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# YIAGA COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

The latest news and updates from Harvest Home Primary Year 6 Community.



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Welcome to Term 4 in the Yiaga Community. This term we have a new Yiaga Community Teacher, Alicia. Alicia, Jae and Alex are all very eager and excited to work with the wonderful Grade 6 students in our community for their final term of Primary School.

This term is going to be a very exciting time for our Grade 6 community. We are all thrilled to see each other again after a long period of Remote Learning. Congratulations to all students and their families for working through such a challenging time.







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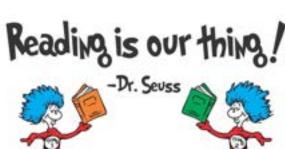
It has been great to hear that students have been continuing with their reading during remote learning. It is wonderful to see our passionate readers enjoying building their love of reading along with building on their comprehension skills.

The Yiaga community will be focusing on the following topics in reading over the next term:

- Building up stamina during Independent Reading
- Building our comprehension skills
  - About the text & Beyond the text
- Analysing a text using deep comprehension skills
- How to track our thinking using a Reader's Notebook
- Working on our individual reading goal and having a good understanding about what our goal means







Reading Challenge

Commencing Week 4 of Term 4, the Yiaga community is hosting a home reading competition to see which students in the community have read at home the most amount of nights. A 'Reader Leaderboard' has been set up in the community to track the amount of nights each student is reading. It is expected that students are reading at home for 30 minutes every night. Home reading is critical to each student's reading progress and is a great way to share individual interests at home.

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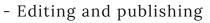
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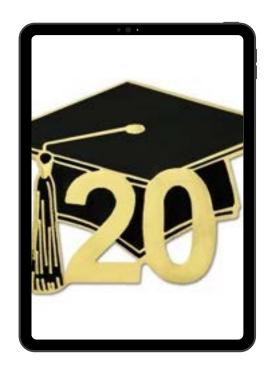


The teachers in the Yiaga community have been excited to start our Writing unit this term, with a focus on Yearbooks. Students have been working hard at creating a Yearbook page as part of their graduation. Students in the Yiaga community have selected to write autobiographies, memories and highlights or a recount of their time at Harvest Home Primary School.

The Yiaga community have been focusing on the following this term:

- Yearbook structure
- Planning and drafting
- Understanding the structure of chosen style
- Using punctuation, capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks correctly







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### NUMERACY



Students are back in the communities and are working once again in their Numeracy groups. We will continue to have a big focus on having a growth mindset when faced with challenging problems. At the start of each unit students will be exposed to a 'Challenging Question' that will be aimed at stretching the student's way of thinking and intentionally be just too difficult. This is to encourage students to work through difficult problems and highlight their learning needs.

Some of the topics that will be covered over this term are:

- **Fractions** Make connections between equivalent fractions, decimals & percentages. Find a simple fraction of a quantity where the result is a whole number.
- **Time** Interpret and use timetables.

  Measure, calculate and compare elapsed time.
- Four Operations with Fractions Adding and subtracting decimals.
   Multiply decimals by whole numbers.

Division by non-zero whole numbers where the results are decimals.

Multiply and divide decimals by powers of  $10\,$ 

 Angles - Investigate angles on a straight line, angles at a point and vertically opposite angles and use results to find unknown angles.









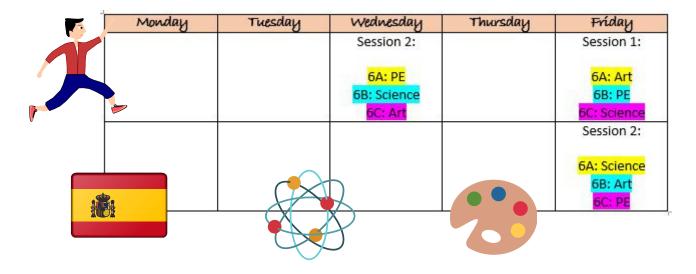




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### Specialist Timetable





## Home Learning Expectations

It is recommended that students in Year 6 participate in a minimum of 30 minutes of homework per day. Students are expected to read their take home book on a daily basis (or a Just Right Book agreed upon with their teacher) and return it every day. Please record the book read each night in their diary. After reading, parents are encouraged to discuss the meaning of the text with their child to develop a deeper, richer understanding of what has been read.



Being a 21st century learning school we have school and home access to some exciting online programs to support the curriculum. In your child's orange home reader book you will find the login details to the following websites:

Reading Eggs- www.readingeggs.com.au Wushka: www.wushka.com.au Mathletics- www.mathletics.com.au Spellodrome www.spellodrome.com.au









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### **Celebrations**



#### Victorian High Ability Program

We would like to congratulate and acknowledge the following Year 6 students who have participated in the Victorian High Ability Program. You have all worked very hard. Well done.







**Numeracy: Shub** 

#### **Premiers Reading Challenge**

We would like to congratulate Shub for receiving an award in this years Premiers Reading Challenge. Great work Shub.



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#### Reminders



If for some reason your child is absent from school, you can explain the absence on Compass or make contact with the school on 8468 9000. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email one of us via Compass, or call the office to arrange a time to pop in for a chat.

We look forward to working closely with the Yiaga Community to provide our students with the best learning opportunities and environment during Term 4!

Kind Regards, Alex, Alicia and Jae (Year 6 Community Teachers)