



YASS HIGH SCHOOL

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Principal: Linda Langton

Deputy Principals: Andrew Facer & Ruth Riach

From the Principal

It was wonderful to have the Show Team back together for the first show of the Spring season, Harden-Murrumburrah. After a short preparation time of 6 weeks, the students, Ms Slowiak and Mr Anderson had the cattle looking good and well-trained to be competitive at the show.

Our students (and cattle) came away with many ribbons, including Champion Heifer for Clover and Show Champion and Age Champion for Year 11 student, Zeke Groom. This is a fantastic example of what we can do when we work together as a community.



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Captain's Corner

Hi guys, welcome to our second last Captain's Corner ever! We're so devastated, grateful and relieved to be finishing up 13 years of schooling at Yass High School. We will have fond memories of friendships made, staff, resources and opportunities gained through being a student at Yass High School.

Through being Captains we have gained the experience and opportunity to lead and support YHS students to be the best possible in 2019.

This fortnight we haven't chosen one specific teacher for teacher of the week, however, we have decided to nominate all staff, canteen ladies and SASS staff for all their compassion, hard work, dedication throughout our year as Captains and all our years as students. Yass High is truly blessed for all the amazing teachers we have here.

Thank you Yass High School!



Polocrosse Nationals

Josh Smith has been chosen to represent NSW at the Polocrosse Nationals to be held at Benalla in April 2020. He will be part of the Under 16 Boys team. His brother Andrew was also chosen to represent in the Intermediate Open team and cousin Brendan Hart will represent in the Intermediate Mixed team so it will be a real family affair for the Smiths!

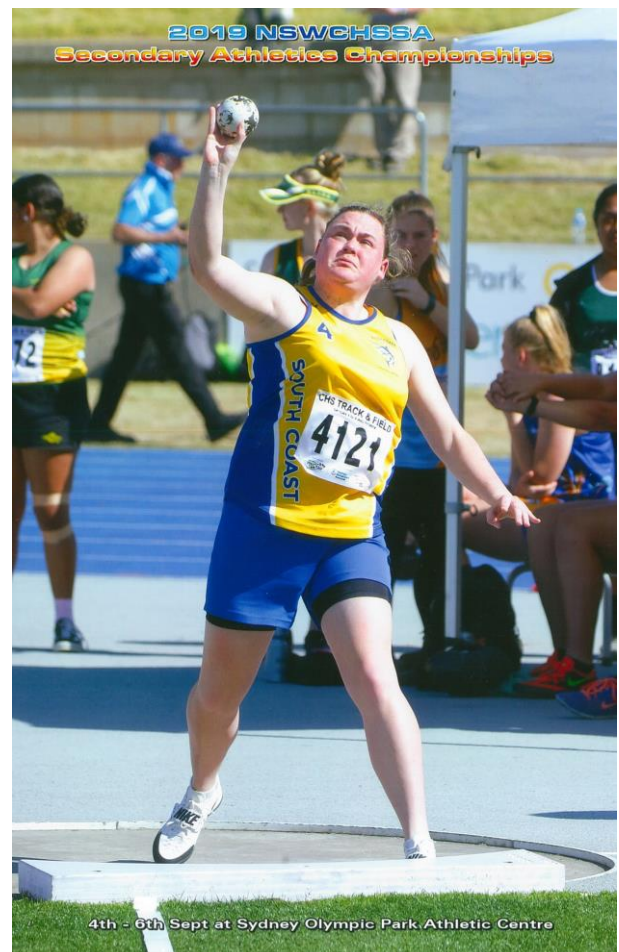
Congratulations and good luck, Josh.
Go NSW!!



NSWCHS results

On Thursday last week Lisa Johnson and Jackson Nash travelled to Homebush to compete in the NSWCHS athletics championships. Lisa finished 9th in the 16 girls shot put and Jackson finished 14th in the 16 boys javelin.

Both very credible efforts by our students. Jacob Garner was unable to compete due to injury.



Legacy

On Friday 6th September 8 wonderful Year 9 Community students helped out with the Yass District Legacy fundraiser in town and at Woolworths. The students did a fantastic job and Ray England, the Yass Legacy organiser could not sing their praises high enough. They played a vital role in raising \$2500 on Friday which stays in the Yass community assisting 80 war widows.

A huge congratulations to Tyson Carey, Hunter Dent, Tomika Grieves, Brianna Hulme, Maddison Langfield, Keely Owen, Rachel Polsen and Paris Scheffler on making a difference in the lives of others.



Open Boys Football

On Tuesday the 27th the Open Boys Football (Soccer) team played Figtree High for the South Coast Title after both teams had won their respective groups. This was the first time that the boys had reached this milestone playing 5 games before this game. This was the last game of the year after as both teams unfortunately were beaten in the round of 16 of the state knockout.

To defeat Figtree was going to be a massive challenge as Figtree's entire team but four were in Year 12 and some of them are part of the Wollongong Wolves. Despite this Yass took to the challenge and played some good football only to go down to Figtree 4-0 although Yass did create some chances and could have scored a couple of goals themselves.



Overall Figtree deserved their win but the Yass team can hold their heads high. Thank you to the Year 12 boys Kai Douven, Daniel Bishop, Tom Rampton and Zane Morgan for all their service over the years. Next year will be an exciting time as most of the team will stay together. Hopefully the boys can emulate their efforts again.

Jack Gallagher should be congratulated for the leadership he displayed during the campaign as Captain, helping Mr Barrett run training sessions and getting the boys ready on the day. A big thank you to Rohin Packham and Rhiannon Davis for being assistant referees, Mark Boehme for refereeing all home games, and Claire Boehme for washing all the shirts.



Binit Binit Art and About

This year our budding creative and imaginative art students had the opportunity to participate in a series of activities allowing them to immerse themselves in the creative arts. The Binit Binit Learning Community organised a series of events starting with an exciting trip to the National Gallery in Canberra where they held several workshops working with professional artists and held an exhibition of all their work at the Yass Memorial Hall.

Our students enjoyed their experience at the Gallery, engaging in artistic discourse and interacting with students from our local area. They were particularly interested in Urs Fischer Francesco artwork which consisted of a life-size wax candle self-portrait slowly melting over time.

Our students then attended two x two-day workshops in the media of their choice. These ranged from sculpture and carving to printmaking, painting and photography. They produced a plethora of work starting with initial experimentation and then moving to a final work. These were exhibited on Monday 5th of August through to Thursday. Many of our students attended the exhibition opening with education representatives and several prominent citizens. The exhibition was supported by local business including a wonderful spread of finger food and beverages from Trader and Co.



On the night, the work donated by the professional artists was auctioned to support future events. This was extremely successful. Our school contributed significantly to resourcing and supporting the initiative throughout the activities.

This has allowed our students to pursue their passion and support their individual learning needs and aspirations for future skill development. All in all it was a wonderful and enriching experience for all involved.



Stage 4 & 5 Problem of the Fortnight

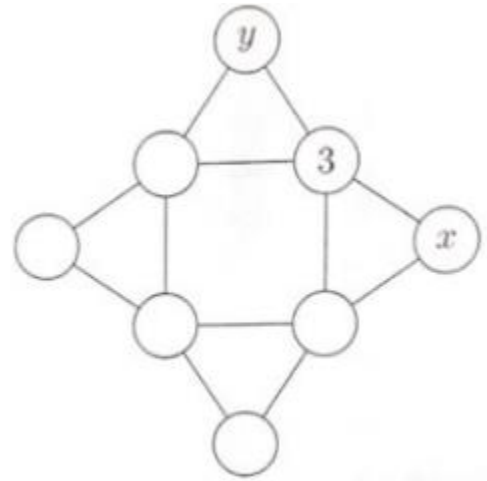
Stage 4:

The numbers from 1 to 8 are entered into the eight circles in this diagram, with the number 3 placed as shown.

In each triangle, the sum of the three numbers is the same.

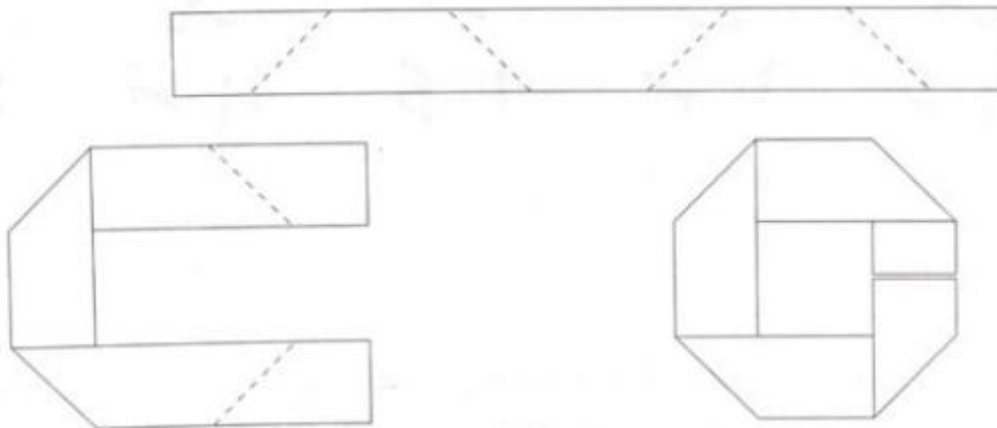
The sum of the four numbers which are at the corners of the central square is 20.

What is $x + y$?



Stage 5:

A strip of paper 1cm wide is folded 4 times to make a regular octagon as shown.



If the ends of the strip meet exactly when folded, how many centimetres long is the strip?



Congratulations to Leo and Max for being this fortnight's problem solvers.

Each fortnight the Maths faculty of Yass High offer a delicious reward to the first student in Year 7 or 8 as well as another for Year 9 & 10 who offers a solution to the Math's puzzle published in InTouch. To get your delicious reward all you have to be is the first student with a written solution to the Maths staffroom on the Friday morning after InTouch is published. Often a special prize is given to the student who turns up with both puzzles solved.

Year 11 Math's Day

On Wednesday 28th August Mr. Duncan took the Year 11 Math's Advanced, Extension 1 and aspiring Extension 2 students to Cowra for a HSC preparation day. Here they met teachers and students from across the Central West. The day started off with information about brain science, how to effectively and efficiently master mathematics. Insightful strategies included how to move from extrinsic to intrinsic motivation as well as how mastering Mathematics in the HSC can open opportunities to make real and positive contributions to society.



Students then went on to learn about the more intricate nature of HSC mathematics and the new NSW syllabus, finishing off with hints and tricks to success in the actual HSC exam. All the students got a lot from the day with quite a few commenting at the end that they felt like their brains were going to explode with the new information.



Maths Support

On Thursdays at lunchtime our amazing Maths staff offer their time to help any students who would like one-on-one help that just isn't possible in a class of 25 to 30 students. Also, the Maths room is available to those that just need a little bit of support working on assignments or other school related assignments.

John E. Duncan
Head Teacher Mathematics



Sydney Thunder Visit

On Thursday 5th September members of the Sydney Thunder cricket team came to our school to talk to interested students about what it is like to be a professional athlete, the pathways available to a career in cricket and other interesting topics. Australian Women's' player Rene Farrell and young up and coming superstar Ollie Davies along with NSW Cricket representative Michael Minns engaged the students in a wonderful Q & A session.

The students were then given the experience of running games of modified cricket aimed at primary school students in preparation for the big gala day being held at Walker Park on Tuesday 24th September. This gala day will be the biggest of its kind in NSW and our students will assist by coaching, umpiring and scoring the 34 games that will happen all at once. We would like to thank Michael, Rene and Ollie for this fantastic opportunity.



AFP Young Leaders Forum

Last Thursday Ksarna Barnsley and Charli Henderson were invited to participate in a leadership forum hosted by the Australian Federal Police. They spent the day with other like-minded young women, starting out with a keynote address from Bindi and Robert Irwin. They spoke about how anyone can make a change in the world, and gave the example of their own charity, Uniforms 4 Kids, which upcycles old police uniforms into bags and clothes for children in Australia.



The girls (after chatting with Bindi and Robert) headed out to the AFP College in Barton where they discussed all things policing and mentoring and had a play with the police dogs-in-training.

Y-PEP Incursion

Last Friday we welcomed the YCWA to YHS to run a program for all Year 7 students called Y-PEP (Youth Protection Education Program). The presenters, Emily and Andy were enthusiastic and friendly, covering difficult topics around self-protection with kindness and teaching the students about strategies and where to get help if they encounter difficulties.



The presenters had a competition, which was won by the “Serena Williams” team – congratulations girls!

Remember, if you have any problems you can call Kid’s Helpline on 1800 55 1800 or visit kidshelpline.com.au

YHS Healthy Canteen

Well done to our Canteen team on achieving a healthy school canteen. I would like to thank Anne Farmer, Trudy Polsen and Michelle Lees, as well as our active P&C Canteen Committee, for their very important contribution to supporting the health and wellbeing of our students.

The NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy is a key initiative to support the Premier's Priority to tackle childhood obesity. Having a healthy canteen means that our students are more likely to develop healthy eating habits that will have a long-term impact on improving their lives.



To recognise this achievement, YHS has been awarded the Healthy School Canteen Badge and Certificate.

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: Floyd Cummings

Year 8: Olivia McHugh

Year 9: Zac Noake and Ben Hewett

Year 10: Jaime Burgess

Year 11: Talissa Polsen

Year 12: Makayla Cameron



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03/09/2019

NAPLAN: School Readiness Testing

Dear Parents/Carers

Our school will be transitioning to NAPLAN Online in 2020. This means our students will complete NAPLAN assessments online rather than on paper. Our school will be participating in a series of activities to prepare for the transition to NAPLAN Online. These preparation activities will confirm that our school is ready to transition to NAPLAN Online in 2020. Our teachers and students will be involved in preparation and practice activities in the lead up to 2020 NAPLAN. This will include participation in a School readiness test on 12th and 13th September 2019 and a further online practice test during March 2020, where students will have a further opportunity to become familiar with the online platform and the type of questions they will be asked in NAPLAN Online. More information about NAPLAN Online, can be found on the NSW Department of Education's NAPLAN Online website. www.education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/studentassessment/naplan-online/getting-ready/parentinformation

Yass High School will be conducting the School Readiness Tests with our year 7 students on 12th and 13th September. All year 7 students will be required to bring a set of ear/headphones for the test. If you don't wish for your child to be a part of the school readiness test can you please contact the school office to inform them of this **prior to 10th September**.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Linda Langton
Principal

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SUMMER SLAM 2019

NEW TEAM FORMAT
(for NSG and Juniors)

PICK A BUDDY!!

When registering, players can name a buddy they would like to play in the same team with for the Summer Slam!

Team lists will then be posted prior to the first game on 17/10/19.

REGISTRATIONS (close 5/10/19)

yassna.nsw.netball.com.au
or mynetball.com.au



SUMMER SLAM 2019

REGISTRATIONS

ALL GAMES PLAYED THURSDAY NIGHTS

17/10/19 to 5/12/19

NSG / Juniors start 5pm - Opens from 6pm

Did you register in the Winter Comp 2019?
Re-register for **FREE!!!**

New registrations:

- * NetSetGo (8-9 years) \$75
- * Juniors (10-17 years) \$50
- * Opens (Highschoolers+) \$75

ALL REGISTRATIONS

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or mynetball.com.au





Royal Far West, in partnership with the Southern Local Health District, with support from the Goulburn Place Plan – NSW Department of Communities and Justice and the Department of Education, brings you the

HEALTHY KIDS BUS STOP GOULBURN

TUESDAY 19 – THURSDAY 21 November 2019

What is the Healthy Kids Bus Stop?

The Healthy Kids Bus Stop is a **FREE** child health check and pathway to care program for children aged 3-5 years old. The program includes:

- ☞ A comprehensive child health check
- ☞ Hearing check
- ☞ Oral Health
- ☞ Fine and gross motor skill assessment
- ☞ Speech assessment
- ☞ Food and Nutritional assessment

How do I book my child in?

Registrations are essential. Please ask your local preschool or school for a form or fill in the online form by Googling “Healthy Kids Bus Stop” or call Royal Far West on **0408 555 249**.

As this is a comprehensive health check please allow up to 2.5 hours for appointments.

Why are health checks important?

Regular health checks keep kids healthy. Health checks will identify lifestyle, development or illness-related issues and will help your child be healthy and fit and ready to learn when they start school.

Where will it be held?

Goulburn Public School Library
204 Bourke Street,
Goulburn NSW 2580

What do I need to bring?

- ☞ Your child’s Blue Book
- ☞ Your child’s hat
- ☞ Your child’s drink bottle
- ☞ Snacks for your child



Coming Events

Date	Event
Friday 13 th September	Sunsmart Student Ambassador Program
Friday 13 th September	Year 12 Studies Breakfast
Friday 13 th September	Australian Botanic Gardens
Monday 16 th September	Year 10 Boys War Memorial
Friday 20 th September	Year 11 Final Exams
Monday 23 rd September	National Gallery
Monday 23 rd September	Questacon
Thursday 19 th September	NAIDOC Day Celebrations
Friday 20 th September	Vaccination Day
Monday 23 rd September	Vaccination Catch-up Day
Tuesday 24 th September	Cricket NSW Gala Day
Thursday 26 th September	Year 12 Graduation Evening
Friday 27 th September	Year 12 Final Assembly
Monday 13 th October	First Day Term 4

[Click on the school website for the online calendar](#)

Remember assessment tasks dates due are available on school website [assessment calendars](#)