Dear All,

Congratulations to all students and staff who supported our Diabetes Australia fundraiser yesterday. Thank you to everyone who came dressed in fluoro colours. We successfully raised $619.55.

We wish our YPS debating team all the very best in the State Debating Finals at Stanwell Tops next week. On Monday and Tuesday they will participate in four debates. The highest ranked teams will compete in the semi-finals on Tuesday evening. The final for the competition will occur on Wednesday morning. We wish our team all the best and look forward to hearing of their successes.

Over recent days I have had several opportunities to discuss with parents the ways in which our school can better support our students. I would also like to compliment staff on the way they make themselves available for informal discussions about pupils.

Best wishes to our students who are performing with the Riverina Touring Band. They will be performing under the COLA on Tuesday at 2:00pm. Years 2-6 students are asked to bring a gold coin donation to the concert to support the band. On Tuesday evening they will be performing at the town hall. It is a prestigious opportunity for our students to travel and perform and they would greatly appreciate your support. The concert commences at 7:00pm.

A reminder that our next meal deal day will be next Tuesday 11th November. Order forms were sent home yesterday. Thank you to parents for their continued assistance with meal deals and to Mrs Allison for her tireless work in the canteen.

I would also like to mention the helpers who have supported our breakfast club over recent months. The breakfast club is open on Monday and Thursday mornings and is available to any student who feels hungry.

Congratulations to Harrison Cleverdon who took out 1st prize in the primary division of the Australian National Busking Championships at Cooma last weekend. Harrison was thrilled to take out 3rd prize overall in the people’s choice award.

Regards, Neil Muir
**YEAR 6 FAREWELL WORKING BEE**
A working bee for the Year 6 farewell will be held in the auditorium on Monday 10\(^{th}\) November at 3.15pm. We will be making decorative pieces and need as much help as possible. No experience is necessary. All materials will be supplied. Don’t worry if you haven’t put your name down, just come and help to make your child’s farewell a success. See you there!

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

**MILO CRICKET**
Approximately 50 students from Young Public School participated in the Milo Cricket T20 Blast School Cup yesterday. Students displayed exemplary behaviour and had the opportunity to gain new cricketing skills as part of the fun day out. Thank you to Mrs McAlister and Miss Nelson.

**WEDNESDAY WITHOUT WRAPPERS (WWW)**
It has been wonderful to see a change in students’ lunch boxes since the implementation of WWW. Not only are we creating a more sustainable environment, we are promoting healthier eating habits amongst our children.

**WINNERS FOR WEEK 5:** K/1W with just 9 wrappers and 4B, not far behind, with 11 wrappers.

**TIP:** Try Greek yoghurt with muesli sprinkled on top for a yummy snack. Don’t forget ice packs to keep it cool!

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

**P&C NEWS**
- Meal Deal Day is Tuesday 11th November. Order forms were sent home yesterday.
  - Please return meal deal order forms no later than tomorrow at 10am.
- The Disco date is Thursday 11th December. Come dressed in Christmas theme.
- The outdoor movie night is Saturday 15th November. Gates will open at 6pm, movie to start at approximately 7.30pm. The following food stalls will be available: school canteen, mobile coffee cart, BBQ, popcorn, cake stall and lollies. The movie will be 'Animals United'. Children are welcome to come at 6pm if they wish and can play on the oval or the asphalt. Tickets can be pre-purchased from the office @ $5.00 each or bought at the gate on the night.

**RAISING GOOD DIGITAL CITIZENS** *(from www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au)*
- Today’s children need new skills to behave safely and responsibly online;
- Good digital citizenship follows the same basic rules as good citizenship in the offline world;
- Filters only prevent some kinds of unsuitable material being accessed via your computer; parents still need to be vigilant; and
- It’s important for parents to model good online behaviour – such as courtesy, obeying the law (not downloading something illegally) and protecting yourself.

Remember the tips below when online:
- **Digital etiquette:** only use capitals if you really want to shout at someone; remove previous contacts’ names when forwarding a message; check spelling and grammar; is what you’re sending appropriate?
- **Digital communication:** think about who to communicate with online and how to interact with them.
- **Digital literacy:** parents need to learn to use and model the use of technology safely.
- **Digital commerce:** protect yourself from identity theft; think about what is appropriate to buy or sell online; learn how to check that a site or payment method is safe and secure.
- **Digital law:** Be aware of digital law eg. copying information from a website is plagiarism; downloading music or videos that are free is illegal.
- **Digital rights and responsibilities:** give your children the tools to know what to do if he/she finds something online that makes them feel uncomfortable.
- **Digital health and wellness:** Be aware of health issues such as eye strain, hearing loss, back/neck problems; be aware of internet addiction and cyber bullying.
- **Digital security:** Talk about how much information to give online, whether to post and tag photos and whether to have a webcam; become proactive in protecting ourselves online.
- **Digital location:** discourage the use of computers and tablets in the bedroom; decide together where and when the computer can be used and be consistent with the rules.
- **Cyber bullying:** talk to your children before it happens; be aware of what they are doing online; don’t ignore changes in your child’s mood; save some cyber bullying evidence; involve the school; report to the authorities if needed.
COMING EVENTS – please see calendar on the school website for more information

Date    Event                                      Date    Event
Fri 7 Nov Clothing Pool open 8.45am & 2.45pm  Wed 12 Nov State Debating Finals – Stanwell Tops
Fri 7 Nov Meal Deal orders due by 10am today  Wed 12 Nov P&C Meeting 7pm YPS staffroom
Fri 7 Nov Clothing Pool open 8.45am & 2.45pm  Thu 13 Nov Beach to Bush visiting show at YPS
Fri 7 Nov Meal Deal orders due by 10am today  Fri 14 Nov Primary Assembly (Yr 3-6) 12.15pm
Fri 7 Nov Primary Assembly (Yr 3-6) 12.15pm  Sat 15 Nov Outdoor Movie Night – 7.30pm start
Mon 10 Nov State Debating Finals – Stanwell Tops Mon 17 Nov Early Start to commence
Tue 11 Nov State Debating Finals – Stanwell Tops Tue 18 Nov Student banking
Tue 11 Nov Meal Deal Day                      Wed 19 Nov Wednesday Without Wrappers
Tue 11 Nov Young Mobile Play Group – auditorium Thu 20 Nov Year 6 Formal dance lesson - auditorium
Tue 11 Nov Riverina Touring Band at YPS       Thu 20 Nov Year 7 orientation day notes due
Wed 12 Nov Wednesday Without Wrappers        Fri 21 Nov Primary Assembly (Yr 3-6) 12.15pm

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NON SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES

- **1-2-3 MAGIC & EMOTION COACHING** is a free course for parents to help learn about how to handle challenging behaviour and discipline with yelling or smacking. The course will be on Tuesday 18th November at Cootamundra Library from 10am to 3pm. Light lunch will be provided. Please RSVP Jayne at Mission Australia on 0428 162 559.

- **CHERRY CHASE FUN RUN – SUN 16TH NOV.** A registration form can be found in the newsletter section of the YPS website or collected from the front office. If you wish to participate please complete the registration form and return to YPS front office in an envelope with the correct money. Adults $15, children $10, under 5s free.

- **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.

- **CLOSING DATE FOR THE CHERRY FESTIVAL WRITING COMPETITION** is Friday 14th November. It’s not too late to get writing. Entry forms can be collected from Mrs Braham at the YPS front office.

- **YOUNG COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE WILL BE HOLDING A POST NATAL DEPRESSION PRAM WALK** on Thursday 20th November at 9.30am. The walk will be from Big W car park to Anderson Park to help raise awareness of PND.

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