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**WEDNESDAY WITHOUT WRAPPERS (WWW)**

**REMINDER:** Paper bags and grease-proof paper wrappings are sustainable and will not be counted.

**TIP #1:** Veggie sticks with a cream cheese or hommus dip make a great snack.

**TIP #2:** Instead of removing food from wrappers, try choosing a snack that doesn’t have a wrapper.

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**BOOROWA TOUCH FOOTBALL & NETBALL CARNIVAL**

A reminder that the Boorowa Touch Football & Netball Carnival will be held on Friday 17th October (Week 2) for students who have been selected in teams. The bus will leave YPS at 7.30am sharp, with the day **commencing at 8.30am**. There are limited seats available on the bus, so please see Mrs Braham at the front office asap if you cannot arrange private transport. Games will conclude at 3.30pm, with the bus arriving back at YPS at approximately 4.30pm. Cost $17 (bus & entry) or $5 (entry only, by car).

If you have not already done so, please return your note and money to Mrs Braham at the front office asap.

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**YEAR 6 FAREWELL DINNER - FORMAL DANCING**

Formal dance rehearsals for all Year 6 students will commence from 2-3pm Thursdays in the auditorium from Week 3 until Week 10. This is in preparation for our Year 6 Farewell Dinner on the 15th of December. Students will be dancing with each other and learning dances such as Strip the Willow, the Heel and Toe Polka, The Barn Dance and Stockyards.
YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL
Young High School is providing our school with four 1 hour sessions across the term to prepare Year 6 students for High School. These lessons are valuable to all students attending any high school next year. They will be covering topics such as using timetables, organising equipment, high school assessments and leadership. Students are also given an opportunity to ask any questions they may have. Please check the school calendar for dates and further details.

As part of their preparation, students attending YHS next year will also be asked to complete an online literacy and numeracy test. They will walk to Young High School during school hours and complete the two 45-minute tests on separate days. Once the dates are finalised, they will be available on the school calendar.

FAMILY ACCOUNTS
Final accounts for the year are in the process of being sent out, some families have outstanding amounts to pay. Please see below information regarding making payments online for your convenience.

The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school’s website by selecting $ Make A Payment. Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions (family payment), subject contributions, excursions, sales to students (text books, apparel etc.) and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category titled “Other”. This is to cover items not covered in the previous headings. “Other” can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the $ Make A Payment you must enter:

- the student’s name;
- class and reference number; OR
- the students name; and
- date of birth.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the online payment process please contact the school administration office.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL – KINDERGARTEN 2015 ORIENTATION EVENING
On Wednesday 22nd October, commencing at 7pm in the school auditorium, there will be an information night for parents and carers. Information will be given about our school, uniforms, our Early Start Program, routines and Kindergarten activities.

Early Start will commence in week 7 of term 4. Each child will be invited to attend two sessions to experience some typical Kindergarten activities, become familiar with the physical surroundings of our school and school routines. This program assists in demystifying “big school.” It makes commencing school in 2015 much easier for all parties concerned!

By working together, we can make commencing school a very positive experience for all!

CLOTHING POOL
The clothing pool will be open tomorrow at 8.45am and again at 2.45pm in the auditorium.

P&C NEWS
Welcome back to what will be another busy term. We have a lot going on this term and look forward to the continuing assistance of the school community.

Working with Children Checks need to be done ASAP for all canteen volunteers and people assisting at school functions. There is absolutely NO COST for volunteers and takes a short time to complete. If you are able to assist in the canteen, please contact Fiona Allison at the canteen or Mrs Braham at the front office to leave your details. All help, be it lots or a little, in the canteen is greatly appreciated.

Don't forget the outdoor movie night on 15th November.

ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) – ENGLISH RESULTS
A number of our students participate in the ICAS exams each year, giving them a taste of external exam procedures. Congratulations to the following students who gained distinctions and credits in the English exam:

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RHYS MINNICK - OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

Young Public School was fortunate enough to have Amber Lawrence perform in front of them on the last day of Term 3. During her show she surprised Rhys Minnick and asked him to sing in front of the entire school. He hopped up on stage with his guitar and a whole bag of confidence to perform an outstanding song for us. That night Rhys also sang as a guest artist for Amber Lawrence’s concert at the Young Services Club. He performed 'Wagon Wheel' as an acoustic solo. Amber was very impressed with his talent, as were many of the audience members we have spoken to. Recently, Rhys has also won the 'Junior Overall Encouragement Award' at Macarthur in Sydney. This has given him the opportunity to sing on the CMC (Country Music Channel) show this Friday night. We’ve seen Rhys perform with the school rock band before but it’s great to see him develop his music skills and gain further experience on stage at this professional level. We wish him all the best in Sydney this Friday.

COMING EVENTS – please see calendar on the school website for more information

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NON SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES

- **YOUNG & DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOC. CHERRY FESTIVAL CARNIVAL** will be held on Saturday 1st November at Young Netball Courts, PCYC. Nominations are open for under 11s to masters, as well as mixed teams. Contact youngnetball@yahoo.com or www.young.nsw.netball.com.au by 13th October. Team nominations $120.

- **RIVERINA INSTITUTE OF TAFE NSW (YOUNG CAMPUS)** is offering a FREE Introduction to Business Computing course, run each Friday for 6wks from 10th October, 9am – 1pm. Call Karen on 6382 8529 for information.

- **HARDEN KITE FESTIVAL** will be held this Saturday 11th October from 11am to 5pm at Harden Picnic Racecourse. Entry by donation; BYO kite or buy one on the day; Join us for live music, markets, climbing wall and face painting.

- **PCYC JUNIOR FUTSAL** is starting next Tuesday 14th October with a gala day. Open to age under 14s, 12s, 10s, and 8s. Seniors to start on Wednesday 15th (15 to adult). Nominations close on Friday.

- **PCYC SUMMER TAG** based on league tag rules will be played on Saturday mornings. The gala day will now be held on 25th October. Player registrations are now open. Anyone interested in playing tag but not sure how, can play in the gala day providing they are current financial members of the PCYC.

- **PCYC CHERRY FESTIVAL BASKETBALL COMPETITION** It is not too late to put a basketball team together for the return of the Cherry Festival Basketball Carnival on 8th and 9th November at PCYC. Registrations close on 17th October. At present, of the 11 teams registered to play, not one is from Young! Most of the teams coming played here in previous years and are coming back to recapture the skills of previous years. Ph: 6382 5392 for more information on all PCYC competitions listed above.

- **YOUNG JUNIOR CRICKET** trials will be on at 4pm on Tuesday 14th October at Keith Cullen Oval, all boys and girls under 12 years of age are welcome.

- **GIRL GUIDES HIGH TEA GARDEN PARTY FUNDRAISING EVENT** will be held on Saturday 8th November from 2pm-4.30pm at Sheehan Lane, Blackett Avenue, Young. Adults $25, pensioners $20 and children $10. Ticket sales: Adele Pardy – Loveography, 184 Boorowa S, Young. Phone: 0418 446 785.

Neil Muir, Principal
On behalf of staff & students at Young Public School
We are now offering Long Day Care for children aged 0-5 years and Out Of School Hours care for children up to 13 years. Enrol Now and have your child cared for in a home.

Contact Julia on 02 6236 8305 / www.ccel.com.au