



Yass Public School

# YOUR SCHOOL NEWS

Respect, Responsibility & Participation

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## Calendar of Events

2019

### Term 3

#### August

Tues 27th -Touch Gala Day

Wed 28th— Mt Carmel concert

Thurs 29th—Fathers Day Stall

Fri 30th— Whole school assembly@10.30am

#### September

Wed 11th -Trent Barrett shield & Todd Woodbridge Cup

Fri 13th—Regional athletics carnival

Wed 18th—Parent Teacher Interviews

Thurs 19th— NAIDOC Day

## Principal's report

We are half way through term 3 already. We had a great response to our information sessions last week. Over 50 families joined in on one of two sessions offered to existing and new families to hear about our school and what kindergarten looks like at Yass Public School. There have been some changes made to the enrolment policy across the state and parents should be aware that the boundaries between schools may have changed. Our school is also reaching capacity and we will not be able to accept out of area enrolments. Kindergarten families of 2020 will need to discuss these changes with me before the end of term 3 (27<sup>th</sup> September).

It would be very helpful for all our existing families that have a child that is starting kindergarten at our school in 2020 to let us know and also put in their enrolment forms. This will help us to get an idea of our numbers for 2020. Please give me a ring if you have any concerns or questions regarding this process.

Thanks to all our many parents, carers, grandparents and friends of Yass Public School who give to us some of their valuable time to help support our students. It can be helping in reading or in the classroom it might be helping out in breakfast club or in the canteen. Thanks for donating fruit or clothes or just helping out our teachers. We appreciate your support.

Kind regards , Michelle

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Office Hours: 8.30am to 3.30pm

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

## Principals Awards



**Hayden McHugh**

- Hayden has developed a mature approach to school
- improved attitude to learning
- always helpful and kind to others
- supportive of other students including those in his peer support group
- nothing is too hard he will always give it a go
- always willing to help teachers with extra responsibilities

**Raphael Deronne**

- he tries hard in all aspects of learning and accepts challenges
- he is very popular among his peers but is still able to separate work and social times
- he is an attentive listener who makes valuable contributions to discussions
- has beautiful manners
- always willing to do whatever is asked of him

## Writers award

**Nicholas Banfield 1/2P**

At midday, there was a firefighter eating his lunch in the city.

The firefighter heard a loud ring. Beep! He recognised it at once. He rushed to the truck but realised it was almost out of fuel.

The firefighter rushed to the petrol station, filled up the truck and drove to the site at the last minute. He sprayed the building with cold water and put out the fire.

Everyone loved the firefighter and then he went back to the station and finished his lunch.

**Todd Sunnucks 1/2P**

Bang!

It sounded like a hunter was in the jungle trying to shoot a lion.

The lion kept running when he looked back and a hunter was chasing him.

Then the lion hid under some leaves.

The hunter never found him again.

### Fathers Day Stall

Father's day is fast approaching. The P & C will be holding a stall on Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> August ready for students to purchase a little surprise for their dads, step dads or carers in their lives. Gifts range in price from \$2 to \$7. Classes will visit the stall on Thursday. Don't forget to get your pocket money ready.



## Yass Public School P & C Association

It's time again for our Fathers Day Stall. This is both a P&C fundraiser as well as a chance for children to shop for someone special. It will be held on Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

This year we have purchased some lovely gifts for the stall. There is a wide variety of gifts, and they will be available for between \$2.00 and \$7.00.

Please don't forget to send in some spending money with the kids so they can buy a gift to show how much they care.



### Holiday Raffle

One of our major fund raising projects this year is our holiday raffle. Ticket have gone to families last week and will be drawn on 27th September 2019 @ 1pm at Yass Public School. The ticket cost is \$ 2 per ticket.

The best thing is the prize which is a \$4000 gift certificate to be used at Flight centre on the holiday of your choice. It is a great opportunity to raise some money and help out our school. Please return unsold books to school by the 20th September. If you need more books they are available at the front office.





### **Mt Carmel Concert**

This Wednesday we will be walking to Mt Carmel to attend a performance from the Canberra Symphony Orchestra. They are running the Music in My School program again in 2019. We attended this performance last year and it was very good. We thank Mt Carmel for including us again this year

### **Assembly**

There will be a whole school assembly this Friday in the hall at 10.30. Parents are warmly welcomed to attend.

### **Kindergarten information Sessions**

Last Wednesday we welcomed families to our school to show them about Yass Public School as well as tell them about kindergarten for 2020. We had over 50 families join us. Some attended the evening session. I would like to thank Hannah Bell and Rory Arnemon for their presentation of a speech they wrote for the sessions to tell why they love Yass Public School. Our Year 5 students did a fabulous job in welcoming families and helping with their prospective kindergarten students. Students spent some time with Mrs Belling in the kindergarten room while parents heard about our school, looked at uniforms and had a morning tea and tour around the school. There are information packs available from the office if you were unable to attend on the day.

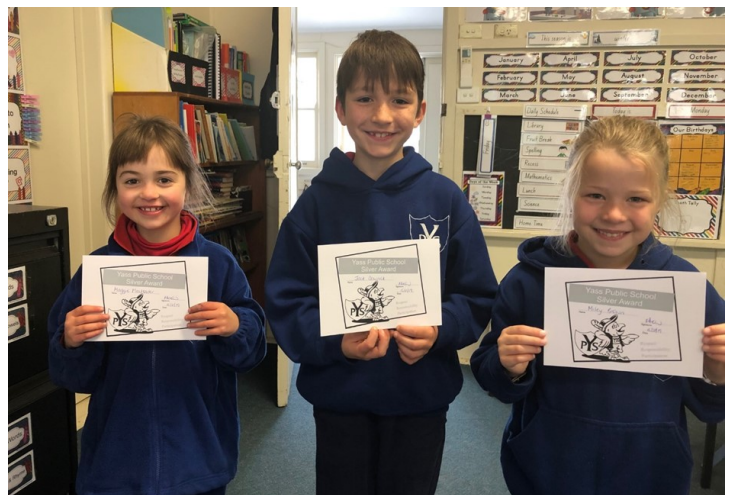
### **PBL in 1/2P**

Congratulations to all the students pictured who recently received a PBL award. Well done to Isabella and Zane who are the first students in 1/2P to receive their Gold Award!



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

Congratulations to Maggie MacMaster, Jack Dowrick and Miley Brown from 1/2B who all received their silver awards.



### Peer Support

Below are some photos of students learning to trust others through peer support lessons. They had to make their way through an obstacle course and trust their partners to lead them and keep them safe.



### Regional Athletics

Just a quick reminder that Regional Athletics are coming up on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

They are held at the AIS Athletics Track in Bruce, ACT. If you have not returned your note or money, please do so this week.

### Touch Gala Day

NSW Touch Association is holding a Touch Gala Day tomorrow for students in years 3-6. Those students who have returned notes, please ensure that you come to school in full sports uniform. Bring lunch and water. Although there will be a canteen available, I have not received a menu.

We will leave the school at 9:20am and return in time for buses.

Beth Bird

### Fundraiser for School Spectacular

Don't forget to 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.





## Attendance Matters

At Yass Public School we encourage and support regular and punctual school attendance for ALL students.

The majority of our students have good or outstanding attendance which is excellent. Thank you to all parents and carers who ensure that their children are on time every day!

However, there are still some students with attendance levels below the acceptable rate which is of concern. Consistent school attendance is essential to assist students to maximise their learning potential. In fact, research shows that absence from school on a regular basis has a negative impact on literacy and numeracy performance.

Please continue to support your child in aiming to achieve 100% attendance over the rest of the school year. By working together we can improve attendance and support your child on their journey through school.

## Every Day Counts...

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

When your child misses just...	That equals...	Which is...	And therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

**Give your child every chance to succeed...**



**Every day counts!**

## Stage 1 Riverbank Park Excursion

This term Years 1 and 2 are learning about features of places in Geography. In Week 3, the students walked to Riverbank Park to observe the natural and built features of the park. They also discussed ways we can care for parks and had some time to play on the equipment afterwards. It was a fun afternoon.





### Year 6 Transition to High School

Last Wednesday year 6 students walked to the high school to engage in some transition lessons. They met with Mrs Kemp and Ms Watson before taking a tour of the technology department and the Ag plot.

Students all completed a Visual arts lesson on how to draw a dragon to scale. Some of them were also lucky enough to have some time in the food tech classroom and learn the art of icing, where others were able to learn about the pH levels in soil, play with chickens, and explore the green and glass houses. They are looking forward to the next transition lessons when they will explore the science labs.

All students had a lot of fun and were incredibly well behaved. Well done year 6.



### CWA Poster Competition

We had some great entries in the CWA poster competition with 25 students winning prizes. These students were taken to the CWA rooms to listen to an interesting special guest speaker that recollected her experiences visiting Papua New Guinea. Students were also presented with their certificates and had a wonderful morning tea. It was a terrific morning and all of our students were excellent role models for YPS.





## Science in Stage 1

This term in Science Stage 1 are learning that the materials from which objects are made can either be combined in particular ways or mixed together. To demonstrate the difference, in Week 4 students mixed ingredients to make biscuit dough, then combined it with choc chips to make a recess snack. Last week we discussed that even when materials are sourced from those occurring naturally in the environment, such as paints made by traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures from ochre, there are still deliberate choices made. Students replicated this by mixing chalk powder with various naturally occurring binders, such as egg, honey, and coconut milk to find the one most suited to making paint. Pictured below are students from 1/2B having fun with both activities.



## SRC Report

This week the SRC report is about providing reminders to students. The Wednesday bin sorting team has noticed that students have begun to get a bit careless about putting rubbish in the right bins. Only soft, scrunch able plastic can go in the blue bins. Please do not put food in the blue bins. Food scraps from every class should be going into a food scrap bucket, and juice boxes should be going in the red bins.

Our current Return and Earn total for the year is \$738.70, including donations of \$23.80 from Mrs Curtis, and \$30.60 from Jed Glover and his family.



## VOLUNTEER DAY AT COOMA COTTAGE

The National Trust (NSW) is a charity that conserves and celebrates heritage throughout the state of New South Wales and Australia. One of the charity's heritage properties is Cooma Cottage in Yass, the former home of Australian explorer, Hamilton Hume, and they are welcoming any keen new volunteers to join them for morning tea and volunteer information session on Sat 24<sup>th</sup> August, from 10am to 12 noon. All welcome.

Cooma Cottage, 756 Yass Valley Way, Marchmont NSW 2582

# Yass Touch 2019



## 2019 Season Information

### Junior Touch

**Date:** 16th of October till 18th of December

**Time:** 4-8 years  
(4.45-5.30pm)

**9+ years**  
(5.30-6.30pm)

**Cost:** \$50

**Age:** 4- 16 years old

**Registration:**  
Online Via Yass  
touch Website \*Rego  
closes Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of  
September

There also will be a manual  
rego Wednesday 18th of Sept  
(4-5.30pm) at Walker park

### Senior Touch

**Date:** 16th of Oct-  
18th of Dec 2019  
(Christmas break)  
Returning Wednesday  
29th Jan- 26th Feb

**Time:**  
6.30pm Start

**Cost:**  
\$50 (school age 12-  
18years)  
\$80 ( Adult)

**Age:** 12+

**Registration:** Online  
Via Yass Touch  
Website

\*Team Rego closes  
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> of October



### Spinifex Tennis Holiday Programs

Week 1: 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 at the MURRUMBATEMAN TENNIS CLUB

Week 2: 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 at the HUME TENNIS CLUB, YASS

Tennis based programs available with fitness, modified skills and technique development. Multi-Sport opportunities will also be provided.

RESERVE YOUR PLACE NOW! Contact: Scott Eulenstein

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Ages:	Times:	Costs:
Morning (Ages 3-6)	Time 10am-12pm	Daily Cost \$35 4 Day Cost \$105
Half Day (Ages 7-15)	Time 10-1pm	Daily Cost \$45 4 Day Cost \$135
Full Day (Ages 7-15)	Time 10-4pm	Daily Cost \$55 4 Day Cost \$165

### BOWNING PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS

# GREAT GATSBY FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY 31 AUGUST, 6.30PM-11PM

COME DRESSED TO IMPRESS IN 1920'S ATTIRE.

JOIN US AND TRY YOUR LUCK AT ONE OF OUR  
PROFESSIONALLY RUN CASINO GAMING TABLES,  
DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY WITH LIVE MUSIC.



Presale Tickets \$50

\$65 at the door

Tickets available at Bowning Public  
School and The Bowning Hotel.

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT BOWNING PUBLIC SCHOOL





# Free Youth Workshops in Irish Music and Dance! All musical abilities welcome.

Come and join the Junior Fleadh at the Irish and Celtic Music Festival.  
Mt Carmel School, via the Hartigan Centre, Meehan St Yass

**Saturday 14 September 9:30am - 11:30am**  
**Sunday 15 September 9:30am - 11:30am**

Following the Sunday program lunch will be provided then students will present a showcase concert at 12:30pm in the Lovat Chapel.

Bring your own instrument if you have one. D whistles available for the total beginners or kids who do not have an instrument of their own.

This year's tutors are:

- ♪ Chloe and Ben Hurley, performing at the Festival with Strayaway Child
- ♪ Michael Green, performing at the Festival with Green Shoe on a Bender

**Register via the QR code**

or type the link into your browser:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2ZKCD9Y>



**Irish National Association  
of Australasia**

Cumann Náisiúnta na nGaedheal





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\$2.00 each

\$2.00 each

## 3 Prizes

- 1st Prize**  
\$4,000 Flight Centre Voucher
- 2nd Prize**  
\$5 Silver Proof Coin & Photo montage
- 3rd Prize**  
Nespresso Coffee Machine

Winners will be notified by phone, and results will be published on YPS P&C Facebook page