



YEOVAL CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 WEEK 7 - 12 MARCH 2024

REPORT FROM HALOGEN NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS DAY

By Ezra and Wade

On 3 March, Wade, Ezra and Miss Crain travelled by train to Sydney's Central Station. The train ride took a while and we had to find different ways to occupy ourselves. We had hot chocolates as a treat and for dinner Ezra had mac and cheese while Wade and Miss Crain had a delicious brisket with baked potatoes. We arrived in Sydney at about 9pm. Tottenham and Tullamore students were on the same train as us; there were 9 of us in total. The next morning we left the hotel to go to a fancy cafe for breakfast. After that we made our way down to the International Convention Centre in Sydney for the first speaker at the Halogen National Leadership Day.

Anastasia Woolmer has a very good memory. She asked a student to come up on stage and give her a long list of numbers which she had to remember. She was teaching us the importance of not doubting ourselves. She said that everyone is at different levels of learning and that if you're not good at one thing, you might be good at another. Anastasia wanted to be a ballet dancer until she retired at a pretty early age. We really liked how she could remember that list of numbers even after she'd finished answering all the questions!



The next speakers were authors **Eva Moore** and **Matt Cosgrove**.

They have published over 50 books and their talk was very interactive and fun. Cricket superstar **Stephen O'Keefe** taught us to follow your dreams and to never give up. When we had finished eating our Maccas lunch, the next speaker took up the whole session with his story of how he won a series of Ninja Warrior. **Bryson Klein** told us of how he had to persevere and never give up on his dreams. He was the most loved by the crowd. After a treat of gelato, we headed off to the museum which was very interesting with its many different rooms. Ezra's favourite was the room that had realistic animals and Wade's favourite was the room with all the dinosaurs. We walked to a food court to grab our dinner, then strolled back to relax at the hotel.

The next day we got up at around 5:40am and took a taxi to the train station. The long train ride home was the end of our exciting excursion.



Invitation to Parents & Carers

HIGH TEA WITH TEACHERS

Monday 18 March 2024
Middle Playground @ YCS
3.30pm-4.30pm

The WAP Coffee Cart will be on-site, along with some High Tea treats! Come along and enjoy some games and challenges with the YCS teachers.

PRINCIPAL: Ms Trish Henderson **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL:** Ms Tara Tonkin (FASTstream)
SECONDARY HEAD TEACHERS: Mrs Helen Tremain (Rel), Mrs Natasha Freeth (Rel)
WELLBEING LEADER: Ms Amanda Crain (Rel) **APCI:** Miss Tiarne McLeod (Rel)
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PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

TERM 1 WEEK 6

EARLY STAGE 1/STAGE 1: Brooke

For working hard to complete her school work.

STAGE 2: Julie

For a growth mindset.

STAGE 3: Flynn

For being kind and helpful.

STAGE 4: Cody

For engaging in challenging tasks using his problem-solving skills.

STAGE 5: Cooper W

For his willingness to engage with his learning and for his critical thinking skills.

STAGE 6: Nathaniel

For assisting with wellbeing activities.

Thank you to Ezra and Wade who wrote the very informative report on this week's front page of the newsletter about their excursion to the Halogen National Young Leaders' Day in Sydney last week.

Welcome back to Natasha Freeth who has commenced duties at YCS as Head Teacher.

GAS LEAK

Thanks to all staff who acted promptly to manage a suspected gas leak at YCS last Thursday.

As highlighted in a letter emailed to parents, the school was evacuated as a precaution to ensure the safety of all students and staff. Thankfully all was deemed safe and classes resumed as normal.

WAP CAMP

Wishing our senior students all the best as they head off to the annual WAP Camp at Burrendong Recreational Centre this week.

The camp is held annually to support students in the Western Access Program to engage in lessons with their course coordinators as well as participate in life ready and sport and recreational activities.

INVITATION TO PARENTS & CARERS

A warm invitation is extended to all parents and carers to join us for a 'High Tea with the Teachers' next Monday, 18 March from 3.30pm-4.30pm.

It will be a lovely opportunity to get to know our teachers a little better, especially those that are new to the school this year. We'll have games and challenges as well as some High Tea treats to enjoy.

FIRST BRONZE AWARD FOR 2024

Congratulations to Flynn, our first Bronze Certificate award winner for 2024!

Trish Henderson, Principal



Wiradjuri Words of the Week:

Winha-nga-rra (winner-nah-rah) —'LISTEN, HEAR, THINK'



RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

COOPERATION

YEAR 7 TRANSITION CAMP

Wambangalang Environmental Studies Centre: 7-8 March 2024



Year 7 students, mentored by Years 10 and 11 students, attended a transition camp at Wambangalang Environmental Studies Centre last week.

Students participated in orienteering, board games, rope activities, digital woodlands nature photos, archery, dip netting, bike riding, initiative games and a nature show.

Students demonstrated their communication and organisational skills across the broad range of activities and worked as a team in the various challenges. They bonded on the low ropes and found many little fish and micro bugs while dip netting. They fed the invasive mosquito fish species to a native cod, while being able to touch or get up close to reptiles such as Gary the Snake, stumpy the Blue Tongued Lizard and Sandy the Bearded Dragon.

The annual camp is a wonderful opportunity for students commencing their first year of high school to bond in the great outdoors.



Have you signed up to the Sentral Parent Portal?



SCHOOL CALENDAR



12 March CSU Explore Bathurst Stage 6	13-25 MARCH NAPLAN Test Window Years 3, 5, 7, 9	13-15 MARCH WAP Camp Lake Burrendong
MONDAY 18 MARCH High Tea with the Teachers 3.30pm-4.30pm	TUESDAY 26 MARCH Dog Man Musical—Dubbo K-6	WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH GRIP Leadership Conference Dubbo—Year 6

ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION DAY

Students in Years 11/12 attended a one-day road safety workshop in Orange last Wednesday.

The RYDA Program, held at Towac Park, is coordinated by the Rotary Clubs of Orange, local police and other organisations. Students attended six 30-minute workshops including Road Choices, The I in Drive, Mind Matters, Crash Investigations, Drive SOS, and Speed and Stopping.

Students learnt about the dangers of phones and fatigue whilst driving, personal risk factors, how feelings can or cannot support your driving, the impact of crashes on lives, and how to stay safe on the roads. Students also learnt about stopping distances. For example, the stopping distance at 40km/hour for a car is 27 metres. At 60km/hour, the stopping distance is 56m...and the faster you go, the longer it takes to stop. All the students had an informative day and asked a variety of questions to increase their awareness about important road safety issues.



Expression of Interest

School Learning and Support Officer (SLSO) - casual
Yeoval Central School

Expressions of Interest are invited for those considering a career in the position of School Learning Support Officer for 2024. These positions will be on a casual basis.

Duties:

Focus primarily on assisting teachers in the implementation of individual education programs and individual transition.

Assisting teachers in providing opportunities for children with special needs to develop personal, social, domestic, and pre-vocational skills and attending to the personal care needs of children K-12, and

May also include the operation of audio-visual aids, issuing of learning materials and minor clerical duties.

Please contact the school for further information or submit a cover letter and resume to Trish Henderson, Principal, Yeoval Central School, patricia.j.henderson@det.nsw.edu.au by 9am Friday 5 April.

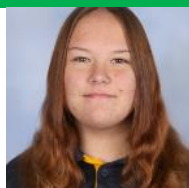
Please include details of at least two referees.



Positive Behaviour for Learning

One of PBL's core beliefs is: "I can't change others' behaviour BUT I can change my behaviour..."

PBL STUDENTS OF WEEK 5



PRIMARY: Phoebe, James, Blayd **SECONDARY:** Indi, Izaak, Dillon

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