



A
CENTRAL
OF
EXCELLENCE

Yeoval Central School

Term 4 Week 5

7 November 2011

AUSTRALIA MY COUNTRY

On Friday 4 November my family and I visited Government House in Sydney where I received an award from The Governor of NSW, Professor Marie Bashir. The award was for a poem I wrote for the RSL Australia My Country competition. It was a great privilege to visit Government House and meet Her Excellency. She is a country girl and was really proud that a couple of the award winners this year came from country towns.

After the ceremony and morning tea we were taken back to the hotel where the State President of the RSL presented all the award winners with a prize. We were able to have lunch with some of the ex-servicemen and I enjoyed talking to them about their experiences. The RSL representatives were very impressed with Yeoval Central School and the way that the teachers here are helping everyone to create work of such a high standard. It was great to see four or five other entries from our school on display at the hotel.

Harry Blatch.



Brittney Smith is the first student to be awarded a School **COMMENDATION**. This is our highest merit award and it will be a pleasure to present Brittney with her award on our School Presentation Night.

Darby Tremain, Joshua Lees, Corey Furminger and Neve Ward were awarded a school **PLATINUM** at the assembly on Friday. Ten students have received this award this year.

Forty students have been presented with a **GOLD** award this year. These students receive a free lunch later this term. Congratulations to all students who have achieved at the various levels.



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P & C Meets the 2nd
Tuesday of every
month at 7.30 pmNext P & C Meeting
8 November 2011A member of the
Western Access
Program

Voting for **2012 School Captains** will be held on Friday 11th November. I am delighted with the response for student nominations. All Year 5 students are nominating for Primary Captains. Five secondary students have nominated for School Captain. Good luck to all nominees.

Kindergarten Orientation commences on Wednesday 9th at 2.00 pm. An enrolment of ten students will be involved in four orientation sessions throughout Term 4. Miss Dodt is coordinating the sessions. An information session for parents will be held at 3:00 pm in our school library.

Year 7 Transition was held last Wednesday. All students and parents were greeted in the school library by the Principal and given a timetable of secondary classes for the day. From all reports the students enjoyed their day. A team building excursion will be held on the 8th December.

Our new school **Personal Electronic Devices policy** replaces the mobile phone policy. The new policy is attached to this newsletter for all staff, students and parents to view and comment on. I encourage parents to read the policy with their children (especially secondary students) and discuss the implementation of the document. I invite parents to write to the principal if they feel that any part of the policy needs to be reviewed. Students have been instructed about the policy and are aware of its contents.

Parents are asked to abide to the request from our school that **peanut butter sandwiches** are not part of a child's lunch box. Some students are allergic to

nut products and should not be put at risk.

We appreciate the parents who have been able to respond to our school **Music survey**. The survey closes on Friday 11.11.11. It is important to have as many parents' responses as we can so that school funding can be allotted to appropriate resources. Surveys can be handed in at our school office.

Our school noticeboard has photos of current events and activities that students in our school are involved in. Parents are invited to view the board when they visit the school.

Our final **P & C meeting** for 2011 will be held **at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, 8.11.11**, at the Uniform Shop. The P & C are now selling roll-on sunscreen from the Uniform Shop for \$2.50.

COMING EVENTS:**TERM 4**

7th November: School Certificate begins
(English / Science)

War on Nits meeting –
3:30 pm school library

8th November: P & C meeting – **7:00pm** >
School Uniform Shop
School Certificate (Maths /
HSIE)

9th November: School Certificate
(Computing)
Clothing Pool meeting >
10.00 am
Kindergarten Orientation
> 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm;
Parent meeting to follow
in the school library.

11th November: School Captain voting
Remembrance Day
(School Assembly – 11am)

14th November: Work placement Year 11
 17th November: Red Cross Christmas lunch catered by our hospitality class.
 Driver's course – parents involved.
 18th November: P&C Treats Day
 Kindergarten Transition 11.30am – 1pm) - Session 2.

ASSESSMENT TASKS—Term 4

Week 5: Year 8 Japanese, Year 8 ICT, Years 7/8 D & T
Week 6: Year 7 Art
Week 6: Yearly Exams

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK FAIR

15th and 16th November 2011

Once again we are having a book fair which is a wonderful opportunity to purchase presents for Christmas.

The library will be open before school, recess, lunch and after school for any parents who would like to come in.

There will be a variety of books for all ages.

Come on in for a look.

ASSEMBLIES

At the primary and secondary assembly I reminded Year 10 about the School Certificate commencing on 7th November. I congratulated all students on the number of merit awards being collected.

Primary Class of the Week: Years 1/2 for their wonderful percussion work.

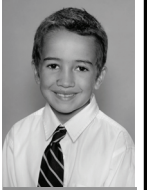
Secondary Class of the Week: Year 11 for their excellent start into HSC courses.

Students of the Week:

Years K/1: Xaxonliegh Cole-Jerrard
 For his fabulous attitude in class.



Years 1/2: Douglas Philipson
 For his outstanding results in Mathematics.



Years 3/4: Sydney Tremain
 For consistently following classroom rules to a high standard.



Years 5/6: Lincoln Monk
 For his industrious and autonomous application in all class tasks.



Year 8: Patrick Whalley
 For his enthusiastic approach to practical subjects.



Primary Merit Awards:



STUDENT SAFETY

For the safety of all students, we would appreciate it if all visitors to the school please report to the school office.

School hats must be worn at school this term

Chewing gum is banned

No aerosol cans

No cans of drink at school

YCS is a nut free school

VALUES FOR AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS

Students at our school have integrity. They act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct.

KIDZ QUIZ

The Quiz is for students to test their general knowledge. All students are invited to complete the quiz and hand it in at the office by Thursday each week by 3.20 pm.



To win a treat all answers must be correct (including spelling).

1. What is the answer? $285 + 384 = ?$
2. What is the past tense of the word "make"?
3. True / False: the moon has its own light?
4. If something is "beneficial", will it be helpful or unhelpful?
5. How many seconds in 2 minutes and 12 seconds?

READING AWARDS:

Congratulations to the following students who have received Reading Awards this week:

50 Nights: Melanie Burgess

150 Nights: Skye Cusack, Jack Philipson, Ailee Tremain, Taleah Van Kemenade, Neve Ward

Holiday Reading: Skye Cusack

PRIMARY ASSEMBLY

Primary Assembly this week will be on Friday 11 November at 12.45 pm. All Welcome.

MATHLETICS:

Congratulations to the following students who received awards this week:

Bronze: Angus Marriott

MERIT AWARDS:

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards in the Student Merit System

Bronze: Xavier Charnock.

Silver: Jayden Cusack, Caleb Wirth, Skye Saunderson.

Gold: Hin Yin Foster, Morgan Mobbs, Matthew Wykes, Skye Cusack, Connor Wilkin, Dean Burgess

Platinum: Neve Ward, Darby Tremain, Joshua Lees

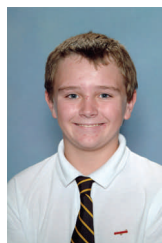
Commendation: Brittney Smith

GOOD NEWS LETTERS:

Gabriel Davis, Beth Cannon, Kaitlyn Butler, Brittney McGrath, Jordon Harvey,
Congratulations to these students.

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS:

Dean Burgess and Andrew Foster for assisting the P & C with serving meals at a private function.



Have you met: **EMMA BECKER**

Emma's favourite things:

Food: Fettuccine

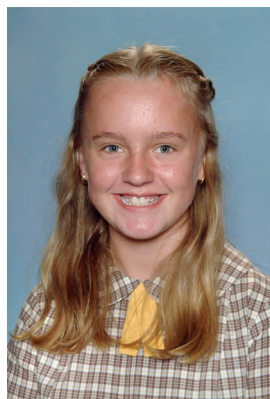
Colour: Purple

Music: Anything new

Movie: Easy A

Interests: *Swimming
*Computer
*Soccer
*Shopping

Dream: To be a millionaire



Have you met: **JORDON STUBBS**

Jordon's favourite things:

Food: Hamburger

Colour: Fluro Green

Music: Champagne Showers

Movie: Arthur

Interests: *Fishing
*Football
*Hunting
*Riding push bike

Dream: To be a famous football player



WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM

The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program finished on 18th October.

The school received 3130 points which will be used to redeem valuable play equipment for the Primary department.

A big thank you to all parents and staff who brought in their docket to the school.



COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

The Coles Sports for Schools Program has also finished and we will be receiving sports gear in the new year ready for the start of Term 1 2012.

Dawn Fraser

Dawn Fraser was born in Balmain Sydney, coached by Harry Gallagher, and started swimming at Fourteen years of age.

Dawn Fraser was one of the greatest swimmers, she swam 27 individual world records and won eight Olympic medals, all gold. She broke the one-minute barrier for the 100 meters freestyle and was the first woman to break it. She was very independent, which got her into trouble. she also competed in the Roma Olympics in 1960.

I believe Dawn Fraser is a significant person because she won a lot of awards for Australia and represented the Women's Australian swimming team.

By Ariana Wakely