

AROUND *the* TRAPS



The Newsletter of Yellingbo Primary School

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Principal's Message

Boy, it Was Cold, But a Good Day

I don't think I have been so cold in my life. There we were, at the Upper Yarra Museum on Monday, standing on the old train platform, getting colder and colder. The cold seemed to be creeping up from the platform, through the soles of my shoes and into my legs. It made me wonder, yet again, why anyone would ever bother voluntarily going into the snow for the day – for fun. Here I was in Yarra Junction and I felt like I may as well have been standing in a snow field - not fun.

We went to see a black smith in his forge, and it was a bit warmer there, at least. The black smith was absolutely brilliant! He was so knowledgeable and skilful as he showed us how to heat iron to bend it and shape it. The students were amazed at what he was able to do with a flick here and a twist there and a tap with the hammer in just the right place. He even made a nail! What's so amazing about that? you may ask. Well, handmade nails are very labour intensive. It just explains why people in the American West used to burn their houses if they moved from one place to another; the nails that held the buildings together were so precious that they were picked up from the ashes of burnt buildings.

The museum has some amazing old stuff to look at – even old fashioned radio-grams and a very early television that was very like the one we had at home when I was a kid. There were lots of pictures of the area way back in the past. Some of the logs dragged out of the forested areas were huge; and cut with hand saws and axes.

CALENDAR

August 2015

September 2015

Monday 14 th to Friday 18 th	Whole school swimming program.
Friday 18 th	Last day of Term 3.

NOTICES SENT HOME

Notice	Due Back
Parent Survey	Monday 10 th August.

Maroondah Dam was a little bit warmer – maybe. But we had hot sausages to warm us up. I had also stopped to buy Carolyn and I a beanie each to keep our heads warm.

Poor James has his sausage swiped by a greedy kookaburra when his head was turned. Everyone but James thought it was pretty funny. How does the saying go? “Everyone loves a good murder except the victim”.

Luke H. got smart and held a couple of water melon seeds out for the rosellas to come and get. One was brave enough to creep down a tree branch and hop onto Luke's hand and quickly grab a seed before flying off. I wish I had a camera; the look on Luke's face was brilliant.

A quick stop at the amazing playground at Yarra Glen and we were off to The Chocolaterie for a milk shake and a bag of their goodies. What flavour were the milk shakes? Guess.

Yeah, it was a good fun day – even if it was cold.
Thanks to Ruth for helping out with transport.

Parent Surveys

If you have not yet handed back your completed Parent Survey, you can still do so. We will accept them until Monday August 10th.

Uniforms

We still have a mountain of second hand school uniforms to give away; great for the cold and wet weather when it's so hard to get washing dry. Come in and take your pick of anything that will fit your child. The prices can't be beaten.

Have a good week,

Rick.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	No students of the week this week

Notices on our Noticeboard *Outside the Office*

- Upper Yarra Secondary College Newsletter.
- Valley kids Soccer.

AWESOME KIDS IN THE KITCHEN



