Congratulations to Yeoval Central School primary students who were involved with the 3 Way Swimming Carnival! Your efforts in the water were amazing but your behaviour out of the water was just as impressive. Throughout the day we saw many competitors having a go and most were place-getters. This was definitely the case in the relays and I’m happy to announce that Yeoval was victorious in every single one!

A big thank you to parents who helped on the day, Susie Porch, Renee McClure, Alison and Chris Smith, who were all on time-keeper duties. I’d also like to thank everyone for wishing me a happy birthday. Overall the students were successful in representing Yeoval and I look forward to seeing the amazing efforts continue at the upcoming NARRAF swimming carnival for those who qualified.

Miss Kate Border
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:

Congratulations to the students involved in the 3-Way Swimming Carnival. The reports I received was that the students’ behaviour was outstanding, their sportmanship was of the highest quality and their efforts were first class. Well done to all the students and staff involved.

I was unable to be at the 3-Way Carnival as I was at a conference with other secondary principals in Dubbo last Thursday and Friday. An exciting presentation was one on BYOD or Bring Your Own Device. The presenter was brilliant at demonstrating how to make the classroom even more engaging using Google apps and Microsoft 365. I am hopeful when I get my skills up to speed I will make one of our assemblies interactive for students and parents using this technology.

Congratulations to the P and C for electing the new executive for 2015. I’m excited with the direction and focus of the P and C and look forward to working with them for the rest of the year. I also encourage any new members to come to the next meeting and be part of such a proactive group.

It has been pleasing to see Year 7 settle in to their secondary education. Teachers have commented on how enthusiastic and conscientious they have been with their studies. No doubt on Thursday and Friday they will have an awesome time at Year 7 Camp and look forward to hearing about all the fun activities that they will be involved in.

Years 7-10 will be issued with their Assessment Programs and will be guided through how to use them to their best advantage.

The programs need to be referred to when determining when assessments are due, what to do if a student is sick or away, when a task is due as well as other details to support them when tasks are due.

All the statistics show that children whom attend school every day do much better not only at school, but beyond school as well. Think of the maths involved:-

- If absent for just 1 day per week this is 10 days per term.
- Or 40 days per year which equates to 8 weeks of the year. Nearly a full term!
- Do this from Year K-6 and 56 weeks or nearly 1.5 school years are missed.
- Do this from Year 7-10 and 32 weeks or nearly a year of school is missed.

This is schooling that can’t be caught up on, each day counts. Of course we know that sickness can prevent attendance, but can we encourage you to send a note to the school ASAP to explain the absence.

Scott Olsson
Principal Rlg

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Following are the results from the recent AGM:

**President:** Michele Kerin

**Vice President:** Amanda Cameron and Gaela Elliott

**Secretary:** Brooke Cusack

**Treasurer:** Sara Cannon

**Fundraising Coordinator:** Brooke Phillips
(Raffles, Mothers Day and Fathers Day stalls etc)

**Grants Coordinator:** Nikki Tremain-Hennock

**Catering Coordinator:** Amanda Cameron

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**WESTERN ACCESS PROGRAM METALS TRAINING DAY**

On Wednesday the 11/2/15 WAP students attended a training day at Peak Hill Central School. The focus of the day was Manual Metal Arc Welding and using Workshop Machines for Basic Operations. Charles worked predominantly on a scratch gauge whilst Peak Hill students enjoyed using the stick welder to carry out manual metal arc welding activities. In week 8 students will be assessed in these areas at Yeoval and present their completed practical work.

*Mr Jock McLaurin*

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**TERM 1 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE**

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**ACCESS CAMP**

Don’t forget...Access Camp for Preliminary students is in Week 5, **25 - 27 February**.
Weekly Awards

ASSEMBLY:
Primary Class of the Week:
Years 5/6
For being well organised, independent learners.

Secondary Class of the Week:
Year 7/8 Music
For inspired recorder ensemble performance.

MATHLETICS:
Bronze: Caleb McClure, Phoenix Blatch, Connor Wilkin, Hin Yin Foster.
Silver: Lauren Zell

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:
Years K/1/2
Lyndsey Tremain
For her commitment to all learning tasks.

Years 3/4:
Joshua McClure
For his enthusiasm and high interest in Mathematics lessons.

Years 5/6:
Zachariah Millstead
For his determined and diligent skill in Creative Arts.

Years 7/8:
Brian Peacock
For his outstanding Picasso artwork.

Years 9/10:
Ben Einhaus
For his polite demeanour and work ethic.

Years 11:
Kailee Hoswell Parsons
For improved confidence and positive outlook.

NOTES DUE FOR RETURN
* Life Education
* Access Camp
* Wambangalang Camp
* NARRAF Swimming

Future YCS Student!!!

We were excited to have a visit last week from the latest addition to the YCS family, little Lucy Monique Bliss! Darby (a prospective baby-sitter) had a cuddle.