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## From the Principal's Desk

What do explosions, digging for fossils, designing a solar car, writing a video game and inventing a chariot with Sphero have in common? Well these were the some of the activities that Demika, Olivia and Sophie participated in at the Warialda Public School STEM day last Friday. The day was a marvellous opportunity to engage in all areas of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). We came away with lots of ideas for our own STEAMEE rotations. Sophie was lucky enough to win a Sphero Hero which will be so much fun in the classroom. Thank you WPS for hosting this marvellous event and we are already looking forward to next year!

I am blown away again with the dedication of our parent body. The Royal Flying Doctors Car Rally saw 270 people visit our little school. A lot of planning went into the event and I would like to thank the P&C army of volunteers for the lovely food. Thank





you also to Gayle Meeks and Jean Dight for helping with the serving and Susie Frankcom for bringing her coffee machine. Thank you to the parents who provided the yummy soup. A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Dight for arranging this event.

The students will be performing at the Inverell Eisteddfod this Wednesday. This would not happen without Mrs McCosker's support and coaching. Thank you very much Kelley and good luck everyone.

As the term is drawing to a close please remember to register for the Yetman Public School Golf Day at Texas Golf Course on Saturday 7 July 2018. This is another major fundraiser for the Canberra excursion. If you would like to help out we are still taking donations for the raffle and auction, or donators can sponsor a hole. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Pender for organising this event: it is going to be huge!

Mrs Johnston

## Classroom learning: Science on earthquakes

BOOM!!!!, CRASH!!!!

Explosions are everywhere, there are collapsing buildings everywhere it's an earthquake.

The tectonic plates crashed together, that causes an earthquake. Tectonic plates are so deep in the ground that it is below the earth's crust, there is a place in the ocean where the most movement takes place. It is called the ring of fire.

We are investigating the causes, effects and problems caused by earthquakes.

By Oscar

## Get hooked

Whack the fish took a big hit! Last Friday the Fisheries Department came to Yetman. We talked about the legal and illegal fish rules. I learned that the bag limit for golden perch is 5 and they have to be 30cm. When you hold up a fish only by the lips it's snapping its neck bones. It is illegal to put yabby traps in as turtles and platypus can drown in them. There were fishing rods and targets. Some people hit the targets!

By Sam





# **YPS UPCOMING EVENTS**

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FRIDAY 15	YEAR 5-6 STEM DAY AT WARIALDA PUBLIC SCHOOL REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY AT COOLAH (QUALIFYING STUDENTS)
WEDNESDAY 20	INVERELL EISTEDDFODD
THURSDAY 21	DOLLARMITE BANKING + CANTEEN WARIALDA HIGH VISITING YPS FOR YEAR 6 TRANSITION
FRIDAY 22	ENVIRONMENTORS RECYCLING PROGRAM AT THE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 27	MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING (SELECTED STUDENTS) - INVERELL
THURSDAY 28	DOLLARMITE BANKING + CANTEEN
FRIDAY 29	MACINTYRE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL IN BOGGABILLA
TUESDAY 3	SCHOOL PHOTOS
WEDNESDAY 4	NAIDOC DAY AT TOOMELAH
THURSDAY 5	DOLLARMITE BANKING + CANTEEN SEMESTER 1 REPORTS HOME
FRIDAY 6	CANCER MORNING TEA + SES DAY AT THE SCHOOL LAST DAY OF TERM 2
SATURDAY 7	GOLF FUNDRAISER IN TEXAS



### CANTEEN

Roster: 21 June - Kim Read; 28 June - Amanda Frankcom

### CAR RALLY

What an amazing day! Thanks to everyone for the help on the day.

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.

## Musica Viva

This day was the best! It was so fun - I was surprised.

We went to see this performance at Toomelah and we got there by bus. We played games to keep us company. The performance was Dr Stovepipe. One of the highlights was when the bass player stood on his instrument.

After the performance we went into the garden and planted some lemongrass. We looked at the cooking pit that johnny cakes are cooked in and then we looked at the pine tree and we found out that you can put your baby underneath this tree and the snakes can't get them. It was a wonderful day.

Sophie









APOLOGIES to Matilda Caslick
who turned 5 on 18 May not 8 as
printed in the last newsletter

James Pritchard turns 6 on June 16

## From your Library



There are only three weeks left of school and I'm looking extra hard for people who have been kind to my books and spending a lot of time with me for end of term rewards (with Miss Jackson's help because I don't have arms of course). We have been very busy getting new books ready for next term so all of you great readers can have more stories to fill your minds.

Roald Dahl, The Minpins "Above all, watch with glittering eyes the whole world around you, because the secrets are always hidden in the most unlikely places. Those who don't believe in magic will never find it."



## Good for Kids good for life

### 7 REASONS TO LIMIT SMALL SCREENS

Nearly half of all children aged between 5-15 years spend more than 2 hours every day on small screen entertainment such as TV, smartphones and tablets.

Children who spend more than 2 hours on screen time per day are more likely to:

- Have an unbalanced diet.
- Be less physically active.
- Have sleep problems.
- Drink more sugary drinks.
- Snack on foods high in sugar, salt and fat.
- Have fewer social interactions.
- Develop poor posture.

Setting up good habits while children are young can make all the difference to their habits and health in later life.

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Source: Murrumbidgee Local Health District Quick Bites



## Good for Kids good for life

## USING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AS A REWARD

We all like to treat our kids with rewards when they have completed a task at home or have performed well in school.

Here are some ideas on how to incorporate physical activity into your rewards:

- Visit a park that your child loves to go to.
- Instead of buying a food reward why not get some new sports equipment for home, such as a skipping rope or basketball?
- Plan a special trip to an indoor park.
- Go on a family bike ride and pack a special morning tea
- Invite their friends over for a play in the backyard.



## K-2 All Stars News All Stars News

Wow! What a fun and social time we have had over the past few weeks!

We had a fabulous time at Toomelah Public School when we visited to experience the Musica Viva performance of Dr Stovepipe. After the show we ate morning tea and played Red Rover with our Toomelah friends before heading inside to experience their classrooms. Sorry everyone – but we are not having a class guinea pig anytime soon!

We participated in National Simultaneous Story Time that afternoon by reading the story Hickory Dickory Dash with our whole school. The following week we completed different activities around this book in our classroom with our K-2 friends from Croppa Creek and Bonshaw when they came to visit with their schools.

I was very proud of all of the All Stars as they listened so respectfully and patiently to the Yowies presenting their Multi Cultural speeches. Some of us also participated in Mr and Mrs Cowley's Outback Scripture Patrol

at school and the Zone Cross Country at North Star.

Last week was very eventful with special activities on three days! The Outback Trek Car Rally was voted by the All Stars to be the best day ever at school! We performed our poetry with loud, clear voices and had a ball looking at all the different cars! The fluffy dog ones were our favourites by far! Healthy Harold also visited and we learnt about friendships, caring for others and what to do if we feel unsafe. The Get Hooked workshop demonstrated a deep knowledge bank about fishing in our school community and some fabulous casting skills. The Netball Gala Day in Inverell was lots of fun and we learnt some netball skills and again made new friends from a variety of schools. This week we have the Eisteddfod and The Environmentors workshop.

In amongst these wonderful opportunities we have done lots of class work in preparation for assessments which occurred last week and this week.



We have particularly focused on our writing since my attendance at the Seven Steps to Writing course in Newcastle. We have focused on identifying Sizzling Starts and boring starts to narratives. We have learnt about the writing cycle and have been practicing different techniques to create Sizzling Starts using a combination of sound, action and dialogue. All of the students have made an improvement to their story starts over the past few weeks. Below are just a few examples of our work!

Help help yelled something from the rain. I yelled Come here. Splish splash. He ran through the rain. Who are you? I said. My name is Brody he said. Come in out of the soggy rain, Come get some warm clothes on . . .

By Tom

Drip drop. I was stuck in a muddy puddle.

It was night. I was scared. I was scared.

I saw a house.

I went near it. I went inside. I saw a fire . . .

By Lachlan

Crash boom crash.

It is a stormy night, there is lightening everywhere.

There was red stuff everywhere. She is cold.

Who are you?

I am Stevie. I found Matilda . . .

By Filippa

### **Eisteddfod**

Well!! We are having a very busy couple of weeks! It's quite challenging to do all these awesome things and still fit in our usual school work. Another one of those busy times is Wednesday next week, when we will be traveling to Inverell to compete in the Inverell Eisteddfod. I am no stranger to that stage and know it can sometimes be very scary so it's awesome that we have taken on the challenge.

For the Eisteddfod we will be performing mostly in the speech categories. We are going to recite the set piece that they give us, and our own that we pick. These two poems are 'Sick' and 'Life Doesn't Frighten Me.' We also each have our own poem to learn. Some people are competing in the 'Australian author' section, and 'set verse' and sometimes just 'verse speaking'. Some people are even doing two or three. Mrs McCosker has been awesome and giving up her time to come into the school to help us with all our poems.

By Olivia

# Science with Miss Allport



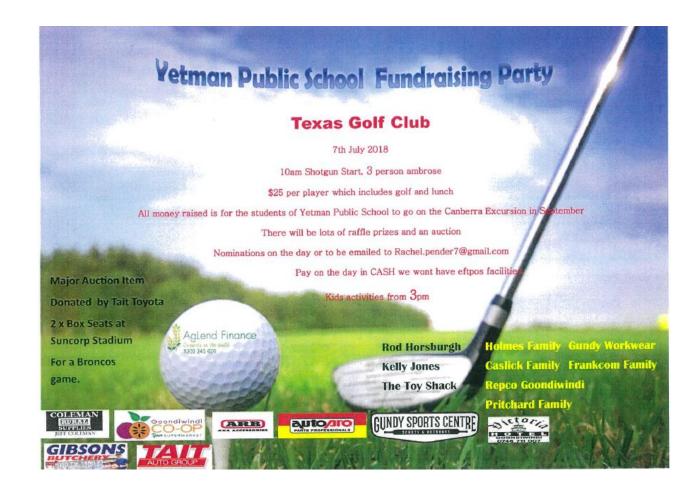




# All Stars Craft

While the Yowies and the Year 3-6 students from Tulloona, Bonshaw and Croppa Creek were learning tips to write amazing stories from Tristan Banks, their K-2 students joined the All Stars classroom with Mrs Weatherall.





# Recipe Page

## SWEET POTATO AND SWEET CORN FRITTERS

PREP TIME 10 mins

COOK TIME 15 mins

TOTAL TIME 25 mins

Author: kidgredients

Serves: 12

## INGREDIENTS

1 sweet potato, cooked until soft

1 leek, finely chopped

1 ear of corn, kernels removed from the cob

olive oil

2 tablespoons of plain flour

1 egg





### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Mash the sweet potato and set aside to cool
- 2. Heat some oil in a medium pan and fry the leek until soft.
- 3. Add to the sweet potato.
- 4. Add the corn, flour and egg, mix until well combined
- 5. Heat oil in a medium frying pan to medium heat.
- 6. Working in batches, add tablespoons of the mix to the pan, squashing down a bit.
- 7. Cook until golden, then flip and cook the other side.
- 8. Drain on paper towel.

From: kidsingredients.com.au



## Easy Cheesy Muffins

## Method

## Ingredients

2 cups self raising flour 2 cups cheese grated 2 cups milk

## 1. Preheat oven to 180 degrees.

- 2. Mix together the ingredients in a large bowl. Spoon out into muffin tins.
- 3. Bake at approx 180 degrees for 30 minutes until golden brown.
- 4. These muffins are only a fairly basic recipe so for more taste you can add 1 cup of the these mixes such as: Bacon - chopped finely, Tomatoes, Mushrooms or Pineapple.

## Tips / Handy Hints

Easy Cheesy Muffins can be frozen, wrapped in plastic wrap or placed in GLAD Snap Lock bags for up to twelve weeks.

Grease your pan well, these are notorious for sticking. Alternatively place a spoonful on mixture on a baking tray and cook like flat cakes.

### **Royal Flying Doctors Variety Bash**

Brmm Brmm on the fourth of June we had roughly 80 old V8 dirt cars come to Yetman Public School. We got to hop inside some of the cars and on one of them if you pressed a button 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 it would make animal noises when I pressed number 1 it sounded like a horse choking with laughter. (It sounded like us when we heard it.)

After that we performed a small show for them. We performed two school poems 'Life doesn't frighten me' and 'Sick', two songs 'Hey everybody' and 'Words make the world go round' one poem by the all stars 'trianti-wanti-gongilope' and one dance with four older girls to 'Thunder'.

Then it was lunch time and we did the same performance for a different wave of the car rally. Then we got to hop in some more cars!! Three of the cars were dogs. One big brown one, one small brown one and one small black one. The big brown one sprayed water on my shoes! Bad dog! We got to climb on the bonnet and take pictures. They had speakers and screamed out the song 'who let the dogs out'. Thank you to all of the cars who took the time to visit. Thank you to all the parents who helped with the cooking.

By Rex













### Poetry

Oh my gosh I think that I have learnt my poem really fast and I am really getting in to it. My mum is very proud of me and I should be proud as well because I am going to the Eisteddfod next week on Wednesday with the whole school. I am nervous and scared; what if they don't like it? What if I don't remember the words properly and I mess up and I get disqualified? These are our nerves talking. In class we are doing English and Maths and in is a little hard and it is very fun in class as well. We are writing poetry now for the Dorothea McKellar contest. So in class Mrs J gives us very hard work and fun work at the some time.

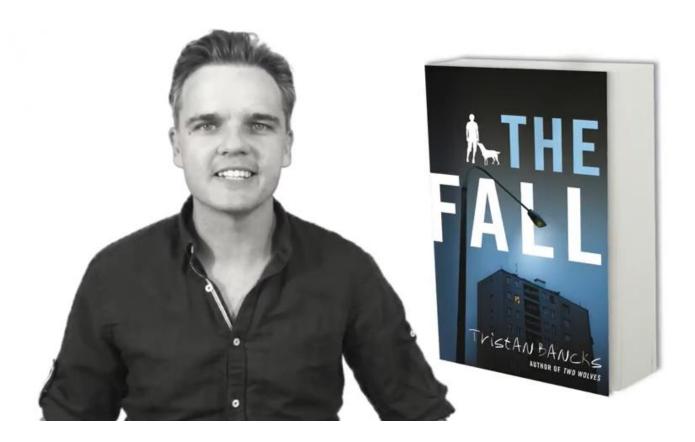
Ellie

### **Tristan Bancks**

Everybody felt a sense of excitement as the smartboard was ringing, we were about to talk to a famous author. Tristan Bancks is famous for his Tom Weekly books, Two wolves and The Fall. He likes to start off with a pop quiz, would you rather be set on fire or sit on nails?? Then we were talking about all Tristan's books and asking him questions, like how he gets his inspiration. Tristan gets it from his childhood, most of his stories are true stories, like when his sister got him to lick vegemite off her toes when he was a kid- he says she is truly evil in his book.

He told us that to write book it takes at least 5 drafts!! And at least a year to get a chapter book. For his 'Two Wolves' book he said it took him at least 6 years to actually pull it together. When he finished he got to eat a cake that looks exactly like the book! He got to eat his book!!! We made a small story with him about when he went for a drive with his grandma, we thought of lots of horrible scenarios and things that could happen- we came up with sewage trucks, TNT and potholes!!

By Demika



# Photo Page



Week 4 and week 5 You Can Do It winners for Getting Along and Organisation.



Netball Gala Day in Inverell - Yetman students joined with their Bonshaw friends to play in the competition.

Congratulations to Demika Cau for first place at the CWA's state conferenced for her beautiful quilt. Demika is pictured with Mrs Kimmorley, Mrs Hallam and Mrs Frankcom from the Yetman branch of the CWA.

Well done Demika!!

