



YANCO PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4	Aug 7	Aug 8	Aug 9	Aug 10	Aug 11
	Salvation Army School Program	Scripture Spelling Bee		LHS Taster session Boys to the Bush Final session	Stage 2 AFL Gala Day Leeton Little Learners
5	Aug 14	Aug 15	Aug 16	Aug 17	Aug 18
	Eisteddfod Dance	Scripture Sand Hills Artefacts Cultural Day – at YPS			Boys to the Bush Family Day & presentation Little Learners
6	Aug 21	Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24	Aug 25
	Salvation Army School Program	Scripture		Eisteddfod Choir - Infants	Riverina Primary Athletics Little Learners
7	Aug 28	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31	Sept 1
	Eisteddfod Choir – 3/6	LHS Links Program 9.30-11am Scripture			Little Learners
8	Sept 4	Sept 5	Sept 6	Sept 7	Sept 8
	Salvation Army School Program	Scripture			Little Learners Kinder Transition
9	Sept 11	Sept 12	Sept 13	Sept 14	Sept 15
	Salvation Army School Program	Scripture			Stage 2 Rugby League Gala Day Leeton Little Learners Kinder Transition
10	Sept 18	Sept 19	Sept 20	Sept 21	Sept 22
	Salvation Army School Program	Scripture			Little Learners Kinder Transition LAST DAY OF TERM

Canberra Trip

Thank you all for allowing us to take students from Stages 2 and 3 to our nation's capital. I was lucky to spend time with everyone on the last two days and left a very proud principal. These things do not happen without the support of everyone, but there needs to be a very big shout out to Miss Grigg, Miss Jeffs and Miss Williams who stood in place of parents for the entire trip. Julie Simons was an exceptional support throughout as was Halina Capstick in the time I was there. This meant that we were able to split into two groups on rehearsal and performance day.

I am sure you will enjoy reading recounts of the event from the eyes of our students.

External Financial Support

Thank you to Leeton Shire Council for the grant that allowed our kids to perform at Canberra Theatre. As the school that had to travel the furthest, this money allowed for us to shine on a national stage and showcase their skills in dance and drama.

Thank you to the P&C for their ongoing support. This small but dedicated team again allowed for all students to access the Canberra Excursion part of the trip. As a small school, the cost of attending and participating in all activities is higher per student and it is only through the support of our wider community that we can even envisage providing opportunities like this.

The Australian Government, in recognising the importance of all students being able to access this learning as part of the HSIE (history and geography) program contributed \$90 per student as part of the **Parliament and Civics Education Rebate** (PACER) program. This payment is paid directly to the school on conclusion of the excursion and was factored in when planning occurred. This program was linked to the students attending the War Memorial, Parliament House, National Electoral Centre and other places of national significance including the Botanic Gardens and the National Portrait Gallery.

Health and Safety

We are entering the last weeks of Winter and as such, students have all been reminded to hunt for their hats as the no hat, play in the shade rule is about to be reinforced. Students have all been reminded that the hat must be a school hat, not a blue cap, not a Riverina hat and not the hood on their jumper.

Lock Down and Fire Drill

We will be holding these over the coming weeks. Before we do this, we will go over the procedures with students and explain what we do and why.

The Annual Bushfire Danger Period Preparation Program

With the bushfire period officially beginning from October 1 we are informing you, our community of our school rating and what this means.

Yanco Public School's Bushfire and Grassfire Risk Rating is **Category 2**.

This means the school has high landscape-to-site bushfire and grassfire risk. For this reason, early proactive decision making to reduce risk is required. This means that when the NSW RFS has declared a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating (FDR) for the following day, the department will direct your school to temporarily cease operations on that day.

The school may also be directed to temporarily cease operations at any time by the department on advice from emergency services or the State Emergency Operations Centre, even if a Catastrophic FDR has not been declared. We will keep the community informed if we need to adjust school operations.

Wellbeing programs

We still have the Salvation Army coming into school each Monday with Rusty the dog. This term we will also commence the Smiling Mind Program. This will be run in grade-based groups and students will have new topics to discuss with you each week. Please take the time to look on the website and/or download the app. There are some fantastic resources for individuals and families to use.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Thank you to everyone who took the time to meet with teachers. If you were unable to attend meetings and wish to discuss anything, please let us know.

Loving Learning

Yesterday I got to spend some time in the K/1 room where we were all getting sweaty brains when learning about time.

Students were able to give me lots of examples of when they were slow or fast, when they were told to hurry up, or when time moved slowly or quickly. Lots of examples were given in how they use the timer to know how long they can use devices and that tapping the phone, lets you know the time on the front screen. We then investigated the analogue clock and discussed that we need to know how to order number 1-12 and that the shape of the clock was a circle. We investigated where the hands sit on the o'clock position and counted by 5's when we looked at the minutes in an hour. They were able to remain silent for the entire time. Moving outside we practiced drawing clocks and recoding our numbers the right way around.

Please take the time to ask your children what they know about time and even the shape of a clock and why a circle is a circle and not a square.



Student and Parent Technology Agreement

At Yanco Public School, teachers engage students in their learning through the meaningful and purposeful integration of technology.

This agreement is a guideline for students and their parents. Consequences of breaking this agreement may include (but are not limited to):

- Restricted access for students who use digital devices or the internet inappropriately.
- Meeting with teacher or principal depending on the misuse;
- Contact with parents/caregivers.

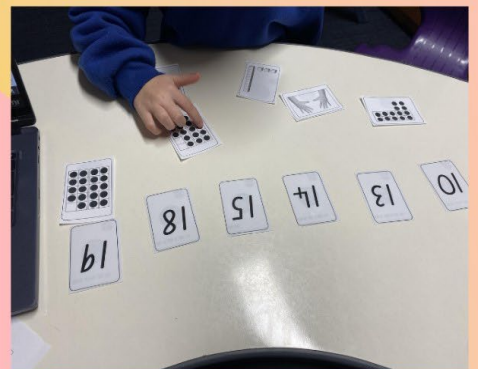
The Department of Education's policy outlining appropriate and acceptable student use of internet and online communication services can be found at the link below: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/pd-2020-0471>

Your child will bring home a note soon. Please tick each point as you discuss it and then both you and your child need to sign. Please complete and return the policy as soon as possible to your child's teacher.

LEARNING SUPPORT NEWS

We have been busy completing some assessments to guide the learning and teaching in the area of number and place value.

It has been wonderful to see the great progress students have made and to see where to take their learning.



This week we began the Smiling Mind program.

Smiling Mind lessons will take place each Tuesday afternoon session.

This week we learnt what mindfulness is and ways to give our body a break. Our first go at meditation went very well.



Year 2/3

Classroom News

It has been an absolute whirlwind start to Term 3. A lot of our time has been taken up with the year 3 practicing their dance routine for Wakakirri. While the Year 3's were busy with their dancing the year 2's enjoyed learning with the K/1 students and began to learn their dance routine for the Leeton Eisteddfod.

We are looking forward to performing our dances and choir songs in the coming weeks!



Last week the Year 3 students (along with the 4/5/6 students) went to Canberra for a marvellous excursion. We visited lots of very interesting places and saw some amazing exhibits. We learnt a lot about our nations rich history and the development of our parliamentary system.



My trip

This week 3-6 got to go to Canberra. I'm going to tell you what we did but in dot points.

1. We had to wake up at 6:30 in the morning and hop on the bus. It felt like forever then we stopped at Gundagai.
2. When we got at Canberra we went to the National Museum and got split into 2 groups. At some point one of the groups got split into two groups to learn about different animals. One was a jellyfish and the other was a Tasmanian Tiger.
3. Then we went to the Australian Electoral Office and learned about how to vote and learned about a video technique called pepper ghost. We also played a voting game.
4. Then we went to the accommodation and figured out who was in our cabin. I was with Lacey, Bella, Abby, Taya and Indie.
5. The next day we had breakfast. Then we went to The National Arboretum and learned about trees and the environment. Then we went to Questacon. It was amazing but I was too scared to go down the drop slide. We went to the accommodation for a bit then went to The Botanical Gardens at night.
6. Then we went to Parliament House and saw Susan Ley. Then we performed at Wakakirri. I was in the dance and I danced to the song "Blame it on the boogie".
7. Then we went to The National Portrait Gallery and then went home.

Genevieve Cuteri



As part of our Social and Emotion Learning with Bridgette and Rusty we have been learning what it means to be mindful and in the moment. I think Rusty was enjoying being in the moment with Azalea!



Recount of last week

Year two didn't go to Canberra because all the other students went for an excursion and to perform at Wakakirri. Whilst they were away we were able to do lots of rotation activities in the K-1 classroom. We did patterns, pattern pegs, snap, bingo, reading, handwriting and writing for the rotations. I just felt like doing heaps of running, because there wasn't much else to do. I didn't do any cooking because I didn't feel like it and it was play time. But I would like to do it now.

It was fun being one of the older kids in the school and not have to worry about who was out in the playground. Next year I hope to go on the excursion to Canberra so that I can go to Questacon and get a levitator.

Jaxon Patterson

YEAR 4 5 6 CLASSROOM NEWS

Week 4 Term 3

In an action-packed adventure, our fantastic Year 3 to 6 students embarked on an incredible school excursion to Canberra. Their enthusiasm and curiosity shone as they explored the capital's treasures.

The students' boundless energy took them to renowned sites like the Canberra Museum, Arboretum, Questacon, Parliament House, War Memorial, and even an enchanting night tour of the Botanical Gardens. They marveled at the rich history and scientific wonders the city offered.

A thrilling highlight was their captivating performance at Wakakirri at the Canberra Theatre, where our talented students stole the show, leaving the audience spellbound. This unforgettable experience showcased their creativity and teamwork.

Their journey continued with visits to the Electoral Office and Cockington Green, where miniature wonders amazed all. The trip was a unique educational opportunity, enriching their understanding of Australia's democracy and history.

The students' exemplary behavior and engagement were commendable, making us proud. They've crafted lifelong memories and learned invaluable lessons beyond the classroom. Chookas to our amazing students and dedicated staff, Yanco P & C and Leeton Shire Council for making this excursion truly unforgettable!

Ms Williams





In the Kitchen Garden for breakfast, we got busy cooking waffles, scrambled eggs and a delicious peach crumble with custard.





TINY TOUCH FOOTBALL

Kindergarten to Year 2

WEDNESDAYS | 4.15pm-4.45pm
5 weeks starting very soon
Wednesday 23rd August
Leeton Town Ovals

\$30 per player

Mini games and activities
focusing on basic skills.

Limited spots available
so get in quick!

HOW TO REGISTER

Click the link below, use the QR code or go to <https://touchfootball.com.au/register-into-team/> and search Leeton TINY Touch.

[CLICK HERE](#)





positive partnerships
Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

FREE 2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Location: Wagga Wagga, NSW

Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school



During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Understanding sensory processing
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your child's school

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

 7th & 8th November 2023
9.30am - 2.30pm

 Wagga RSL
Corner Kincaid & Dobbs Street
Wagga Wagga NSW 2650

SCAN TO REGISTER 

 Interpreters available upon request

For more information or to register visit www.positivepartnerships.com.au or contact Trish Nicoll at tnicoll@positivepartnerships.com.au

 For help, call: 1300 881 971

This initiative is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education through the Helping Children with Autism package. The views expressed within this program do not necessarily represent the views of the Australian Government or the Australian Government Department of Education.



DOCKET PROMOTION

Don't forget Yanco Public School participates in the Golden Apple shopping docket promotion.

Simply collect all your dockets and drop them in to the school office at any time.

We would really appreciate your support!

Nutrition Snippet

BLUEBERRY PIKELETS



Ingredients

- 1 cup self-raising flour
- 2 tablespoons caster sugar
- 2/3 cup reduced-fat milk
- 1 egg
- 3/4 cup frozen blueberries
- Olive oil spray

Method

Step 1: Add the flour and sugar to a large bowl. In a jug, whisk the milk and egg to combine.

Step 2: Slowly add the egg mixture into the flour and whisk until well combined. Gently fold through the blueberries.

Step 3: Spray a large non-stick frypan with olive oil and heat over medium heat. Scoop a tablespoon of the mix into the pan, cooking up to four at a time. Cook for 1 minute or until bubbles appear on the surface and pikelets are golden underneath. Turn and cook for a further 1 minute or until golden.

Step 4: Transfer to a plate and cover with foil. Repeat with remaining batter, spraying the pan between each batch.

For this recipe and more visit:
healthylunchbox.com.au



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