Congratulations to the McKinnell family on the safe arrival of their twin daughters Charlotte and Amelia. Ethan and Maddie are very proud! They have shared some videos and photos with us. The babies are very cute. We can’t wait to meet them.

Reminders
- Early Finish Last day of term
- Camps, sport and excursion forms are due by Friday the 26th June (last day of term) at the latest.

Calendar of Events

Term 2
13th April- 26th June

Term 3
13th July- 18th September

Term 4
5th October -18th December

Up Coming Events

June
26th – PJ Day - Last Day
Early 1.30 finish

July
13th - Day 1 Term 3
30th – Tree planting

Martin
Walker Reserve

August
17th-21st – Book Week

Katy’s Chat

I would like to thank the students, staff and parent helpers for a wonderful Semester One. It has certainly been a busy one. Highlights have included, Justine’s Science visits, Sustainability Days at Federation University, Chinese Cultural Days at Kurnai (P-2), Cultural Performance Days- Kernot Hall, Indigenous Seed Planting Days (with Debbie Shore), Bunnings Planting days (with Barb), Camps (5-6’s) and many other great activities. We are so lucky to be able to participate in so many experiences for our students.

Our building projects are underway. The hall is currently undergoing some structural work to stabilise it and address the underground water issue. The students are really enjoying learning about engineering and watching the works from behind the safety fences. Chante made my day yesterday by telling me that she may be an engineer when she grows up. The new buildings are on the way. The administration block will be positioned on the hall side of the basketball court near the frog bog. The brand new double classroom will go in a similar position to the existing classroom. The new toilet block and big storeroom will be in similar alignment to the existing admin and toilet block. It is hoped that building works will be completed in time for us to start Term Four in the new spaces. Very Exciting.
Indoor footwear
As we begin to prepare for our new buildings at Yinnar South Primary School, students are required to remove their shoes before entering classrooms. To assist us with this, staff are strongly encouraging students to have a pair of indoor shoes.

Ideal indoor shoes:
- Have firm soles (provide some protection, and are suitable if a child wants to pop to the bathroom in a hurry)
- Are practical
- Are not novelty slippers - e.g. fluffy or animal heads.

Another cheap option is Targe/Kmart have cheap black pull on canvas shoes. These are a great option when the weather warms up.

Science at Yinnar South Primary School
Justine (Willow B’s mum) came to school to teach us Science with dry ice. For the first activity she put dry ice in a bowl of water. When the dry ice hit the water it melted quickly and it turned into carbon dioxide. She had a beaker with a tube coming out of the side. Justine covered the top with her hand, and then dipped the tube into a bowl of dishwashing liquid which then made bubbles. Justine put them on everyone’s head. Even Mrs Taylor had a go. We all had a great time.

We love science. Thanks Justine.

By Ty
As part of our literacy work this week, senior students practiced their fluency skills reading aloud to their peers.

Lifestyles Recipes

Each fortnight I endeavour to load the recipes used onto our website. I found out this week that unless you know where to look they are hard to find so here are the directions.

Go to - Yinnar South Primary School
  - Click on Curriculum a list will drop down
  - Then scroll down to Lifestyles and Wellbeing
  - Click on this, Recipes are here!

Lifestyles

Last week we harvested our pumpkins and made them into Pumpkin Lasagne! We used our eggs to make the pasta sheets as well.
Brainstorming in Sustainability

Yinnar South Primary School students have been invited to be part of a research project for Monica Green at Federation University. Monica is seeking information from students across the region about ‘sustainability’. She has asked our students create inventions with a ‘sustainability’ theme. To prepare students we have been working on ideas around the topic of ‘sustainability’. Ask your children what they think it means!

Change of School Lunch Day

As a part of revised timetable arrangements we are returning to Warm Winter Wednesdays which means that students will be involved in the ‘Sustainability – Kitchen Garden’ program on a Wednesday (not a Thursday).

At the commencement of Term 3 students will have their cooked lunch on a Wednesday.

Please Note that All Lifestyles Fees must be up to date by Week Two (Term Three) (or a payment plan in place) to participate in this program.

We hope this does not cause any confusion.

Please keep saving your plastic bottles tops, we will be using them early next term. Also save your plastic bottles, soft drink or water not milk bottles. Please ensure that they are all washed and dried.