Dear Parents,

As we celebrate our most recent successes, this will be our last newsletter for term 2. Our school rugby team performed creditably only to go down in a tough game on a very cold day in Goulburn. Thank you to Mrs Butt and all the parents who made the trip to support the boys.

Our Classic and Mortimer shield teams also played well to win a number of games, however the boys were unsuccessful in proceeding with the Mortimer Shield but have another Classic Shield game.

Our girls’ Mortimer Shield League Tag team won its way through to the next round. The girls played 3 games, winning each one. They also progress to the finals in Wagga Wagga. Well done. Thanks to Miss Nelson, Mr Tim Davidson, Mr Lobb and the parents who supported both teams.

We will commence term 3 with a school development day. Staff will complete work on the new maths and science curriculums to enable them to continue successful implementation. School for students commences on Tuesday July 15th at the normal time. We thank parents for their understanding and if there are any concerns please do not hesitate to call the school.

Our front office will have its final coat of paint and some lettering will be added to welcome visitors. Last weekend Dave Richens completed the infants’ COLA, providing a dry pathway for students from the admin area to Miss Sanderson’s room. This completes the refurbishment of the K-2 admin area and providing administrative support for K-2 staff, visiting support workers and students. This project also enabled bathroom access for Mrs Sweaney’s class. We also renewed and extended the school phone system to the special education classes and assistant principal’s rooms. This has improved intra-school communication and safety.

Over the last 3 years we introduced the drum corp, continuing our successful association with the Young Regional School of Music.

As this is my last Young Public School Newsletter, I look back with pride on the progress our students, staff, P&C and school community have made. I have continually spoken to students and staff about my pride in this school and their achievements and how we have great structures to help when needed.

I have been privileged to be the acting or permanent principal of 5 Riverina schools. All of these had their strong points, however Young Public School has been the pinnacle in my career of my professional achievement. I would like to thank everyone for their support. I will miss the exciting, fast paced day to day happenings. It really motivates you to do your best. Our students are the very best I have worked with. I have been very privileged to lead a professional, dedicated and committed staff to offer a 21st century education to a wonderful student body.

Our parent body is always willing to support initiatives for its students and see the school progress. I have found Young to be a welcoming and very supportive community.

I intend to keep an association with education and would love to drop in and see student achievement and reconnect with staff and parents. I am excited about the prospects the next phase of my life has to offer.

Young Public School will be in excellent hands with Mr Muir, Mrs Major and our executive using their experience to continue the great work and traditions. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity, I will certainly miss everybody, best wishes for the future.

Regards, Peter Blair

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
School holidays commence this Saturday 28th June. As Monday 14th July is a staff development day, term 3 will resume on Tuesday 15th July. Take the time to rest and enjoy the break with your family.

HEAD LICE
There have again been a number of incidences of head lice in various classes. Please check your child’s hair regularly. You can do this by combing inexpensive conditioner through dry hair with a nit comb and wiping on paper towel (this enables you to easily see lice and nits). If lice or nits are found, the hair will need to be treated before your child returns to school. Don’t forget to wash bedding, towels and hats in hot water. Please take the opportunity in the holidays to check, and if necessary, treat your child’s hair.
TRANSLATION TO SCHOOL 2015  As mentioned in previous newsletters, our transition to school program commences in Term 3. Please return your enrolment forms as soon as possible to enable us to send you more information regarding these events. See previous newsletters on our web page for more information.

CHAPLAINCY  We are happy to welcome Mr Robert Duff as our school chaplain, replacing Mrs Golden. Mr Duff is well known to the students at our school as he has spent 3 years as a valued mentor. Mr Duff will operate in the same capacity as Mrs Golden did, with students, staff and parents being able to access his support. If you do not wish your child to be supported by our chaplaincy program, please advise your child’s teacher.

SPORT NEWS

Girls’ Basketball - The girls’ basketball team beat Temora Public School 28 – 8 at Young PCYC last Friday. The girls played very well and used their height to their advantage. They play a gala day format for the Riverina semi-finals and finals in Wagga Wagga next term.

Boys’ Soccer - Our school soccer team was victorious in the 3rd round of the PSSA knockout. Young Public School defeated Junee North 4 – 1, progressing to play either Temora West or Murrumburrah in the next round. Congratulations to students for playing well together as part of a team. Particular thanks to Mr Bonsembiante for coaching and to the large number of parents who came to watch the game.

Boys’ Rugby Union – The boys rugby union team was defeated in extremely difficult weather conditions on Tuesday against Goulburn West Public School. A close score of 15 – 7 was not indicative of the close, well fought match. Many thanks to Fin Martin, Nic Cobcroft, Duncan McGregor, Fiona Douglas, Karen & Shane Allen and Melissa Forbutt for their support in Goulburn.

Riverina Cross Country - Congratulations to all those who attended Riverina Cross Country in Deniliquin. The following students were successful in gaining places: Charlie Croker 8/9 Years Boys 3rd, Mitchell Bennett 10 Years Boys 3rd and Clancy Hislop 10 Years Boys 4th.

P&C CONTRIBUTION

• Thank you to the people who helped with the canteen at the disco last Thursday.
• A special congratulations to Fiona Allison, our canteen manager, for a glowing health inspection report.
• Happy reading to stage 1 students who have received new home readers donated by the P&C.
• The P&C wishes Mr Peter Blair all the best in his retirement.
• May all families have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

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

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NON SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES

• JACkEeROO 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.

• RObERTSOn’S GYMnASTICS will be holding holiday gymnastics clinics: Wednesday 2nd July and Wednesday 9th July from 10am to 12pm (for beginners & new enrolments). Boys and girls aged 5 – 10 years are welcome. Cost $15 per child. Call Michelle on 6384 6236 or 0402 025 938 for more information or to book.

• NRL HOLIDAY CLINIC will be held at Boorowa Show Ground on 1st July 10.00am-12.00pm for boys and girls. 5 - 14 years $30. Go to http://www.playnrl.com/get-involved/play/find-a-holiday-clinic/ for more info.

• YDAC WINTER HOLIDAY ARTS PROGRAM will be offering: collage, bricolage, montage, painting, drawing, jewellery & film making, stop frame animation, afternoon tea party and more. 11am - 3pm Tuesday to Friday, 1st to 11th July at Southern Cross Cinema. $10/day, BYO lunch & drinks. Ph: 6382 1000 for more info.

• ACTEWAGL BRUMBIES RUGBY HOLIDAY CLINIC, 30th June. More information in previous newsletter, see web page.

• PCYC BLUE LIGHT DISCO. Friday 4th July, 6pm - 8pm. More information in previous newsletter, please see web page.

• YOUNG TENNIS CENTRE HOLIDAY COACHING CAMP. 30th June - 3rd July. More information in previous newsletter.

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Peter Blair, Principal