



Yass Public School

# YOUR SCHOOL

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# NEWS

Issue #4

22nd March 2018

## Calendar of Events

### March 2018

**Tue 27th** - PSSA Soccer

**Wed 28th** - Disco

**Thu 29th** - Infants Easter Hat Parade

**Thu 29th** - Assembly

**Fri 30th** - Good Friday

### April 2018

**Mon 2nd** - Easter Monday

**Wed 4th** - Parent teacher interviews

**Friday 6th** - Assembly

**Friday 6th** - Cross Country

**Friday 13th** - Last Day Term 1

### May 2018

**Tue 1st** - First day Term 2

**Wed 9th** - District X-Country

### Save the Date

*Grandparent and special person day  
21st September 2018*

## Principal's Report

We have had great fun with our new sign in the past two weeks. Please let me know if something is hard to read because of the size and colour combinations so we can make the most of our great sign. I have had some very positive comments about the sign.

Don't forget we have a school disco next week on Wednesday. Dinner orders close on Friday 23rd March but you can buy a disco ticket as late as Wednesday. This Disco will help year 6 students raise money for the end of year present to the school. K - 2 Disco will be at 5 - 6pm, then a half hour to eat their dinner. Year 3 - 6 will be from 6-7pm. Parents need to be at school and at the Hall for pickup, students will not be allowed to walk home.

I have been really proud to hear twice this week that YPS students have shown great manners, pride and sportsman like behaviour. Our teachers felt that it was such fun to enjoy the cricket and NRL day with all our students.

It is with great sadness that I tell you that Mr Rae and his family will be leaving us at the end of the term. Mr Rae is a great asset for our school and will be sorely missed by students, staff and families. We hope that this big move will suit him and his ever growing family. 'May your troubles be less and your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door.'

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**Office Hours: 8.30am to 3.30pm**

Uniform Shop is open each Friday  
afternoon: 2.45pm-3.30pm

Kind regards

Michelle Fahey

# Principal Awards

## Eloise Smith 3/4P

- She has made an amazing start in a new school
- She always completes her work to a high standard
- She is a kind and caring class member with a real thirst for learning.

## Ashleigh Tanswell K/1R

- She has settled into the routines at YPS
- is always in the right place
- has good listening skills and can ignore distractions around her
- She has a beautiful, kind nature
- Ashleigh is a shy student, but has learnt how to ask people nicely to join in with their games and play with them.



## YAZZA News

The next edition of the Student Newspaper is up and on the School notice board. Check it out, it's worth a read.

## Book Club

The orders for book club need to be in to the office by this Friday. No late orders will be taken.

## Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent teacher interviews will be held on Wednesday 4th April. The interviews will start at 3.45pm and continue through to 8pm. Each interview will be around 15min. You don't have to catch up with your child's spelling teacher, but it is a great idea to catch up with your child's Maths and Class teacher. Please ring the office to make your appointment. A note advising of Parent /Teacher interviews will come home today.

### **Assembly Postponed**

We will be postponing our formal whole school assembly this Friday and it will now occur next Thursday at 2pm to coincide with our Infants Easter Hat Parade. Everyone is welcome.

### **Mr Rae Leaving**

Mr Rae has decided to leave Yass Public at the end of this term. He will be locating to Ireland with his wife and son so that they can be near Mrs Rae's family. Mrs Vaughan will be taking on the Assistant Principal Role for the remainder of the year and a teacher for the class will be finalised this week. We wish him and his family well but we will miss him here at YPS.

### **Milo Cricket Day**

On Tuesday March 13th years 3-6 participated in the Milo Cricket day which consisted of students playing a modified version of cricket, in a fun and relaxing environment. Students joined with other schools from the district and there were lots of fours, sixes and classic catches taken.

A special thanks has to go to the Sydney Thunder representatives and the major sponsor 'Milo', for a great day out.



### **Easter Hat Parade**

Next Thursday as part of our special assembly, K-2 students will be conducting an Easter Hat Parade. Instead of holding both an assembly this Friday and a separate parade, we have decided to combine the two. At 2pm on Thursday 29th March, there will be a whole school assembly during which class groups will present the Easter hats they have made at home. Students can bring their hats to school on Thursday morning, and leave them in their classrooms. There may even be prizes for their creations.... We look forward to seeing you next Thursday.



## Regional Swimming

Wow, what a day. As is always the case in Dapto, the day started as a cooler, wet day. Excitement was high and energy was in the air as the swimmers made their way to the starting blocks for their race.

Yass Public and the Yass District had an amazing lead up to this event, with many students seeded in the top 2 heats for their event. All student who participated on the day have reason to hold their heads high as they all participated with outstanding respect for others.

As a district I am excited to announce that we had a number of students finish their events in the top 5. This is an amazing effort and achievement.

Riley Gilbey was outstanding finishing 2nd in his event. We are waiting for clarification if his time qualifies him for the State Comp later this term.

I would like to congratulate all the students who made it through to this level of competition. I am extremely proud of you. I would also like to thank all the parents and carers, family and friends who took the time to transport our students to this event. It was a massive day and couldn't be possible without your support.

Ms Bird



## Writing Award

Reuben received this award for a fantastic sizzling start.

My heart is thudding, my guts are tied. I'm trapped! The flames burn with anguish, destroying everything they touch. I'm trapped in the middle of a sea of flames. Then a tree ignites, CRACK, it starts to fall.. I'm doomed.. but it misses. The flames grow bigger, there's nowhere to go. I run out of air.

By Reuben 3/4P



## **Rugby League Gala Day**

Last Friday, students from 3-6 were invited to attend the Rugby League Gala day at Walker Park. It was a great opportunity for students to try rugby league in a fun and non-competitive atmosphere. YPS joined students from Mt Carmel and Berinba to learn rugby league skills and drills. After lunch, students were split into teams and were able to put their skills into practice, with a fun game of league tag, touch football or rugby league. Although it was a hot day, the students thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Mrs Sharp



## **SRC News**

At our last meeting we elected some roles within our SRC. Congratulations to these people:

Chairperson: Chanell Stevens (The chairperson role will change so that everyone gets a go, but Chanell will help them)

Treasurer: Louis Cathles Secretary: Ellen McCrudden

Our meetings are held fortnightly on Fridays at 1st half of lunch.

It's awesome to see so many people using the bin for return and earn. However the SRC would like to remind people to take out the straws on juice boxes and make sure that all your drinks are empty before putting them in the return and earn bin.

Money raised so far for return and earn:  
\$52.60

Record money raised for one week:  
\$15.60

Ellen McCrudden [SRC secretary]



## National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

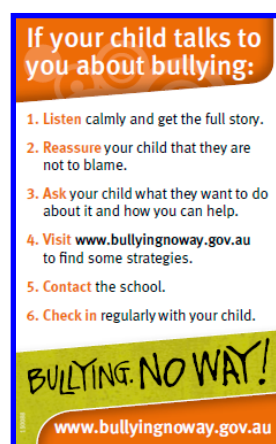
On Thursday 15th March 2018, all students at Yass Public School took part in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. Many students bought wristbands that remind them to 'Say no to bullying'. The whole school engaged in anti-bullying lessons before recess.

K-2 students met an alien named Allen. He helped them learn about how to read how other people are feeling, what to do if someone is being mean and strategies on how to calm themselves when they are feeling angry. Stage 2 learned about types of bullying, including physical, verbal and social bullying. Stage 3 also learned about types of bullying and then went on to learn about what a bystander is and how bystanders can stop bullying.

It was a great day learning together about an important issue. We hope the students learned strategies and skills to help reduce bullying, not only at school, but also in our community.

Gillian Stuart

Below are some photos of pocket cards we have in the front office. There is one for students and one for parents. If you would like one of these pocket cards, please ask at the front office. Please note there are limited cards available.



## Words of wisdom from our counsellor

### **Self-Talk - Changing from Negative to Positive**

In many situations, the only thing we can control is our response. Changing self-talk from negative to positive is an excellent way to manage that response and stress.

### **Belief and Faith**

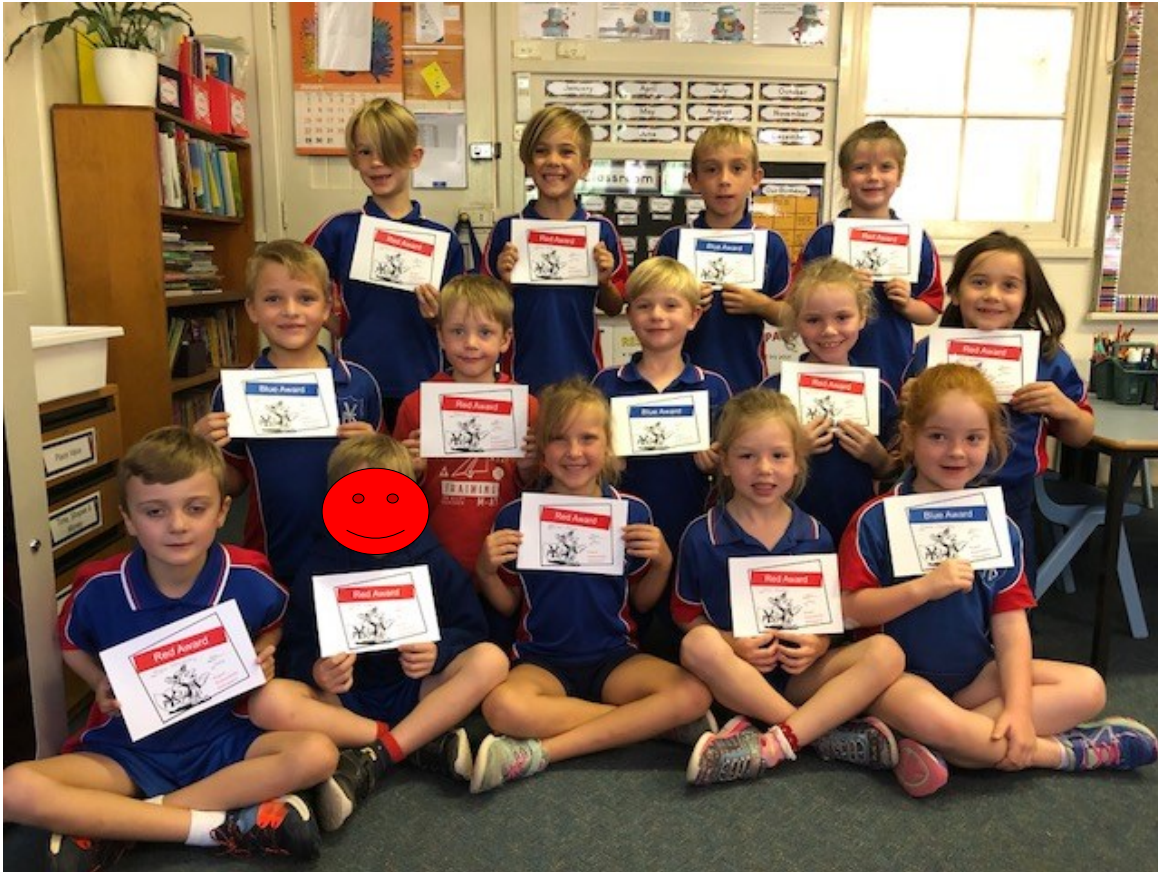
Self-talk reflects our belief in who we are or in the universe. A positive faith can help you during Stressful times.

Name 10 positive things you believe in about yourself, people and the universe. If you can't think of 10 beliefs, as other people for theirs. \_\_\_\_\_

Describe a recent experience and how you used one of these beliefs to help you. \_\_\_\_\_



## PBL Awards for 1/2B



## P&C News

This week we had our Annual General Meeting, below is our new executive committee.

President - Elizabeth Phillips

Vice President - David Stuart and Simone Hughes

Secretary - Jess Howlett

Treasurer - Belinda Banfield

Uniform Shop - Simone Hughes

Canteen Co-ordinator - Sophie Peer

- A fundraising calendar was developed to spread out our events in the hopes of attracting volunteers.
- The P&C also worked out a big picture resource list for our school for the year.
- The P&C members are looking into having our meetings connected over the internet so interested families that can't make the meeting or are a long way out of town can still participate in our meetings.

# 2018 NSW PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



[www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au](http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au)



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# GKR KARATE

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**No contracts: pay as you go**

Children who train in karate  
are less likely to be bullied and  
school work and class behaviour can improve

**classes continue during school holidays**



- Build confidence
- Improve fitness
- Gain self discipline
- Learn self defence

Yass classes in:

Berinba Primary School

Classes: all around Canberra, Goulburn, Queanbeyan, Yass

For your **Free Trial Class**

contact Wendy: 0406 375 091  
[wendy.gkr@gmail.com](mailto:wendy.gkr@gmail.com)

**GKR Karate supports Beyond Blue**  
**self defence for all ages**

They can play at school, at a club or  
with their friends. The only way for them to  
play is ANZ Tennis Hot Shots.



**Spinifex Tennis Holiday Camp –  
Hume Tennis Club, Yass  
17-19<sup>th</sup> April 2018.**

**Ages: 4-6. Time – 10-11am. Cost \$50**

**Ages: 7-10. Time – 11-12pm. Cost \$50**

**Ages: 11-16. Time – 12-2pm. Cost \$75**

**Registrations: Scott Eulenstein:**

**[scott.eulenstein@outlook.com](mailto:scott.eulenstein@outlook.com)**

**Approved Active Kids Provider**

**PII: 0421016365**





# BECOME AN INTERNATIONAL FAMILY IN 2018!

Hosting overseas students promotes an exchange of cultures, languages and traditions and will enrich your family's lifestyle. Students, aged 15-18, are wonderful role models for Australia's future generation.

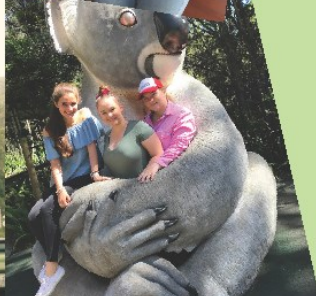
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10,000 Tim Tams consumed  
Countless memories made**

*"Our daughter has a big sister now, someone to talk to other than mum or dad! If you're thinking about hosting, do it! It's the most rewarding experience for your family!"*

**Nicole, three-time host mum.**



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1300 884 733**



18.03.18

**Lights, camera, action!**

Imagine your child as a star on stage... then turn imagination into action!

Bringing Character to Life with Emotions is a drama workshop for children aged 5-15, to be held in Binalong on April 20, 2018.

Children will learn how to strengthen their understanding of a character's emotions. The techniques they learn can be extended to real-life emotional connections, to help them build empathy and understanding.

Exercises include building confidence, identifying and understanding emotions, characterisation, techniques such as voice projection, speaking with confidence, blocking scenes and presentation skills.

Under the expert eye of Janno Scanes and Robyn Sykes, children can learn tips and tricks about performance.

The day culminates in a performance by the children on stage at the Binalong Hall. Each item is short, but every child gets a chance to shine. A DVD will capture the performance for posterity. Come and see our future stars!

The workshop will run 9am-3pm at the Binalong Mechanics Institute (Binalong Hall). Numbers are limited to 20, so be quick! First in best dressed.

For more information contact Robyn Sykes 02 6227 4377 or [robysykespoet@gmail.com](mailto:robysykespoet@gmail.com)

This project is supported by Arts NSW's Country Arts Support Program, a devolved funding program administered by Regional Arts NSW and Southern Tablelands Arts on behalf of the NSW Government.

In the unlikely event that the presenters need to make changes to the program, parents and care-givers will be notified as soon as practicable.

The safety of our children is paramount. Please wear sensible clothes and safe shoes: no thongs please.

Please bring:

1. A nursery rhyme or song they know, with a character they would like to play.
2. Potential costumes and/or props for that character (optional). Other costume options/make-up/scenery will be available
3. Morning tea and lunch.

Don't delay: book your child in today!



**Country Arts Support Program**

Images: See next page.



# TRIVIA NIGHT

## **Fundraiser for Yass Netball Association**

Yass Golf Club  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018  
6.00pm for 6.30pm start

Tickets \$10 per head – Tables of 10  
(Age 12 years and above)

BYO Nibblies – no hot food!  
(Platters available for pre-order through the Golf Club)

Tickets available from Yass Netball Courts  
each Friday from 5-7pm  
\*\*\* until sold out \*\*\*

Enquiries: Patrina Langfield – 0421 636 889





**YEARS 4-6**  
**5:30-7:30PM**  
**FRIDAY NIGHTS**  
**@ EAGLES NEST**  
**COMUR STREET YASS**  
**DINNER INCLUDED**  
contact Helena 0427 976 112



Yass Combined Churches



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

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This year in School Banking, your child will join the Dollarmites 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 Dollarmites 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 (ABN 40 123 123 124) of Level 20, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. The Promotion starts at 9am AEST on 23/07/18 and closes at 11:59pm AEST on 28/08/18. Entry is open to Australian residents aged 4-12 years only who have made 15 separate School Banking deposits into their CommBank 'YouthSaver' account during the Promotion period. Eligible entrants will be automatically entered into the draw. No more than 1 entry per person. The first eligible entry randomly drawn will win a trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, USA for two adults and up to three children (aged 17 years and under), including 7 nights accommodation and \$2,000 AUD spending money, valued at \$17,988 AUD. Terms and conditions apply. The draw will take place at 10pm AEST on 18/07/18 at the address above. The winner will be notified by telephone and email, and will be published online at [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) and in The Australian on 17/07/18. Winner must claim the prize by 30pm AEST on 15/07/18 or the prize will be redrawn. 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) or at the address above. Under NSW Privacy No. LTP5/17/18218, ACT Privacy No. ACT TP 17/01489 and SA Privacy No. T17/01878.



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