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The Newsletter of Yellingbo Primary School

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Principal's Message

School Council

Part of the School Council meeting held on Monday was spent looking at a report I developed, which looks at the different staffing and school organisational models that are open to us in 2016. This is a vital step in deciding whether the school should continue to operate next year. As you can imagine, there are many factors which influence this decision; some of them are purely financial, while others have a much more emotive nature.

My role in this process is purely advisory; I cannot be seen to influence the decision, which is entirely in the hands of the School Council. I believe that I have provided a thorough outline of the financial standing of the school, along with clear options as to how the school may look in the future, given our current situation. Carolyn Boyd and I have also provided School Council with as much information as we can about the social and emotional wellbeing of the students who we have been left with for the remainder of the 2015 school year.

At Monday's meeting, school council decided that there was more consultation required before a decision could be made. Therefore, a meeting of parents has been called for this Friday after school so that the views of all parents can be canvassed. Please make an effort to come along to this meeting so that your views can be considered.

Please note that neither Carolyn nor I will be attending this meeting, so as to reinforce the notion

CALENDAR

July 2015

Friday 31 st	Gr 3-6 Ski Trip.
Friday 31 st	Day at Don Valley PS
Friday 31 st	Inter school sports
Friday 31 st	Parent Meeting
August 2015	
Monday 3 rd	Chinese Visitors excursion with Don Valley.
Monday 3 rd	School Council Meeting

NOTICES SENT HOME

Notice	Due Back

that the decision made is purely that of the school council.

Following this meeting, School Council will again meet next Monday to come to a considered final decision regarding this entire, serious matter. This will not be a closed meeting – all parents who wish to attend may do so.

Please understand that Carolyn and I are both working very hard to assist your children through this difficult time – under some duress, as many of our students are upset and emotionally raw because of the loss of their friends and classmates. They are also anxious about what is going to happen to their school in the future.

Ski Trip

Tomorrow five of our students are heading up to Lake Mountain for a day's cross country skiing. I hope there is plenty of snow for them, although I can't imagine how

the weather we have had recently could not have dumped plenty of snow there.

Challenge Based Learning

The remainder of our students will be travelling with Carolyn and me to Don Valley PS for the first of our CBL sessions for this term. We will also be there for Interschool Sport.

We are also looking forward to our day out next Monday. I have never been to the Upper Yarra Museum and I am going to be interested to see the blacksmith working there. I am also quite looking forward to spending some time at the chocolate establishment. Mmmmmm, chocolate!

Have a good week,

Rick

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Isabel	For always being a happy 'Princess Isabel'
Aden	For his enthusiasm and willingness to take on new challenges.

Measuring Our 'Skeletons'

Maths this week included some measurement work – cutting and measuring strips of paper to represent different parts of our bodies.

