Dear All,

I thought I would take this opportunity to reflect on our school’s achievements over the last 3 and half years. Our students have achieved academically, socially, culturally and on the sporting fields. We have seen upward trends in our NAPLAN and ICAS results, highlighting our students’ progress and their gifted and talented capacities. Our band won platinum, gold and silver awards; and individual students won at regional and state levels in music, dance, public speaking and debating. A drum corp and rock band has been established.

Sporting achievements range from students improving their personal best to accolades coming from the school district, regional, state and national levels. We recognised these in the school, local and regional media.

Young Public School staff has also received mandatory training, including the new Australian syllabus design. We have also implemented English and maths syllabuses and are currently working on training for the science syllabus. We have undergone mandatory anaphylactic training and lessons in the Disability Standards for Education which are all essential for school planning and the education of 21st century learners.

Our P&C has supported, and staff have successfully implemented L3, Accelerated Literacy, Focus on Reading and TEN (Teaching Early Numeracy). Teachers have used assessment data to implement, complete and enter PLAN data on student achievement.

Student, staff and community safety has been enhanced with the installation of a new electronic bell and emergency warning procedure, combined with an updated phone system that provides better administrative and safety coverage.

We have worked with staff and parents to redesign the front entry to the school foyer, front office and other executive offices.

The school Peer Support and student activity programs have been supported with new resources and storage facilities. Our school is in its 3rd year of its chaplaincy program.

Our school environment has changed over this period; we completed the BER and classes have been settled in the new block now for nearly 3 years. New cricket nets, student fitness equipment and removal of playground demountables have been undertaken. Recently we carried out upgrades of the quad area which seems very popular with parents and students.

With Mr Lobb’s advice, new lighting was installed to the auditorium stage. This has subsequently provided a new skill set for year six students.

We have continued to work collaboratively with the P&C, resulting in many successful initiatives; our 150th birthday, school discos, meal deals, support at carnivals, hiring a canteen supervisor, trivia nights, film nights and the refurbishment of the school canteen area into a state of the art kitchen and food storage and P&C area.

We have commenced upgrading the school library for students and staff and will continue to make organisational and aesthetic changes in this area to support 21st century students and staff.

These are just a few of the outcomes we, as a school community, have achieved over the last few years. It has been a team effort with staff, students and parents involved at many stages of the process.
I would like to thank everybody for their commitment to contributing to the success of Young Public School. Through collaboration we have been able to build on the established traditions and within our school community, refine the vision, direction and environment to position our school, students and staff for the educational needs of the 21st century.

Regards, Peter Blair

**PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**  
A reminder that parent teacher interview slips need to be returned as soon as possible if you require an interview, indicating a day and time preference please.

**SCHOOL DISCO – TONIGHT!!!!**  
The YPS school disco will be held TONIGHT, times as follows: **K - 2 from 5.30pm – 6.45pm and Years 3 - 6 from 7pm – 8.30pm.** Entry is $3/student. There is a $5 special for K-2 which includes entry, drink and a selection of sweets. Please collect your children promptly after the disco ends.

**FOOTSTEPS DANCE PAYMENT DUE (K to Yr4)**  
A reminder that payment for Footsteps Dance program is now due for Kindergarten to Year 4. If you have not already done so, please make payment of $28 by cash or cheque to the front office or via our online facility found on the YPS website. If you have paid the bulk payment, please disregard this notice as Footsteps was included in the bulk payment. Thank you.

**ROBOGALS**  
We are pleased to announce that 18 girls from Years 1-5 have been selected to participate in a Gifted and Talented program, Robogals. This wonderful program develops skills and capabilities in science, technology, engineering and maths. Robogals primarily targets girls in Grades 1-7 with fun, educational robotics workshops that aim to introduce ‘engineering’ into the girls’ vocabulary, and show that it can be fun and exciting. Students have been selected on the basis of maths and science assessments. Congratulations to Jessica Lakin, Grace Sweaney, Rachel Dorman, Kate Davidson, Tahlia Scott-Miller, Sarah Dillon, Ellie Croker, Issy Bergmann, Chloe Gruber and Rylee Hannaford. Permission notes will be sent out in due course.

**CANTEEN/P&C NEWS**

- **Meal Deal:** there will be a meal deal available on the last day of term, Friday 27th June. Meal deal slips will go home today and need to be returned by Wednesday. Normal canteen items will be unavailable on the day. Thank you: a special thank you to Toni Holmes and Ray Watts for helping with sorting, moving and arranging the new P&C storeroom.
- **Canteen menu:** BBQ chips are no longer available. Potato Bake and Fried Rice is still available: $3.00 each. The canteen will operate all next week, however only meal deals will be available on the last Friday of term.

**ROLL OF HONOUR**  
As part of the Gallipoli centenary celebrations, the Australian War Memorial has organised a special reading of a Roll of Honour. This will consist of the names of all who lost their lives in this conflict. These names will be read out continuously throughout 2014 at the war memorial.

The names and ages of these soldiers are to be read by Australian school students. Ten students from year 5 and 6 at Young Public School have been selected to do this and are travelling to the ABC studios in Wagga Wagga today to record the names of 50 diggers. Lest we forget.

**TRANSITION TO SCHOOL 2015**

Enrolments are currently being taken for students who will commence Kindergarten in 2015. If you have any enquiries about your child commencing school or you wish to have a tour of our school, please don’t hesitate to contact the school for information or to make an appointment.

During term 3, our “Transition to School” program commences. Pre-school and child care centres have been invited to bring their students for a visit to “big school” during the week commencing 25th August until 29th August. Pre-school children will participate in a morning session of Kindergarten activities with our 2014 students and will have a tour of the school. They will join us for morning tea and a play in our playground. If your child is unable to attend these visits or does not attend pre-school or day care, please contact Ann Edwards (Assistant Principal Early Stage 1) to arrange a suitable time for you to visit.

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 2014 much easier for all parties concerned!
Please return your enrolment forms to the office so we will have a contact address to send you more information regarding these events.

By working together, we can make commencing school a positive experience.

**DRUM CORP PERFORMANCE — NOW THIS MONDAY 23RD JUNE** The drum corp was unable to perform at Tuesday’s morning assembly and is now scheduled to perform after the morning assembly on Monday.

**YPS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL & DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

Congratulations to the following students who achieved success at our recent school athletics carnival. Medals and ribbons were presented at last Friday’s assembly.

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On Tuesday 3rd June a number of Young Public School students competed at the District Athletics Carnival. A special mention goes to the following students with fantastic results: Clancy Hislop, Junior Boy Champion; George Fuller, Junior Boy Runner-up; Chelsea Cleverdon, Junior Girl Runner-up; Archie Dwyer, 11 Year Boy Champion; Ellie Croker, 11 Year Girl Runner-up; Liam Wymer, Senior Boy Champion; and Tessa Watson, Senior Girl Champion. Congratulations to all who attended.

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

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**NON SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES**

- **PCYC BLUE LIGHT DISCO.** The next PCYC Blue Light Disco will be held on Friday 4th July from 6pm to 8pm. Ages 5 to 12 years are welcome. $5 entry includes sausage sandwich. Theme: onesie/pyjama party!
- **JACKEROO RANCH HOLIDAY HORSE RIDING CAMP,** located at Upper Turon, is running its horse riding camps from Saturday 28th June to Saturday 5th July, and again from Saturday 5th July to Sunday 13th July. Shorter stays are possible if camps are not fully booked. Please phone Pattie Hudson: 6337 7173.
- **PCYC YOUNG SCHOOL HOLIDAY KIDZ CARE PROGRAMME** has been included with the newsletter and is available to book now. Please call PCYC Young on 6382 5392.
- **JLD ENTERTAINMENT DANCE & CHEERLEADING WORKSHOP** will be held at Young PCYC on Saturday 28th June. Beginners: 11am-1pm and intermediate/Advanced: 2-4pm. Classes for aged 5 years to adults. $55/session. Phone Jess Quinn on 0431 406 495 or email jess_quinn@ymail.com to book.
- **ACTEWA GLUC BRUMBIE RUGBY HOLIDAY CLINIC** will be held on 30th June at Cranfield Oval in Young from 9.30am to 3.00pm. Boys and girls aged 8 to 13 years are welcome to attend, cost is $66 per child. Please email Jack Burey at j.burey@brumbies.com.au to sign up or call on 0439 473 479 for more information.
- **YOUNG TENNIS CENTRE HOLIDAY COACHING CAMP.** Monday 30th June – Thursday 3rd July from 8.30am – 12.30pm. Cost is $100/4days or $30/day. Morning tea included. Phone Colin Maher on 0438 228 364.

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Peter Blair, 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

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