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

I am not going to write my usual blurb as we have put this newsletter together to include all of the nuts and bolts to help you make it through to the end of the year in this busy time. Thanks for a great year and I look forward to seeing you at the Presentation Ceremony on Monday.

Kel Smerdon
Principal Young North PS

Term 4 / 1 Dates to Remember!

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Important Term 4 Dates for Diary

Dec 11: Talent Quest 9:30am
Dec 11: K-2 End of Year Movie Fun Day Southern Cross
Dec 14: 11:30am 2015 Presentation Ceremony

Important 2016 Dates for Diary

Jan 28: Year 1-6 Start
28/1-2/2: Best Start Interviews for Kindergarten
3/2: Kinder’s First Day

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HAM RAFFLE

At Presentation Ceremony
1st Prize – Ham
2nd Prize – Ham
$2 a ticket
Available from Front Office
Kindly donated by Windridge Farms

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Rose Thompson Family Support Worker @ Young North PS Fridays

Here to help with:
Parenting tips, home finance, family relationships, separation, legal proceedings, general family support.

Walk in or make an appointment @ the school office
2016 Book Packs and School Contributions
(as included in reports)

Young North Public School

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Annette's Place Preschool and Child Care Centre.
Register your child now for a place at Annette's Place in 2016 for our preschool, long day care, after school and vacation care. Surrounded by an all-natural environment and serviced by the school bus. Play, laugh and learn at Annette's Place. (02) 6382 2645

Vacation Care
Annette's Place Vacation Care Program starts 21st December with exciting and stimulating activities including excursions, sports days, art and craft led by qualified educators. Please call (02) 6382 2645. Centre closes 4pm 24th December and reopens 5th January 2016.

Cherry Festival Float
A huge thanks to Miss Cant and her helper who made this day possible!

SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS
1 Child $45.00
2 Children $60.00
3+ Children $75.00

These funds directly impact upon the learning environment and resources of our school.

Please note - These packages include all the Work Books the children will require throughout the year.

All packs will be issued from the front office from Monday 14th February 2016.

NEXT P&C 2016.
A huge thanks to our dedicated P&C who this year have helped the school purchase shade shelters, sports uniforms and this week donated $5000 towards library resources and playground games centres!
Book Covers for 2016

A handy suggestion for next year’s book covering. Mrs Trantino tried them out this year with her girls and they come highly recommended. What’s more the school gets a little bit out of each purchase. Worth a look with examples at the Office.

ABOUT EZ COVER
All EZ Cover we have created are gorgeous and cheaper way to cover exercise books. EZ cover are made of the highest quality materials and are guaranteed to last the term. They are also waterproof and machine washable. EZ cover can be made to fit regular exercise books or half exercise books.

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**now available from**

**Front Office**

**Small 9-2**, **Medium 2-7**

**$10**

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**YOUTH GROUP**

*A place to come and hang out, meet people, have afternoon tea, and have some fun!*

Where: “The Shed”

Cnr of Coote & Main

When: Wed’s 3.30-5.30pm

Starts 27th

Who: Young People 13-18yrs

- Fitness -Cooking
- Art -Music
- Hill

Info: 63826328

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**Making Waves Swim School**

Alex Coopland

Mobile: 0429 396 554

Email: making.waves@hotmail.com.au

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**Guitar lessons after school**

Is your child interested in learning the guitar? If so, phone Holly on 63844233 after 6pm for further details.

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**Christmas Tennis Coaching Clinic At the Young Tennis Club**

Date: 21-23 December 2015

Time: 8.30am - 12.30pm daily

Cost: $75.00 (three days) / $30.00 per day.

Tennis games, morning tea, swimming, fun activities all included.

All school age juniors are invited to attend.

Colin Maher - Tennis Australia Coach

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