

# Yetman Public School

## Newsletter



These last few weeks we have been experimenting with forces in our science lessons. We have been testing their strength and evaluating how they work. We have been discovering that not only do we have the obvious push and pull forces that humans exert on an object, but we have magic ones as well, such as gravity and magnetism. They are emitted by our planet from deep within the earth's iron core. We completed the unit trying to draw the magnetic fields with iron filings and we did particularly well, managing to not get filings stuck all over the magnets! We learn about these phenomena through investigative experimentation. There is always an hypothesis to prove and an activity to complete. Next semester we will begin a new unit of scientific discovery focused on Earth and Space.

Kate Dight  
Teacher

### WHAT'S ON AT YPS?

#### Term 2

##### June

- 28<sup>th</sup> NAIDOC Day at Toomelah PS
- 30<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term 2

#### Term 3

##### July

- 18<sup>th</sup> Students return to school
- 20<sup>th</sup> Macintyre Athletics – Goondiwindi
- 27<sup>th</sup> School Photos  
Planet Ark Tree Day
- 31<sup>st</sup> Heferen Shield Athletics – North Star  
(for qualifying students)

##### August

- 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 Kindergarten transition
- 6<sup>th</sup> Warialda High School Transition – Year 6 students
- 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> SCIENCE WEEK
- 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> BOOK WEEK
- 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024 Kindergarten transition
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 'Way Too Cool' livestream – 11am
- 24<sup>th</sup> Book Parade with Tharawonga

27<sup>th</sup> June 2023



These photos show the students working with the magnets:

\* drawing a magnetic field with iron filings



\* car races propelled by magnets, some going a little off course but others with great success



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## Term 2 Attendance Snapshot

Our Term 2 attendance rates have been hammered by poor health BUT I am still incredibly proud that outside this our students turn up every day to learn!

The current data shows that 30% of students have attendance of 90% or higher and as a whole school we sit at 81.6% for Term 2. This whole school percentage is significantly lower than the Department's state average of 86.2% for Term 2.

We should be proud of our efforts considering the barrage of sicknesses that we have had to overcome, and I look forward to seeing this number grow next term.

Of course, your child's health and the health of the school community is extremely important so please remember that if your child is sick to keep them home.

### Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

**1** day per fortnight

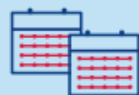
= **4** weeks



= Over **1** year missed

**1** day per week

= **8** weeks



= Over **2.5** years missed

NSW Department of Education

### Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

[education.nsw.gov.au](https://education.nsw.gov.au)



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# Free family fun with the Parliament of NSW

MONDAY-FRIDAY  
3-7 JULY 2023  
ONLINE



## PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN UP TO 12 YEARS

### Mirri Mirri cultural education session

Monday 3 July, 1-2 pm  
Wednesday 5 July, 1-2 pm

### Virtual guided visit of the Parliament of NSW

Tuesday 4 July, 9-10 am  
Thursday 6 July, 9-10 am

### Storytelling session

Friday 7 July, 9-10 am

### Storytelling and drawing activity

Visit Australia's oldest Parliament via ZOOM this school holiday for **free** fun educational activities for children and families.

We have 5 days of fun events planned including storytelling, Aboriginal cultural session and a virtual guided visit through the newly refurbished chambers.



BOOK NOW



### BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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WHERE  
ONLINE

### MORE INFORMATION

[parliament.nsw.gov.au/events](http://parliament.nsw.gov.au/events)

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