

Yetman Public School

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Week 3 Term 4 Thursday, 27 October 2016

We have had a very busy start to Term 4 and I find myself moving around looking at the Year 6 cohort and hardly believing that in a few short weeks, they will be leaving us. As with everything, they have grown and changed and now must be set free upon the rest of society. Our Small Schools Relay Team travelled all the way to Sydney to compete in the State Athletics Carnival, teachers are coming to tell me about students who are already attaining improvements in reading and mathematics, and the warmth of summer has begun to bake our playground. The K-3 group has acquired an amazing new digger for the sandpit. With the school focusing on STEM, it seems relevant to purchase practical applications of engineering.



Yetman Public School Sesquicentenary (150th) Celebrations 1867 - 2017

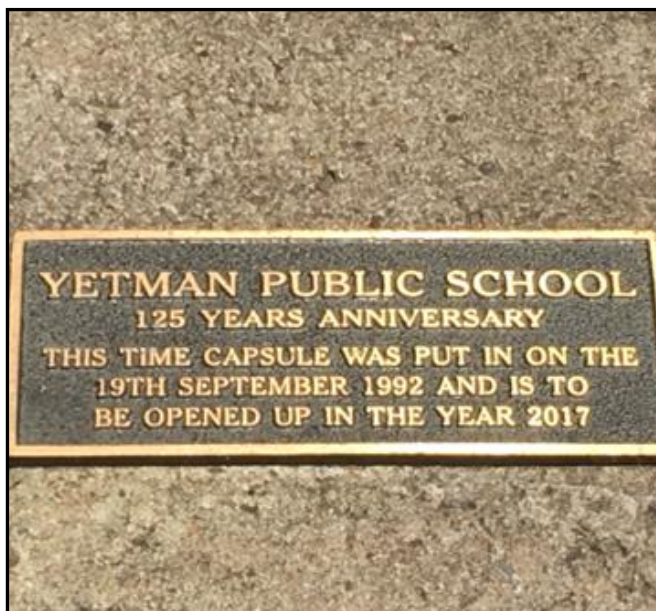
Thanks to Mrs Delanty, the school now has a Facebook page which is detailing the preparations and events linked to our sesquicentenary. The big event is to be on the 2nd and 3rd of September in 2017. I am calling for members of the community to partake in the committee to be formed ASAP. A meeting is timetabled for Friday Week 5 at 2pm (Remembrance Day) at the school library. It is imperative that we gather as many locals and past residents to be a part of this event. Some tasks and initiatives include:

- * Updating the centenary book developed by the school in 1967
- * Invitations to members past and present
- * Collaboration with the school and hall to coordinate activities
- * Establishing a suitable method to accommodate a very large amount of people etc.



This event is too big for the school to be solely responsible for and continued contact, collaboration and ideas from the community will strengthen and bolster the event. This school has made a great change and affect to many thousands of people (young and old) over the years and we owe it to the heritage of our proud and vibrant town to give her the celebration she deserves!

Contact the school via email or phone with any concepts or input and hopefully I will see you on the 11th November at 2pm.



Yetman Relay Team goes to Sydney

On Thursday, Week 2 the YPS Small Schools Relay Team was lovingly transported all the way to Sydney to compete in the State Athletics Carnival. The boys ran extremely well in their heat, coming first. They came second in their semi-final and ran fourth in the final!!!

No-one can doubt the incredible effort of the boys and I congratulate them wholeheartedly for achieving what some kid's only dream of getting to be a part of in the first place! Small Schools are THE BEST SCHOOLS!



School Planning Committee Meeting - Thursday 10th November 2pm at the Library!

School Photos

A reminder that school photos will be taking place on Friday 11th November and that normal school uniform is to be worn. The note that was sent home mistakenly said to wear white socks. **The children are to wear navy socks please.**

Whole school scope and sequence for the next three weeks:

Key Area	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Literacy /Grammar & Punctuation	Group and Phrase Level – Noun and Verb Groups, adverbial phrase	Group and Phrase Level – Noun and Verb Groups, adverbial phrase	Word Level – Nouns, Articles, Adjectives, Pronouns, Verbs, Adverbs, Prepositions
Numeracy	Addition & Subtraction (K-Yr4) Fractions, Decimals and Percentages (Yr5-6) / 3D Space	Multiplication and Division / Volume	Multiplication and Division / Volume
Behaviour	Resilience	Persistence	Confidence

Kind Regards,
Mr. Ben Delanty
Principal



Don't forget about Essential Energy's "Be a Safety Star" poster competition. If any students would like to enter the competition, the completed entry needs to be returned to school to be submitted. Please return it to school by the end of October. The prize is \$1,000 donated to the winner's school P&C Association and the publication of their poster in the local newspaper.

YPS UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT	28TH OCTOBER	BANDANNA DAY FUNDRAISER FOR CANTEEN YOUNG AUSTRALIA WORKSHOP AT NORTH STAR
	NOVEMBER	
	3RD NOVEMBER	MUSIC 'COUNT US IN' VIDEO CONFERENCE (12:30 PM) CANTEEN AND DOLLARMITE BANKING
	8TH NOVEMBER	YEAR 4-6 PARLIAMENT HOUSE VIDEO CONFERENCE
	10TH NOVEMBER	CANTEEN AND DOLLARMITE BANKING
	11TH NOVEMBER	SCHOOL PHOTOS 9:00 AM *** PLEASE WEAR NORMAL UNIFORM AND BRING SPORTS SHOES FOR USUAL FRIDAY SPORT ***
	17TH NOVEMBER	CANTEEN AND DOLLARMITE BANKING
	23RD NOVEMBER	SURF LIFESAVING VISIT "BEACH TO BUSH" (2 - 3 PM)
	28TH NOV - 1 DEC	YEAR 3-6 SYDNEY EXCURSION
	5 DEC - 9 DEC	SWIMMING SCHOOL AT TEXAS
	12 DECEMBER	YEAR 5-6 FUNDAY FUNDRAISER
	14 DECEMBER	YEAR 6 FAREWELL TRIP TO GREEN VALLEY FARM
	16 DECEMBER	PRESENTATION NIGHT

P&C NEWS

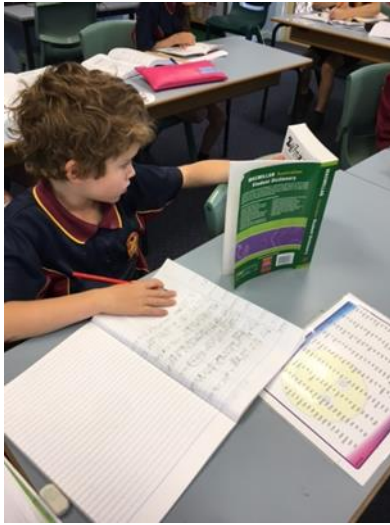
Canteen Roster

3 November - Peta Moore, 10 November - Katie Dight, 17 November - Rowy Brennan

Little Athletics

Kelley McCosker and Rachel Pender have been in negotiation with Little Athletics NSW to set up a group in Yetman. They will be hosting an information session in the school library at 9:30am on Friday, 28th October. Children from as young as three can participate in the Tiny Tots program, and the program continues until the age of seventeen. If you are interested in your children attending please come along to the meeting. If you are unable to make it, please ring Kelley on 0427 404 416 or Rachel on 0406 977 306 to register your interest. The final step to putting a submission to Little Athletics NSW is the formation of local committee, which the ladies are hoping to achieve on Friday. This will be a great asset to Yetman, so please pass it on to friends within the area who may be interested in joining.

Mrs Delanty's Classroom

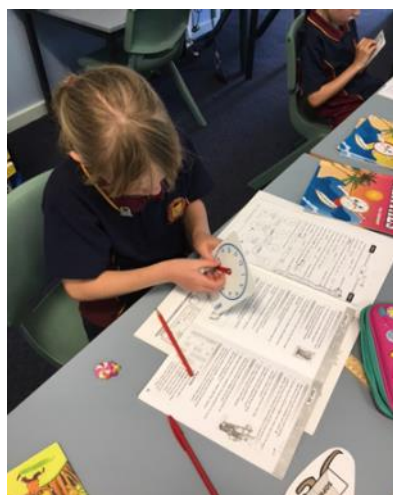


The Year 2-3 class is excitedly preparing for our end of year performance. This year we have spent a great amount of time reading fairy tales and writing our own version of the fairy tales. So, we decided to perform a spin-off to Snow White called 'Snow White and the Eight Lads Rap'. We are having lots of fun with this play and to presenting it to you all on presentation night.

This term in English we are working on book reports. The children are given a book at their reading level to read, and work through a report to answer various questions using sentences. We are also consolidating our understanding on how to find words using a dictionary.

In maths we have been busy collecting information and data to place into graphs. We have also been working hard to understand place value using ones, tens, hundreds, thousands and tens of thousands. Learning to tell the time can be tricky so we have been spending a lot of time in maths practicing how to read a clock.

We are busy exploring maths using various tools in our classroom!



Sophie is working hard to tell the time on her clock!

Thanks Mrs Hamilton for coming in to work at Yetman School. We are so happy that you could come and help us make our clocks last term! 🧐

We are enjoying finding out facts using the Britannica School webpage. What a fantastic and safe site for researching information for kids!



Later in the newsletter:

Some great info and photos on the **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) projects happening around the school.

There has been planning, building, adapting and more building happening everywhere! Even the transition children have been involved!

Thank You Yetman

To the Yetman Public School and Community we would like to say a huge thank you for the enormous effort made on behalf of our twin boys, Teddy and Bradley, raising money to help with their ongoing medical expenses.

You have amazed and humbled us with your hard work and compassion and the amount of money raised was fantastic

The P&C and their band of helpers really did a wonderful job. Unfortunately we don't know all who were involved so are unable to thank individuals, however a special thanks goes to Nerissa Jackson for sacrificing her beautiful hair, an incredible gesture, and to Phillip Hallam for his great job of auctioneering. As you know the boys have spent the last three months at The Lady Cilento Children's Hospital in Brisbane undergoing treatment and a barrage of tests to work out what is needed for their ongoing care. This care involves complex therapy, medical procedures and specialised equipment which is expensive and not always covered by government funding.

The money the school and community of Yetman have raised will go a long way towards these expenses and give our two little boys a much better quality of life that will allow them to do things most kids take for granted.

Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. It is a privilege to live in such an amazing community.

Kate, Dean, Teddy and Bradley



Happy Birthday to:

Sam Cau - turning 8 on 6 November

Oscar McCosker - turning 8 on 8 November

Sophia Moore - turning 9 on 15 November

Mrs Weatherall's Classroom

I am having trouble believing that we are already in fourth term! The year seems to have flown by!

The class has returned to school ready and eager to continue their wonderful progress with their reading and writing and already this term have shown some great improvement and development in these areas. We have started practising our end of year play and already the children are becoming proficient at their lines and their movements on the stage. Over the coming weeks we will be finalising costumes and props required.



In Maths we have started the term studying data, whole number, addition and subtraction, time and mass. We made picture graphs on the floor and analysed the data we had created.



In Science at present we are discussing products. This involves following a crop, how it is produced, processed and how it can be packaged and marketed. To fit with our 21st century learning about Asia we are following rice. We have studied the traditional and modern methods of growing, harvesting and processing this crop and have compared it to our local crops of wheat, barley, cotton and sorghum. Last week we looked at various types of rice, the similarities and differences of the grain and how they are used - which is closely linked to the area/country it is grown in and therefore the local cuisine. This week we taste tested a variety of products made from rice- which we all enjoyed!!

Safe Living is one of our units for PDH this term. We are studying many aspects of farm safety as we all either live on farms or visit them often. Topics to be discussed include play, water, electrical, chemical, and animal and machinery safety and emergency responses to these dangers. I have been very impressed thus far at the children's ability to identify potential hazards and risks and also their ideas on how to manage these! In week 8 we will be cumulating our work by visiting the McCoskers' property. More details later.

The Transition class have settled in nicely and are becoming confident in the classroom and the playground. On Tuesday afternoons we are participating in STEM activities involving Duplo. The children are given a problem about one of our Duplo animals. They then brainstorm and draw possible design solutions. After an initial build of the design with the Duplo we evaluate and test the children's individual solutions. They then modify their designs before reevaluating them. Our first two challenges involved the giraffes; building windproof shelters and platforms that would enable the vet to look at the animal's neck. All the children have enjoyed these STEM challenges.



CAPTAIN'S REPORTS

Last week on Thursday Hunter, Toby, Chris and I went to Sydney to go and run at state. We were in lane 5 and that is a very good lane. The buzzer went off and Hunter was in first place. He was speeding around the corner, then he gave the baton to Toby. He was running like the wind and we were still in first place, then Toby gave the baton to Chris. We were still in first and Chris was running so fast no one could overtake him and then he gave the baton to me and we were still in first. One of the boys was right next to me but did not overtake me and we crossed the finish line first. Our time was 1min and three seconds. We made it to the semi-finals and we came second in that and made it to the finals. The finals was so intense. We nearly got third and that is a bronze medal! It was so close! The team tried so hard to make it to this level. We all had a big day on Thursday we were so tired. We tried so hard that we will never forget this day. Then the bad thing was we had to do the trip home and that is always extremely boring.

By Bill Brennan



In week two, Chris Read, Bill Brennan, Toby Moore and myself travelled down to Sydney for the state athletic titles. We were in the Elizabeth Austin Small Schools Relay. We versed some of the best relay teams in the state. In our heat we came first and in our semi we came second. Finally we were marshalled for the final. It was friendly competition, but when we got out on the track everything went silent, beside the desperate yells of parents excited for their kids. The gun went and I ran as fast as my little legs would go, handing it to Toby who ran as fast as he could, Chris ran like a hawk and Bill flew down the straight and our team amazingly crossed the line in fourth just missing third by a mere few centimetres. Overall it was a great day.

By Hunter Moore



So close for third!

Aurora College

The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW's first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW. Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.

Students in the selective stream are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.



Applications for entry to Year 7 in 2018
OPEN 11th OCTOBER 2016 AND
CLOSE ON 14th NOVEMBER 2016

Visit Selective High Schools website
<http://bit.ly/shsyear7>

For further information about Aurora College, visit our website
www.aurora.nsw.edu.au | or phone 02 9886 7560



FARRER MEMORIAL AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

Registering for the 2017 Selective Schools Test

If you have a son in Year 5 who would like to attend Farrer in 2018 you **MUST** register with the Selective Schools Unit mid October through to mid November. Log onto the Farrer website - www.farrer.nsw.edu.au and follow the Selective Schools link.

Enrolments Officer: Kerry Hussey 6764-8607
Or email: kerry.hussey@det.nsw.edu.au

Good for Kids good for life

LONGER DAYS = MORE OUTDOOR PLAY!

Outdoor play gives children the opportunity to experience the natural environment and have adventures! Now that daylight savings has started children have even more opportunity to get outside before school, after school and on the weekends.

Make the most of the sunlight by having some outdoor activities planned in advance. Consider installing a basketball hoop for summer evenings or planning to build a cubby house on the weekends. Playing outdoors with neighbourhood play mates is a great after school activity. Family activities could include a bushwalk or beach cricket day.



Good for Kids good for life

KEEP CRUNCHING ON THE WEEKENDS

Most NSW primary schools have incorporated *Crunch&Sip*® as a regular part of their school day.

Crunch&Sip® is a time, each day, when students can "refuel" on vegetables and fruit and "rehydrate" with water. It helps children to increase their intake of vegetables and fruit and is a great opportunity to introduce them to new vegetables and fruits.

The great news is that *Crunch&Sip*® does not have to be limited to the week days! Try to keep the whole family healthy by integrating this habit into your family routine on weekends and during the school holidays.



Photo Page!

Teddy Bears' Hospital



Soccer in Sports



Erth's Dinosaur



For more great photos that we didn't have room for in our newsletter, go to:

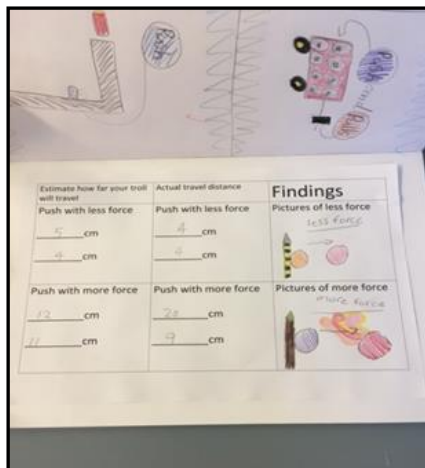
<http://www.yetman-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>

Year 1-2 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) with Mrs Delanty

This term in STEM the Year 1-2 children have talked about a famous scientist and mathematician called Sir Isaac Newton. We have read a book called 'Newton and Me' by Lynne Mayer. This fabulous children's book explains Newton's Laws of Motion with a focus on 'force'. We have practiced what 'push' and 'pull' look like. 🤖



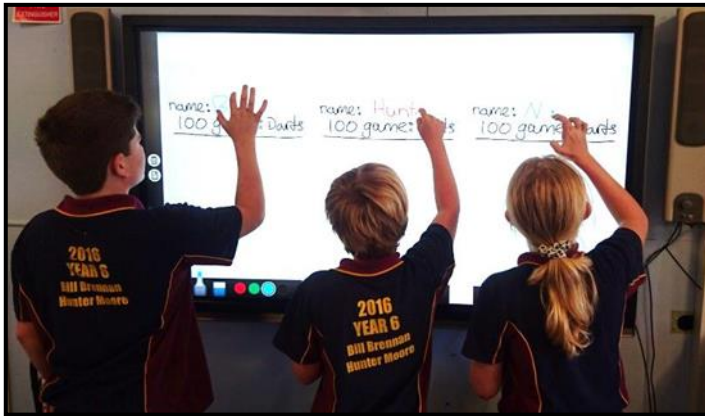
We read a book called 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'. We talked about force and how the troll would force his way onto the bridge to stop the billy goats. We made trolls following a procedure and then we used our trolls in an experiment to show less and more force. We used our trolls to estimate how far they would travel using less force and how far they would travel using more force. Then we used a ruler to measure how far they actually travelled. We put the data into a graph and then drew pictures of our trolls using less and more force. We also had fun playing with our toy cars showing what force looks like. We saw that the cars didn't travel as far on the carpet then on the flat surface of a table. This then allowed us to then discuss friction and how friction plays a role in motion and force. We love STEM!



After reading 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff' we decided to think of ways we could build a bridge to help the billy goats get across the river safely and not get eaten by the grumpy old troll. Here we are designing and making our bridges.



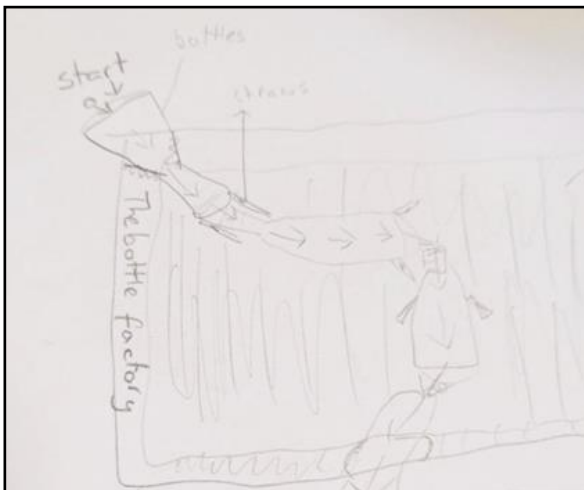
Year 4-5-6 Class Page



New Technology!

The Year 4,5,6 Room has taken delivery of a new piece of technology. Essentially, the touch-screen replaces our Smartboard and means that up to twenty people can touch the device at once! As you can see, we like being able to work on the screen together – especially during maths. Another advancement is its ability to wirelessly connect to devices that the students are using – for example, if working on an assignment and a great website is found, the student can ‘flick’ it up on to the class screen for all to see!!

STEM – our marvellous marble machines are taking shape! We have looked at the vocabulary involved in motion and momentum, constructed a linear marble run to measure the distance and time differences of a large and small marble at varying heights.



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End of Year Performance

While our four relay boys were away in Sydney, the girls got together and rolled up their sleeves and constructed a magnificent set for our end of year performance. The design is fantastic because when facing one direction, it has Mrs Weatherall's play backdrop, then hidden underneath is Mrs Delanty's play backdrop. When it is turned around on stage, it becomes our set for our play!!





Friday 28th October is National Bandanna Day. Bandannas (\$4) and pens (\$3) are on sale in the school office. If anyone would like to purchase either item in support of young people living with cancer, please call in to the office. They will be on sale until Friday 4th November.



Last term all Yetman PS students submitted a poster to Inverell Legacy for their annual competition. Legatee, Mr Ken Austin visited the school on Monday 19th September to present a Highly Commended certificate to Sophie Pender. Congratulations Sophie!

This year Inverell Legacy received 351 entries from 10 schools. The winning posters are available to view on Inverell Legacy's Facebook site. No names or schools have been published. Posters are also on display in the window of the Legacy Op Shop at 25 Byron Street and The Dust Jacket at 44 Byron Street.



There's more to explore at the Canyon of Savings.

Congratulations to all School Banking participants who have qualified for the Term 3 Prize Lights and Grand Prize competitions by displaying consistent savings behaviour. Will your child be the one to meet Robert and Bindi Irwin on a VIP visit to Australia Zoo? The Grand Prize winner will be posted at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking on 17 October. The Prize Lights winners will be posted on commbank.com.au/prizelights from 19 October.

Remember, there are more rewards before our Outback adventure is over. School Banking is releasing two Term 4 reward items that are sure to keep students saving. After completing 10 deposits, your child can redeem a Bush Fly Fan or a Wiggly Glow Worm.

Add to your child's financial literacy

While School Banking aims to make money skills more fun and engaging for your child, you can further fuel that interest at home. For example, have you explained the difference between needs and wants? A simple way to demonstrate this is to get them to help write your shopping list, placing the "needs" and the "wants" into separate columns. Then let your child find each item at the shops and tick it off their list, to reinforce the idea.



That's one of many educational tips you'll find in three new videos we've added to The Beanstalk. These short videos cover easy ways to help teach smart money management to your kids. To watch them, and to discover other insightful articles and activities, go to commbank.com.au/beanstalk

Activity: Outback checklist

As the Dollarmites prepare for their trip home through the Outback, they need to buy supplies for the road. Can your child help them work out what will be essential and what are treats they can do without? All they have to do is organise these items into "needs" and "wants". Then add up the price tags of the wants to figure out how much the Dollarmites would save by only buying the needs.



Bush Fly Fan



Wiggly Glow Worm



Warialda Amateur Swimming Club

- ◆ Commences 19th October at 6pm
- ◆ All new members are welcome to join our family friendly club
- ◆ You must be able to swim at least 25 metres
- ◆ For more information contact President Lara Montgomery at Warialda Public School on 02 6729 1131

