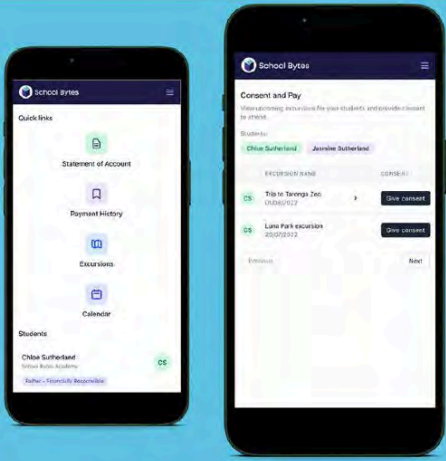
At Yenda PS our main way of communicating with you for excursions and payments is through School Bytes. Please ensure you have this App downloaded onto your phone with notifications enabled. **Please regularly check this!**

If you know your child has an excursion coming up or needs consent to participate in an event, School Bytes is where you will need to go.


Options available through School Bytes at the moment:

- excursion/activities payments and consent
- payments for school uniforms pieces - includes price list.

AVAILABLE NOW!



The Parent Portal
Easily make a payment online
Download your receipt
Sign and return permission notes digitally
Use any credits on your account to make payment
View your complete payment history
Request a refund

 **School Bytes**

Register for the Parent Portal via the
QR Code or visit
<https://portal.schoolbytes.education>



Communicating with Yenda PS

Positive relationships and communication between staff and parents/carers is key in establishing effective learning partnerships. If you need to speak with a staff member you can:

- email the school yenda-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to request a meeting with your child's classroom teacher
- phone the school on 69681236 between 8.30am-4pm
- visit the school (8.30am-9am) or after school (3pm-3.30pm) except Wednesday afternoons as the staff are in a meeting.

Please remember, with class or learning matters it is always best to start with the classroom teacher, as they are well placed to answer question regarding your child.

If you have a matter that needs further discussion or clarification please make an appointment to see Michelle Perez our Assistant Principal, or Nikki Callinan our Principal if required.

NSW Education Parent App

The NSW Education Parent App is an app developed and endorsed by the department, free for schools and parents and carers to use, and is synced with the School Website service (SWS)

Key features of the app for parents and carers include:

- newsletters
- upcoming events and calendar notifications
- emergency notification including school closures
- enrolment resources such as School Finder and Start a new enrolment application
- learning resources such as everyday Maths and Parents and Carers toolkit
- ability to translate default language

For more information:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/technology/nsw-education-parent-app>



Updating information at School 2025

Please ensure that our school office has any updated information that we need. This includes phone numbers and emails. If your child is on a health care plan (asthma etc), please ensure we have an updated copy.

Special Religious Education (SRE)

Scripture (SRE) lessons at Yenda are on Wednesday afternoons. Catholic, Other Denominations of Christian Faith as well as Non Scripture lessons are offered.

If you would like your child to participate in these lessons, please ensure the school has been notified on which scripture class your child is to attend.

EVERY DAY COUNTS ...

A day here or there doesn't seem like much but ...

When your child misses just	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12, that is ...	This means the best your child can achieve is ...
1 day a fortnight	20 days a year	4 weeks of school	Nearly 1½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days a year	8 weeks of school	Over 2½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days a year	16 weeks of school	Over 5 years of learning of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days a year	24 weeks of school	Over 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed ...



3-Way Goal Setting Meetings

When families and schools work together children's learning is enhanced. In **Week 5**, teachers will be scheduling goal setting meetings. This is a chance to have a conversation with your child and their teacher about the goals they are working towards this semester.

Once again, these booking times will be made through the School Bytes app. Bookings for these interviews will be open from Wednesday 12 Feb from 3pm. If you are unable to attend one of the available times, please make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher to arrange another date.



Reminders

A reminder to all students and families that the play equipment in OUT OF BOUNDS before and after school. This equipment is only to be used when there is teacher supervision. We appreciate parents keeping their younger children off this equipment at pick up times as well. Thank you.



CLASSROOM INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

**KQ-
ISABELLA QUARISA**

**WEEK 3
MONDAY 10 FEB
3.30PM-4PM**

**1V
VANESSA VISELLI**

**WEEK 3
MONDAY 10 FEB
4PM-4.30PM**

**2/3B
SARAH BROWN &
OLIVIA CUNNINGHAM**

**WEEK 3
THURSDAY 13 FEB
3.30PM-4PM**

**3/4B
LISA BROWN**

**WEEK 3
THURSDAY 13 FEB
4.30PM-5PM**

**5/6P
MICHELLE PEREZ**

**WEEK 3
THURSDAY 13 FEB
4PM-4.30PM**

NAPLAN 2025 Parent and Carer Information

Each year the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is undertaken by students in Years 3,5,7 and 9. Students will participate in tests for writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

NAPLAN 2025 will take place from **Wednesday 12 March to Friday 21 March**.

NAPLAN is just one part of our school learning assessment program. The tests assess the literacy and numeracy skills your child is already learning at school.

In preparation for NAPLAN, our school will undertake activities to help students become familiar with the format and functionality of the online tests. These activities are not an assessment of student ability and will not be marked. Excessive preparation for NAPLAN is not recommended. The public demonstration site (<https://nap.edu.au/naplan/public-demonstration-site>) is available to see the types of questions, tools and functions used in NAPLAN tests.

Further information about NAPLAN is available on the NESA website (<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/k-10/understanding-the-curriculum/naplan/parent-information>).

If you have any questions about NAPLAN, please contact your child's teacher.

2025 SRC

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected to the School Representative Council for 2025!

Year 1



Bailey Brown Jager Damini

Year 2



Emma Curran Indie Crowe

Year 3



Lara Evans Jyiden Knight

Year 4



Chantelle Power Macie Everett

Year 5



Joie Damini Willow Dunn

Year 6



Stella Forster Amelia Ryan

2025 Sports Captains

Congratulations to our 2025 Sports Captains!

Tandarra



Alexis Meginley



Isabella-Jane Apps

Ballandry



Phoebe Vearing



Jed Hall

We know you will be amazing role models for our school!

Staffing Structure 2025

Principal: Nikki Callinan

Assistant Principal (Acting): Michelle Perez

Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction (Acting): Sarah Brown- 2 days

School Administration Manager (SAM): Tanya Cornale

School Administration Officer: Vicki Gooda- 1 day & Tammy Hirst-2 days

General Assistant (GA): Neil Grant 2 days & John McMahon 2 days

Classroom Teachers:

KQ-Isabella Quarisa

1V-Vanessa Viselli

2/3B- Sarah Brown-3 days **T1**- Olivia Cunningham-2 days, **T2-4** Simone Young-2 days

3/4B- Lisa Brown

5/6P- Michelle Perez

Learning Support & RFF Teachers:

Rachel Kirkman- 3days

Olivia Cunningham (T1)-1 day

Simone Young (T2-4)- 1 day

Student Learning Support Officers:

Kellyanne Humphreys

Lisa Marando

Lisa Cassidy

Caprice Crowe



GWS Giants Netball Visit

Today Yenda PS was lucky enough to have Tim Underwood, Olivia Harris, Jamie-Lee Price from GWS giants drop in for a chat with the students. Everyone was very excited and enjoyed having them at the school.

We wish them the best of luck in their game tonight!



Term 1 Class PE Timetable

	KQ	1V	2/3B	3/4B	5/6P
Week 3	Thursday 13 February	Monday 10 February	Tuesday 11 February	Wednesday 12 Swimming Carnival	Wednesday 12 Swimming Carnival
Week 4	Thursday 20 February	Monday 17 February	Tuesday 18 February	Tuesday 18 February	Wednesday 19 February
Week 5	Thursday 27 February	Monday 24 February	Tuesday 25 February	Tuesday 25 February	Wednesday 26 February
Week 6	Thursday 6 March	Monday 3 March	Tuesday 4 March	Tuesday 4 March	Wednesday 5 March
Week 7	Thursday 13 March	Monday 10 March	Tuesday 11 March	Tuesday 11 March	Wednesday 12 March
Week 8	Thursday 20 March	Monday 17 March	Tuesday 18 March	Tuesday 18 March	Wednesday 19 March
Week 9	Thursday 27 March	Monday 24 March	Tuesday 25 March	Tuesday 25 March	Wednesday 26 March
Week 10	Thursday 3 April	Monday 31 March	Tuesday 1 April	Tuesday 1 April	Wednesday 2 April
Week 11	Thursday 10 April	Monday 7 April	Tuesday 8 April	Tuesday 8 April	Wednesday 9 April

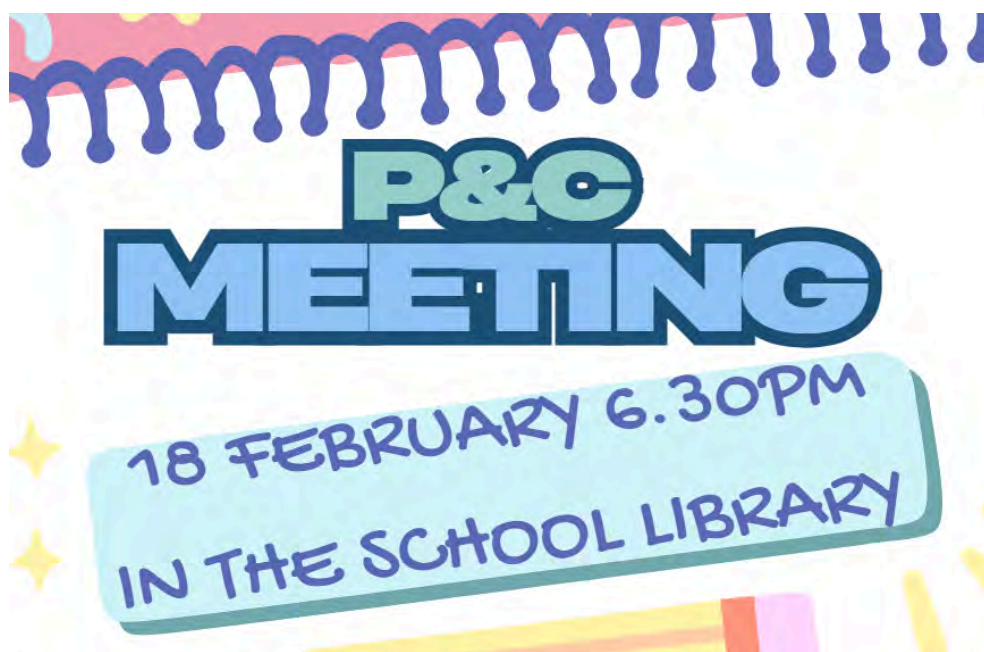
Full sport uniform is to be worn on these days.

Whole school sport day is Friday

Summer Sports Uniform

Sports uniform for both boys and girls is the school sports shirt, navy shorts (no white or coloured logos), white socks and joggers. Bike pants and PSSA shorts are not our school uniform.





Canteen Roster Term 1 2025

Thank you to our parent and family members who volunteer their time to assist in our canteen. If you are rostered on at the canteen and are unable to make your shift, please contact Amanda Charles on 0421570077

Wednesday

12 February	1.15pm-2.15pm	Closed Swimming Carnival
19 February	1.15pm-2.15pm	Lisa Badoco
26 February	1.15pm-2.15pm	Lisa Badoco
5 March	1.15pm-2.15pm	Tara Betts
12 March	1.15pm-2.15pm	Tara Betts
19 March	1.15pm-2.15pm	Lisa Badoco
26 March	1.15pm-2.15pm	Lisa Badoco
2 April	1.15pm-2.15pm	Closed Cross Country
9 April	1.15pm-2.15pm	Tara Betts

Friday

14 February	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Andrew/Anna
21 February	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Suzanne Clarke Alison Ryan
28 February	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Lucy Morris
7 March	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Ann Furner
14 March	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Alison Ryan
21 March	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Suzanne Clark Alison Ryan
28 March	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Lucy Morris
4 April	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Alison Ryan
11 April	8.30am-12pm + 1pm-2.15pm	Suzanne Clarke Alison Ryan

Welcome to 2025 at Yenda Public School! 🎉📚

Our students and teachers have had a fantastic start to the new school year!

From settling into their classrooms to building friendships and diving into learning, it's been a wonderful first week. We're looking forward to an exciting year filled with growth, achievement, and fun. Here's a glimpse of our amazing classes and dedicated teachers for 2025!

