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From The Principal's Desk

Excited chatter has filled the school grounds this week with the students of Yetman Public School reminiscing about camp life and the excursion to Inverell.

School camp was an amazing challenge for our students as they learned independence and persistence, grew in confidence and needed to work as a team. The nine students were respectful, kind and caring towards each other, and the staff at Lake Ainsworth often commented on the fantastic Yetman kids. This camp was subsidised by the school and the P&C and we thank them for their continued generosity. Thank you, Miss Jackson, for attending the camp with us.



The new 2018-2020 School Plan is under construction with consultation from school staff, students and the planning committee. This week parents and community members were invited to comment on the draft plan. The school plan will drive innovative teaching and learning practices to ensure future learning for students. The completed 2018-2020 School Plan will be available on the school website at the end of Term 1 2018. Thank you to the school community for providing feedback for the draft plan. There will be more opportunities for feedback when it is completed. Please keep sending in the feedback forms.

Students and staff will be finishing the school year on Friday 15 December 2017. Throughout the school year staff have completed professional development hours in lieu of staff development days at the end of this term. Until then we have lots of teaching and learning, assessment, reporting, swimming and concert practice to complete. Enjoy the rest of the term.

Mrs Charmaine Johnston

All Star Recount



On Wednesday we went on an excursion to Inverell. We went to the community gardens and the park and Bunnings by bus and car.

At the community gardens we looked at the chickens and plant beds. At the park we had lunch and a play. At Bunnings we made Christmas decorations and we went on the excursion because the others had their excursion.

By Tom



2017 Yetman Public School Presentation Night & Yetman P&C Christmas Tree + Dinner

Thursday 14 December commencing at 4:30 pm



SCHOOL FUNCTION: Award Presentations and School Performances

Followed by P&C FUNCTION: Santa's visit and Dinner

- 🍷 \$15 for a steak/rissoles and salad meal
- 🍷 \$5 for a choice of Christmas puddings
- 🍷 \$5 for primary school children and younger
- 🍷 soft drinks and water will also be available

YPS UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER	FRIDAY 24	KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION 9AM-3PM
	THURSDAY 30	DOLLARMITE BANKING + NO CANTEEN KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION 9AM-3PM
DECEMBER	MON 4 - FRI 8 DEC	SWIMMING WEEK AT TEXAS POOL
	THURSDAY 14	PRESENTATION NIGHT 4:30PM
	FRIDAY 15	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 2018
2018	MON 5 FEBRUARY	STAFF RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR 2018
	TUE 6 FEBRUARY	FISRT DAY OF 2018 FOR STUDENTS
	FRI 9 FEBRUARY	MACINTYRE SWIMMING CARNIVAL - WARIALDA POOL

P&C NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER

There will be no canteen on Thursday 30 November. In lieu of this, canteen will be available during the last week of term on either Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. We will advise the day and whether there will be a special 'last week of the year' menu soon.

PRESENTATION NIGHT + CHRISTMAS DINNER

A note was sent home from school earlier this week regarding the Christmas Function. Please contact Kate Dight if you have any questions about the catering for the function.

All Star Recount



Yesterday we went to the garden to have fun and Mrs Weatherall was so proud of me. We pulled out carrots.

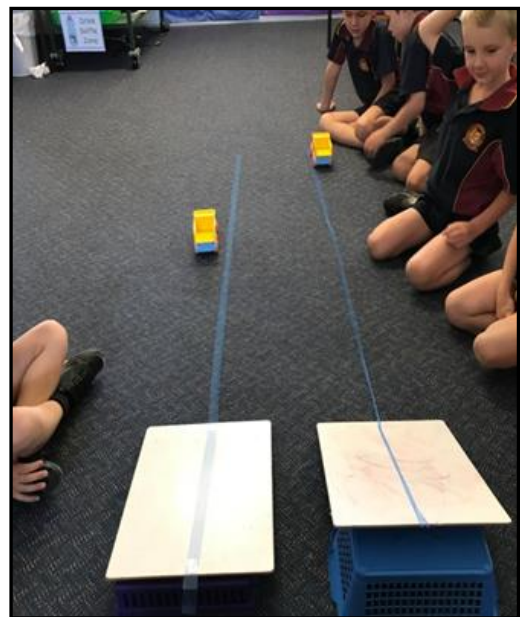
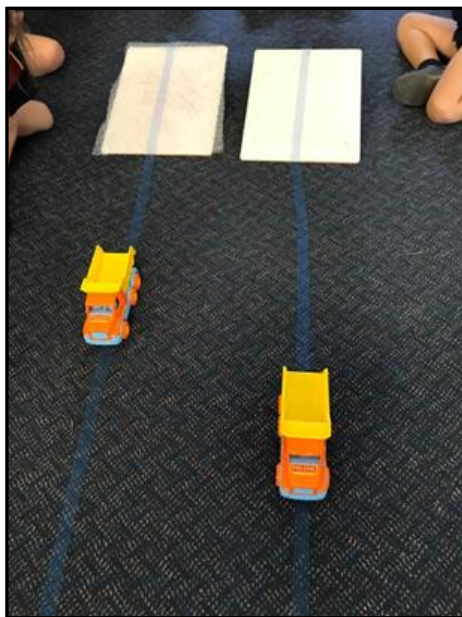
By James

K-1 All Stars News

Well what a busy few weeks. The All Stars have all been very focused completing their assessment tasks and have shown some great learning and results.

This last week, as much as we missed those Yowies who were at camp, we had a great time at school! As well as completing some spelling, writing and maths tasks, science investigations, art and sport, we also cooked our lunch on two of days. Our garden supplied us with some of the ingredients to make fried rice and little spinach impossible pies. It was delicious! We went on our own excursion, wrote recounts of the excursion and thank you letters to those we visited. We also wrote letters to Santa (after all we have all been very good!).

In our Science unit 'On the Move' we have been investigating how humans and objects move. The past few weeks we have been doing investigations regarding rolling. We have learnt about 'fair testing' where only one variable is changed in each test to make it 'fair'. This week we investigated how far two identical trucks rolled when we changed one variable. We predicted what might happen before each test. In the first test we changed the surface the trucks rolled on. In the second test we changed the slope of our boards, keeping all other variables identical.



Thank you to Emma Hill for transporting the children to Inverell for our excursion on Wednesday. We visited the Inverell Community gardens to see how they operate. After lunch and a play in the park we went to Bunnings to complete a Christmas craft activity. A huge thank you to Jane O'Brien from the Inverell Community Garden and Anthony and the staff at Bunnings who made us feel so welcome! We all really enjoyed our day. Mrs Walker, Mrs Hamilton, Mrs Pender and myself would all like to congratulate the group on their behaviour and manners – they were wonderful ambassadors for Yetman Public School! Throughout the newsletter there are some photos of our day and some of the recounts the children have written.

Student Reporters

Lake Ainsworth

Splash! We were all in the water with our canoes roaring through the rough sea. Nope just joking it was just a little calm lake with only six canoes in the water. We all were trying not to flip the canoes because if we did we would have a lot of trouble trying to flip it back over. I am telling you they are heavy mostly with only two people out of the school in each canoes.



In the morning we all went go for a beach walk on the way back we saw a Labrador and his name was Bear. When we got back to the cabins we got ready for dinner. We learned a lot of skills like confidence for rock climbing, resilience for raft building and all the other activities. We did a lot of team building and team work with different school and with each other. We had a good team leader and his name was Adam and he was the best. When we finished the things that we needed to do we all went down to the beach.



‘YES I WON FIVE DOLLARS!!!’ yelled a kid at the county fair. The stadium was full of 180 kids talking excitedly at once. We were at camp at Lake Ainsworth and every lodge number had a fun stand to manage and Yetman's store was ‘spin the wheel’. We were given ‘camp dollars’ to spend. One kid loved our stall so much he could not stop playing spin the wheel. He won a lot of money There was a massage stall and nearly all the Yetman kids went for a massage. We had a fantastic time.



We are grateful to Grego and Adam for helping us with all of our activities. When we were about to leave we were thrilled with how much fun we had and we were very sad because we didn't want to leave because we really liked spending time with Grego and best of all Adam. In two years the year 2's and 3's are looking forward to going there again.

By Chris, Ellie, Oscar and Fred

THARAWONGA PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISING CUPS

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Student Reporters

Awesomeness in the Garden and Kitchen

Mmmmmmmmm as I stuffed my mouth full of quiche that we made with our own veggies from our own garden!!

'It is so yummy' we all said. Lately our garden has been full of healthy spinach, strawberries, corn, radishes, watermelons, rainbow silverbeet, snow peas and tomatoes. We have also been growing giant pumpkins to enter into the Hill's 'World's Largest Pumpkin Competition'. We have been cooking chocolate cake, egg and spinach quiches, and fetta and spinach triangles wrapped in puff pastry. Delish!! On Monday's we weed, water, fertilise, transplant and water the plants so they grow big and healthy. The canteen uses the plants from the garden to make the food!!



By Georgina



Sport

The cricket ball slammed into the cement pavement as we all yelled six. Cricket season is upon us and we are loving learning how to play cricket.

This term we have been learning to play cricket and volleyball for fitness and sport. Golly it has been hard learning to hit that volleyball over the net! Its challenging for all of us; spicing and digging but by the end of for weeks we were pretty good.

With cricket we are learning the rules and how to bat and bowl. We are enjoying going to the oval to play on the Yetman Yabbies' field and the new pitch.

By Sophie

All Star Recount

Yesterday we went on an excursion. We went to Bunnings and made Christmas decorations and got a hat and Mrs Weatherall and Mrs Walker was proud of me so much. I was excited so much.

We got there by a bus.

The gardens were fantastic blastic! We got a carrot to eat. I loved it so much.

By Stevie



Good for Kids good for life

THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY EATING

Healthy eating is not just important for healthy body weight but also for brain development, behaviour and concentration which can help kids in the classroom.

What does healthy eating mean?

- Eating plenty of vegetables, legumes and fruits
- Eating plenty of cereals (preferably wholegrain), including bread, rice, pasta, and noodles
- Including lean meat, fish, poultry and/or alternatives
- Including reduced fat milk, yoghurt and cheese
- Drinking plenty of water

Save occasional foods such as cakes, pastries, chocolate, lollies, chips, fast food and soft drinks for sometimes and in small amounts.



Good for Kids good for life

THE BENEFITS OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Being active is very important for children. Not only for their physical health but also for their mental wellbeing.

Some benefits of being active include:

- Promoting healthy growth and development
- Building strong bones and muscles
- Improving cardiovascular fitness
- Improves balance, coordination and strength
- Improves concentration and thinking skills
- Improves confidence and self-esteem
- Improving sleep

Children aged 5-12 years should participate in at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous intensity (makes you huff and puff) physical activity every day.





Congratulations to Demika, Olivia and Thomas who won awards in the Macintyre Young Writers competition. Go to the website to read the stories and poems our students submitted to this year's competition.

Student Reporters

Inverell Excursion

Rrrrrrrr!!! The brakes are put on and everyone rushes out of the bus and we all sit down for morning tea. We were on an excursion to the community gardens for a tour. First we looked at everybody's garden beds. Then we went to the chickens and collected their eggs with the egg collecting machine and it is so cool. It was designed by the high school students this is how it works the chickens lay the eggs and the egg rolls back into a box, and you open the lid of the box the eggs are there. There is also a chicken feeding machine when the chickens step on the step the feeder opens so they can eat then we looked at compost and worm farms. Jane the lady who was giving us the tour told us why our carrots are splitting it's because of the rocky soil. After that we had lunch at the park and a little play then we went to Bunnings and made Christmas decorations after that we had a choc chip cookie and got a hat then went home and it was so fun and very exciting and we survived the trip home.

By Demika and Sam



Yetman / Blue Nobby Fire Brigade: Captain's Meeting



**Thursday 30
November
2018
5:30pm at the
Fire Shed**

Yetman Brigade Captain, Dean Moffit, would like to invite all RFS members and any interested community members to the Yetman Fire Shed for a meeting. Some of the items on the agenda are:

- * PPE and uniforms
- * Training available for members, including First Aid Training
- * How to log-on to My RFS and the information available to members

Please come along and learn some more about your local Fire Brigade.

Dean Moffitt: 0427 130 311
Jen Kilner: 0407 741 914 or
meritij@bigpond.com

BANDANNA DAY + REMEMBRANCE DAY

Throughout October the students and staff have been purchasing bandannas for the CanTeen fundraiser. On Friday 10 November we all wore our bandannas to school. Due to Remembrance Day falling on Saturday, we also held our Remembrance Day Ceremony. At 11am, led by Chris and Sophie, we honoured all the men and women who have died as a result of wars. 11am on 11 November 2017 marked the 99th Anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War.



Student Reporters

Classroom learning

My brain almost exploded!!! It was aching and throbbing from the amount of tests and assessments we have been doing over the past few weeks, as the end of term looms closer- report cards come out!! Sweat drenches the back of my shirt as I scribble down the answers. We have now finished the Seven Steps to Writing and when we were assessed on it we found we improved an enormous amount!! In maths we have been doing lots of number- fractions, decimals, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, and LOTS of tests. Everyone has been very persistent and resilient when trying to figure out the answer to all the hard questions but now we are almost finished, and we have survived!!

In HSIE we are studying Asia, we are each making some pretty cool PowerPoint presentations on our chosen country as an assessment for the end of year report cards. We have also been doing a case study on Papua New Guinea with the whole class, comparing it to Australia. On Thursdays and Fridays we have been doing child protection with Mrs walker, learning what to do in tricky situations, when to be careful, and how your body warns you when something bad is going to happen. In science we have been doing Chemical World, learning how some objects react to different temperatures- and learning about the Three States of matter. We made fantastic experiments melting chocolate and icecream- it was hard trying not to instantly gobble up the delicious icecream!! Mrs walker teased us, taking a bite out of it!! Demika has been teaching us origami for art and we are learning Calligraphy, to tie into our Asian studies.

Overall we have been having lots of fun, while working hard. We had a week off recently when we were on school camp- so now we are back we should be refreshed, on task and ready for school!!

By Olivia

Chickens

Cluck cluck as the crazy chicken raced out as fast as it could for the yummy delicious scraps because it is used to eating pellets in the old and dark shed. The chicken enjoyed eating the scraps. We all take turns of looking after the chickens and some weekends Rex looks after them. One week after they arrived we got our first ever egg. Everyone gave three cheers hip hip hooray hip hip hooray hip hip hooray. One day we even got 3 eggs! Well done Liquorice, Lollipop and Caramel!



By Lily and Rex

The First Egg!

You Can Do It!



**Resilience -
Stevie, Demika + Bradley**



**Organisation -
Filippa, Fred + Olivia**



Organisation - Demika



**Getting Along -
Rex, Brody + Lily**

For more great photos that we didn't have room for in our newsletter, go to:
<http://www.yetman-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>; or to our Facebook page.