Assembly Friday, 13th February, 2015  11.30am

Kindergarten 2015.

Principals Report.
I would like to welcome all of our families back to Yass Public and a very warm welcome to all our new students across the school and our new kindergarten. We have had a fabulous week with our kindergarten. Our Year 6 buddy students are also taking their “Buddy” jobs very seriously and have really helped to make our kindergarten students feel very comfortable at Big School. Thanks to our very mature Year 6 leaders.

We also welcome Ms Bird, a new teacher, who will be teaching a year 5/6 class. She is very prepared and enthusiastic. Hope she enjoys her year at Yass Public.

There has been a lot of interest in the purchase of our new sports shirt. Our Friday uniform looks very smart and we have had a lot of very positive
feedback. There are still stocks available in our uniform shop if you would like to purchase one for your child.

Students are getting very excited about our swimming carnival this Friday. I look forward to every student having a go in all races and showing sportsmanlike behaviour. I hope we see a sea of house colours and lots of parents to help out and watch their children in their races.

It looks like it is going to be a great year. It has started off very fast and it will continue to be full of learning and fun.

Please come and see me if you have concerns or a great idea for our school. My door is always open.

Kind regards

Michelle Fahey
Principal

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**Mrs Magee’s News.**

Mr and Mrs Magee welcomed a beautiful baby girl on 28.1.2015. Baby Arelie Lynn was 8lb 1oz and arrived safely. The family are all doing very well.

**Mrs Curtis News**

Mrs Curtis also had some wonderful news on New Year’s Eve as she became a Grandma to Lachlan Leslie. Mrs Curtis joins the elite group of proud grandmothers at Yass Public.
Kindergarten Start
What a wonderful start to school our little kindergarten students have had!!!
It has been a smooth tear free transition. We have a "Buddy System" in place and each kindergarten student has been assigned a year 6 friend who has been supporting and guiding them out in the playground. We are so thankful that we have such a caring group of year 6 students at Yass Public.
Welcome kindergarten and parents to a fun filled year of learning.
By Miss Bush

5/6F
5/6F will be providing the item for our first assembly this year. The assembly will take place at 11.15 on Friday 13th February. Our SRC and Sports Captains will also be presented to our school. Assemblies will take place on a Friday every fortnight.

P&C Meeting
Tonight is our first P&C Meeting. The meeting will start at 6pm. Please come along and meet new people and help make our school a great place to be.
Positive Behaviour School. (PBS)
This week we have been learning about the blue lines around our school and the out of bounds areas. Each week all classes will be learning or refreshing the behaviours we expect to see around our school.

Bucket Hats.
A gentle reminder to all students that they need to wear a bucket hat in the playground. A bucket hat will provide more protection from the sun compared to a cap. Students without hats will be asked to play in the shade.

Maths and Spelling Groups.
Maths groups started this week and many students will be changing teachers and rooms for maths. Spelling groups will be starting next week. Teachers are very excited to be starting a new spelling program with our students many change rooms and teachers for spelling also.
Year 3 to 6 do maths in the morning 9.20 to 10.55.
   Spelling 11.15 to 11.45am.
Year K to 2 do maths in the middle session 11.15 to 12.30 and
   Spelling 9.20 to 9.50am
Textbook Payments.
Thank you to all families that have already organised payment for textbooks. Some parents have also organised to pay off their textbooks. Students will receive their new books as soon as payment is organised at school. We have had a fantastic response to paying for books.

Swim Carnival.
This Friday will see our primary school students head off to the Yass Pool for our swimming carnival. The carnival starts at 8:45 for those children planning to do the IM race. These students should meet at the pool. All other students should come to school to get marked off and we will walk to the pool together. Remember to wear your house colours and cheer your classmates on in their races. Don’t forget to wear sunscreen, a hat and bring your pool money or season ticket. But most importantly have a great day.

School Banking.
We will have a visit from Sue on Thursday 12th to encourage students to sign up to school banking. Sue will be set up near the front gates of the school and parents can learn more about School Banking.
(See note at end of Newsletter)

Breakfast Club.
Breakie Club started this week and many students are enjoying either their first or second breakfast for the day at school. Mr Brien, Mrs Davis, Mrs Walker, Ms Bird, Miss Marple and Mrs Bradley will each organise a morning each week. Thanks to Mrs Harrison for her commitment to the program with regular donations of Milk. Thanks also to Mrs McWilliams for her generous donation as well.
House Captains.
Our house sports Captains and Vice Captains were elected by primary students this week.
We congratulate all of our student leaders.

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SRC (Student Representative Council)
This week our students voted for their Student Representative for school council. Each class elected 2 students from Year 2 to Year 6. This Wednesday all those representatives met for a meeting to discuss their ideas for our school. Congratulations to those students that were elected by each class. These students will serve 6 months in their positions and we will elect new representatives half way through the year.

SRC representatives for 2015

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LIBRARY NEWS
The students have had a great start to the year in the library. We have been very busy reading books, reviewing the positive behaviours needed to make the library a happy learning environment and started making bookmarks/shelf markers.
I have enjoyed welcoming the kindergarten students into the library. They are very enthusiastic with majority of them having a library bag ready for borrowing. I would like to remind all students that they need to remember to bring a library bag as it helps protect their borrowed library books.
Class Library days are as follows:
Monday - KB, 1/2R, 3/4W, 5/6B
Tuesday - 1/2D, 3/4H, 5/6F
Wednesday - KK, 1/2M, 3/4M

20c Second Hand Library Book Sale
Tuesday, 10th February & Wednesday, 11th February

Class Notes.
Each class teacher has sent home a class letter outlining the routines and equipment required for their class. If this note didn’t make it home please ring the office and they have a copy of each note.
Encourage fair play

Sport and games are a great way for children to learn about teamwork, rules, winning, losing as well as providing invaluable physical activity. Parents can encourage fair play by:

- Emphasising effort and having fun, not just winning.
- Cheering and acknowledging good play by both teams.
- Talking about the game not the result.

For more information about encouraging fair play go to the NSW Sport and Recreation website [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au) or phone 131 302.

Sue is coming to Yass Public School.

Sue is coming to talk to us about the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program.

The School Banking program includes an exciting and exclusive Rewards Program that encourages students to get into the habit of saving regularly.

Every time your child makes a deposit at school they receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

They will be excited to see you all on Wednesday 11th February.

Remember, School Banking day is every **Thursday**.
School Banking 2015.

Account Opening Day

This year’s School Banking program is taking your child on an intergalactic mission to learn smart savings habits with the Dollarmites.

For more information on getting started, get to your school’s Account Opening Day.

Date: 12 February 2015  
Time: 8.30am  
Location: Double gates near infants playground

Note: Please bring your driver’s licence for identity verification.
Children who train in karate are less likely to be bullied and school work and class behaviour can improve due to karate’s disciplined and respectful training

GKR Karate classes for all the family
no contracts, pay as you go

- Build confidence
- Improve fitness
- Gain self discipline
- Learn self defence

Yass classes in:

Berinba Primary School

Classes: all around Canberra, Bredbo, Cooma, Goulburn, Queanbeyan

contact Wendy 0406 375 091
wendy.gkr@gmail.com

Fitness with Purpose: self defence for all ages
Yass Show Junior Poetry Prize
Poets Breakfast 15th March
Junior Entry form

Yass Show Society Inc is proud to present the Yass Show Poets’ Breakfast and Junior Written Poetry Prize, to be held in conjunction with the 152nd Yass Show.

Following the success of the 2013 and 2014 Poets’ Breakfasts at the Yass Show, we are delighted to announce that this year the Poets’ Breakfast will be a non-competitive, open microphone event in the Shearing Pavilion on Sunday March 15, 8.30-10.30am. All poetry lovers and supporters are welcome to either perform or listen.

The Junior Poetry Prize will continue to offer prize money in for written poetry, to encourage youngsters on their poetry journey. The winners will be announced at the Poets’ Breakfast. There will also be a $20 local encouragement award for a local junior poet who performs at the Poets’ Breakfast. Come and support our juniors!

The Yass Show Junior Written Poetry Prize 2015 will offer $70 in prize money: 1st: $40; 2nd: $20; 3rd: $10.

The program is designed for maximum enjoyment and to include poets at all ages and stages. Come and enjoy the eclectic open mic sessions (all styles of poetry and juniors welcome). Entries close Monday February 23.

*NB* Please read Conditions of Entry & Entry Forms carefully and keep a copy for your records. Monday February 23 is the deadline for written entries. Website: yassshow.org.au Email: robynsykespoet@gmail.com

To enter the Yass Show Junior Poetry Competition, please fill out the following form.

Closing date: Monday February 23, 2015
Registration Day

Yass Minor Rugby League Club invites all players to register for the 2015 season

Under 6’s - Under 16’s

Saturday 21st February 2015
At Walker Park
Football Fields, Yass
11am - 1pm

Cost per player - $130.00
(Family Discount Available)
New players are more than welcome to register.
(You must bring along your original birth certificate and a copy for us)

*Girls can register to play up to Under 12’s
Fees are payable at the time of registration.
All players to receive jumpers, shorts and socks at the end of season
Fees are to be paid by EFT direct to Yass Football Club Inc
Westpac Yass
BSB 032-771
Account 159593
Please use your name as the reference

Register online at www.myfootballclub.com.au by 22nd Feb

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Further Registration Info www.yassfc.com.au

Enquiries
Drew Gallagher 0408 633 143
Jodie Gallagher 0400 260 172
Yoga in Yass

9 week Yoga classes starting:
Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} of February and running for Term 1
6pm to 7:15pm AND
Wednesday 4\textsuperscript{th} of February from 3:30pm to 4:30pm
Berinba Public School Hall
81 Church Street, Yass
Cost $100 for 9 classes
or
$15 causal

Please email Cass on cassyoga@outlook.com or call 0418444863 to book a spot. Also offering one on one classes

Namaste x
REGISTRATION DAY—2015 SEASON

SATURDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 9AM-12PM
SATURDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 9AM-12PM—REP HANDOUT

AT NETBALL COURTS—O’CONNOR PARK

*SEASON STARTS FRIDAY 13TH MARCH—NET SET GO & 3/4 AT 5PM—5/6 & 7/8/9 AT 6PM*

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