Year 11 Access Camp

Year 7 Wambangalang
We are very pleased to announce that Ms Gordon (Visual Arts) and Ms Kerin (Hospitality) will be employed at YCS for the whole of 2013. We look forward to having them continue teaching across K-12 this year.

Thank you to the many local employers/farmers who are involved in the Land Links program Mr McLaurin has initiated at our school. Last Thursday night we hosted a BBQ to launch the program where our students will participate one day a week in a ten week work placement program to develop work related skills.

Our ‘Clean Up Australia Day’ in Yeoval has been postponed to this Friday due to the rain last week.

Good luck to our Science and Engineering students involved in their challenges this week in Dubbo.

Included in this newsletter is the “Authority to Publish” form. Due to departmental regulations this form is to be completed at the beginning of each year. All family members can be included on the one form.

Nicole Bugeja
Principal (Rlg)

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

No Hat No Play
Chewing gum is banned
No aerosol cans
No cans of drink at school

PRIMARY ASSEMBLY:
Primary Assembly will be held on Friday 8 March at 12.45 pm. All welcome.

COMING EVENTS:
5 March: Science/Engineering Challenge, Primary
7 March: Science/Engineering Challenge, Year 10
8 March: WPSSA Swimming
12 March: Yrs 8 & 10 Canoeing
13 March: Water Polo
14 March: Yr 9 Canoeing

KIDZ QUIZ:
All students are invited to complete the quiz and hand it in at the office by Thursday each week by 3.20 pm.

1. The distance from the centre of a circle to its edge is called what?
2. What is the third planet from the sun?
3. Does an octopus give birth to live babies or lay eggs?
4. How many square faces does a cube have?
5. What does an entomologist study?

MATHLETICS:
Congratulations to the following students who received awards this week:
Silver: Joshua McClure, Hannah Taylor.
Gold: Bridget Smith.

MERIT AWARDS:
Congratulations to the following students who have received awards in the Student Merit System:
**LAND LINKS BBQ:**

Though Thursday evening last week teemed with rain, farmers turned out in force to support Yeoval Central School’s Land Links program.

The aim of Land Links is to reengage students with school and provide a practical format for learning skills for employment and values for life.

An informal BBQ was held to introduce students and farmers and work out details of the program. It is hoped that in the near future students will work on local properties or with other employers for one day per week over a ten week period. Farmers talked enthusiastically about providing students with opportunities to acquire certificates through TAFE as well as work locally. Mr McLaurin and Ms Bugeja were thrilled with the response and thank all those involved.

Jock McLaurin

**YEARS 7—12 ASSESSMENT TASKS**

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| YEAR 12 | WEEK 9 | HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS |

**VEGETABLES: EAT A RAINBOW EVERYDAY!**

Choose a variety of vegetables at each meal. Aim to have as many colours on your plate as possible: different coloured vegetables have different vitamins and minerals that we need for good health, so eating a range of colours will not only help you to be healthy, it will also make healthy eating look deliciously irresistible! Include greens (peas, beans, broccoli, spinach), orange (carrot, sweet potato), yellow (corn, cauliflower, capsicum), red (capsicum), purple (eggplant) ... the list is endless!

by GWAHS dietitian Chloe Ratcliffe
ASSEMBLIES:

Primary Class of the Week: Years 3/4 for working hard on the skill of the week.
Secondary Class of the Week: Years 9/10 for great work in Timber and English.

Students of the Week:

Kindergarten: Jonathan Molnar
For excellent participation in Literacy groups.

Years 1/2: Lachlan Hall
For contributing useful information to classroom discussions.

Years 3/4: Zali Wakely
For great mathematical thinking.

Years 5/6: Bridget Smith
For being a model student in all facets of school.

Year 9: Jack Berney
For positive attitude towards all subjects.

Primary Merit Awards:

ACCESS CAMP 2013:

Over 50 Year 11 Western Access students gathered at Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation Centre for three days of classes, sporting and team building activities. Numerous opportunities were made available to the students to build repour among themselves and their teachers.

‘WAP Camp’ marks the true beginning each year for the Preliminary course of the Western Access Program.

By this stage students have finalised their subject choices, the video conferences with their teachers (Subject Coordinators) conferences have settled into the ‘two a week pattern’ and had ‘face to face’ time with their co-teachers within their own schools.

The camp sessions were either subject based or opportunities for students to mix and get to know each other.

Primary Industries participated in a fencing practical, Visual Arts the skills of watercolour, Hospitality the fancy cuts for various fruit and vegetables, Biology explored the fossils collection provided by one of the Australian Museum’s ‘Museum in a Box’ – fossil collection. A sexual health session was provided by NSW Community Health workers from the Orange Kite St Clinic, Drama teacher; Rachel Cody trained teams in Theatresports who performed for the remainder of the students and staff later that evening. Sport and Recreational staff ran the traditional Star Wars game, a favourite for the last night as well as provided instruction and some fun filled experience in canoeing, archery, raft building, mountain bike riding and grass skiing intermittently over the three days.

Thursday’s timetable included participation from the program’s partnership schools Mendooran and Coonamble whose students study only one or two subjects.

The camp has again successfully provided the opportunity for students and teachers to establish a strong relationship base for learning over the next two years, strengthening links between schools, staff and especially students who will need to work together and support each other to achieve their common goal of a HSC.

Camp Coordinator