



YASS HIGH SCHOOL

We value respect, responsibility, safety and learning.

Principal: Linda Langton

Deputy Principals: Andrew Facer & Ruth Riach

From the Principal

On Friday 23rd August Year 10 Community students operated Daffodil Day stands in Yass, raising funds for the Cancer Council. The students raised \$2350 for the Cancer Council to spend on research. Well done to all students involved your ongoing community support is a credit to you and the school.



30 August 2019

From the Deputies

With spring weather beginning to become more common we would like to remind all students that they need to be wearing uniform at all times whilst at school. With colder mornings but warmer days we are more commonly seeing the top layer being removed but the under layer is not a uniform jumper. Whilst layering is important to remain warm students need to ensure that their top layer is always a uniform layer. The uniform shop is open Tuesday Morning 8:30-9:30 am and Thursday afternoon 3:00-4:00 pm.

The construction of the new STEM building is progressing well with the foundations being poured this week. Access to the demountables has now been modified to allow for the construction of disabled access ramps to the building. To allow this to occur new basketball access gates have needed to be installed. Can we please remind all students that the building site is out of bounds and they should not be inside the fence under any circumstances. Further, we would like to remind all students, staff and parents driving around the school site to be mindful of the reduced speed limit of 10 km/hr to ensure added safety with the heavy traffic around.



Captain's Corner

Hey everyone!

Welcome to Week 6, Term 3 – the end of 2019 is coming quickly! We understand the challenge of remaining focused at this time of year, however we still need to continue following our school values of Respect, Responsibility, Safety and Learning in the classroom, playground, at home and in our community.

Year 12 have been completing their final assessment before HSC Exams – the Trial HSC Exams – these past two weeks. It's been both a blessing and a curse as we've accomplished a milestone in our HSC year – our last assessment of High School – ever! However, we've been studying, studying, studying and this is probably why you haven't seen us around, but we're back...for more studying! Throughout this challenging process, our teachers have been with us every step of the way and we really want to acknowledge this. Each and every teacher taking a Year 12 class has motivated us to study, work hard and accomplish our best results despite how tired, frustrated and slack we get, we have all pulled through thanks to the amazing teachers.

Our teacher of the week is Mr King, our General Assistant who has been filling in for Mr Wilkinson while he is on leave. Mr King has fitted in perfectly with Yass High School, and is always willing to do whatever needs to be done to ensure our students have the best possible day at school, every day. Thank you, Mr King!



Stage 4 & 5 Problem of the Fortnight

Stage 4:

In the algorithm below, the letters a , b and c represent different digits from 0 – 9. What is the three-digit number abc

$$\begin{array}{r} \\ \\ \\ + \\ \hline 2 \end{array}$$

Stage 5:

How many three digit numbers have no two digits the same?

Y Tally

Congratulations to the following students who have received the most Ys in the last fortnight. You can pick up your canteen voucher from the front office – but make sure you do it before the next InTouch is published!

Year 7: Riley Gibbs

Year 8: Luke Barlow, Olivia McHugh

Year 9: Noah Groom

Year 10: Darcie O'Sullivan

Year 11: Dylan Huey

Year 12: Zane Morgan

NASA Jet Propulsion Labs visit

On the weekend of 27 and 28 July, I attended the One Giant Leap science education program in Wagga Wagga, which was a series of lectures and workshops delivered by visiting scientists from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL). The program's activities aimed to inspire young people about space missions, space science and possible careers in STEM subjects, which was timely given the creation of the new Australian Space Agency, the current work Australia contributes to NASA's current space missions, and Australia's expected role in upcoming missions to Mars.

Some of the activities included:

- Practical workshops to learn about and make electrical circuits.
- Live demonstrations of rover vehicles and UAVs that have been or could be used in space missions.
- Use of NASA JPL apps for smartphones and computers, which help students learn about historical and current space craft, missions, our solar system and the exoplanets.
- Lectures about NASA's Deep Space Program (DSP) and the Voyager missions, the critical role of Tidbinbilla space communications station near Canberra to Voyager and the DSP, the Cassini mission to Saturn, the search for alien life on places like Saturn's moon of Titan, NASA's upcoming Moon and Mars missions, "what's it like to be an astronaut", and the application of science and engineering in space programs.



One of the key things I learned was that science and engineering breakthroughs for the space program have been transferrable to applications here on Earth and vice versa. Did you know that Velcro and Gore-Tex originated from the space program? And, did you know that the study of life in Earth-based extreme environments such as the deep oceans, Antarctica and radioactive environments is shaping future space missions?

I really enjoyed the weekend with the NASA JPL scientists. The weekend was inspirational. I'd recommend it to any of you that get a chance to go. You'll come away energized to study STEM.

By Josh Vale



Broken Bay Camp

On Tuesday 13th to Thursday 15th August, 34 students from Year 9 attended the Broken Bay Sport and Recreation camp on the Central Coast of NSW. Teachers attending were year adviser Mr Ian Munn and Ms Ree Nicholson. We left very early at 5am, a necessary time to catch the ferry from Brooklyn over to the camp. When we arrived at the beautiful Hawkesbury River, we were lucky enough to have sunny weather.

The trip over was picturesque and we had high spirits. Upon arrival, we were greeted and shown to our cabins. Tuesday afternoon we did archery and then enjoyed a marine walk along the beach and rocks. The first evening we had a campfire on the beach. Day Two we did high ropes and flying fox, hitting the water for paddle boarding and canoeing in the afternoon. After a night of trivia and a tasty butter chicken, (apart from the vegetarians), we finished our camp on the morning of day three with a bush walk along the coastline. The view was spectacular and we made damper by more campfires.



Overall we had a fantastic time. Thanks to all that made our camp possible. As year adviser, it was invaluable and rewarding spending time with Year 9 and they were impeccably behaved and challenged themselves. It was great to see them active and enjoying themselves in the great outdoors.

United Nations Visit

On Thursday 15th August, the Community Studies classes, Social Justice group and SRC leaders were invited to attend the United Nations Youth Council visit here at school.

Many UN Youth volunteers ran workshops that explored issues and events happening around the world. We talked about soft and hard power and how it is used in the economy. We also learnt about how different countries use hard and soft power globally. We learnt about and examined many of the problems that are happening around us today.



Furthermore, we had the opportunity to have our voices heard on the world stage with Kareem taking our responses to the UN Council meeting in New York later next month.

It was an amazing experience and was very enjoyable.



Binit Binit

Miss Marple from Yass Public School and Ms Vale (YHS) travelled to Darwin last week to represent our Binit Binit learning community at the international Pullima Indigenous Language Conference. They had the opportunity to share our learning journeys, and engage with representatives of indigenous cultures from around the globe. It was a wonderful experience and will help inform the future of our Binit Binit group.



YHS Concert Band

Band is going stupendously! If you would like to be part of the fun, please come along to the music room after roll call on Monday mornings.



YHS Netball

What a fabulous 2019 netball season the girls at Yass High School have had.

On Tuesday 20th August 2019, another 5.30am start saw two Yass High school teams head back down the mountain to Nowra to compete, this time in the NSW CUP Regional Finals. Both teams had qualified after convincing wins in the Zone competition held at Goulburn in June. The NSW CUP is run by NSW Netball and open to teams from any educational system. The Year 8 girls' team consisted of Jasmine and Jessica Field, Hayley Kemp, Darcy-Rose Payne, Kierra Packham, Tegan Davis, Charlotte McPherson and Tahia Diamond. The Year 10 team consisted of Kaitlin Luff, Aimee Vitler, Mikaela Allen, Mia Jepchott, Tahlia Pothan, Chrissie Davis, Zoe Wright, Sam Pascoe and Claire Howlett.

Both teams played competitively in the rounds but unfortunately did not make it to the Grand Final. The standard of competition was very high and the girls should all be very proud of the sportsmanship they displayed. Renee Kemp in Year 11 and Charley Edwards in Year 7 umpired for the day and did a fantastic job. A special thanks must go to the parents that helped transport the girls to Nowra and also assisted on the day scoring and organising the girls. Those parents were Sue Jephcott, Michelle Vitler, Vanessa Payne and Georgina Boulding. Your support is greatly appreciated as the students would not have been able to attend the carnival without you.

Thanks again to all the parents that have helped transport girls to all the carnivals this year. It has been a very busy season and it is not possible for such success without the wonderful support of the parents.



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Coming Events

Date	Event
Monday 2 nd September – Friday 13 th September	Year 10 VALID
Tuesday 3 rd September	Minimum Standards Testing Year 10
Tuesday 3 rd September	Year 9 Geography – Council Talk
Friday 6 th September	Legacy fundraiser – Community students
Friday 6 th September	Murrumburrah Show
Thursday 5 th September	Sydney Thunder Country Blitz
Friday 6 th September	Legacy Fundraiser
Monday 9 th September – Friday 13 th September	Year 10 VALID
Tuesday 10 th September	Minimum Standards Testing Year 10
Wednesday 11 th September	Year 12 Trivia Night 6:30pm
Thursday 19 th September	NAIDOC Day
Friday 20 th September	Vaccination Day
Monday 23 rd September	Vaccination Catch-up Day
Thursday 26 th September	Year 12 Graduation Evening
Friday 27 th September	Year 12 Final Assembly
<u>Click on the school website for the online calendar</u>	
<u>Remember assessment tasks dates due are available on school website assessment calendars</u>	