



**Yass Public School**

# YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

Respect, Responsibility & Participation

**Issue #12**

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## **Calendar of Events**

**2019**

### **Term 3**

#### **August**

**Wed 14th -Kindy info sessions**

**Fri 16th- Assembly**

**Wed 21st– P&C meeting @6pm**

**Tues 27th -Touch Gala Day**

**Thurs 29th—Fathers Day Stall**

#### **September**

**Tues 11th -Trent Barrett shield &  
Todd Woodbridge Cup**

**Wed 18th—Parent Teacher Inter-  
views**

## **Principals report**

Wow what a week. We really celebrated Education Week 2019 in style. The Education Week theme 'Every Student Every Voice' was certainly evident in our school and across our Binit Binit Learning Community. We had the 'Art and About' opening at the memorial hall on Monday night. It was great to see so many families out at this event and so many excited students keen to show off their creations. A very successful art auction was also a highlight of the evening.

On Wednesday our school went down to the exhibition for a look at the student art works. Thursday was our turn to host over 250 parents and friends to our school concert in which every student performed or helped in the performance.

We then had our combined Binit Binit schools concert on Friday night with 9 schools coming together to include 160 school students to perform to a packed audience. A terrific night to showcase the talent in our area. A fantastic week. But boy! Were we exhausted?

A huge thanks to all the teachers and staff at Yass Public School who helped to make it a memorable week in education. To all the parents that helped with a costume, or transported their child to a concert and came to support them in their endeavours. But especially those parents that took the time to let us know they appreciated the events, time and commitment it is always good to hear.

Kind regards,

Michelle Fahey

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

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

## Principals Awards



**Taesha Souter**

- Great leadership in peer support

**Nevaeh Mounsey**

- She is diligent and motivated
- Very kind to her friends
- She always helps the other students in the class
- A pleasure to teach

**Florence McColl**

- Demonstrates commitment to mastering content
- Brings a mature attitude to all learning experiences
- Takes pride in her work
- Completes all work in class time to a high standard
- Is always a kind and caring friend to those around her
- Always listens and is a great role model

## Writers award

**Daria Johnston**

Great finger spaces.  
She attempts words without help and is beginning to use capital letters where appropriate.

**May Shaw**

May has been working hard on her letter formation and sounding out of her letters.

She now can hear the sounds and can write these sounds, to make words. This is the start of writing .  
She will be soon writing novels like The Hobbit.



## Kindergarten Information Session

This Wednesday we will be hosting our Kindergarten Information morning and evening. If you have or know a family that has a little person going to school next year in 2020, that could be interested in coming along to look at Yass Public School as a possibility for Educating their child. Our year 5 students are eager to meet and greet existing families and new families and welcome them to our school. There will be 2 sessions on the day and both will be held in the library. The first session is at 10.00 and the second session will be at 6pm. Spread the word and see you there.

## 'Art and About' Exhibition

Last Monday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of August, was the opening night of our exhibition and the exciting culmination of our "Art and About" program. One hundred and twenty eight students across eleven local schools displayed their works in the Yass Memorial Hall. The opening night also included an exciting art auction as our eight feature artists donated an original work each to be sold to the highest bidder



Trader and Co. provided some delicious nibblies and drinks to the enthusiastic art viewers. Local councillors, representatives of the Ngunnawal Land Council and our Educational Director Meg Cuvee also attended the event.

The exhibition then ran over the next few days, finally closing on Thursday afternoon at 1pm. Local schools brought down their classes to view the exhibition on the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and students thoughtfully completed voting ballots to vote for

their favourite artworks in each section.

The "Art and About" exhibition was a fantastic event. A big appreciative thank you to all of the staff of our local schools and GA's who helped to set up the event and helped students with the creation of

their work and artist statements, and another big thank you to the parents and carers who supported their children in travelling to their workshops and on our opening night.

Lastly – a big thank you to all of the students involved who created such beautiful art pieces. Well done!

Kind regards,

Ms. Marple





### CWA Education Grant- Year 6

Each year, the Country Women's Association of NSW award an education grant of \$250 for one Year 6 student in the district. There is an application process which includes a handwritten letter from the applicant explaining how they have demonstrated a commitment to school life and their community and how they might benefit from the grant. A letter of reference is also required from our principal, Mrs Fahey. If any Year 6 students are interested in applying for this grant, they need to see Mrs Stuart for an application form. Applications close on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

### Schools Spectacular Cake Stall Fundraiser

The Schools Spectacular Choir would like to thank the Yass Public School Community for supporting the cake stall last Thursday. \$400 was raised to go toward the cost of the twelve children attending Schools Spectacular in November. We would like to thank the parents for baking and sending in cupcakes and slices, especially to parents of students not attending Schools Spectacular. We really appreciate your support.

Ms Beth Bird and Mrs Gillian Stuart

### Pyjama Day

Last Friday YPS students supported the local SPIN (Supporting People in Need) club by wearing pyjamas to school. For a gold coin donation, students were saved the effort of changing into their school uniform while at the same time supported people in our community suffering from illness. Our school raised a total of \$354.55, which was presented to representatives of the SPIN club, including their mascot "Lionel the Lion".



### SRC Report

The SRC met last week and have agreed to support another worthwhile cause – Lids4Kids. Lids4Kids is a project that supports Envision Hands, a non-for-profit organisation based at Wheelers Hill in Victoria, which shreds low and high density (Numbers 2 and 4) bottle lids and turns them into new prosthetic limbs using 3D printing. We are asking all members of our school community to save their bottle tops, such as those on soft drink, water and milk bottles, and place them in our recycling tubs at school. Unfortunately, we cannot accept lids with metal on them or pop tops. We ask that the lids be cleaned before being donated. A bottle like this will be placed outside Mrs Barlow's classroom for students to put lids in. Approximately 500 lids will make a small hand, and 1000 will make a small arm.



Our current Return and Earn total for the year is \$645.50, including donations of \$7.50 from the Neuhaus family and \$29.10 from the Banfield family.

### Touch Football

Throughout this term each class will be learning some touch football skills. Gecko Sports, an external provider, has been engaged to provide two weeks' worth of lessons to each stage. Kindergarten kicked off in weeks 1 and 2, and Stage 1 are participating in Weeks 3 and 4. The students are absolutely loving the skill based games, as can be seen in these pictures of 1/2B.



### Stage 3 Jindabyne Camp payments

A friendly reminder for families of students attending the Stage 3 camp to Jindabyne in Week 10 of this term to continue to make payments. The final payment is due by 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019. The total cost is \$295. The \$50 deposit you have already paid can be deducted from the total cost, leaving a balance of \$245.

Mrs Stuart



### Whole School Continuous Story

In the last newsletter our story ended with Zippee the snail watching helplessly as his love, Zappy, was disappearing into the office clutched inside a Frenchman's hand. Now for the long awaited and much anticipated finale to the story that involved every child in the school, and ended with 3/4S:

*Zippee felt torn. He didn't know if he should follow Mrs Faheyini and try and rescue Zappy, or stay and wait. He decided he couldn't wait, his true love was in danger! As he began to hurry (as fast as a snail can go) towards the office, he saw Mrs Faheyini stroll out of the office with Zappy in her hand. "That horrible Frenchman was about to turn you into escargot! You're too pretty for that. You deserve a nice home filled with lettuce. I'm taking you to our vegie patch!" said Mrs Faheyini. "Vegie patch!" exclaimed Zippee. "It'll take me ages to get there".*

*Looking around for help, Zippee spotted a hot wheels car, obviously left behind by Anzac or Jamie in the playground. Zippee jumped aboard, however did not have the momentum to move the car. A shadow of a bird crept up behind Zippee. "Argghhh!" screamed Zippee as a pigeon swooped down to eat him. Without thinking, Zippee created a massive slime explosion right in the eyes of the pigeon. The pigeon was shocked and scared, and flapped its wings giving the hot wheels car the momentum Zippee needed. "Yippee!" yelled Zippee as he tore across the asphalt at top speed, unaware that several steps were fast approaching. He took a leap of faith and jumped off the car just before it tumbled down the steps. Luckily for Zippee, Mrs Phillips had covered the new seedlings with netting. "Phew, soft landing!" sighed Zippee as he wiped his brow with relief. Zippee turned around only to see the one, the only, Zappy! "Oh Zippee" cried Zappy. "Oh Zappy" cried Zippee. They hugged and hugged knowing they would never be apart.*

*Suddenly out of nowhere a pigeon came swooping down and gobbled them both up. "Oo lala" said the pigeon. "I just love escargot!"*

### Year 6 Transition to High School

This Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2019, Year 6 students attending Yass High school will spend the morning having 'Taster Lessons'. Students will walk to Yass High School with Stage 3 teachers for a 9.30am start. They will be experiencing an Art lesson and either a Wood Technology or Food Technology lesson. Students and teachers will then walk back to school at 11.30am. We hope it is a wonderful time for Yass Public School Year 6 students.

Later in the year, students will be attending an Orientation Day on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019. This will be for the whole day and more information will be given closer to the day.

Mrs Gillian Stuart

### Fundraiser for School Spectacular

This is just a reminder to please get your orders for the Bulbs into the front office by 30<sup>th</sup> August. This is a great opportunity for us as a school community to support our students, so please see your neighbours, friends and family and sell some bulbs for us. Catalogues can be picked up at the office.



## Write4Fun Short Story Competition

Enter online at <https://www.write4fun.net/competitions/65>



**The School Writing Competition  
for 2019 is NOW OPEN!**

Calling all Australian school students... prep to grade 12...

Write a poem or short story for your chance to win \$1,000 cash (\$500 for you & \$500 for your school)! As well as one of the AWESOME prizes below.

All it takes is a burst of inspiration, a dash of creativity and a little bit of effort for great poems and stories to appear! We can't wait to read yours!

Entry is FREE! Entries close Friday 30th August, 2019.

## Education Week Concert

Last Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August Yass Public School held their annual Education Week Concert. It was a very exciting day that saw our entire school student body participate in various items, as part of a class group or specialist performance groups. It was wonderful to see so many parents, carers and guests make the effort to watch their children display their skills in music, dance and song. All the teachers and their students put a lot of work into their performances and costumes to make them spectacular. Thank you to everyone involved!

Maddi Pearsall





## **BINIT BINIT Concert**

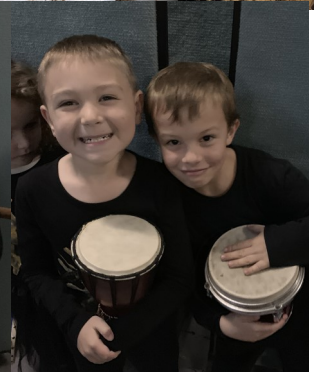
On Friday night students from Miss Piper and Mrs Knowles' Years 3-6 Dance Group and Ms Marple's Infants Percussion Group performed at Yass High School in the BINIT BINIT concert. They all behaved professionally and

gave an exceptional performance. The teachers are very proud of these students who have been working hard in their lunchtimes for a term to perfect their dances and music. Here are some photos from the concert.

### **Years 3-6 Dance Group**



### **Infants Percussion Group**



### **PBL in 1/2B**

Congratulations to the students pictured below who recently received a PBL award in 1/2B.



## District Carnival

It was a chilly morning, but the sun broke through to see a wonderful day had by many at our annual District Athletics Carnival.

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August around 70 students travelled to Victoria Park to compete in many events throughout the day.

Yass Public had an amazing day which started with the 1500m and ended with the relays. All our students competed with respect and courtesy for their fellow competitors. We had some fantastic results from children from all the schools. I am proud to announce that Yass Public School were the overall victors on the day.

Regional notes have gone home. Please let me know if there are any withdrawals for any events ASAP.

Regionals will be held on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September at the AIS stadium in Bruce, Canberra.

Ribbons will be handed out at assembly this Friday.



## October Learning Labs Applications Now Open

The University of Wollongong would like to invite your students to LITTLE AND EARLY LEARNING LABS, an academic enrichment holiday program. We are targeting students from Year 1 to 6 during 2019, who are passionate, self-motivated and curious learners.

**Dates:** Little Learning Labs (Years 1 and 2): 30<sup>th</sup> September – 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019

Early Learning Labs (Years 3 to 6): 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

**Venue:** University of Wollongong (Wollongong campus only)

**Applications close:** 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019

For further information about workshops and the application process please visit our [website](https://www.uow.edu.au/learning-labs), or contact the Learning Labs team via email at [learning-labs@uow.edu.au](mailto:learning-labs@uow.edu.au) or phone on (02) 4221 5557.



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**\$5**

**YASS NETBALL ASSOCIATION**

# *Disco Night*

**SATURDAY 24TH AUGUST 2019**

**ST CLEMENTS CHURCH HALL  
CHURCH ST - YASS**

**ALL  
WELCOME**

**DINNER FROM 5.30PM TO 6.00PM  
DISCO FROM 6.00PM TO 7.30PM**

**DJ PEZ**

**GAMES**

**PRIZES**

**AGES 5-12 YEARS**

**UNDER 5 - A PARENT  
MUST BE PRESENT**

**DINNER - SAUSAGE SIZZLE, JUICE BOX, PACKET OF CHIPS**

