Welcome back to our sunny and cool Winter term! It's wonderful to see our students' and teachers' faces refreshed from a much needed break. We also welcome Ruby (Class 1), Claire (primary German), and Jake (Class 7) in their respective new roles in the school; as well as welcome back Tim after a year's leave.

Class 12’s will be returning from their Whitsunday camp at the end of the week. I’m sure they’ll return with a renewed enthusiasm for our sunny weather - and certainly well renewed to undertake the tasks of their final months of schooling.

Each term course brings its own gifts, and the winter months brings with it an ease of engaged thinking, penetrating with greater depths, and with relative ease our abilities of insight and understanding.

A reminder that coming up, (Friday the 2nd August), are parent-teacher interviews, for which information will be forthcoming.

From Calendar of the Soul by Rudolf Steiner

Verse 41
The soul's creation might
Strives out of heart's ground,
In human life divine forces
For righteous acts to enflame,
She her Self to shape
In human love and human work.

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WELCOME BACK

Jean-Michel David
We have reserved this half day and evening as an opportunity for parents and teachers to meet and discuss student progress and we warmly invite parents to make appointments with their childrens’ teachers.

School will finish for classes 1 - 12 at 12:30 pm in order for the appointments to begin in the afternoon and continue into the evening.

The Booking sheet for class 1-8 appointments is now on the table in the foyer. Please fill in your name in pencil, in capitals to book a time.

Booking sheets for Upper School appointments will be provided to students (a copy will also be posted home). Please ensure that your child has made bookings on the sheet with their teachers and class guardians that are convenient for you. The appointments for the Upper School will take place in the Resource Centre (Lecture Theatre building) from 1:30 to 8:00.

*** In consideration for all concerned, please arrive 5 minutes ahead of your designated time and give 24 hours notice if you are unable to keep your appointment. Thank you.

If you are unable to come on this day you will need to make alternative arrangements with the relevant teachers.

CRAFT GROUP

This week at Craft Group we will be starting on our King Winter project. Using a wood and wire doll as a base, we will stitch a felt gown in wintery colours and make a cloak and crown for our King Winter. This project can be as simple or as complex as you like, and beginners are welcome. This will be our group project for the next couple of weeks; you are also welcome to continue spinning, knitting or crocheting if you prefer.

Craft Group is a parent-run group that meets every Thursday morning in term time from 9 am until 12 pm to share our skills and passion for craft. Depending on the project we are working on, we either make two items for free, one item for ourselves, and the other for Craft Group to sell, or we pay for the materials we use. Craft Group also sells craft supplies every Thursday morning, including hand-dyed fleece and felt, wooden beads, threads and knitting yarns. Morning tea is available and children are welcome.

CLASS 7

It is with sadness that the School accepted Ben Reed’s resignation as Class 7 Teacher at the end of last term. We wish Ben all the very best for his ventures for the remainder of the year. We feel very fortunate to have been able to find a teacher to replace Ben so quickly and are very pleased to announce that Jake Kirov has been appointed to take on this role. Having attended the Melbourne Rudolf Steiner School from Kindergarten to Class 12, and having taught in the Steiner stream at Collingwood College, Jake has a sound understanding of the principles of a Steiner education. Jake comes to us with a Bachelor of Media Studies (Film and Television major), a Graduate Diploma of Humanities and Social Science (English major), and a Graduate Diploma in Secondary Education. He has taught overseas in London and more recently in the Melbourne area. On behalf of the School we wish Jake all the very best as he takes on this important role.
As some of you may be aware, at the end of Term 2, the School made the difficult decision to end Jessica Arlidge’s employment as Class 1 Teacher. It is always most unfortunate when decisions like this are made, and on behalf of the School I would like to extend my sympathies to all people affected, in particular to Jessica, the children, and the parents of Class 1. We wish Jessica all the very best as she leaves us and are sure there will be many children who will treasure what Jessica brought to them as their teacher. Amidst such news, I am delighted to announce that Ruby Williams has been appointed to take on Class 1 for the remainder of the year. Ruby comes to us with outstanding references and a Bachelor of Arts, a Graduate Diploma in Education and the Advanced Diploma of Rudolf Steiner Education. Ruby has several years of teaching experience having taught in a number of schools including the Melbourne Rudolf Steiner School and the Steiner streams in Thornbury Primary School and Collingwood College. She is very excited to be taking on this role and on behalf of the School I wish Ruby and Class 1 all the very best as they undergo this transition. In order to give this position as much time and consideration as it deserves, Ruby has initially only been appointed until the end of the year and this position has been advertised online.

CLASS TEACHER APPLICATION (CLASS 2 2014)

Applications for this Class Teacher position are now being called and close on the 31st of July. Please see our website www.lyss.vic.edu.au/employment for the full job advertisement.

LIBBY EVANS

It is with great sadness that we accepted Libby Evans resignation late last term. Libby has been a tremendous asset to the Upper School staff teaching in the Sciences and Humanities. Unfortunately for us, Libby was offered a job in a local Buddhist Meditation centre which she couldn’t refuse. We wish Libby all the very best as she takes on this new role when she returns from travelling later in the year.

TIM BLAKE

We welcome Tim back to Little Yarra this semester as he returns to us after taking a year’s leave of absence. Although Tim will not be taking up his former role as Music Coordinator, we will benefit from his great experience as an individual cello lesson teacher.

LITTLE YARRA MARKET – THIS SATURDAY, 20th JULY

Little Yarra Market will be on again this coming Saturday July 20th!

Lots of lovely items will be for sale including fresh garden produce, jams, sourdough bread, and yummy warm lunch foods.

10am: Food Swap - bring your excess garden produce and swap with others.

11am - 1pm: Live entertainment with local guitar duo "Esme and Dan". Face-painting and Donkey rides for the little ones and young at heart!

Please come on down and support local sustainable shopping in the Yarra Valley.

BIODYNAMIC FARM GROUP

Our winter garden is looking great with lots of growing over the holidays and produce ready to start enjoying! If you want to learn about Biodynamic Gardening, spend time on our school farm, garden along side a great group of people and share in our amazing produce, come on down Wednesday mornings 9am by the farm tractor shed. Everyone welcome including children.
Unfortunately our LYE NZ Tour fundraiser sausage sizzle lunch each Wednesday has come to an end. We have been unable to find a parent from the Senior Little Yarra Ensemble who can spare the time to facilitate the sizzle. Many thanks to parents and students who supported this worthy fundraiser last term. We thank our wonderful parent helpers, Anita Halliburton, Angela Goldman and Naomi Ween for their great effort with the sizzles last term.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

Kym and Laura

The Children’ Treasure Trove needs you if you would like to help create little treasures for our children, please come and join us.

When: Thursday mornings 9:15 am – 12 noon
Where: Main Office Building, Back Room
There will also be cake and hot drinks to warm the soul!

NEW STUDENTS

Josie

We would like to welcome several new students to the school, starting in Term 3. Also, a big welcome back to others who have returned after some time away.

Ring-a-Rosie – Amelia Craig
Prep – Polly Craig
Class 2 – Wren McClelland
Class 3 – Amelie Wragg
Class 4 – Nicolas Craig
Class 5 – Ollie McClelland
Class 9 – Codie Shade
Class 11 – Eliza Houghton, Sam Wells, Gabriel Roldan

EXCITING OPPORTUNITY

Josie

Each year Little Yarra Steiner School hosts three German volunteers, who work at the school for a year. We are currently looking for homes for these three young people. This can be for a minimum of 3 months – or up to 12 months. Here’s a bit about them:

Anna is 18 years old (arriving 22/08/13) and although going through mainstream German education, she is very interested in learning more about Steiner. She loves speaking other languages and currently tutors children in a variety of school subjects. Anna has been on exchange before to both the USA and the UK. She loves sports (particularly soccer), cooking, baking, reading and being outdoors.

Lauritz is 18 years old (arriving 16/09/13) and loves his job at home working with mentally and physically disabled children. He enjoys doing practical activities like working with wood, fixing bicycles and garden work. Lauritz has taken part in an exchange before, spending some time at the Waldorf school in Perth.

Eliza is 18 years old (arriving 01/09/13) and she is keen to learn more about Australian culture and other peoples lifestyles. She loves horse riding, skiing, tennis and volleyball. Eliza enjoys working with children, having done a lot of babysitting and volunteering at children’s events. She has a keen interest in Anthroposophy.

This is a great opportunity for any family to learn more about the German culture and language, as well as sharing many new experiences with an interested and interesting young person. The school provides the family with an allowance to cover costs for the duration of the stay. Please contact Josie at the office (5967 1953) to register your interest, or for any further information.
ATTENTION: HOLDERS OF A HEALTH CARE CARD  
Josie

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided by the government to assist eligible families with the costs associated in the education of their children. The 2nd payment of the year is made in Term 3, so if you have a Health Care card, could you please contact Josie at the office (5967 1953) as soon as possible, in order to lodge the application on time.

CLASS 7 ART  
Antoinette

There is currently a selection of Class 7 artwork on display in the foyer of the Main Office building. It’s been wonderful to see the fantastic work that LYSS students are producing in 2013. So please do come in and have a look at the vibrant creativity that is such a strength and feature of our school community.

COMMUNITY SPACE ON MARKET DAY  
Parents & Friends

Come and see what’s happening at the Community Space this Saturday when you visit the market. If you have 5 minutes to spare - give us a hand to tidy up and make this space more inviting. For those of you who have more time, come along and earn a sausage from P&F stall.

Also, LYSS Parents and Friends are meeting again on Wed 24th July at 10am. The meeting will be in the Farm Shed, down the back of the school property, following on from gardening with the BioDynamic Farm Group. All welcome. Topics include Social events planning and exploring the role of P&F.

CLASS 6 SOCCER  
Glenn

On Thursday 25th July between 10:15 & 2pm, our Class 6 will participate in a soccer round robin with 5 local primary schools.

There will be 3 fields set up at school and we look forward to a fun day.

2014 TERM DATES  
Olga

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SIMPLICITY PARENTING WORKSHOPS  
Corey

Parent group leader and new parent at our school, Lynette Correy, will be sharing the Simplicity formula with parents here in a new workshop series starting second week of Term Three. The groups are based on the book *Simplicity Parenting: Using the Extraordinary Power of Less to Raise Calmer, Happier, More Secure Kids*, by Kim John Payne, with many of the concepts in the book rooted in the principles of Waldorf (Steiner) education. See *Sweet Porridge* for more details.

Free introductory workshop for parents at Little Yarra Steiner School

Location: Meeting room in Main Building  
Date: Tuesday, 23 July, 12:45 pm – 3 pm  
Contact: Lynette Correy, Simplicity Parenting Group Leader 0422 107 347, info@beegreen.com.au, www.simplicityparenting.com
LITTLE YARRA BEE SANCTUARY

Come and meet our Bee Keeper, Tobias, learn all about bees and help make our Bee Sanctuary the place for bees. The Little Yarra Bee Group will be meeting once a month the Wednesday before our monthly market, at 9am down on the farm. That's this Wednesday the 17th of July for all of you interested in finding out what our bees are doing. See you at the tractor shed.

WOOD FIRE PIZZA

Pizza orders can be left in the baskets outside classrooms or at the office for the high school. With name, class, pizza type & amount (1/2 or whole) clearly written on a bag or envelope & correct change please. We cannot give change. Term orders can also be placed at the office.

Pizzas available –
- Margherita – Tomato base with cheese: ½ $3.00, full $6.00; w/olives: ½ $3.50; full $6.50
- Pepperoni – Tomato base with cheese, salami, feta & olives: ½ $4.00; full $7.50
- Vegie – Tomato base with cheese, pumpkin, grilled capsicum, spinach, feta & olives: ½ $4.00; full $7.50
- The Lot – Everything: ½ $4.50, full $8.00
- Garlic – Garlic & parsley base with cheese: ½ $3.00; full $6.00

Special orders are available on whole pizzas only. Anybody interested in joining our team for a fun day of making pizzas & feeding the school community please call Emma 59671638, or email stevejacobson@netspace.net.au; or come & visit us at the ovens on Fridays.
LITTLE YARRA MARKET

Little Yarra Steiner School
205 Little Yarra Road, Yarra Junction

Saturday
20th July
9 am – 2 pm

Food swap at 10:00 am

Quality, local and hand made goods from the Yarra Valley and beyond

Further Information
enquiries@littleyarramarket.com
www.littleyarramarket.com

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