From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Young North P.S.

This will be the last newsletter for the term and I would like to thank everyone for their hard work during what has been a busy and productive time at the school.

Parents are reminded that the first Monday of next term is a long weekend so students will return to school on Tuesday 7th October.

I have included some photos of students after their return from the Stage 3 camp at Milson Island. While the weather was wet at times the campers reported that Milson Island is a great Sport & Recreation venue. I think it is important that we remember to be thankful for the teachers and parents who accompany our kids on camps as they do this voluntarily and do not receive any reimbursement for their extra time. The simplest way I know is just a ‘thankyou’ as I know our staff and Mr Dreverman take very seriously the big responsibility of being the step in parent for nearly 60 children for a few days.

Finally next week will see Mrs Bullock retire. Marilyn has been an amazing support to me as Principal and it is with genuine personal sadness but with heartfelt best wishes that we say farewell. However, I am sure we will see her dropping in from time to time. This term also sees us farewelling Mrs Jackie Knight who has been both a dedicated parent and support staff member of the school. In these two people we have been lucky to have the best of Public Education supporters.

Best wishes,
Kel Smerdon
Principal
Playgroups
Mobile playgroups are held in the hall each week as outlined below. Preschool socialisation is shown to greatly support children's development and readiness for school. On top of that you get to chat to some other grown ups while the kids leave you alone for a while 😊

Koori Playgroup– Even Week Thursdays 9:30-11:30
Playgroup– Odd Week Wednesdays 9:30-11:30

School Staffing
The school's third Assistant Principal position will be staffed by the end of Week 2 in Term 4. A strong group of applications has been received and the panel looks forward to finding a great person for the job. Mr Cant will also be re-joining Young North PS commencing Term 4 when he takes over 3/4P. We look forward to seeing him on his return from his work in the UK. Mrs Trantino will be filling in as Admin Manager in the office until Mrs Bullocks position is filled permanently. We would like to thank Miss McMillan who has done a great job looking after 3/4P this term.

Young North Basketballers
Our two teams representing in the town basketball competition competed in the finals over the last two weeks. Our 3/4 team were stand out improvers bowing out in the semi-finals while our 5/6 team were victorious in a super tight grand final. We have to thank Mr Collins who has given up lots of his time helping the teams and was also recently manager of the undefeated PSSA NSW girls team at the National Championships. Great job!

Uniform Orders
Thanks to all students who are looking great in their winter uniforms. Things to remember:
1. Long and Short Polos available at School from the Office
2. We have two suppliers of Uniform YES and ASK Printing with order forms for ASK available from the office or website.
3. BOTTOMS are PLAIN NAVY! Please don't buy white striped pants.
4. JUMPERS are royal blue. Polar fleece jumpers are available from $27 and jackets are $55. Please do not buy navy or black.

NEXT WEEK! Let's all get there!!!
Tuesday 16th September @ 6:30pm

P&C Email List: Contact Emma Bigwood to be included at thebigwoods@bigpond.com

HOT NEWS
SCHOOL LONG & SHORT POLOS AVAILABLE DIRECTLY FROM THE OFFICE. In Stock now!!
Short: $27  Long: $30

South West Slopes School Banking
Student banking packs available from the office.

SOUTH WEST SLOPES CREDIT UNION

Boorowa Carnival
Mr Druett has sent out this year's Boorowa Carnival notes. We will be taking 7 teams this year. Please forward permission notes back as soon as possible as this will help with bus arrangements and ensure teams are full.
Enrol Now for Kinder 2015

If you have a child who will begin Kindergarten in 2015 now is the time to enrol. The Early Bird transition Program is outlined below. We look forward to seeing you!

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ICAS Results

Congratulations to Chantelle Bourne who recently achieved a Distinction in the NSW University English Competition. Chantelle has been producing some fantastic academic results this year.

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Young Nth PS Aboriginal Linkage Officer

NAPLAN

It is with some frustration that I cannot share with you all of the NAPLAN data highlights. Parents receive very narrow information that does not include growth data. Today I cast my eye over Year 5 Reading growth. 80% of our students were above state average, the school's average was well above state average and several students were double or triple the state's growth. Enrichment class analysis is also showing that our highest performers are reaching new heights that are comparable to top performers across the state. Importantly, growth data is showing that non enrichment classes are showing the greatest benefit from reduced class sizes and additional aide support. Their growth is fantastic. I understand parents concerns regarding school structures. Please make a time to see me if you wish to ask any questions. We are only too happy to share information and work on any concerns.

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Run, Cheer or Volunteer
The Young Youth Council is organising the Cherry Chase Fun Run to be held on Sunday 16th November. There is a 5km or 10km event and everyone is welcome to participate. You can run or walk it and there will be great entertainment after the run. Get your friends and family together and support this wonderful local event by running, cheering or volunteering. More information and online registration is at www.cherrychase.com.au

Young North PS has been asked to man one of the 'Cheer Stations' along the path. We are looking forward to supporting the Youth Council and encourage you to register to run or come along and cheer with us at the school's station on 16th November.

You are invited to attend

**suicideTALK**

**Thursday**
September 25, 2014
5.30 pm to 7.30 pm
in the
Young Town Hall

**You are invited to attend**

**safeTALK**

**Friday**
September 26, 2014
9.00am to 1 pm
in the
Young Town Hall

Parents, Grandparents, anyone wanting to become confident in dealing with any of the top 10 children's emergencies. A 3hr course developed & presented by Paramedics, combining real life situations with the facts you need to respond in an emergency. An entertaining & educational experience. Visit: [www.kidsfirstaid.com.au](http://www.kidsfirstaid.com.au) or Ph: 1300 138 133.

SOUTHBOUND CINEMA
Southern Cross Hall, Main Street, Young

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PCYC
ACTIVE KIDS
Fridays 9:30 – 10:30 am

PCYC
Young

GRENFELL GOLD FEST
SAT. SEPTEMBER 27TH 2014
10am – 2pm • Main St, Grenfell NSW

Bring your friends and family and step back in time to the 1860’s when gold was first discovered, at the Grenfell Gold Fest.
Country Children's Early Learning
Family Day Care
Family Day Care is growing in Young. We now have 4 Educators offering Long Day Care for children aged 0-5 years and Out Of School Hours care for children up to 13 years. Enrol Now and have your child cared for in a home.
Contact Julia on 02 6236 8305 www.ccel.com.au

Yoga at Young North PS
Led by: Emma Falkenmire
Where: YNth Library
For: All levels
Contact: emma1492@hotmail.com or 0407018106
Days: Sunday 5:00pm and Wednesday 5:30pm sessions
Cost: $4.00 (bargain)

YOUNG TENNIS CENTRE
September Holiday Coaching Camp
Monday 22 - Thursday 25 September 2014.
8.30am - 12.30pm
Cost: $100.00 pp (4 mornings)
Morning tea included.
Bookings to Colin Maher:
0438 228364

Ph:02) 6382 5392
Fax:(02) 6382 4719
The Young Sports
Stadium, Lachlan st Young,
NSW 2594
young@pcycnsw.org.au

Junior Boxing
Ph:02) 6382 5392
Fax:(02) 6382 4719
The Young Sports
Stadium, Lachlan st Young,
NSW 2594
young@pcycnsw.org.au

Wednesday 4pm-5pm
Cost: $5 dollars per class
plus membership ($16.50 srns $11
Jnrns)
For More Info Contact club on details below
CAMP REFLECTIONS...

This is what we liked BEST about camp...

Shailee - My Birthday!!! 😊
Jaime - The Giant Swing
Luke - Staying in the cabins with my friends
Shannae - Watching the seal show at Taronga Zoo
Mili - Learning about the history of the island
Amy - Everything!!!
Angus - Cap-sizing the boat
Arvin - Building the telescope (at school)
Jessica - Canoeing with my friends
Josh - Computer time (at school)
Mollie - Being with friends
Patrick - The orang-utans at Taronga Zoo
Tyler - Night activities
Lauren - Having fun with all my friends
Sophia - Making rocky-road and pizza (at school)
Tristan - Techno Thursday (at school)
Blake - Making damper
Duke - Swimming at the beach
Jordan - Getting buried in sand
Imogen - The Ferry Ride
Faith - Fishing at the beach
Joy - The mini Olympics activity
Tjanayah - Starting the fire to cook damper
Ethan - The Souvenirs
Seth - Bus Trip with All The Movies!
The Choir this year have displayed exceptional performances at Lambing Flat, Relay for life and now we are excited to be a part of a National Project where all schools in Australia have the opportunity to sing the same song at the same time. The project is called ‘Music Count Us In’ The song is ‘Paint you a song’. For more details please visit musiccountusin.org.au. We would also like to ask for you to

PLEASE JOIN US AT YOUNG NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL ON 30th October PRIOR to 12.30pm to hear the whole school join the choir in an amazing performance of an amazing song.
What have we been up to in Social Skills Time?
This term the focus has been on team building skills and co-operation. We have had some great fun working in small groups to achieve a certain goal. These team activities have helped the students to understand the roles of group members, the importance of clear communication and participation. We have explored and experienced successful and sometimes unsuccessful teams through structured small group fun activities and gathered a toolkit for success which contains skills such as:

never giving up
encouraging talk
acceptance of others
participation
listening to others
learning from mistakes
sharing

Our school Values, RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY and EMPATHY also ensure successful teams. Students experienced first hand successes and failures and were able to discuss the feelings they had in both successful and unsuccessful team activities. Students learnt how they can help their teams be more effective, achieve satisfying outcomes and ‘Strive for Excellence’.

Connecting to Reading In the Library
Connecting to reading was this year’s book week theme. Students have spent library lessons discussing how these books touch our past and present experiences, helping all to gain enjoyment at a meaningful level and motivating students to read more and actively borrow from the library. I like to think that one way your child can take responsibly is to remember to return their book to the library and select another. Some children may need some reminders to put their books in their bags and are often disappointed when it comes time to borrow if they haven’t remembered. If this is your child they may benefit from a reminder on their library day. Thanks for your support there. In Library lessons we have been exploring the Children’s Book Council short listed books. Students have enjoyed exploring and Connecting to Reading at their level, formed and expressed their opinions about the books, finally voting on their favourite for this year. Some great quality books have hit the shelves of our library this year and with a refurbishment of the Library commencing in the holidays we look forward to a fresh look and a technologically modern resource centre. So pop in later and check us out.
Dear Parents,

HAROLD MERCHANDISE

For a paper savers life...

Visit Life Education at www.likeducation.org.au or www.likeducation.org.au

Email (optional): 

Children’s Class:

Postcode:

Subject:

Address:

Phone (optional):

I would like to donate to Life Education NSW.

Children of $2.00 or over are tax deductible.

NB Harold products are subject to availability.

| Price  | Description          | Harold Keyring
|--------|----------------------|------------------
| $3.00  | Harold Activity Bag  |
| $1.50  | Harold Stationery Set|
| $0.50  | Tattoo               |

| Price  | Description          | Harold Hand Ball
|--------|----------------------|------------------
| $3.00  | Harold Soft Toy      |
| $3.00  | Harold Hand Ball     |

Product description:

The educator will provide the opportunity for children to purchase these products during the school visit. Please provide the correct money in an envelope with the item written on the face of the envelope along with your child’s name and class. This allows the educator to process orders efficiently and accurately. Orders will be returned by the conclusion of the session. Messages delivered to them during our Life Education session and have either a picture of Harold or the Life Education logo on them.

HAROLD MERCHANDISE supports the fundraising activities of local committees and all proceeds support Life Education. The sale of Harold merchandise to the children whilst the program is visiting each school.

Receipts-minimal assistance from Government funding.

The raising of funds within the community to assist in meeting the shortfall of the life education NSW is a not for profit community-based organisation that relies heavily on the community for feedback and donations.

Best regards,

The Educator
For a Safer Smarter Life

Date

Signature (Parent Guardian)

To attend the Life Education program and endorse

I give permission for

Class

The cost is $9.00 per child

most suitable program for their class from the extensive selection. This can only visits us every two years; teachers have carefully selected the Program's to promote healthy lifestyle, resilience, safety, peer pressure and risk

When Wednesday, 8 October - Thursday, 14 October

Week 1 Term 4

Life Education Van is coming

Don't miss out!