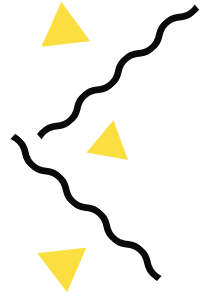


GAAYIP-YAGILA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



THE LATEST EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 3 Week 10. Our holidays begin this Friday with an early finish at 2:10pm for the end of term. On behalf of the staff, I hope you all have a safe and happy holiday. We hope you can enjoy some of the warmer weather that is forecast to get outside and have some fun.

Term 3 has seen a range of activities occurring across our school including the Athletics and after school soccer, Book Week activities and open classrooms. Term 4 promises to be very exciting with our first camp for Year 5 and 6 students, Year 2s going to Bundoora Farm, Year 3s and Year 4 attending the MCG and surrounds, preparation for our 2024 school leaders and Year 6 Graduation.

This week we have made over 700 hotdog lunches as part of our footy week celebrations. A big thank you to the following staff for making this possible: Allisha Pike, Katrina Lamers, Hanna Spark, Lauren Menezes, Kathy MacRae and Cathy Simmons.

Have a wonderful break and we will see you after the holidays on Monday 2nd October.

Kind Regards

Cassy Hoggins

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SCHOOL POLICIES UPDATE

Each of our school policies can be found on our school website, as well as in hard copy via the administration office.

At our School Council meeting last night the following policy was ratified:

- Statement of Values and School Philosophy

The following policies were reviewed and consultation undertaken:

- Administration of Medication
- Anaphylaxis
- Camps and Excursions
- Duty of Care
- First Aid
- Health Care Needs
- Yard Duty and Supervision

As valuable partners in promoting and maintaining child safety and wellbeing at Gaayip-Yagila Primary School we welcome and encourage your feedback. If you have any suggestions, comments or questions in relation to our policies, please contact gaayip.yagila.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENTS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

Student safety at Gaayip-Yagila Primary School is our highest priority and the safe and appropriate supervision of students is an important element of our duty of care to students. Part of this duty is ensuring parents and students are aware of our student supervision arrangements before and after school.

Before school: School grounds are supervised from 8.40am when the school gates are opened. Students are able to enter classrooms from 8.50am and instruction begins at 9.00am. Department guidelines advise that supervision must be provided at least 10 minutes prior to the start of the school day. Our school enables students to be supervised 20 minutes prior to the start of the day.

After school: School grounds are supervised until 3.25pm. Department guidelines advise that supervision must be provided at least 10 minutes after the end of the school day. Our school enables students to be supervised for 15 after the school day is completed.

Students on school grounds outside these times will not be supervised (unless they are attending a before or after school care program or supervised extracurricular activity).

Parents/carers are requested to ensure that students do not attend school outside of these supervised times unless they are attending before or after school care, or a pre-arranged supervised activity (i.e. sports practice). Where students attend outside these hours parents will be contacted and alternative arrangements for supervision may be required.

Families are encouraged to contact TheirCare on 1300 072 410 or refer to [their website](#) for more information about the before and after school care facilities available to our school community, or if you would like any further information about our student supervision arrangements.

For a copy of our school's Yard Duty and Supervision Policy please see our school website at gyps.vic.edu.au or contact the administration office. This policy includes Gaayip-Yagila Primary School's student supervision arrangements across the school day, including before and after school.

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ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

As a result of the new timeline that has been introduced by the Department of Education, enrolments for 2024 are now due. If you have a child who will be starting Foundation next year it is important that you speak to our administration team this week to complete enrolment forms so that we can plan for anticipated enrolments. If you have a neighbour, friend or relative who lives within our designated neighbourhood (www.findmyschool.gov.au) we ask you to check that they have enrolled their child. If you have any questions, please speak with our administration team.

2024 STUDENT TRANSFER

As we begin to look ahead to 2024, we ask that if you are intending to relocate schools at the end of the year that you please let us know at the below form. This includes if you intend to enrol at Yubup Primary School (opening in 2024). This really helps to assist us with our forward planning:

<https://forms.office.com/r/LqYHBUCrwK>

AUGUST ATTENDANCE

The end of August Attendance Letters have been sent to families via Xuno. These staged letters are for students who have an attendance rate below 80%. If you require any additional support regarding attendance concerns please contact the Wellbeing Team on 9216 3200.

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2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday 15th Septmeber	Footy Lunch - 5/6
Friday 15th September	Whole School Assembly at 1:30pm Last Day of Term 3 - 2:10pm Finish
Monday 2nd October	First Day of Term 4
Tuesday 3rd October	Year 2 Bundoora Park Children's Farm Excursion
Thursday 5th October	Year 2 Bundoora Park Children's Farm Excursion
Thursday 5th October	Year 4 MCG and Sports Museum Tour
Friday 6th October	Art Show 4pm - 6pm
Monday 9th October	Year 3 MCG and Sports Museum Tour
Wednesday 18th October	Year 5/6 Camp Arrabri Lodge
Thursday 19th October	Year 5/6 Camp Arrabi Lodge
Friday 20th October	Year 5/6 Camp Arrabi Lodge
Monday 30th October	Year 6 Graduation Group Photo
Monday 6th November	Student Free Day (Staff Reporting: VGSA requirement)
Wednesday 20th December	Last Day of Term 4 - 1:00pm Finish

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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL WELLBEING UPDATE

BY HANNA SPARK

R U Ok Day is today, Thursday the 14th September 2023. Our Student Managers planned special wellbeing sessions to support this year's theme of 'I'm here to hear' promoting that a conversation with someone could change a life. Connecting with people around you can create great friendships. Our students from Foundation to Year 6 learnt what it means to be a good friend and how they can build respectful and caring relationships with others.

You don't need to be an expert to reach out to those who are in your life. You just need to be a good friend and great listener. Using these four steps can help you meaningfully connect:



The following pages showcase some of the amazing work completed in classrooms:

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FOUNDATION R U OK DAY

Check out our
awesome work



What did we
learn about?

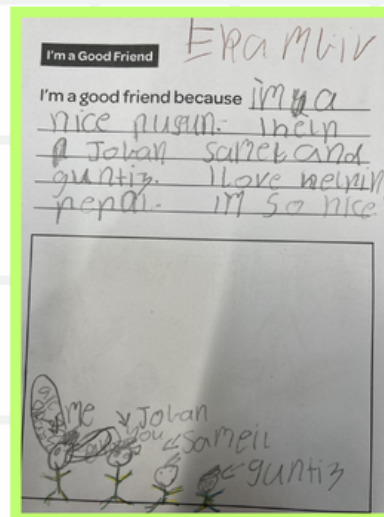
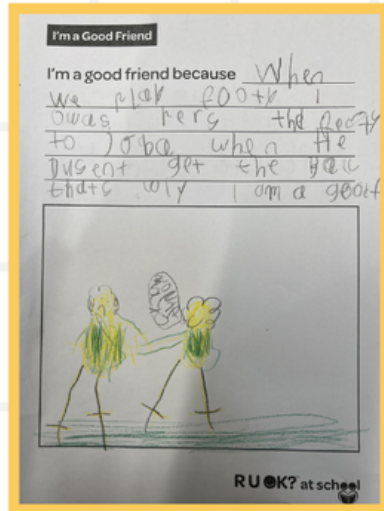
In Foundation, we
learnt about what R U
ok day means and how
to ask someone if they
are okay using ALEC

1. Ask
2. Listen
3. Encourage Action
4. Check In



We completed an
activity about how we
can be a good friend
and wrote about some
of the things a good
friend does!

RUOK?



I am a good friend because...

"I played with my friends. I ask them if they are hurt"

"I am friendly"

"Because I help them"



RU OK?

THE YEAR 1 STUDENTS WERE ASKED TO DRAW WHAT MAKES A GOOD FRIEND AND TALK ABOUT HOW THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO BE A GOOD FRIEND!

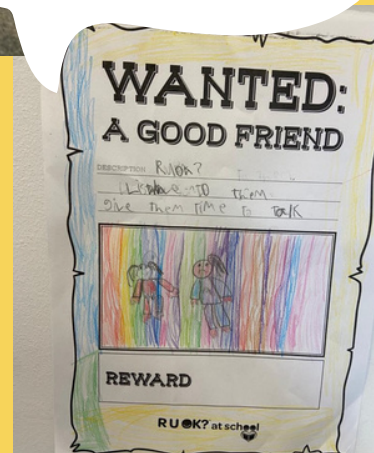
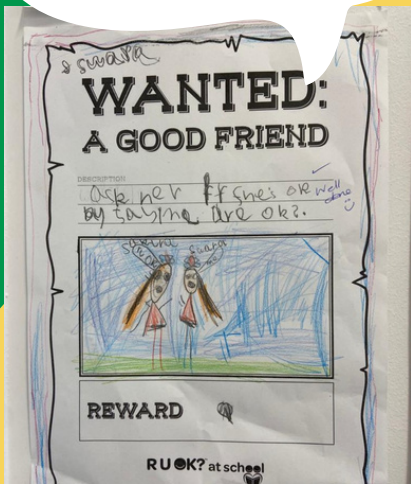
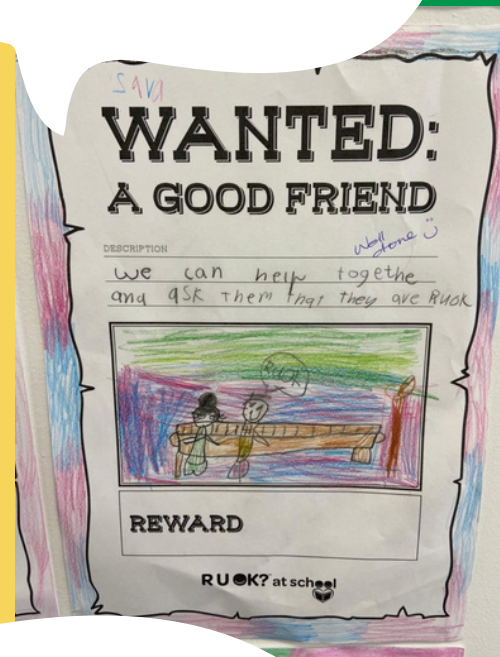
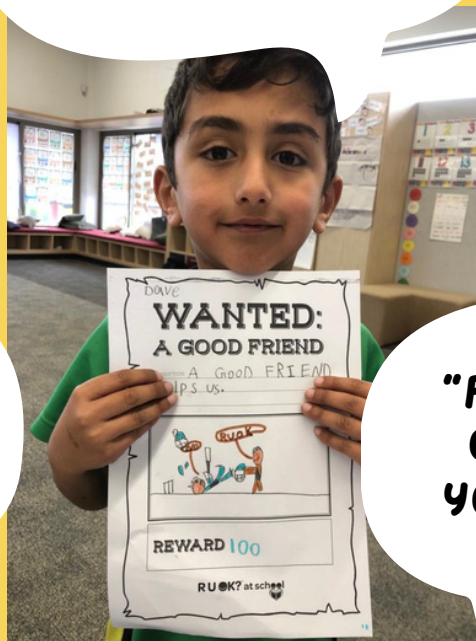
ASK THEM
"ARE YOU OK?"

"LISTEN TO THEM
AND GIVE THEM TIME
TO TALK"

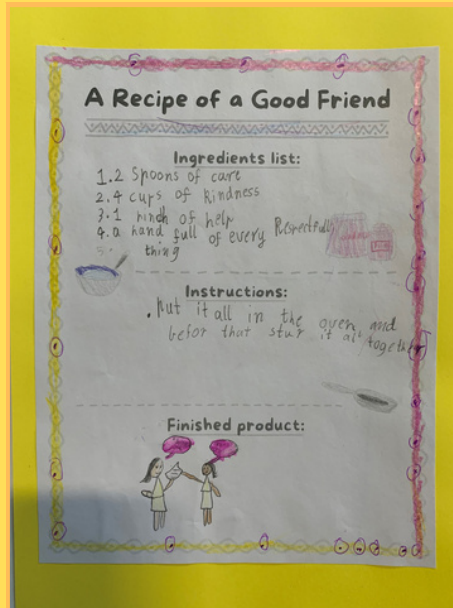
"GOOD FRIENDS
HELP EACH
OTHER"

"A GOOD
FRIEND
SUPPORTS ME"

"FRIENDS CHECK
ON YOU WHEN
YOU'RE FEELING
SICK"



R U OK? DAY IN YEAR 2



In Year 2, we created a recipe for a good friend. During this activity, students considered the qualities they value most in a friend. The Year 2 students also learnt how to support one another and the steps to checking in when others are not ok.

What makes a good friend?

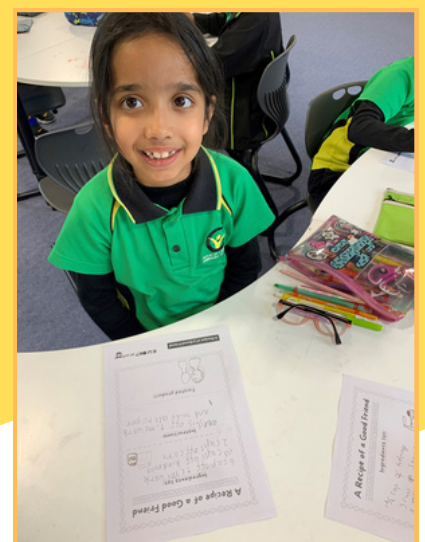
Politeness, teamwork, helpfulness and courage makes a good friend
- Kristofar Issa

What does R U OK? Day mean to you?

It means checking in on people when they are upset. For example, asking if they want someone to play with or if they need to talk -
Diamond Taala

What did you enjoy about the R U OK? Day activity?

I like how we got to write down ingredients for a good friend, instead of a cake - Bishneet Dhesi



RUOK?™

A conversation could change a life.

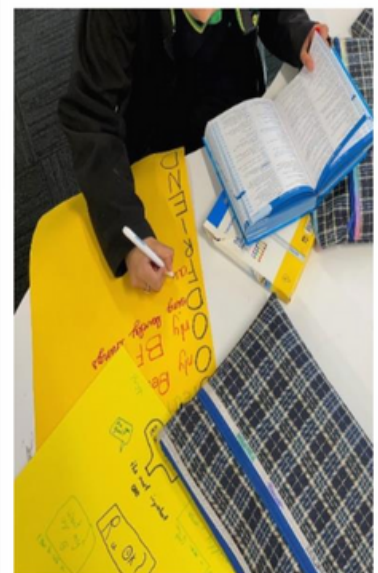


Last week, our Grade 3 & 4 students prepared for RUOK? Day which is on the 14th September 2023. They were able to learn about the importance of listening to one another.

They were also able to model our expectation of Kindness through checking in with each other whilst participating in some fun activities.



Games --- Play games together.
Of course --- Saying "Of course"
Open --- Open for suggestions.
Dinner --- Go out for dinner sometimes.
Friends --- Best friends forever.
Race --- Race each other.
Excellent --- Excellent in work.
Nice --- Nice to each other.
Dead --- Does good deeds.



How to have an RUOK? conversation



Ask RUOK?



Listen



Encourage action



Check in

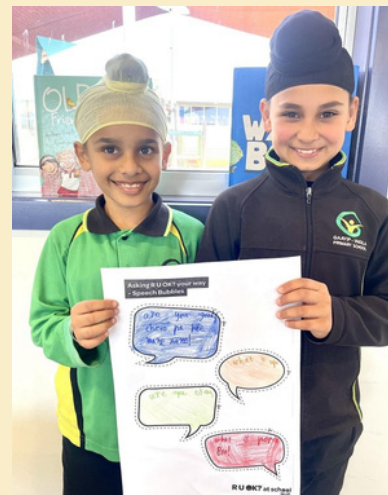
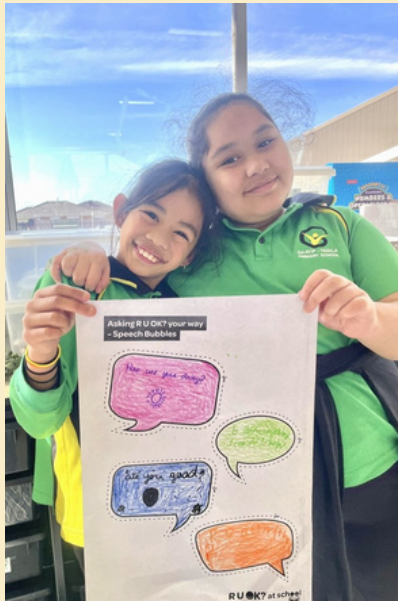
RUOK? at school



RU OK? DAY™



In Year 3 students explored what makes a good friend by looking out for others and recognising when someone might not be OK. Students practiced how to meaningfully connect with each other by checking in and asking the question R U OK?



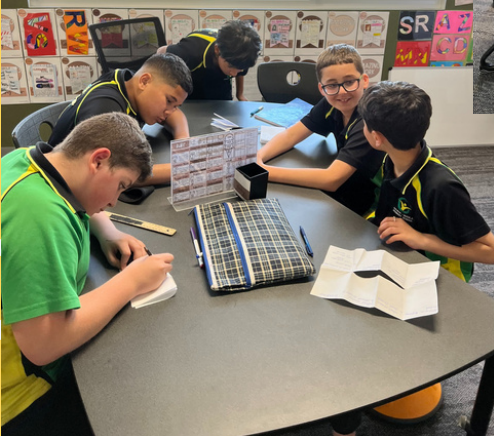
LET'S
TALK



5/6 FRIENDSHIP 'ZINE'

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A GOOD FRIEND?

THE YEAR 5/6 STUDENTS DISCUSSED THE QUALITIES OF A GOOD FRIEND AND STRATEGIES TO MANAGE FRIENDSHIPS.



"A GOOD FRIEND SHOULD BE."
HONEST...CARING...TRUSTWORTHY....FUN.
HAPPY....HAS YOUR BACK



SPIKE CROSS AGE LEARNING

Our school has continued its work on our SPPIKE Project with our Koorie students participating in a Cross Age Learning session. The session included a range of activities including:

- Yarning Circle
- Check In
- STEM Challenges
- Outdoor Indigenous Game (Wana Wana)

The students worked in partners to complete the challenges and it was great to see their confidence and teamwork develop. Congratulations to our winning partnership of Manaaki and Pipa who demonstrated excellent communication, encouragement and teamwork skills.



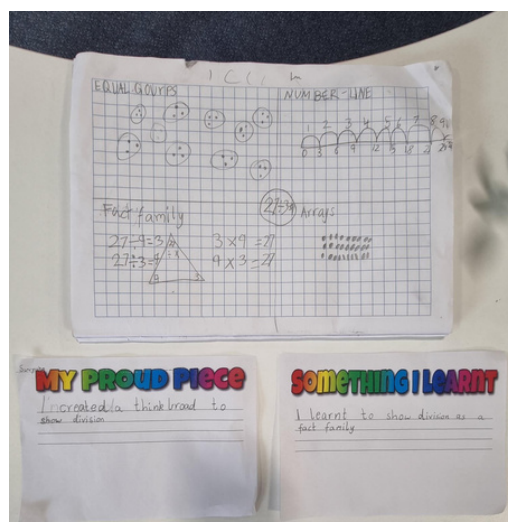
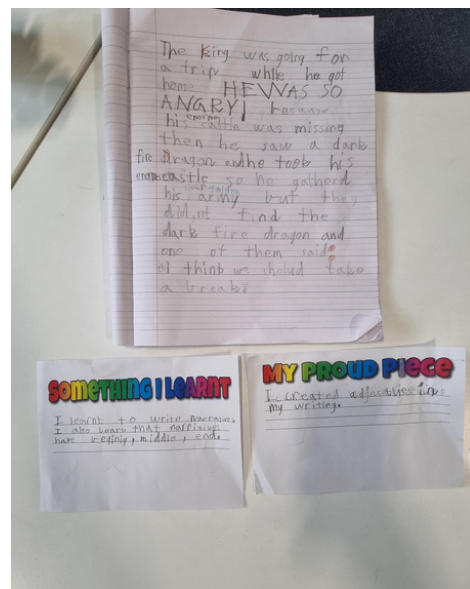
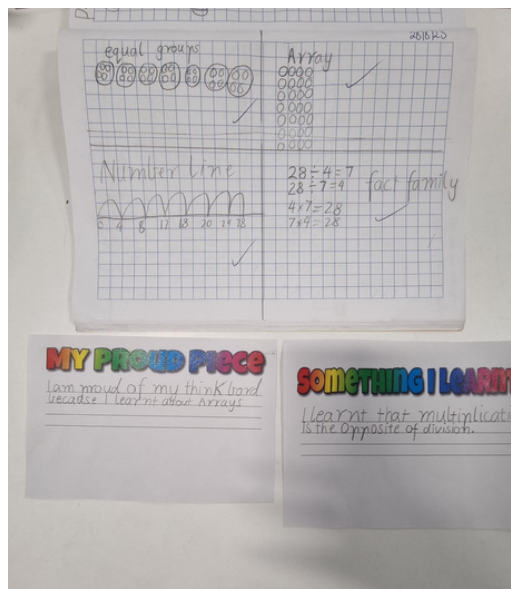
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YEAR 2 WRITING

The Year 2 students were excited about their learning and the thought of their teachers sharing their goals and work at Parent Teacher Interviews.

They reflected on a proud piece of work they wanted presented to their families at these interviews.

Below are some examples of work that both students and teachers are proud of from this term.



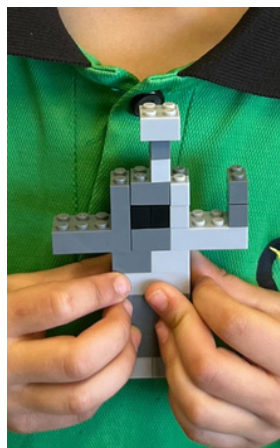
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SCIENCE NEWS

In Foundation, students have been revising what they learnt about force and motion. We have been looking at the key vocabulary we've been learning about such as push and pull. We have also thought about and discussed the way different items move. Through fun games, we have thought about and experienced in different ways we move our bodies.



In Year 1 and 2, students have been sharing what they have learnt about Earth and Space Science. They learnt about what a landscape is and how there are different types of landscapes on Earth. They then created an invitation that showcased all of their knowledge from our learning this term. This week, they got creative by using Lego to complete different challenges!



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In Year 3 and 4, students have been creating a diorama about night and day. They have been working with partners to create a scene that depicts both day and night for their chosen season, creating the Earth and showing the Earth's tilt, and finally adding a torch (as the sun) to show how the sun creates night and day. Students have been working really hard on these dioramas and are in the final stage of completing them this week. They all look great so far!

In Year 5 and 6, students were working collaboratively to present their research about their chosen planet. They have chosen their own media to present their information and have spent time making their presentations look amazing, really showcasing their research and knowledge of the planets. There have been lots of interesting facts learnt about the planets!

SCIENCE TEAM

AMY HICKS, SALLY-ANNE HILL, LAUREN HOGG,
MELISSA PONGRAC, NICOLE MARSHALL

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VISUAL ART NEWS

Brief update in Visual Arts this fortnight, as we've been busy working hard to finish our graffiti projects in time for the GYPS Art Show – Tagged Thread: A Street and Textile Art Showcase which will be open Friday 6th of October from 4-6pm. The students and staff are so excited to share the work the students have been working so hard on throughout the year, we hope to see everyone there!

If you're planning on coming along, could you please complete the following expression of interest form so we can ensure there's enough food and activities for attendees?

<https://forms.gle/hsMcyQ2NtRFYf2V57>

VISUAL ARTS TEAM

MARNI HARRIS AND ILKAY YAGCIOGLU



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PRESENTS

THE e threads

**A STREET AND
TEXTILE ART
SHOWCASE**

4PM-6PM

**6TH
OCTOBER**

Gaayip-Yagila
Primary School Gym

**THE 2023 GYPS ART SHOW WILL
INCLUDE:**

- STUDENT ART GALLERY
- BARBECUE + FOOD/DRINK STALLS
- INTERACTIVE ART MAKING
ACTIVITIES
- FACE PAINTING, TEMPORARY
TATTOOS + STICKERS FOR SALE

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We have a wide range of courses on offer, please visit our Online and Wallan Campus pages for more information.

SPRING

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2023: MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2023:

Youth Fest! Town Hall Takeover Time:

12pm – 4pm

Age: 12 – 24

Location: Town Hall Broadmeadows 10
Dimboola Rd, Broadmeadows Walk ins
only, no booking required

TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2023:

Spoken Word/Poetry Writing Workshop

Time: 12pm – 3pm

Age: 16 – 21

Location: Sunbury Youth Centre
51-53 Evans Street, Sunbury
Bookings required

Art Workshop with Kenny Pittock

Time: 2pm – 5pm

Age: 12 – 18

Location: Broadmeadows Youth Central 33-
37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows
Bookings required

WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2023

Art Creative Workshop

Time: 11am – 2.30pm

Age: 10 – 14

Location: Kalkallo Community Centre
33 Toyon Road, Kalkallo
Bookings required

Cooking Workshop

Time: 11am – 2pm

Age: 12 – 18

Location: Roxburgh Park Youth Centre 75
Lakeside Drive, Roxburgh Park Bookings
required

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2023:

World Cooking Table

Time: 11am – 2.30pm

Age: 12 – 18

Location: Sunbury Youth Centre
51-53 Evans Street, Sunbury
Bookings required

Create Your Own Board Game

Time: 1pm – 3pm

Age: 10 – 14

Location: Broadmeadows Youth Central
33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows
Bookings required

Mixed Sports

Time: 1pm – 3pm

Age: 12 – 18

Location: Hume Regional Hockey & Lacrosse Centre 450
Grand Blvd, Craigieburn VIC 3064
Walk ins only, no booking required

TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2023:

Intro to AFL

Time: 1pm – 3pm

Age: 12 – 18

Location: Roxburgh Park Football Club 75
Lakeside Drive, Roxburgh Park
Walk ins only, no booking required

WEDNESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2023

Futsal Tournament

Time: 10am – 3pm

Age: 15 – 25

Location: Broadmeadows Aquatic and Leisure Centre 41-
85 Tanderrum Way, Broadmeadows
Bookings required

Arcade Zone

Time: 12pm – 4pm

Age: 12 – 18

Location: Sunbury Youth Centre
51-53 Evans Street, Sunbury
Walk ins only, no booking required

THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2023

Your Rights at Work Training

Time: 1pm – 3pm

Age: 14 – 24

Location: Hume Global Learning Centre – Craigieburn 75-
95 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn
Bookings required



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Youth Services & Hume Libraries have
partnered together to deliver additional
school holiday activities as part of the
2023 Victorian Youth Fest.
This program is funded by the Victorian
Government.



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more information visit
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