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The musical talent of our students was on show last week as students from both Seniors and Middle School sang, danced and drummed their way through our Karaoke competition. Jack and Ryan maintained a perfect beat on the drums while performing "We will Rock You". Liam accompanied them with fabulous improvisation on the drums. This trio were joined by Kale who sang "Edge of Glory". Tiana had the crowd rocking singing "One way or Another". The winners of the Senior heat were Kale and the Room 3 & 4 Rockers. The middle school dazzled everyone with singing and dancing.

Representing the middle school in the finals was Nathan, Deakin, Talia and Room 10 performed a dance. It was all good fun and it was great to see how confident and comfortable our students are at performing on our stage. Thanks to all staff involved including Sally and Shane who acted as back up singers and to Merrilyn for her drumming support.

Next week the Senior school will be on camp. This is very exciting as the students have been involved in selecting which camp they would like to attend as well as nominating which friends they'd like to go on camp with.

Next Friday we have a number of staff attending a symposium on School Wide Positive Behaviour Support. Shane Spence and Anthea Naylor will also be discussing some work they have been undertaking.

Last night School Council toured our new kitchen area. It will be available for student use over the coming weeks. This is a very exciting facility for all our students. A big thank you to Janet, Gavin and Teresa for making it all happen.

Just a reminder that tomorrow is a curriculum day. Teachers will be completing anaphylaxis training and Support staff will be completing some on line training.

Helen Johnston

**Curriculum Day
This Friday 14th of August
Students do not attend school**



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Diary Dates

Friday 14th August	Curriculum Day (Students do not attend)
Monday 17th August	Senior Snow Camp
Tuesday 18th August	Senior Garfield Camp Senior City Camp Senior Bendigo Camp

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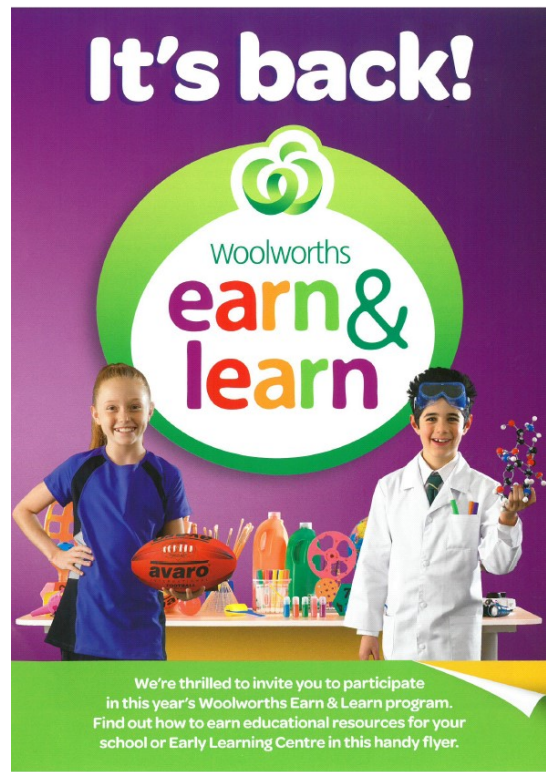
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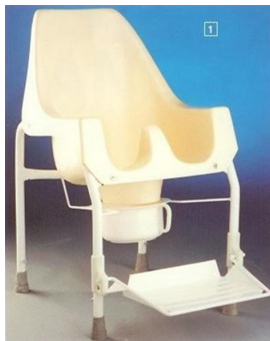
Parent PODD Workshop 2015

Thursday 27th August at 6.30-7.45pm
– Yarra Ranges SDS Staffroom

Learn how to use the PODD with your child and have your questions answered.



If you would like to support our school with the earn and learn stickers, you can send them in with your child or there are some stores in the area with a box with our school name on it and you can drop them in there. We have some parents collecting the boxes for us.



WANTED – K-Care Potty Chair

Does anyone in our school community have a k-care potty chair (Junior Size – seat height 370mm) at home that is not being used? If so, can they please contact Rhonda Kimberley, Occupational Therapist, on 9736 2499 (Mon/Tue/Wed). This equipment would benefit another family at Yarra Ranges SDS. Thank you.

Ebility.com is an informative website which also has disability equipment items for sale. Items include general rehabilitation, mobility and therapy equipment with a separate sale section for child specific equipment and equipment used in vehicles.

Equipment for sale and may include second hand, demo or discontinued paediatric special needs equipment.

If parents /carers would like any information about a particular piece of equipment or have any other equipment enquiries; the Yarra Ranges SDS therapy team is happy to help. Please call us on the school number: 9736 2499.



August 2015

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Senior Snow Camp						
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