Dear All,

Firstly I would like to thank all parents who attended our P&C meeting last night. The P&C provides opportunities to support our students in many ways. The notebook computers that were purchased through our “Race Night” fundraiser are now being used in classrooms. Letters and certificates of thanks have been given to businesses that supported the event. Thanks to the parents who continue to support our breakfast club and canteen. As mentioned in previous newsletters I would like parents to consider volunteering in our canteen to ensure its viability. We look forward to a fine day for our meal deal tomorrow.

The next cricket game for our boys’ team is the Riverina final against Hanwood Public School on Monday. Thank you to parents for their patience in waiting for the game to be scheduled. The timing of games at this time of the year can be quite congested. We wish the boys all the best for this match.

Hopefully Sunday morning will be fine for the “Cherry Chase” fun run. Students from Young Public School have been included in the “HOOPS” team. HOOPS stands for Hilltops Organisation of Public Schools, and is aimed at developing and maintaining cooperation and collegiality between the public schools of Young.

As mentioned below, our Christmas service and giving tree will be held next Wednesday. Due to the availability of the visiting group, we are having the service on a Wednesday rather than the usual Friday. A presentation by the Quizworks group will be given at 11:30am for Infant students and 12:15pm for Primary students.

For the remainder of the year our commendation scheme will have “YPS Well Done” cards replacing the Yellow cards and White cards. Students in Year 6 can continue to present their awards to the office. Students in other grades should keep their cards in a safe place for next year. This allows our office staff time to prepare for presentation night.

Regards, Neil Muir

4B’S GARDEN TO KITCHEN PROJECT

On Tuesday, 4B made vegetarian nachos. First we harvested the baby spinach that we have been growing for about a term. We picked off the bad bits and took the spinach back to the classroom. We washed the baby spinach while Miss Bailey got out the ingredients. Our main ingredient was the baby spinach, but Miss Bailey also used tinned tomatoes, tinned mixed beans, a packet of taco seasoning and corn chips. Miss Bailey put the tomatoes in the frying pan. Two people opened the cans, drained them and put some water through them. We added the packet of taco seasoning into the pan. We put in the beans and the spinach and stirred it. We put some corn chips on a plate with the mixture and ate all of it!

By Isabella & Elisabeth, 4B

MEAL DEAL – TOMORROW, FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

Tomorrow, Friday 13th November is meal deal day, for those students who have placed an order. This term’s meal deal will include a BBQ sausage in a fresh bread roll, Pop Top or water, and a Sunny Boy.
NAIDOC EXCURSION
On Monday, Aboriginal students from Young Public joined Aboriginal students from Young North and Young High school on a tour of local Wiradjuri sites. Aunty Enid Clarke and Uncle Keith Freeman shared their knowledge with students and staff. Other Wiradjuri aunties and uncles assisted. We were privileged to see scarred trees, watch a witchetty grub being hunted out of a tree, and also to participate in indigenous games and stories. A big thank you to Uncle Keith Freeman for taking time to teach us, and to Aunty Enid for passing along her knowledge and love of Wiradjuri Country. Thank you to Mr Dennis Pettit for memorialising this special occasion through video. Thank you also to Mrs Butt and Miss Parr for all their work to make this once-in-a-life-time opportunity available.

COMMENDATION SCHEME 2015 CONCLUSION: TOMORROW
Tomorrow, Friday 13th November will be the last day of our commendation scheme for 2015. Students with 5 white cards wishing to exchange them for a commendation need to send them in to Mrs Parker as soon as possible. Year 6 can continue to hand in white cards. Some commendations may be held over and presented next year. On Monday 16th November we will commence our red and green Well Done card system. Cards will be placed in boxes outside Mrs Reimer’s room and Mrs Edwards’ room. There will be a daily draw for a slushie.

GIVING TREE & CHRISTMAS SERVICE: WEDNESDAY WEEK 7
Each year we encourage Young Public students to think of others. Christmas time is a time when we can put this policy into practice. At our Christmas service on Wednesday 18th November we will have a Giving Tree. Students are encouraged to bring a gift which will then be distributed by the Salvation Army to people in our community who will have little to brighten their lives this Christmas. Appropriate gifts are non-perishable food items, toiletries and toys (new only please). Please do not wrap the gifts as this makes distribution more difficult. Children may bring in something any time prior to this event. Gifts will be kept in the classrooms until the Wednesday when students will be asked to place them under the tree in the auditorium. All are welcome to attend our Christmas service: Infants’ 11.30am and Primary 12.15pm.

YOUNG HIGH SCHOOL - YEAR 6 TO YEAR 7 2016 ORIENTATION DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY WEEK 8
Young High School will have its second orientation day (for students commencing Year 7 in 2016) on Wednesday 25th November. Students are to go directly to Young High School and meet on the steps in front of the school hall. Full Young Public School uniform must be worn.
LIBRARY STOCKTAKE – BOOKS DUE BY THE END OF WEEK 8
On Monday 30th November, Mrs Graham will commence a library stocktake. Week 7 will be the last opportunity to borrow, with all books due to be returned no later than the end of Week 8. This gives you plenty of time to locate those missing or misplaced books. Please ensure all books are returned to Mrs Graham no later than Friday 27th November.

SCHOOL SWIMMING & WATER SAFETY PROGRAM – WEEKS 8 & 9 (just over a week until commencement)
All students in Years 2 and 3 have received a permission note to participate in the School Swimming and Water Safety Program. This intensive swimming program will commence on Monday 23rd November (Week 8) and conclude on Friday 4th December (Week 9) – NOT Monday 24th November, concluding Friday 5th December as stated on the permission note. Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 who were identified at the end of last year’s program as needing follow up lessons this year, have also been invited to attend. The cost of the 10 day program is $40, which is payable at the front office or online. This cost includes bus and pool entry. If your child has a 2015-2016 season pass to the pool, the cost is $15 for the bus only. Payment is required in full, prior to the commencement of the swimming program.

PRESENTATION NIGHT – TUESDAY WEEK 10
On Tuesday 8th December, students will travel to Young North Public School for presentation night rehearsal. Buses will transport students to and from YNPS, leaving at approximately 9.15am and returning before lunchtime.
Our annual presentation night will be held on Tuesday 9th December at Young North Public School, commencing at 6.45pm. All parents and community members are most welcome at attend. Students will be advised on Monday of Week 10 if they will be receiving an award. Students are required to wear school uniform. Please meet your teacher at the location discussed in class. Doors open at 6pm, students meet at 6.30pm.
Semester 2 reports will be issued to students at school on Tuesday, Week 10. Students from Year 5 who have been elected to be a student councillor in 2015 will receive notification of this with their report.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL – MONDAY WEEK 11
The end of the school year is fast approaching. The students are beginning to think of what they might wear to their final YPS event. We would just like to remind Year 6 parents and students that the dress code is smart casual and they do not need to buy new clothes or go to any special effort to prepare for the evening. We encourage the girls to avoid strapless/shoestring strapped dresses or heeled shoes as they will be dancing the night away. For the same reason it would be best if shoes have been worn in. Please remember no thongs are to be worn on the night.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL 2016
Next week our Early Start program begins for this year. Students who will be commencing Kindergarten in 2016 will be participating. The program will run in Week 7, 8, and 9 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays. There is NO Early Start on Fridays. There will be two sessions per day. The morning session will begin at 9.30am, and conclude at 11.30am. Children attending these sessions should bring their recess and a drink. The afternoon session will commence at 12.30pm and conclude at 2.30pm. Children attending these sessions should bring their lunch and a drink. Sunscreen and a hat should be worn to both sessions. Mrs Cartwright and Mrs Edwards will be the Early Start teachers this year.

ENROLMENT FORMS FOR 2016
At this stage, a number of enrolment forms have not been received. If you have not returned your child’s enrolment form, please do so as soon as possible. We need these to put your child’s information into our computer system. Also, some birth certificates, immunisation certificates, and proofs of address have not been received. Please check to make sure you have done this. Enquiries can be directed to Mrs Braham at the office, to check what is required.

WEDNESDAY WITHOUT WRAPPERS
Young Public School is continuing to encourage healthy eating and there has been lots of discussion about this topic in class. To reward students for their healthy eating efforts, each week an infant and primary class will be randomly selected and deemed our fruit platter recipients. This week’s winners were: KB and 4B. We would like to acknowledge the wonderful generosity of Woolworths Young for supplying us with beautiful fresh fruit platters and vegetable dips for our winning classes.

P&C NEWS
Young Public School P&C would like to thank Bakers Delight for its ongoing generosity, donating bread to support our breakfast program. Without the support of businesses like Bakers Delight, programs such as this would not be possible.
TELSTRA’S FAMILY TICKET OFFER

Telstra – the Schools Spectacular’s principal sponsor – is giving you the chance to win a family pass (4 tickets) to the Schools Spectacular Matinee performance on Saturday 28 November at 1:00pm. To enter, tell us in 100 words or less why you would like to win tickets to the 2015 Schools Spectacular. Entries close Friday 13 November 2015. Email your entry to: schoolspectickets@hotmail.com. Winners notified Monday 16th November.

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NON SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES

- **YOUNG PUBLIC SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL CARE WILL BE RUNNING A HOLIDAY CARE PROGRAM.** The program will run throughout the school holidays from 17th December until school resumes in 2016. Enrolments can be made by contacting Raylene via text or phone call on 0408 421 240. The program is fully CCB and CCR approved with a qualified educator in place.

- **CHERRY CHASE: SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER.** Have fun and run (or walk) at the Cherry Chase 2015. A fantastic 5km or 10km course finishing at Chinaman’s Dam. Great prizes on offer. Register: [www.cherrychase.com.au](http://www.cherrychase.com.au)

- **YOUNG POST NATAL DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY AWARENESS WEEK PRAM WALK** will be held on Wednesday 18th November, commencing at 10am from the Big W car park, concluding at Arboretum Park.

- **TOY AND CLOTHING SALE** at St John’s Hall in Cloete Street, Young on Friday 20th November from 9.30am to 5.00pm and Saturday 21st November from 8.00am to 12.00pm. A huge range of adult fiction, non-fiction and general interest books at bargain prices plus DVDs, CDs and vinyl records. Children’s books 20 cents each.

- **YOUNG PACERS REPRESENTATIVE TEAM SELECTION TRIALS FOR 2016 WESTERN JUNIOR LEAGUE COMP** will be held on Monday 16th November from 5.30pm to 6.30pm at the Young PCYC for boys and girls in the following age groups: U18s, U16s, U14s and U12s. Email admin@youngbasketball.com.au for more information or call Rod Cooper on 0419 865 580 or Sharon Cooper on 0418 442 736.

- **LOCAL CHILD, YOUTH, FAMILY HEALTH MOBILE PHONE APP LAUNCH.** The app provides families with a portal for information on the variety of a child, youth and family health services and key health messages for children, young people and families. Search for Murrumbidgee Local Health District Child, Youth and Family Health Services in the app store.

Neil Muir, Principal. On behalf of staff & students at Young Public School