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We hope that your children enjoyed the YuMi Deadly Maths Fiesta as much as we did! YuMi Deadly Maths allows and encourages children to use their Body, Hands and Mind to learn and practise new skills and concepts. The Maths Fiesta was organised ensuring that bodies, hands and minds were kept very busy. 20 hands on maths activities took up half of the hall over three days. Classes came in one hour blocks and children were allowed to weave their way around at their own choice and learn about concepts such as symmetry, time, calendars, mathsaerobics, pasta pick up, measuring with paddle pop sticks and so much more.

Here are some of what the students thought:-

“I loved Busy Blocks and I made the Simpsons” Lachlan M-4A
“I liked the rubber bands because I made different shapes” Lucy S- Prep C
“Math-aerobics was the most fun” Ashlee Amos 4A
“I like drawing my first name with matchsticks because it makes my name out of these” Zacariah C- Prep C
“The boards, nails and elastic bands and pasta picks were exciting” Amelia Aitken 4A
“My favourite activity was the Mathsaerobics because I like sport and it was fun” Denzel B 6C

YuMi DEADLY CENTRE

The YuMi Deadly Centre is a research centre within the Faculty of Education at QUT which is dedicated to enhancing the learning of Indigenous and non-Indigenous children, young people and adults to improve their opportunities for further educations, training and employment and to equip them for lifelong learning.

“YuMi” is a Torres Strait Islander Creole word meaning “you and me” but is used here with permission from the Torres Strait Islanders’ Regional Education Council to mean working together as a community for the betterment of education for all. “Deadly” is an Aboriginal word used widely across Australia to mean smart in terms of being the best one can be in learning and life.

The YuMi Deadly Centre’s motif was developed by Blacklines to depict learning, empowerment and growth within country/community. The 3 key elements are the individual, the community and the journey/pathway of learning. As such, the motif illustrates the YuMi Deadly Centre’s vision:

Growing Community through Education.
Get prepared now and let’s get rid of HEADLICE over the holidays.

This Term we have seen an increase in the amount of headllice cases at our school. We are going to attempt to get this under control over the September holidays as we feel this will be the most effective way to handle the situation. But we need your help. All you have to do is 2 TREATMENTS on each child over the holidays. We also need the adults to check their own hair as sometimes we get busy and don’t realise that we may also have headlice in our own hair that our children have passed on. So here are some tips.

You can purchase store bought Headlice treatments which do become expensive but we do have an option. If you have been using a particular brand, it is always a good idea to try another brand as the headlice build a defence to particular treatments.

If using store bought Headlice treatments please follow the directions on the packaging.

It may seem a little weird but MAYONNAISE or THICK CONDITIONER are options that you already have in your house. This is an option without using harsh chemicals but does take longer.

Step 1 – apply the product of choice, wrap in cling wrap or wear a shower cap for 8 hours (just before you go to bed is best). Using this method it must be 8 hours.

Step 2 – wash out and then comb with a wire Headlice comb in small sections until you find no more eggs or lice. This is a very important step.

Step 3 – To guarantee you remove ALL headlice these steps MUST be repeated within 5 – 7 days just to make sure that the life cycle of the headlice does not start again. It may even require a 3rd treatment just to be sure you have them all.

VPSS WRITING COMPETITION WINNERS!!!

Prep - Bananas are like Minions (Logan S)
Yr 1 - The Three Little Pigs - A Different Story (Holly V 1B)
Yr 2 - Aqua (Kaili J 2D)
Yr 3 - The Trap Door + overall P-3 winner (Paige K3A)
Yr 4 - Fishy Sensation + overall 4-6 Winner (Max M 4C)
Yr 5 - Grand Final Day (Gracie M 5A)
Yr 6 - Lost in a Graveyard (Emma K 6A)

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS!!!

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
Cleaning Position

Victoria Park State School has a cleaner position available from this week until 12th February 2016 and may be extended. The hours are afternoon shift of 2 hours each day plus ADO.

Please forward your resume and a short application (closing this Friday 11.09.15 at 9am) to Joyce Faulkner (BSM) at the school.

Phone 4951 6310.
Rule of the Week: Week 9
Be Respectful - coming to and from school, including on bikes and buses.
• Wait your turn
• Keep your belongings nearby
• Be respectful to your bus monitor/driver

Social Skill of the Week: Week 9
Using an appropriate voice tone
1. Look at the person you are talking to.
2. Listen to the level and quality of the voice tone you are speaking with.
3. Lower your voice (if necessary) so that it isn’t too loud or harsh.
4. Speak slowly. Think about what you want to say.
5. Concentrate on making your voice sound calm, neutral or even pleasant & happy.
6. Avoid shouting, whining or begging.

Gold Gotcha Award
Winners
are students who have received 36 Gotcha Cards.

Putting in a huge effort the following student received his Gold Certificates in week 9:
1B Isabella V
3A Taliah H, Billy V, Jett H, Charlie H
3B Taryn P
4A Ella T, Libby H

Special Mention to Kurt G who is receiving his 2nd Gold Gotcha Award for the year.
Fantastic Effort Kurt!

Silver Gotcha Award
Winners
Students who have received 24 Gotcha Cards.

Receiving their Silver Certificates in week 9 are:
Prep A Declan B, Cohan A, Marc P, Alyssa F, Hayden T
1C Bryce W
2B Caleb O, Ashanti M
3A Taliah H, Billy V, Jett H, Charlie H
3B Taryn P
4B Ella T, Libby H

Total Gotchas for week 8 is 289
Total Gotchas for Term 3 so far is 2894
Total Gotchas for the whole school so far this year is 7724.
Tuckshop and Uniform Shop Volunteers Needed Urgently.
Please contact Karen in the tuckshop or call 0427 240 170 or Di in the uniform shop or on 0488 481 361. We have recently had some very valuable volunteers move inter-state and we urgently need more parents to volunteer in the tuckshop and uniform shop please. No experience is necessary, just a can-do attitude. What a great way to learn a new skill while being involved in our fantastic school by helping out.

Did you know your child’s best learning time is the start of the school day?
That’s when every minute counts the most!! Teachers start their lessons at 8.50am and it is important that your child has arrived at school to start the day at the correct time. Give your child the best chance of learning and have them at school by 8.30am to prepare for the day ahead. It makes a huge difference.

The following students who received a Bronze Award in Week 8 are:

Prep A Josh C, Bon D, Conrad M, Amogh T, Mereoni V
1B Ethan K, Dylan K
1C Tristan M, Blaze H, Jaxon L
2A Phaelan M, Dylan S, Agrim, Keely A, Daniel C, Janelle L, Meika L, Blair L
3A Makayla B
4A Luke V
4/5 Caitlin Watt, Danika A, Nina B, Taj C

Sophie J is in the 4/5 class and said that Miss O’May makes learning Exciting. Her favourite subject is Maths because you learn different strategies and different ways to work it out. She is proud of her achievement of improving in English as this was her term goal. Sophie enjoys playing the violin and was part of the school string ensemble that performed at Senior Citizens. “School is Fun” said Sophie.

Reynan M is also in the 4/5 Class. He loves reading and likes to keep busy at school learning. He is great at Money in Maths and awesome using fractions. Drawing is a passion of Reynan’s and his classmates agree that he is very good at it. He also likes sports, keeping fit and healthy and getting out in the sunshine.

Ethan is in Mrs Dinsdale’s Class 4A. He is a superstar because he recently got 100% on his Pat R test. He likes coming to school to see his friends. Ethan said he does like school except for the tests because that’s the nerve racking part. His favourite subject is Geography because he likes learning about the world and how it works. Ethan also enjoys PE because its fitness and he enjoys running around. He is also really enjoying learning bushdance at the moment.

Ciara is 4C’s superstar. She always works hard, keeps focused and on task. She really enjoys handwriting. She had a lot of fun at the recent Maths Fiesta being involved in whole body learning the YuMi Maths way. At lunchtime she likes to play football on the senior oval and really enjoys PE and playing in the interschool Oz Tag competition on Fridays.

Meet Emile. He is in 4B and is a Star Student who always has a go. Writing sentences is what Emile likes doing the most at school, especially sizzling starts. He thinks that writing well also helps him in other subjects such as Geography and Maths. His favourite lunch is lasagne and he likes strawberries for a snack. Emile is also very active and likes PE and playing...