

# Yetman Public School

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## From The Principal's Desk

What a great start to the year. We have hit the ground running with classroom learning, our STEAM rotations and sporting opportunities. Friday 9 February saw Yetman Public School hosting the Macintyre Small Schools Swimming Carnival. This was a fantastic day for the students, teachers and school communities. A huge thank you to Ruth Weatherall, Jen Kilner and Teresa Hamilton for the efficient organisation of the carnival. Thank you to Rachel Pender, Nerissa Jackson and the parents who helped with the smooth running of the event. North Star were the champions on the day. Olivia, Chris, Lily, Fred and Ellie will be representing the school at Moree for district swimming on Friday. We wish them good luck.

Last week teachers started the STEAM rotations for the whole school. Each Stage group participated in Science, Technology, Engineering/Coding, Arts and Music. Mrs Walker is running the music program; Mrs Weatherall: Arts and Mrs Johnston: Science/Tech/Coding/Robotics. The first two weeks were enjoyed by all!

Our Environmental education program is underway with Mrs Walker and Mrs Pender (school chaplain) organising the garden program under the You Can Do It personal development program. Cooking is still operating with Mrs Weatherall, and library is with Mrs Johnston on Thursdays.

The 2018-2020 School Plan is still in draft form following consultation with students, staff, the school planning group, small school principals and the Yetman community. The school planning group will meet to discuss the final draft before the end of term. Parent and Community surveys are still welcome.

As part of our School Plan teachers will be embarking on professional development in 'Visible Learning' with Professor John Hattie - a world renowned educational researcher. Visible Learning will underpin the Strategic Direction 2 in Leadership.

It is with great regret that we say farewell to our General Assistant Mr Geoff Wilkins. The Director Public Schools, Mrs Rebecca Langdon, has appointed Mr Col Johnston as the relieving GA through an EOI (Expression of Interest) Recruitment process which was advertised on the school noticeboard, the shop noticeboard and on the school Facebook page. She also stated that applicants had to have a current working with children check if they were to be considered. We thank Mrs Langdon for her ongoing commitment to our school.

I would like to personally thank both the Frankcom and Hamilton families for their commitment to the gardens and chickens during the holidays.

Looking forward to a wonderful year at Yetman Public School!

Mrs Charmaine Johnston  
Rel. Principal



## Cooking Club Recipe of the Week

### Tzatziki Dip

#### Ingredients

- 2 cucumbers
- 1 cup Greek yogurt
- 1 tablespoon parsley
- 2 cloves garlic

#### Method

1. Grate the cucumbers into a bowl and then squeeze out the water and place into another bowl.
2. Finely chop parsley and garlic cloves and add to squeezed cucumber.
3. Add yogurt to the cucumber mix and stir to combine.
4. Chill in the fridge for about half an hour before serving with crackers or vegetable sticks.



## Student Reporters



### WORM FARM

We were looking forward to the arrival of the new worm farm. Finally it was here and we were all staring at it in excitement. We read the instructions with Mrs Pender to help the worms survive this time.

First we got some paper to line the bottom of the tray then Sophie and Fred got some compost from the tumbler. After this we mixed the compost with shredded paper and coconut husk together. The mixture was moist but not too wet or dry.

Next we added 500 worms to the mixture and then Sam and Oscar gently stirred it all together.

Mrs Pender moved the worm farm into the bubbler shed so it would stay cool because worms like to stay cool and not hot.

Soon the worms will hopefully start to make liquid for us to collect and put on the garden. We hope it will make our big pumpkin even BIGGER!!

By Georgina, Sophie and Fred





# YPS UPCOMING EVENTS

FEB	FRIDAY 23	McKECHNIE SHIELD SWIMMING CARNIVAL - QUALIFYING STUDENTS IN MOREE WITH MRS JOHNSTON
	THURSDAY 1	DOLLARMITE BANKING + CANTEEN
MARCH	FRIDAY 2	WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - 10AM AT ANGLICAN CHURCH CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY FOLLOWING SERVICE
	THURSDAY 8	DOLLARMITE BANKING + CANTEEN
	THURSDAY 9	DOLLARMITE BANKING + CANTEEN
	FRIDAY 30	GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	MONDAY 2 APRIL	EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

# P&C NEWS

## CANTEEN

Kate Dight is rostered on for canteen on 1 March. A roster is being compiled but there is a shortage of parents available. Please contact Teresa Hamilton if you are able to help, even if it is just for one day per term.

## \$100 VOUCHER FOR CHILDREN'S SPORT AND RECREATION FEES

"Parents in NSW are now able to start claiming \$100 towards extra-curricular sport and other physical activity fees thanks to the NSW Government's new Active Kids program. Active Kids will provide a \$100 voucher for parents to put towards sporting fees and registration costs for every school-aged child in NSW. The health of our children is a priority for me and every parent. I hope this makes a difference in enabling you to enrol your child in the sport or physical activity of your choice. Families will be able to use the voucher for registration and membership costs, as well as fees for activities such as swimming. The annual voucher will not be means tested because the NSW Government wants every child from every family to get active and involved in community sport and fitness. Parents are able to use their voucher to claim up to \$100 per school-child, per calendar year to reduce the cost of sport registration or membership of approved active recreation activities. More details about the program and eligible sports is available at [www.sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids](http://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids) or by phoning Service NSW on 13 77 88. Please feel free to share this information with your school community and please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you need any further advice or if I can assist further. All the best for the coming school year. Kind regards, Adam

## Adam Marshall

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# Student Reporters

Lately we have been doing lots of creative learning, music, sustainability, art, Waste Free Wednesday, learning the recorder, robotics, science, maths and English. We have got brand new maths text books that focus on self evaluation, using traffic lights to show how much we understand it.

In art we have been learning about Margaret Olley, who was a still painting artist. We have been making our own, starting off with chalk to easily erase mistakes and then paint over it and add detail and texture. The All Stars did a wonderful job.

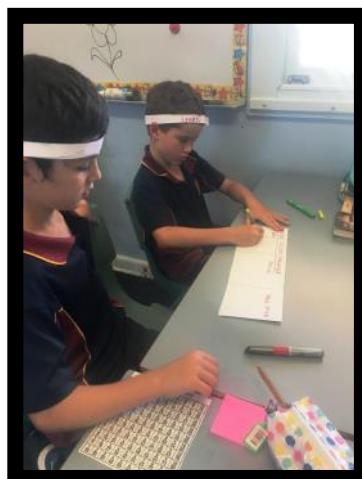
In music with Mrs Walker we have been learning to read music and are focusing on beat and rhythm. We have also been learning how to play the recorder. It's only been two lessons and we already know two notes, the rests and how there are different types of notes. We have started to make our own beats using rhythm, rests and different types of notes and beats.

We also have been learning robotics and coding, using little robots called bee-bots, which we had to code so we could make them move and turn. When you finish you have to press go. We also had to measure how far they could move and we had to measure what angle it turns on to make it complete the course we set for them. We also have learned about energy, how we produce it and how it transforms and transfers between different objects. We formed lots of questions about solar, hydro, coal, nuclear, muscle, friction, heat, radiation, sound, elastic, chemical, movement and gravitational energy.

This year we have been learning about Sustainability and we have started something called Waste Free Wednesday which is really good because we are not wasting as much rubbish as we were every other day. We have been watching a lot of videos about how rubbish, like plastic, affects the world. There is a thing called The Great Pacific Waste in the ocean which is bigger than Australia and that is only one of the five in the ocean.

In English and maths we have been doing some start of year testing. In English we started a program called English Stars and have new maths textbooks. We have had some pretty hard learning!!

By Chris and Olivia





# Student Reporters

## CHICKENS

“Buckaaa” the new chickens arrived today on the back of Miss Jackson’s ute. We made sure there was enough water and food for our four new chooks. Then Mrs Pender crawled in and got the chickens out of the cage one by one for Miss Jackson to clip their wings. Just before morning tea Mrs Pender and Mrs Weatherall were chasing one naughty chook who had decided to escape already. Next we made sure the pen was very secure so they could not escape again. The chooks will need about a week to get use to their new home - but we already have one egg! Our picks for their names are; Tweet Tweet, Reggie, Dr Cluckingsworth and Maggie. Thank you to Mrs Louise Jackson for donating the chickens to our school.

By Sam Cau and Oscar McCosker



### Good for Kids good for life

#### ACTIVE TRAVEL IN EVERYDAY LIFE

Active travel to school is a great way to get extra activity in your child’s day but sometimes it isn’t safe to do so. Luckily active travel can be added into everyday life to get your heart working!

- Check your local area for designated bike paths and ride your bikes to the shops
- Try parking at a greater distance from your location and walking the rest of the way.
- If you use public transport, get off one station before your destination and walk.
- Even making little changes in everyday life such as taking the stairs instead of the elevator can make a big difference.



### Good for Kids good for life

#### SUGARY DRINKS

The *NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy* was introduced in 2017. As part of the strategy, sugary drinks are not to be sold in the canteen.

Sugary drinks include: regular soft drinks, flavoured mineral waters, flavoured waters, sports waters, sports drinks, fruit drinks, coconut waters, cordials, slushies and frozen fruit drinks with less than 99% fruit juice. All energy drinks are also included.

Our canteen stocks refreshing everyday drinks for the students and includes water, plain and/or flavoured milk and 99% fruit juice.

Why not try cutting back on sugary drinks at home too?







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# INVERELL TOUGHEN UP CHALLENGE

**10 SATURDAY 23  
MARCH 2018**

**FORMS** Pro Active Gym  
Bikes on Byron  
Pathfinders

**INFO** 0417 788 673  
inverell2018.com  
Find us on Facebook

**JUNIORS FRIDAY 9TH MARCH**

pathfinders **SUPPORT** Bikes on Byron  
your path 4211 3449

**ADDITIONAL** **BOSS** **INTEGRITY**

**McMAHON** **Pro Active** **Rachel** **ROCK2ACTION**  
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[WWW.INVERELLTOUGHENUP.NET.AU](http://WWW.INVERELLTOUGHENUP.NET.AU)

Call the school office for nomination forms.

## Yallaroi Physical Culture Club

Classes commence on Wednesday  
14 February 2018 at Yallaroi Hall

Times as follows:

Seniors 16yrs & Over: 3.30-4.15pm

Tiny Tots: 4-7yrs- 4-15pm-5.00pm

Teeny Boppers: 8-12yrs- 5.00pm-5.45pm

Teens: 5.45-6.30pm

Ladies: 6.30-7.15pm

Any enquiries contact

Karen Moxey, Principal/Teacher: 0429344931

Facebook Message: Lea School of Physical  
Culture



# In the Library

On Wednesday 14 February, we celebrated Valentine's Day by participating in Library Lovers' Day, where we wrote letters to our library about why we love going there. We put our favourite books on display for everyone to see what we like to read. The Library loved the letters and wants to thank you all for saying such nice things.

Library lessons are held on Thursdays and there is a great selection of new books coming to the shelves soon!



ROALD DAHL, THE TWITS:  
"IF YOU HAVE GOOD THOUGHTS  
THEY WILL SHINE OUT OF YOUR  
FACE LIKE SUNBEAMS AND YOU  
WILL ALWAYS LOOK LOVELY."



## Student Reporters

### CANTEEN

We were all racing to get to the front of the line we all wanted to get a choc chip muffin, pizza and a milo. "Yes", I was at the front of the line and first to be served. We have a new canteen menu here at school. Everyone is very excited and we love the idea of the new foods that are healthy and delicious. The new menu Includes pizza muffins, turkish bread and frittatas. The new items on the menu are healthier and also don't include egg which means that Teddy and Bradley can eat the food without any worries. Our favourite items are the banana bread and muffin pizzas. We are always excited for canteen on Thursday. Thank you to all the parents who help at the canteen and spend their time cooking for us. We have also been eating some yummy watermelons and rock melons for recess. Thank you to Maree Crumpton and Ben Holmes for donating them to the school.

By Demika



# Student Reporters

## Swimming Carnival



Brmm brmm as Yetman drove off to the swimming carnival in Warialda. North Star, Bonshaw, Croppa Creek, Toomelah, Boggabilla, and Tulloona all went to the swimming carnival. We started racing, first the freestyle then all the other strokes. "Go Yetman!!" we all cheered for Olivia as she swam the medley. That's one 50m lap of each stroke...200m!!! She came 2nd.

There were some great swimmers at the carnival and there are five going to zone from Yetman. Congratulations Chris, Olivia, Fred, Lily and Ellie! We got lots of ribbons and we tied third for the handicap shield and everyone had so much fun. At the end everyone was tired.

Our favourite part of the day was being able to go to the canteen. There was also a man dressed up as a girl who was handing out CD's to people. He was a mascot for the Cancer Council and told us about sun and water safety.

Everyone had a go and tried their best on the day. We can't wait till next time! Rex Hamilton and Lily McCosker





## ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY WHEN THEY ARE TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

# Drive and park safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools.

You can help keep children safe by remembering the following:

- drop off and pick up children on the school side of the road
- never call out to children from across the road – it is very dangerous
- always take extra care when driving in 40km school zones
- follow all parking signs – these help keep children as safe as possible
- park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- never double park – it is illegal and puts children at risk
- never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts children at risk of harm
- model safe and considerate pedestrian and driver behaviours to your children.

### For further support

Go to the department's Road Safety Education program at [education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education](http://education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education) or visit [education.nsw.gov.au](http://education.nsw.gov.au) and search for road safety education.

## Get ready for a Super Savers adventure with School Banking.

This year in School Banking, your child will join the Dollarsmites on a Super Savers adventure, developing strong savings skills.

School Banking encourages children to learn the value of saving and rewards those who demonstrate a regular savings behaviour.

### New Super Savers reward items.

Introducing an exciting new range of reward items with two released every term.

Available in Term 1:

- Twister Power Handball
- Secret Scratch Notepad.

Your child can redeem one of these rewards, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

**Remember,** with the CommBank Youth app, it's easy for your child to monitor the Dollarsmites tokens they earn when making School Banking deposits and track their savings. Available to download from the App Store on any iOS9+ device.

### A chance to win a family trip to Hawaii.



Students who truly are Super Savers will have the chance to win a family trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, staying 7 nights at the Sheraton Waikiki Resort, plus AU\$2,000 spending money.

To enter, students simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018, and they will automatically enter the Super Savers Grand Prize Competition.

To find out more about School Banking, or explore fun activity sheets for your child, visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

Things you should know: The 'Super Savers Grand Prize Competition' (Promotion) is conducted by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) 481 123 124 at Level 30, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. The Promotion starts at Term 3 2018 and closes at 11:59pm AEST on 28/09/18. Entry is open to Australian residents aged 4-13 years only who have made 15 separate School Banking deposits into their CommBank 'Youth' or 'Student' account during the Promotion period. Eligible entries will be automatically entered into the draw. Maximum 1 entry per person. The first eligible entry randomly drawn will win a trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, USA for two adults and up to 10 children, plus AU\$2,000 spending money. The prize will be awarded to the winner's nominated parent or guardian. Conditions apply to accepting the prize. Full terms and conditions available from [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) and in the Australian on 17/10/18. Winner must claim the prize by 30/11/18 or 15/01/19 or the prize will be forfeited. The prize will be awarded to the winner's nominated parent or guardian. Conditions apply to accepting the prize. Full terms and conditions available from [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) and in the Australian on 17/10/18. Winner must claim the prize by 30/11/18 or 15/01/19 or the prize will be forfeited. The prize will be awarded to the winner's nominated parent or guardian. Conditions apply to accepting the prize. Full terms and conditions available from [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) and in the Australian on 17/10/18. Winner must claim the prize by 30/11/18 or 15/01/19 or the prize will be forfeited.

# K-2 All Stars News

Welcome back to school All Stars! And a special welcome to Matilda who has joined us in Kindergarten. All students have started the school year with confident and enthusiastic attitudes.



I look forward to a fun and productive learning year with all students. I have conducted conferences with the students to see what they feel are their strengths and weaknesses and if there is anything that they are particularly wanting to learn about or are interested in. I am then putting this and my professional knowledge of each child together to plan their personal learning goals. I look forward to talking to you about these and hearing your thoughts as well.



This year we are all learning more about technology. Year 1 and 2 are utilising Google Classroom which will allow me to better tailor individual student learning and tasks. We are also using Class Dojo. This allows all staff to reward children with Dojo points for positive behaviours, attitudes and skills. This program also has the capability for parent/teacher communication and so through class and individual stories I can keep you up to date with some of the happenings in our classroom.

A reminder that library borrowing is on Thursdays and that homework should be returned on Fridays so I can mark it over the weekend.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or queries regarding your child or what we are doing.

Mrs Weatherall



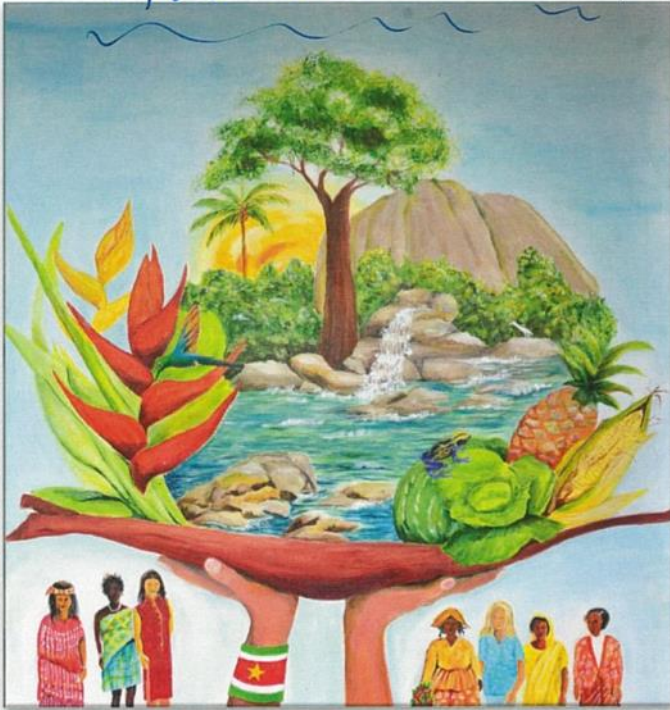
## World Day of Prayer—March 2018

**SURINAME**



*All God's Creation is Very Good!*

*All Welcome!*



Date

*Friday 2nd March*

Time

*10am*

Place

*Yetman Anglican Church*

# Schools Clean Up Day



## 2018

FRIDAY 2ND MARCH

All community members welcome to walk the streets of Yetman to help the students clean up the village. Please meet at the school following the World Day of Prayer service.



Stevie Read turned 6 on the 6 February

Teddy Moffitt turned 6 on 8 February

Bradley Moffitt turned 6 on 8 February

# You Can Do It!



**Confidence -  
James, Olivia, Rex, Sophie,  
Georgina and Thomas**

We have started the year with some exciting projects ahead of us in You Can Do It. We have our new worm farm up and running and have planted lots of seeds to grow some new veggies. We also have some very large pumpkins growing for the pumpkin competition and one in particular is getting very big and this is thanks to the Frankcoms and the Hamiltons who came and watered our garden over the holidays while it was very hot. We also welcomed our new chooks yesterday so we will be looking forward to the many eggs they give us so we can use them in our cooking.

Mrs Rachel Pender  
The Chaplin



**Getting Along -  
Filippa, James, Fred + Ellie**



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.