



# YASS HIGH SCHOOL

We value respect, responsibility, safety and learning.

Principal: Sandra Hiscock

Deputy Principal: Louise Pinson

## Year 12 Finishing Up

This year's Year 12 Celebration Assembly will be on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September which also marks the end of formal lessons before the HSC exams.

It is impossible to underestimate the importance of building *focus*, *confidence* and *wellbeing* through the period between lessons finishing and the start of the HSC, especially with the full support of family and friends. Students are urged to use this time well and to access support from teachers, peers and the many resources accumulated over the last two years, including the Board of Studies web site which has great tips for exam preparation and performance. Daily revision seminars will take place during the first week of Term 4, 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> October and some staff will be generously spending additional time during evenings and the school holidays to support students.

It's also important that students keep things in perspective. It is definitely a time not to be wasted but much of the good work has been done and, while a top HSC is a great entry to further studies and careers, it is neither the "be all and end all" nor the only road to a meaningful and valuable future.



August 2014

Unfortunately the principal, Ms Hiscock, will be away for the Celebration Assembly but back for Term 4. She passes on the following message:

*"I hope Year 12 will benefit from a fruitful preparation and I wish them every success in their exams. I also congratulate the seniors on their achievements so far and thank them for their contribution to their school over the years. I especially thank the school captains for their great leadership and representation of their school – well done! The HSC may be the "grand final" for your school years but don't forget that after it is over you'll have a great future ahead of you as adults with new freedoms and new responsibilities. And while your schooling will be left behind you, I sincerely hope that you will remember Yass High School fondly and with pride. Best wishes to all of you!"*

Year 12 are reminded that they need to submit an application early in Term 4 if they'd like to receive a formal school reference. Students are also welcome to seek support at school after the exams, particularly if they would like further assistance with choosing future courses and careers.

### **Science and Engineering Challenge Team Representing in Newcastle**



Yass High School competed against nine other schools, in hands-on challenges that required thinking and efficient use of materials. The State Finals were held in Newcastle and the Yass High Team represented our entire Region. The students had a great time. More news and photos next issue.





## Cinderella



In week three of this term, “Education Week” a group of talented performers from Yass High School joined other NSW Public schools to present the District Arts Festival at the Canberra Theatre. The theme this year was “Rewind”, with each school presenting a 10 minute performing arts take on that theme. YHS told the story of Cinderella through the music of Queen. Our performance received many positive comments from other students, as well as from the wider community. Our singers also joined in with the other schools to sing the opening and closing numbers for the show. Well done to all involved.

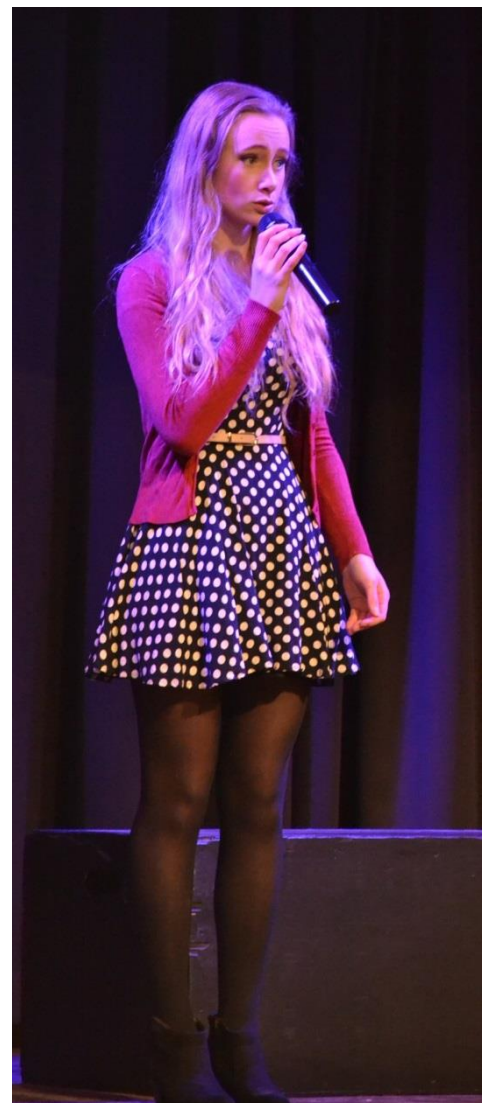


## Creative and Performing Arts Night

This August saw the return of CAPA (Creative and Performing Arts) Night at YHS. Our talented HSC musicians and actors took to the stage to present their performance programs for the upcoming HSC exams. The talent and hard work of these students was on display, from classical piano works, to Bruno Mars, from musical theatre to classical guitar, the music students certainly demonstrated outstanding abilities. Dana Wilson presented her comedy monologue for drama, and then joined the rest of the “Cinderella” cast to perform the work from the District Arts Festival.



Thanks to Emily Parker and Catherine Barberis for compering the evening, David Savy, Josh Kemp and Nick Whiting for the sound and lighting, and Marie Nicole for judging.

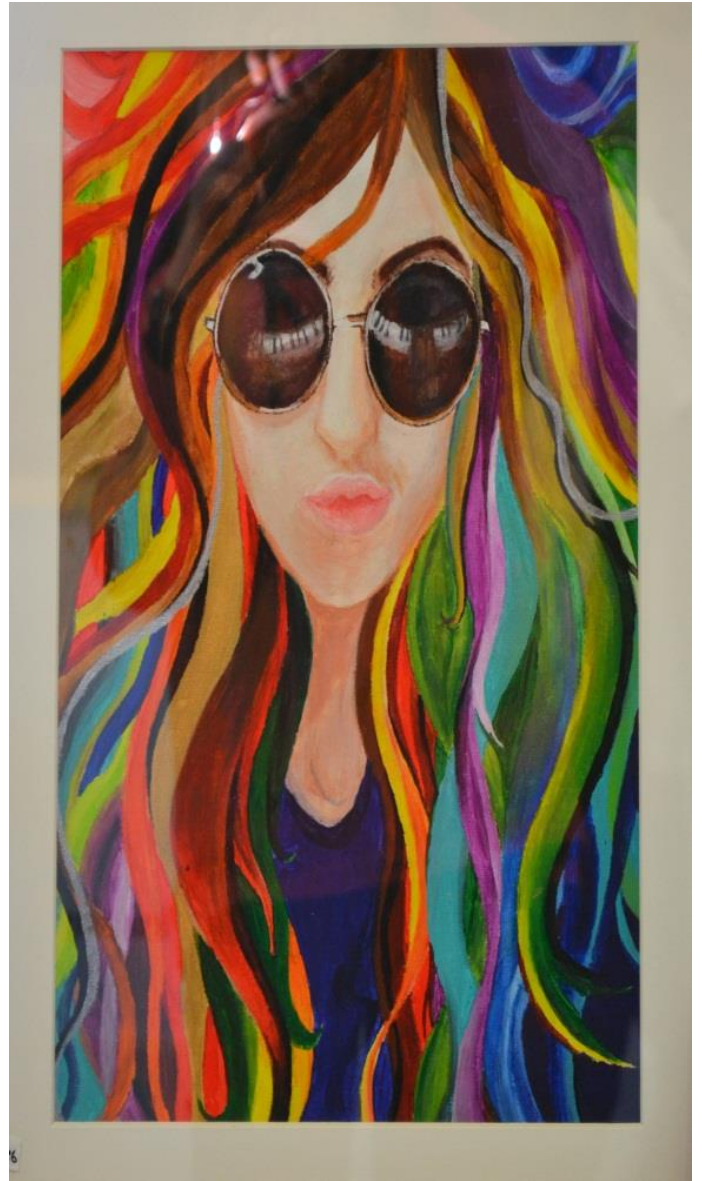






The hall was also full of art works for the Art-Chi prize, with many examples of the Visual Arts on display. Many thanks go to our guest judge, local mixed media artist Marie Nicole Roberts, who chose the following places for the art competition:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Victoria Olsen
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Joanna Devey
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashley Parker



The popular vote was won by Ashley Parker for her watercolour self-portrait.



## Southern Stars

This weekend, two of our wonderful singers, Veanka Howard and Maddy McGrath, will take part in the Southern Stars Spectacular at the WIN Entertainment Centre in Wollongong. Maddy and Veanka went through a gruelling audition process to gain a place in the core choir, accompanying all the performers throughout the show. This is a huge achievement as well as being a wonderful opportunity for the girls to work with a large group of performers, in front of a massive crowd.

Well done, Veanka and Maddy!

## P & C Report

Thank you to all the parents and students who helped with the Bunnings BBQ fundraiser on Sunday 10 August. It was a fun day for all involved, despite the wind and the grease, and a successful fundraiser for the school with \$1,920 raised.

We have another fundraising opportunity on 27 September with the Yass Running Festival for which we will be seeking volunteers shortly.



At the last P&C meeting, we agreed to a request from Agriculture to fund the purchase of 10 mobile cattle panels. The purpose of any P&C fundraising is to support the school and students (and animals!) and so it was great that the P&C was able to support Agriculture in this way.

We also discussed some important issues, in particular:

- Unflued gas heaters – these heaters have been a concern for a long time and the P&C has written to the NSW Government seeking action. You can read more about the campaign being run on behalf of schools by an organisation called COUGH (Campaign Opposing Unflued Gas Heating) at their website [www.cough.org.au](http://www.cough.org.au)
- Uniform – The P&C is currently investigating options to continue the local availability of the uniform. The YHS shirts and hoodies are available from the school as usual. Options for navy blue items will be discussed at the next meeting.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 1 September at 7.30pm in the staff room. The meetings are relaxed and a great opportunity to ask questions or raise issues relating to the school. See you there. Michael Pilbrow



## AIME Excursion to UC

On the 8<sup>th</sup> August students travelled to the University of Canberra as part of AIME. This session at UC started with a story about our presenter's trip to Fiji for a friend's wedding where he got to go to the famous and huge Cloud Break surfing spot and how intimidated he was by the size of the waves and the people surfing them. He recognised the famous surfer Sally Fitzgerald who was from his home town. He asked her if her name was Sally and told her how much his family admired her. She was friendly and chuffed that he knew her which gave him confidence. He then surfed the waves he had previously feared. AIME mentees were then asked to pick a famous Aboriginal person that they admire to write a letter to, inviting them to come along to the big end of year AIME celebration which will be held on October 24th.

The letter needed to tell them something about themselves and explain the connection between them and the famous person, such as Teneka writing about her love of drama to the actor Luke Carroll. It needed to come from the heart.

Rose got her letter read out first. She wrote to Jake Foster from the Raiders and asked him what inspired him to follow his dreams. Rose and Teneka also wrote a letter to Jessica Mauboy telling her how much they love her music and asking her for any tips for young people like themselves. We will get back to you all when she replies and after we meet her at the end of year celebration. Teneka read out her letter to the whole group. Jake, our leader, told some funny but dumb jokes.

The afternoon session was devoted to 'Aime's Got Talent' where students all stepped up to the challenge and gave it a go. With some hard work and supporting each other both individual and group performances were put together including dancing, singing, comedy and stories from the group. Lots of laughs and clapping in appreciation of the talent shared.

Overall a fab day was had by all!



## Down on the Farm – Spring is Coming

With spring nearly upon us the farm is beginning to prepare for the onslaught of lambs, calves and chickens that mark this very productive time of year. With just enough rain to promise some reasonable feed, Year 11 PI have top-dressed the farm with superphosphate in readiness for the flush of feed so necessary to feed our new arrivals. The Y9-12 classes have been crutching the pregnant ewes prior to them returning to the school from the “Cow Ridge” block on Black Range Road. Lambing will be spread out this year due to some ewes being paddock mated and others artificially inseminated.



Rachel Glassford supervises her brother and sister feeding the calves at the weekend



After a hiatus of one year, the school has participated in the Cows Create Careers project and this has meant two more Friesian heifer calves from the Schofields in Forbes have spent a few weeks with us being fed and looked after.

This year the calves had to be content with some different situations such as the Saturday that the tree-loppers came to deal with some dangerous trees.

Parent, Mr Chris Beck, is seen at the left getting up to have a good look at one tree that has been causing us concern.

Some of the Year 9/10 Ag class looking after the calves can be seen working on the modelling part of the Cows Create Careers competition. They are making a model of the housing set-up used for the calves.







Another part of the farm that is rapidly gearing up is the show team. Mr McDonald has 25 students in the show team every Wednesday afternoon, as well as smaller groups during class-time during the rest of the week, preparing the 6 steers and heifers being fed and trained for the up-coming show season which will include Murrumburrah, Cootamundra, Cowra, Scone and Albury.

Many thanks must be directed to the Yass HS P&C who recently gave the show team \$1000 towards extra portable cattle panels that can be seen above. They will enable better management of our growing commercial beef herd which is already providing us with home grown steers and heifers for showing.

Year 11 Primary Industries class have been busily fencing in the ag plot and have done a great job with both permanent and temporary fencing tasks as well as electric fencing. Brock Lymberry is shown putting staples into a strainer post for a temporary tree-line fence.





## **New Building Thanks from the Students of Yass High**

The new school building is coming along quite well. The constant sounds of digging, drilling and machines sometimes fill the air letting us know that the kind workers are doing their best to get the building up and filled with students fast.

The workers are working tirelessly to rebuild a more modern section of Yass High which was burnt down in a terrible fire leading us to lose our woodwork, metalwork, food technology, textiles and history rooms. The new two-story building will substitute for not only the classrooms we lost but more space and another three or so rooms for learning. The teachers are also developing new ideas and arrangements to match the new building.

However, despite building they also take the time to speak with the students, answer their questions and collect lost handballs. We thank them personally for their dedication and hard work and are eagerly awaiting our new classrooms.

Mikayla Ede





## Anzac Centenary Commemoration Service

Yass High School students played a core role in the ANZAC Centenary Commemoration Service held at the Thomas Eccles Gardens at Linton Village.

As the first Centenary Commemoration of Great Britain's declaration of war, on Germany, signalling the outbreak of the Great War, it is an important moment for reflection. The impact of the Great War has stayed with not only the soldiers who participated, and their families for generations, but resounded throughout the country as a significant event in defining and developing Australia's national character.



The smoothly coordinated Commemoration service at Linton Village was a cross-community event, involving the Village community, residents, and family, representatives from the Yass RSL Sub-Branch, and Yass High students.



Yass High School student Brooke Hardy shared an empathic poem that she composed, skilfully echoing the experiences of Western Front soldiers in the trenches. Marley Puckett, Brodi Smith, Samantha Sharpe,

Ally Thurkettle and Rachel Tilley delivered short passages to recognise significant symbols and events that we carry with us into our national identity. Crosses to commemorate local veterans were laid by Makayla Walker, Ellannah Finch, Mia Johnson, Caitlyn Douven, Logan Davis, Alyssa Wright, and Monique Moran.

It was a sombre service that provided the opportunity to reflect on the historical and ongoing impacts of that globe-altering event, the Great War.

With thanks to the staff, residents and community members at Linton Village, the Yass RSL Sub-Branch, the outstanding students, Ms McQueen and Miss Bills for their efforts.

## Letter to Yass High School – Amalie Ringdal Birkhol

Hello, all students of Yass High School! My name is Amalie, and I am your new, Norwegian exchange student.

I come from a small village called Stranda, in the north-west coast of Norway. In many ways Stranda is very similar to Yass, so the transition was not as hard as many might think. In Stranda we have a lot of outdoor activities. My favorites are soccer, European handball, cross-country skiing and alpine skiing. As the region I come from has an alpine landscape and a quite beautiful nature, I also like to go on mountain hikes during the summer season. Back home I played for our women's team, and I am now playing for Yass Redbacks U17, which I enjoy a lot.

Strandafjellet (directly translated – The Mountain of Stranda), our local ski resort, has been awarded as the best ski resort for free-skiing on powder snow. Therefore, during winter season, Stranda is a popular tourist attraction for international “jibbers” and other skiers from all over the world.

The reason I chose Australia, is because it is a country I have always wanted to visit. Not only do you have a lot of cool animals and a warm weather during summer (please just let me believe the heat will be enjoyable), but I have also heard that the people are very friendly – and you have not disappointed me.

I have now been here for 5 weeks, and I have absolutely loved it. From day 1, the people at Yass High have been absolutely fantastic and I have felt so welcome. I would like to thank you for that!

I would also like to mention that Rotary is now starting a Rotary Interact Club in Yass, which is a Rotary Club for youths between the age of 13 and 18. Rotary is an international organization that through different projects raises money to help the people that need it the most – when it's needed. After the disaster in Japan in 2011, Rotary helped 1600 families get a home through ShelterBox, a box with everything a family needs to survive for two years. Rotary also has a project called “End Polio”. These are only a few examples of all the wonderful things Rotary does – and if you have any questions about it or would like to join Interact, come see me or Brooke Garland.

See you all around school!





## Result of Yass High School Show Team Wood Raffle



Following a huge response in the form of ticket sales, the YHS Show Team has declared Dave Wiseman of Dalton, the winner of the first prize trailer load of wood. Second prize of a ute load of wood went to Daniel McDonald, and Jean Kelly of Yass won the third prize hamper of grocery items.

The raffle was run by James McDonald, agriculture teacher and Show Team co-ordinator at Yass HS to raise funds to help the team attend shows in Murrumburrah, Cowra, Scone and Albury over the next few months.

Around 24 students work the cattle preparing them for the shows which include the ultimate test of cattle breeding, the Hoof and Hook competition.

Some of the team members are seen in the accompanying photograph with YHS Principal, Ms Sandra Hiscock, drawing the winning ticket.

The team will be competing with two heifers bred by the students at the school as well as two Square Meaters from Bob and Su McClusky's "Cluskers Square Meaters Stud", The Mullion. Two further steers make up the team, a Murray-Grey from "Phoenix Murray Greys" donated by Dorothy Hallam on Yass River Road and a Highland x Limousin steer bred by Mr McDonald.

Thank you to all those non-winning ticket holders who helped support the school to raise in excess of \$800. This will buy a lot of new halters and showing equipment as well as assist in travel costs to shows.

## Yass High School - Careers Expo - Friday 1st August 2014

Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 attended sessions on a variety of courses and institutions offering post-school options. It was a good time to ask questions and get specific information. The following institutions sent representatives to Yass High on the day to talk to our students.

### Our thanks to the presenters:

Australian National University  
Australian Catholic University  
University of Canberra  
University of Wollongong  
Charles Sturt University  
Canberra Institute of Technology  
Australian Business Academy  
Master Builders Association (GTO)  
Valmar Support Services - Disability  
Careers

Students can now access their HSC Examination Timetable at

<https://studentonline.bos.nsw.edu.au/documents/hsc-timetable-2014.pdf>





## Hospitality

In order to achieve their Certificate II Hospitality, Mrs Annette Halley-Barberis, hospitality teacher, took Year 11 students to Goulburn TAFE commercial kitchens to achieve their cooking competency.

Each Wednesday morning at 8.30am they all turned up to travel the hour to Goulburn and upon arrival donned their chef uniform and, instructed by Mrs Barberis, learnt to cook dishes such as minestrone soup, chocolate mousse, beef schnitzel and potato gratin, bruschetta and macaroni cheese casserole. After cooking for 4 hours straight they climbed aboard the bus again to travel back to Yass, exhausted and looking forward to next year when we will have our own commercial kitchen in our new buildings. The skill level of the students grew and many fine dishes were created.

The year 11 students will be catering for school events in the future such as Year 12 Graduation morning tea later this term. So when you bite into some delicious cakes and slices know they have come from the accomplished hospitality students' hands.



Dakota Von-Hoff and Jayson Young  
prepare ingredients



Melanie Parker and Travis Davis



Cassie Goethals with  
chicken pie and salad



Maddie Douven with beef  
schnitzel, potato gratin and  
carrot and bean parcels



Brody Anderson-Smart and Callan  
Smith with chocolate mousse

# Students of the Week

Yass High School  
Students of the Week  
August 2014



**Emily Parker, Ally Thurkettle,  
Muriah De Jong  
Year 10**

For school service as  
readers for exams

Yass High School  
Student of the Week  
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**Teneka Ridley  
Year 9**

For enthusiastic participation  
in all school activities

Yass High School  
Student of the Week  
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**Rachel Glassford  
Year 9**

For school service: assisting  
with Cows Create Careers in  
her own time



## Applying for University

This is the time of year when Year 12 students need to apply for University, for scholarships, for early entry and special consideration.

For university, students need to apply online to UAC by the 30th September. They have been given a UAC guide and shown how to apply but it must be done before the due date to avoid a huge late fee.

This year there is a new system for applying for early entry through UAC called the Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS). Most universities our students will be applying to now use this scheme. The exceptions are University of Wollongong and Australian Catholic University.

Equity scholarships are also administered by UAC. These scholarships assist students with the cost of tertiary education. The criteria include carer responsibilities, long term medical conditions, regional location as well as financial hardship. YHS is in a regional zone.

The Country Education Foundation has released a new guide to hundreds of scholarships for rural, regional and indigenous students.

Click this link for your free copy: <https://cef.org.au/students/scholarships/>

### Women In Engineering Experience It!

### Student Conference 2014

Would you like to know more about engineering and what you can do as an engineer?

#### Who is this for?

This conference is aimed at **NSW secondary school females** in Years 9-12. No prior engineering, maths or physics experience is required and students will have the opportunity to do workshops based on their areas of interest. You'll also get to work as a team in challenges to win some great prizes.

**When:** Wednesday 24 September 2014

**Where:** Scientia Conference Centre UNSW Kensington NSW

**Time:** 8.45am - 3.00pm

Do you live or go to school more than 100 km from UNSW? You may be eligible for our Rural Scholarship to offset the cost of travels, please apply on the registration webpage.

**To apply for WIE Rural Scholarship go to:**

<https://engineersaustralia.wufoo.com/forms/wie-ruralscholarship-application-form/>

**To register for the day or for more information, please visit:**

[www.engineersaustralia.org.au/events/experience-it-student-conference-2014-wie-student-conference-2014](http://www.engineersaustralia.org.au/events/experience-it-student-conference-2014-wie-student-conference-2014)



Australian  
National  
University

# ANU EXTENSION

## Public Information Evening

ANU Extension provides an enhanced learning experience for Year 11 and 12 students and is open to all students with a concurrent full-time enrolment at an Australian secondary school. In 2015 courses in Astrophysics, Discovering Engineering, Chemistry, Conservation Biology, Chinese (Mandarin), Indonesian (culture), Japanese, Specialist Mathematics and Music will be available.

**Tuesday 2 September 6.30pm**

Manning Clark Theatre 2, Building 26a  
(See [campusmap.anu.edu.au](http://campusmap.anu.edu.au) and search 26a)

Classes for Year 11 students commence in Term 2, 2015. Current year 10 students and their parents/carers are particularly encouraged to attend.

**Enquiries** [anu.extension@anu.edu.au](mailto:anu.extension@anu.edu.au)

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## Athletics Success for YHS Students at Regional Carnival

Competitor	Position	Event	Age
Kelly Govier	3rd	Girls 3000m	14
Amy Kelly	3rd	Girls Shot Put	13
Magnus Stacey	5th	Boys High Jump	12
Peggy Stacey	2nd	Girls Javelin	14
Rhys Wilson	1st	Boys Javelin	16
Tom Staines	2nd	Boys High Jump	15
Olivia Mercieca	2nd	Girls Javelin	17
Maddie Harvison	3rd	Girls Javelin	17
Gabby Davis	3rd	Girls 200m	14
James Roche	1st	Boys High Jump	17
Blake Watson	3rd	Boys High Jump	13
Maddie Harvison	2nd	Girls High Jump	17
Ashley Parker	4th	Girls High Jump	17
William Pettigrew	1st	Boys Shot Put	12



Rhys Wilson U16 Boys Javelin – 1<sup>st</sup> Place

## Zone Athletics

Yass High School finished 5<sup>th</sup> at the recent Zone Athletics Championship held at Bruce Stadium. The students who attended this carnival represented the school very well and quite a number were rewarded with selection in the Zone team which competed at the South Coast regional carnival on August 1<sup>st</sup> again at Bruce Stadium. A summary of those students and the events as listed on the next page.

A big thank you to Michael Wilkinson and Rachel Crane for their invaluable assistance on the day and a very special thank you to the girls from the Year 10 Community class Marley Puckett, Brodi Smith, Makayla Walker, Samantha Sharpe and Ellannah Finch, who volunteered their time to help out. They did a wonderful job and showcase the exceptional quality of young people we have at our school. Another huge thank you to Billy Beck and Matthew Pilbrow for their wonderful leadership on the day also.





Age	Name	Events
12B	Mitchell Bush	100m, 200m, Long Jump, Relay
12B	Magnus Stacey	High Jump, Relay
12B	Kai Douven	Relay
12B	Lliam Taylor	Relay
12B	William Pettigrew	Shot
12B	Corey Lees	Shot
13G	Gabi Davis	100m, 200m, Relay
13G	Kimberley McMillan	Relay
13G	Peyton Freeman	Relay
13G	Sophie Staines	Relay
13G	Amy Kelly	Shot
13B	Tane Allen	Shot
13B	Blake Watson	Shot, Javelin
13B	Jordan Hudson	High Jump
14G	Peggy Stacey	Javelin
14G	Abi Grear	200m, 800m, Relay
14G	Kelly Govier	800m, 3000m, Relay
14G	Evelyn Johnson	Relay
14G	Sarah Hearne	Relay
14G	Gemma Lees	Discus
14B	James Hamilton	Javelin
15G	Molly Freeman	100m
15G	Victoria Alley	Javelin
15B	Tom Staines	100m, 200m, Long Jump, High Jump, Relay
15B	Shaun Button	800m, Relay
15B	Jayke Poidevin	Relay
15B	Daniel Kemp	Relay
16G	Ashleigh Witt	400m, 1500m
16B	Rhys Wilson	Javelin
17G	Ashley Parker	200m, High Jump, Relay
17G	Maddie Harvison	100m, High Jump, Javelin, Shot, Relay
17G	Olivia Mercieca	Javelin, Shot, Relay
17G	Maddie Douven	Shot
17G	Rachel Fletcher	3000m, Relay
17B	Callan Smith	Long Jump
17B	Nathan Regan	Shot
17B	Hayden Starr	800m
17B	Jeremy Bush	1500m, 3000m
17B	Billy Beck	200m, 400m
17B	James Roche	Discus, High Jump, Triple Jump
17B	Matthew Pilbrow	High Jump, Triple Jump

## What's happening in Textiles?

### Year 8 cushions and Year 7 Bags



Isobella Campbell, Amy Kelly and Ashleigh Butler put a lot of effort into their great cushions Colourfull cushions



Sarah Hearne tie-dyed one side of her unique cushion and hand painted the other side



Jordan Hudson made an apple complete with stalk and tie-dyed leaf



Joshua Davy and his minion



Blake Muscat and his one armed man



Kai Douven and his bag showing he's a true blue EEL's fan



Connor Medway painted a dramatic logo on his bag



Ashleigh Martin and Bronwyn Kemp made excellent shoulder bags

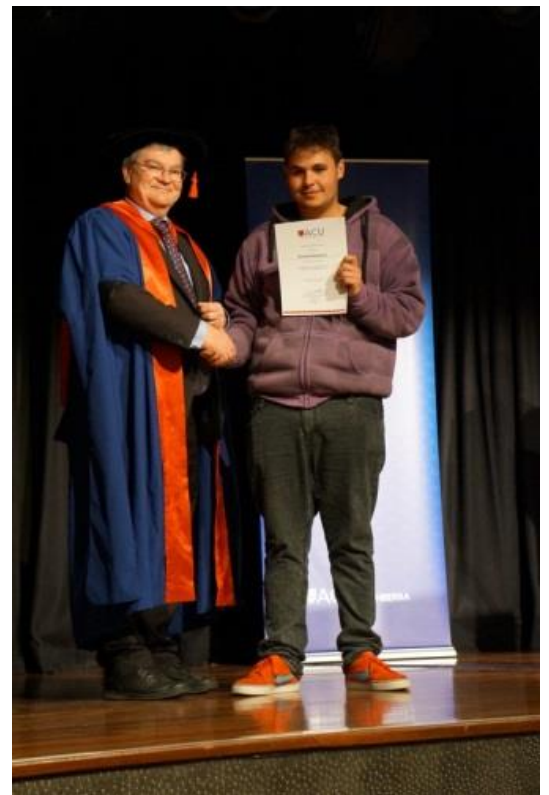


## ‘Come to Dinner’ (C2D)

Some of Yass High’s Indigenous students were invited to “come to Dinner” at the Canberra Southern Cross Club on 6 August. They attended with Yass High staff and community.

It was an event hosted by The Australian Catholic University whereby Indigenous secondary school students and ACU Indigenous staff and students are invited to sit down to share a formal dinner together.

Secondary school students were provided with the opportunity to listen to presentations from ACU Indigenous staff and students, and had the chance to engage in conversation with these university representatives about university life.



# YASS FARMERS MARKET



## St Augustine’s Hall

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month  
10am to 1pm

All the usual goodies including bread, fruit and vegetables, farm produce, meat, wine, craft, cakes, oils, and much more

**Jumping Castle weather permitting**

[www.yassfarmersmarket.org.au](http://www.yassfarmersmarket.org.au) 

# The Turning wave

Festival of Irish & Australian Music

19-21 Sept 2014

YASS

Irish and Australian Music



**Music Song Dance Poetry**

**Featuring:**

- \* Tricia Hastings, (Ire.) \* Restless Legs (Ire.)
- \* Gallie (Ire.) \* Clodhna Ni Ruairc (Ire)
- \* Dingo's Breakfast (WA) \* Sunas (Qld)
- \* Saoirse (Vic) \* Senor Cabrales \* Grimmick
- \* Rebecca Moore Band \* Lime & Steel

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Festival Enq: 02 9489 5786 - Market Stall Enq: 02 6226 1596



## The Turning Wave at Yass High

As part of this year's Turning Wave festival, a group of performers will present a concert to all Year 7 & 8 students during period 4 on the last day of term. Any other students who would like to attend are more than welcome. We ask for a gold coin donation from all students attending the concert. More information about the festival can be found at: [www.turningwave.org.au](http://www.turningwave.org.au)



## Junior Fleadh\* Yass 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> September 2014

Calling teachers, parents and young musicians..!

Do you have a young musician in the classroom or family..?

Would they like to experience learning Irish Music with master teachers from Ireland?

*The Turning Wave Festival* is running classes to introduce young people to Irish Music



10am to 2pm **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

10am to 12pm **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September** (includes Junior Concert 10am)

Junior Fleadh tuition is free to kids under 12 whose parents have a ticket for that day. Kids 12-18 need a Youth Ticket (\$40 for the weekend)

Bookings essential; for info [www.turningwave.org](http://www.turningwave.org) or Ph 02 9489 5786

**Sponsored by the Irish Consulate, Sydney**

Fleadh\* a music gathering

## Discover the World on a WEP Student Exchange Program!

Are you ready for a bit of excitement and culture in your life? Looking to push your boundaries in 2015? Why not participate in a semester or year-long student exchange program to one of over 20 countries, including popular destinations such as the USA, France, Argentina and Italy? **Applications for January programs are still open but will close soon!** Don't miss out on this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to do something out of the ordinary, with a WEP high school exchange!



**Georgie (17) currently in Argentina:** "Everything's going really great here! I especially get on really well with both my sisters and their friends, so that's a nice relief. I've even started playing hockey with my younger sister, despite knowing absolutely nothing about it, and I'm having lots of fun. I absolutely loved

orientation week, it was so much fun and definitely, definitely worth it. I think everyone should have one, it was the perfect transition to life here in Argentina, so thank you very much for that!"

## Early Bird Special!

WEP is offering students in years 9 to 12 (excluding year 12 students in VIC) a \$500 discount off the 2014/15 program fee towards a semester or year program to any of the following countries departing in July - September 2015: Brazil, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Mexico, The Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Norway, Thailand or the USA. Simply submit your full application online **before 28 Nov '14**.

## Find Out More!

- Visit [www.wep.org.au](http://www.wep.org.au) and request a FREE information pack for you and your parents. Our brochure contains everything you need to know about WEP's not-for-profit student exchange programs to help you and your parents make this important decision.
- If you have any questions about any of our exchange programs please feel free to give us a call on 1300 884 733 or email [info@wep.org.au](mailto:info@wep.org.au).

WEP Australia is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation registered with the Education Departments in VIC, NSW and QLD.





# Interact Club of Yass

Interact clubs are youth service clubs for leaders ages 12 – 18 sponsored and mentored by their local Rotary Club.

As an Interactor you will improve your community and inspire positive change both here at home, and around the world.

## **DISCOVER:**

- Your Leadership Skills
- Volunteer Opportunities
- New friends
- How YOU can make a difference

**COME JOIN US AT OUR INAUGURAL MEETING!**

**THURSDAY THE 4<sup>TH</sup> OF SEPTEMBER**

**FROM 4.00 – 5.00PM**

**AT ST. AUGUSTINES HALL**

**MEEHAN STREET, YASS**



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## Coming Events

DATE	EVENT
Mon 1 Sept	Rotation 3 for Year 7- 8 Technology Mandatory begins
<b>Mon 1 Sept</b>	<b>P&amp;C meeting 7.30pm in Staff Common Room</b>
Mon 1 Sept	School Assembly 10am School Captain nominee speeches & voting
Fri 5 Sept	Vaccinations Year 7 and 9 Boys
Fri 5 Sept	Show Team to Murrumburrah Show
Fri 5 Sept	Year 12 Farewell Social 7-10pm
Mon 8 Sept	HSC practical music exam
Mon 8 10 Sept	Show Team to Cowra Show
Tues 9 Sept	Leadership Assembly 12.30pm induction of SRC and School Captains
Tues 9 Sept	Scripture and school values seminars
Tues 9 Sept	Transition – small schools activities 2.00pm – 3.25pm
10 -18 Sept	Preliminary Final Examinations
Thurs 11 Sept	R U OK Day
Tues 16 Sept	Transition – small schools activities 2.00pm – 3.25pm
Fri 19 Sept	Year 12 Graduation Assembly 10.00am
Fri 19 Sept	Turning Wave concert in hall
Tues 7 Oct	Teachers and students return for Term 4
Fri 31 Oct	Year 11 Celebration Assembly 12.30pm
Tues 11 Nov	ISER Concert Band performance
Thurs 11 Dec	Presentation Evening
15 - 17 Dec	End of Year Activities
18 - 19 Dec	School Development Days / Executive Planning Day – staff only
<a href="#">Click on the school website for the online calendar</a>	
<a href="#">Remember assessment task information is also available on the school website calendars</a>	