



*As you sow, so
shall you reap*

YANCO AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

13th July

Students return from
holidays on buses

14th July

Day I Term 3 -
classes resume

17-19th July

Bendigo Sheep and
Wool Fair

28th July

Brainstorming –
The Hurting Game.
Years 7-9

31 July-1 August

Year 11 Snow Trip

2nd-3rd August

Shooting group at
Leeton

5th-13th August

Year 12 Trial HSC
exams

14th August

Buses depart - Desi
Weekend

18th August

Buses return from
Desi Weekend

19th August

Classes resume

22nd-23rd August

Condobolin Show

22nd-24th August

Hook, Line and
Sinkers at Hillston

27th August

Girls Cricket at
Narrandera

28th August

Supplementary
Photo Day

29th-31st August

Dubbo Allbreeds

Heifer Show

Fishing Club to
Hillston

30th August

Barellan Show

Friday, 27th June, 2014
Term 2, Week 9

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*Damian Johnston
CHS NSW Under 16's
Rugby Union Team*

Equestrian team at the Olympic venue at Horsley Park in Sydney -
placed third overall from a large number of schools



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

A great deal has been packed into the nine weeks of a short Term 2 with many highlights and student opportunities. The term concluded on a bang with a highly successful Performance Night, where again enormous talent was unearthed from our students. Year 7 student Jessie Armstrong stole the show with her rendition of *The House Built Me*. Great to see dance back on the repartee and I hope to see this continue into the future. Many students contributed to an outstanding night of entertainment - congratulations to all of them. The packed Hall of parents greatly appreciated the talent on display. With this being the fifth Performance Night, a number of Year 12 students were acknowledged as being there from the start in various capacities – Joshua Beer, George Calman, James Wade, Carl Williams, Steven Butler, Demi King, Jack Webster, Ellen Shepherd and Rick Worland. Of course none of this is possible without the leadership and coordination by staff, ably led by Miss North and supported by Mr Sachs, Mr McGrevy, Mr Gifford, Miss Giles and Mrs Wrightson. Congratulations to all concerned and thank you to all those parents who took the time to attend and support our school.

Two of our boys have achieved at the highest level and the school wishes to acknowledge this achievement. Both Damian Johnston and Zac Saddler have been selected in the CHS State Football teams which have recently competed at the highest level in NSW. Damian in the 16 years Rugby Union and Zac in 15 years Rugby League. It has been a long time since a Yanco student has been selected for sport at the State level and both are to be highly congratulated on such a fine effort. We wish them both the best for their endeavours for higher selection as the time goes on.

Two other students who have also achieved at a high level of late are

1. Ellen Shepherd – Member of the State Wind Band which performed at the Opera House in Sydney on the Monday and Tuesday night of the last week of term
2. Brody MacDonald – Selected as a member of the Australian Shooting Team competing in the USA in Cowboy Lever Action Silhouette in July. This was after becoming the

Australian National Junior Champion at the National Titles in Perth in April.

Reports have been issued at the completion of Semester One. Thank you to the very large number of parents who took the opportunity to speak with teachers regarding the progress of their sons and daughters. As has been conveyed to you, these reports are now on line and you can access the progress of your children at any time along with their assessment tasks. The hard copies were available for you to pick up at the completion of the term. Reading all the reports I was very satisfied with the efforts of the majority and it was a pleasure to recognise many students at the Commendation Assembly last Wednesday. There are lists of the commendations given for performance and effort in this news – well done to all who received awards and I would like to encourage all students to aspire for these for the next assembly at the end of term three.

I would like to acknowledge the following students for being awarded a 'Principals Award for Academic Achievement'.

Year 7 – Jesse Armstrong, Cooper Carter, Emma Dixon, Bianca Smith

Year 8 – Seb Clark, Hayley Dowling, Bryce Johnston, Heather Robinson

Year 9 – Zoe Cunial, Loren Gregory, Lauren Sealey, Alexandra West

Year 10 – Deanna Johnston, Cambell McMaster

Year 11 – Jane Arndt, Skye Bensley, Breanna Carr, Colleen Head, Natalia Henderson, Luke Horrobin, Cameron Ingram, Nathan Morris, Sarah Oost, Marnie Whytcross

Year 12 – Grace Alexander, Steven Butler, George Calman, Jessica Hanrahan, Teia Oliver, Ellen Shepherd, Jack Webster, Chelsea Whytcross



S. Butler Year 12

At the commendation assembly, Year 12 student, Steven Butler was presented with his 'Platinum Award' – this is the highest award in the schools welfare system and Steven should be congratulated for his efforts in attaining the award. All other Year 12 students are encouraged to be looking at

the requirements for platinum and working towards this level prior to completing their schooling.

Our Year 12 students only have 10 weeks of lessons to go prior to sitting the HSC at the beginning of Term 4. The first exam will take place on Monday 13th October. I encourage them to continue to work very hard towards their goals. The time will go very quickly and Year 12 need to now fully focus on the task before them and don't let distractions pull them away from their studies.

The recent Senior Ball, conducted by the P. & C., was an outstanding success and all involved should be very happy with their efforts. With over 400 people present on the night the venue was packed out. Further thought will be required for the 2015 event as there will be substantially more senior students in the school next year than there were this year. The Art Show has been cancelled for 2014 but there is some thought of following a different format in 2015, but unless there is much greater support from parents the resurrection of this important cultural event may not be possible.

The numbers for 2015 are starting to take shape. Offers for Year 7 2015 will be made by Selective Schools in July and I anticipate there will be between 55 and 60 students in Year 7 for next year. There were more applications than we have had in previous years and there will be a long reserves list to ensure all positions are filled. Application forms for Years 8 to 11 have been sent out and close at the end of July. Interviews will take place in late August and early September for these positions but they will be limited. If your son or daughter does not intend to return in 2015 please let us know so we can carefully balance the numbers into the future.

One of the changes we have instituted for Year 11 2015 is to work more closely with the present Year 10 students to ensure they make wise and educated decisions on subjects for the senior years. Surveys indicated students were struggling with subject selection and the Careers Adviser, Mr Cassilles, has led additional work to ensure students and parents were fully informed. Most parents attended the information day last Thursday and I wish to thank them for their time and efforts. Staff have spent a great deal of time in answering questions and advising students about subjects. In addition

students have been given a series of questions to be used to focus their attention on senior studies and these will be due back with the subject sheets. All this documentation was given to families and fully explained at the meeting last Thursday. We all hope this will enable a better start for our Year 11 students in 2015. If you have any further enquiries please don't hesitate to contact the school in the first week of next term.

At the end of Term 2 staff members have chosen to finish their time at Yanco. Science Assistant, Mrs Mary Dodd decided to retire and spend her time with more golf and some travel. Mrs Dodd has given 25 years to the school and made a very positive contribution to the school in both Science and Welfare. She has supported the teaching staff and students over this time at the highest level and we thank her greatly for her efforts over so many years. Mr Tony Daley has worked in our English/History faculty over the past five years and has decided to move on to other things in the future. The school would like to acknowledge their hard work and efforts and wish them all the best in the future.

The visit by Macquarie Fields and Prairiewood High Schools late in the term was an outstanding success. Eighty students and 17 staff spent three days in the school, working with our students and visiting some key agricultural enterprises in the local area. As they travelled back to Sydney they were able to experience what a country university was like at Charles Sturt University. Both these schools are partial selective and are schools of over 1000 students, very different to our own. This is an ongoing initiative which I feel can give great benefit to our students, especially seeing the city side of life but also showing country life to these visiting students. Our students will complete a similar visit to Sydney in Term 4 at a date to be determined.

It gives me great pleasure in announcing two substantial rewards for our students. The Australian Stockhorse Association have committed to a \$2000 scholarship for a Year 11 Equine student in 2015 to be presented at Presentation Day. The agricultural company MacNaught have offered a great prize in dollars and product for the best Agricultural student in Year 12 at the end of the year. Yanco would like to thank these sponsors for such great support for

our students. We expect this sponsorship to continue on well into the future.

Late in Term 2 I had the pleasure to observe our equine students in action at the North West Equestrian Expo at Coonabarabran and the Sydney Interschool's Equestrian at the Olympic venue at Horsley Park in Sydney. At Coonabarabran our results were outstanding and the students have performed well above previous results with a large number of students receiving first prizes. A full report will be in the next newsletter. At Sydney this was our first visit and students again performed at an outstanding level. At the time of writing, full results are still being awaited from the organisers and again this will be in the next newsletter. This event also saw our first sojourn into vaulting and our two teams performed excellently. Coached by Sarah Venamore the cantering team were placed first and the walk team second against teams with much more experience and practise in this event. See later in this edition for wonderful photos.

It still remains a concern that parents withdraw their students from school at crucial times. Any day missing lessons does affect learning and I again request families leave students at school for the full term to take advantage of learning in the classroom. For those parents requesting exemptions please continue to do so but be aware that the reasons need to be very specific and that the words 'family commitments' is insufficient to receive an exemption from school. The other aspect is that these exemptions need to be signed off **PRIOR** to the event as those received after the commencement date cannot be signed off. With only a few issues, the process is running smoothly but please contact the staff in the front office if you require support or questions answered. Be aware these rules are not specific to Yanco and are those issued by the Department of Education and Communities as a result of a coronial inquest. We now have DEC Officers checking our attendance frequently. Be aware that if your child is away from school and it is unexplained you will receive a phone call on the third day to ascertain where they are and why they are away from school.

Have some great family time over the current holiday break and we will resume lessons on Monday, 14th July.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT



**Yr12: Back - C. Whytcross, G. Calman, S. Butler, J. Webster,
Front - T. Oliver, E. Shepherd, J. Hanrahan, G. Alexander**



**Yr 11: Back – J. Arndt, M. Whytcross, L. Horrobin, N. Morris, B. Carr, M. Potter.
Front – C. Ingram, N. Henderson, S. Oost, S. Bensley,**



Year 10: Cambell McMaster, Deanna Johnston



Yr 9: Loren Gregory, Alex West, Lauren Sealey.
Absent - Zoe Cunial



Yr 8: Heather Robinson, Bryce Johnston,
Sebastian Clarke, Hayley Dowling.



Y7: Cooper Carter, Jessie Armstrong, Emma Dixon,
Bianca Smith

2014 TERM 2 COMMENDATION AWARD RECIPIENTS

Year 7 - Jessie Armstrong, Angus Boulton, Damian Cain, Cooper Carter, Kate Cattle, Emma Dixon, Zac Fairweather, Lachlan Henderson, Oswald Herrmann, Lachlan Hughes, Brook-Lyn Johnston, Thomas Lucas, Jack Ray, Georgina Russ, Sophie Ryan, Bianca Smith, Meg Walton, Maddison Williams

Year 8 - William Alexander, William Barnes, Amber Bevan, Mehak Bhangu, Lindsay Brown, Ellie Castle, Sebastian Clarke, Hayley Dowling, Jackson Doyle, Daniel Guilford, Max Harry, Laandi Holland, Grace Hughes, Joel Jenkins, Bryce Johnston, Emily Kearines, Thomas Kimpton, Emma Kuerschner, Abbey McCloskey, Lyndsey Mitchell, John Mullins, Olivia Reid, Heather Robinson, Beau Routley, Arrabel Smith, Zoe Thomas, Brianna White

Year 9 - Thomas Arnold, Reid Burley, Charlotte Butt, Olivia Carbone, Zoe Cunial, Benjamin Davis, Cameron Hall, Abbie Hurst, Grace Kalinin, Cooper Lawson, Zoe Potter, Annalise Potts, Lauren Sealey, Matthew Seymour, Angus Smyth, Brooke Streat, Alison Treloar, Sebastian Webb, Alexandra Westg Matthew Young

Year 10 - Olivia Alexander, Grace Armour, Kimberley Butler, Aaron Cain, Claudia Cheers, Tarhlia Claydon, Zoe Cumming, Bronte Doyle, Olivia Gay, Courtney Gleeson, Natasha Greenshields, Michael Hoskinson, Lauren Hughes, Deanna Johnston, Claudia Kuerschner, Meagan Lette, Brydie Mannion, Logan Manwaring, Cambell McMaster, Sally McNiff, Shayla Mulholland, Claire Tagliapietra, Shanae Uebergang, Hannah Williams

Year 11 - Harry Beal, Caitlyn Beer, Emily Belling, Skye Bensley, Darcy Booth, Jasmine Boyland, Steven Burrows, Eliza Caldwell, Breanna Carr, Lyndon Edgerton, Hayley Fairfull, Natalia Henderson, Heidi Johnston, James Littlehales, Jeremy MacKay, Lachlan Manwaring, Nathan Morris, Rose Nevinson, Sarah Oost, Meg Potter, Aidan Raeck, Tiarne Smith, Courtney Stubberfield, Lillian Tomlinson, Jock Ward, Marnie Whytcross

Year 12 - Grace Alexander, Steven Butler, George Calman, Harry Carey, Emily Crick, Jacqueline Ervin, Madalene Haddrill, Jessica Hanrahan, Emily Head, Zoe Howe, Jessica Johnston, Demi King, Dustin Manwaring, Hayley Mildren, Teia Oliver, Ashley Pike, Jessica Power, Tori Romanelli, Adam Saul, Ellen Shepherd, Ellen Stevens, James Wade, Jack Webster, Chelsea Whytcross, Rick Worland

SCHOOL CAPTAINS TRIP TO SYDNEY

On 18th June the four school captains, Steven Butler, Melanie Guttler, Dustin Manwaring, Lilly Serafin were flown up to Sydney with Mr Coelli for a leadership day at Parliament House. The day began trapped in the Narrandera Airport due to heavy fog, but after a long six hour wait we were on our way. After a small sleep in on Thursday we set off to find Parliament House where we were fortunate enough to be introduced to the members of Parliament and listen to their thoughts on what leadership is all about.



We were then taken into Question and Answer time in both the upper and lower house which was a great experience. We then walked to the

governor's residence where we were given a tour around the historic building and then sat in on her Excellency, Professor Marie Bashir's talk about the leadership roles in young people.

AI AND PREGNANCY TESTING COURSE



On Friday, 23rd May a small group of students (Andrew Thorn, Jack Kimpton, Breanna Carr, Emily Belling, Erika Quinn, Kaleb Quinn and Clay McKenzie) started a three day trek (back and forwards) to 'Balaka' at Borambola near Wagga to learn about Artificial Insemination and Pregnancy Testing of cattle. We all had fun learning all about these procedures. Artificial Insemination was a lot of fun and easy to get the gist of it. The hardest part

of the course was distinguishing between a cow that was 5 weeks pregnant or 12 weeks pregnant. I would recommend to anyone from a cattle farm to have a crack at the course because I found it very beneficial. Even the knowledge I gained about proper cattle nutrition will help me in the future. We had a terrific fun three days not only doing the course but also meeting new people, helping damsels in distress by changing their flat tyre and checking out roosters at a poultry show.

Clay McKenzie

CAREERS NEWS

WIN Training Day



Fifteen students in Year 10 are fortunate enough to be taking part in the Work Inspirations program better known as WIN (this used to be known as LYNKS). These students along with 25 Leeton High School students will undertake 14 days of work placement at various business and industries and learn lifelong employability skills from the experience. On 15th May students from both YAHS and Leeton High School attended a training day that took part in our school hall. They learnt about work health and safety, interview tips, the purpose of the WIN program and much more. The main highlight for most students was the employer forum in which students got the chance to hear from a few different local people about their place of work and all that their job entailed. It was a thoroughly enjoyable day and no doubt prepared the students for what they are now experiencing in their work placements.



Careers Expo

All Year 10, 11 and 12 students attended the Western Riverina Tertiary and Careers Expo held at the Leeton Soldiers Club. There were over 50 stalls set up in the auditorium for the students to explore and discover. Stalls included most NSW and ACT universities, TAFE, apprenticeship/traineeship organisations, policing, gap years and much more. It was a very worthwhile experience for all students and most left learning about something new and taking back useful information in the form of magazines, brochures, etc.

La Trobe Experience Day



On Friday, 20th June, 16 students from Year 12 went to La Trobe University's Albury campus. The purpose of this was to attend La Trobe's "Experience Day" in which students were able to see what La Trobe had to offer first hand and see what university life was all about. During the day all students had the opportunity to have an in-depth look into two different career options of their choice. This included education, paramedics, physiotherapy, nursing, social work, business, arts, occupational therapy, podiatry and more. It was a fantastic opportunity for all students and although it was a long day it was more than worth it.

Subject selection information afternoon



On Wednesday, 18th June, all Year 10 students took part in a subject selection information afternoon. This involved being placed into smaller groups and rotating around to different rooms to learn about the many subjects we have on offer for 2015. Head Teachers had the opportunity to inform students about all the subjects on offer for next year in Year 11 and presented PowerPoint's, textbooks, guest speakers, information sheets and more. This gave students a chance to learn and ask questions regarding their choices for Senior School. It was a very successful afternoon and I thank all Head Teachers and students for cooperating and helping the afternoon to run as smooth as it did.



Apprenticeship and Traineeship Day

Year 10 had more information given to them on 23rd June with three guest speakers at the school discussing apprenticeships and traineeships. Guest speakers included Paul Burley from Australian Business Apprenticeships Centre, Frank Valenzisi from GetSet and Amanda Hooper from GTES. Students learnt about school based apprenticeships and traineeships, regular apprenticeships and traineeships, what group training organisations are and can do for them, as well as tips on finding employment and how important interviews and first impressions really are. Thanks again for the students and speakers for making it a worthwhile session.



Nathan Cassilles

RUGBY UNION SUCCESS

Ryan Van Gemert, Damian Johnston and Toby Afflick, were selected in the CHS Riverina School Boys Rugby Union team to play in a CHS Tournament in Newcastle.



Ryan, Damian and Toby

On day one they lost two games, but as the tournament went on, the team improved, with a loss on the bell on the second day, and a 37 to 7 win on the third day against Western. This win, was Riverina's first win since 1993. The boys played well, against predominantly 18 year olds. Damian ended up being selected in the CHS NSW U'16's Schoolboy Rugby Team.

UC BRUMBIES RUGBY COLLEGE 7'S WINNER

Yanco Open 7's Rugby Union team enjoyed a trip to Canberra to contest the UC Brumbies College Opens 7's title. The boys played well winning against Erindale College in the first match. The boys then defeated St Francis Xavier College 17 – 5 in the final. The team played well as group but were ably led around the park by Luke Horrobin, James Rapley, Darcy Booth and Will Booth.



AFL SUCCESS



Yanco representatives in the Riverina Southwest AFL under 15 team which played in the State Finals in Wagga recently - William Alexander, Zac Saddler, Luke Pyle and Seb Webb.

The Riverina Southwest team were third in this carnival

HOSPITALITY NEWS

This term Year 11 and 12 Hospitality Students catered for the Regional Principals Luncheon, as well as participating in the Jamie Oliver's Food Revolution Day on 16th



May. The Rainbow Salad wrap was one of the choices on the menu. This has become a very worthwhile function for our students and the Principals enjoy and appreciate what the students serve. We were also able to put our new display cabinet to good use showing a sample plating of each dish on the menu.



ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Friday, 16th May, 75 enthusiastic students travelled to Griffith for the Zone Athletics Carnival. The students had an extremely successful day, with quite a few students winning their events and making in onto the Riverina Carnival.

The following students were age champions in their division -

- Cooper Carter 12yr Boys
- Remi Wilton 17+ Girls

Overall, on the day Yanco Agricultural High School came second behind Wade High School.

46 students were successful in making it onto the Riverina Carnival which will be held in Albury on Tuesday 5th August, (Week 4, Term 3). Well done to all students who participated and encouraged their fellow peers. Thank you also to Mr Ash and Mr Sachs for their support during the day.

Alison Giles

RIVERINA CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

On Tuesday, 17th June, 21 students travelled to Gundagai to compete in the Riverina Cross Country Carnival. It turned out to be a beautiful day and all students ran exceptionally well.



Fourteen students have made it to the State Cross Country Carnival, which will be held in Sydney on Friday the 18th July (Week 1, Term 3).

The following students have made it onto the State Carnival:

12yr Boys - Cooper Carter, William Carbone,
Damien Cain

13yr Girls - Amber Bevan (6th)

15yr Boys - Reid Burley (5th)

15yr Girls - Chloe Ward (5th), Loren Gregory,
Lauren Sealey

17yr Boys - Jock Ward (5th), Cooper Thatcher (6th)
Liam McCallum

17yr Girls - Erika Quinn (3rd)

18yr Girls - Melanie Guttler (1st), Ellen Shepherd
(3rd)

Well done to all students who competed!

Alison Giles

SENIOR DEBATING REPORT

On 29th May the senior debating team, Jane Arndt, Natalia Henderson, Rebecca Ritchie and Marnie Whytcross, travelled to Finley High School with Mrs Carn to compete against their Senior Debating team.

Our debating team started the day by competing against Finley's year 11 team. We were given the topic 'The internet should only be accessible to people over 18'. We tossed a coin and we received the negative for debate. We then had to go into a room and write arguments against the topic.

Natalia was our first speaker and she kicked off our topic strongly, followed by Rebecca who was the second speaker; she came out with some strong rebuttals and argued her point clearly. Jane was third speaker and she concluded the topic very well. At the end of the debate it was a close call as to which team was going to win, but in the end Finley came out on top with only four points difference.

Our next opponents were the Year 12 team. We were given a new topic 'Schools should make their own decisions' and had another hour to get our debate ready. The order of speakers was kept the same. It was a very strong debate by both sides, and Finley had some great points, but in the end the Yanco Senior Debating Team pulled through with a convincing win. We were all very excited as it had been a long time since a Yanco debating team had won and this was our first win for the debating season. Overall it was a great day and all the girls performed at their best ability.

SRC CONFERENCE REPORT

On Thursday afternoon straight after school six SRC members set out on a long journey to Sydney for the annual South West Sydney Regional Student Leadership Conference. Max Hatty, Bryce Johnston, Mitchell Cattle, Charlotte Butt, Kimberley Butler and Deanna Johnston were the team, accompanied by Mr Sachs and Miss Mercuri. The trip down to Sydney was a long one, with us having to endure Mr Sachs' 70's music. We arrived at Hurlstone Agricultural High School at around 10.30pm and took us a solid 15 minutes to find the building we were staying in!

The next morning we were up early to pack the bus and get ready for the SRC conference. We had breakfast at Hurlstone which was very different to our school as there are very few boarders.

On our arrival at Prairiewood High School we signed in for the conference and talked to a few kids from other schools. We were very nervous as it was a very daunting experience. First on the agenda was a Keynote Address from former Australian Diamonds Netballer Mo'onia Gerrard. Mo'onia spoke about what it takes to be a successful leader and team player. We all found her talk very inspirational and a couple of us had the opportunity to personally meet her.



Charlotte, Deanna & Kimberley with Mo'onia Gerrard.



Deanna participating in leadership activities

For our next session we all broke off into six different groups and went outside for trust building activities. This was a great way for us to mingle and get to know students from schools like Prairiewood High, Macquarie Fields, Hurlstone and Mac Arthur Sports. Next was lunch and we got the chance to

talk to SRC reps from the other schools and find out the many things they are doing with their schools.



Kimberley participating in trust building activities.

We then had NSW Youth Representatives from the United Nations give us a video presentation on 'Advocating for Change'. We then had to each write down our 'great perhaps' which is a hope or dream we have for the world. In September, our 'great perhaps' will be taken to New York, where they will be presented to the United Nations on behalf of Australian Youth.

The last part of the conference was a special Keynote address from Mr Murat Dizdar who is the



Participating in a discussion with the Youth League Rep, with students from other schools.

Executive Director of Public Schools in NSW. We participated in a Q&A where we had the chance to



Charlotte getting to know students from other schools.

ask Mr Dizdar about his role as a leader and his career. After the Conference we got back on the bus and headed back to school. On behalf of the SRC we would like to thank Miss Mercuri and Mr Sachs for giving us the opportunity to go to Sydney for the conference.

By Kimberley Butler and Deanna Johnstone

MAQUARIE FIELDS AND PRAIRIEWOOD HIGH SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP VISIT





2015 OVERSEAS TRIP

Below is the draft itinerary for the trip to England, France and Turkey that will be held next year. The estimated cost is \$6,550 per person (twin share) plus taxes and parents are welcome to participate along with their children. The payment schedule and other details are available by contacting Bruce Hammond at the school or email to bruce.e.hammond@det.nsw.edu.au

DATE		OVERNIGHT	MEALS INCLUDED
Saturday 27th June	Depart Sydney Airport in the afternoon for Manchester		In flight
Sunday 28th June	Arrive Manchester early morning. Tour Manchester and Leeds then travel to Hull	Hull	Breakfast in flight. Own lunch and dinner
Monday 29th June	Tour Bishop Butron College Agriculture and Equine facilities	Hull or en route to London	Breakfast, welcome dinner
Tuesday 30th June	Visit Agricultural enterprises at Nottingham en route to London	London	Breakfast
Wednesday 1st July	London	London	Breakfast
Thursday 2nd July	London tour then fast train to Lille	Lille	Breakfast
Friday 3rd July	Western Front	Amiens	Breakfast
Saturday 4th July	Battlefield visits en route from Amiens to Paris	Paris	Breakfast
Sunday 5th July	Paris	Paris	Breakfast
Monday 6th July	Fly from Paris to Istanbul then river cruise	Istanbul	Breakfast
Tuesday 7th July	Tour Istanbul then travel to Gallipoli	Canakkale	Breakfast
Wednesday 8th July	Gallipoli Battlefields	Canakkale	Breakfast
Thursday 9th July	Dawn Service and Battlefields	Canakkale	Breakfast at ANZAC Cove or Hotel Kum
Friday 10th July	Tour Agricultural activities en route to Bursa	Bursa	Breakfast, farewell dinner
Saturday 11th July	Bursa then travel to Istanbul and depart 1:40 pm for Sydney		Breakfast
Sunday 12th July	Arrive Sydney at 4:40 pm	Sydney	In flight

BOWRAL SHOOTING WEEKEND



On the Range Sunday morning after setting targets for Silhouette. (No it's not snow or frost, just lime to be able to see the targets better)

We headed out at lunchtime on Friday, 19th June with a small group of 11 for the six hour trip to Bowral. We arrived and then settled in to the Bill's bunkhouse.

On the Saturday we got up at 7.30am and started off with the 3P match, which involves shooting a total of 60 shots in three different



Shooting prone in the 3P match

positions, these are Prone (laying down), Sitting/Kneeling and Offhand (standing unsupported). Then we shot the cowboy lever action silhouettes with Zac Liley earning his Junior Proficiency.



Throughout this day the placements were:

1 st	Andrew Thorn	258.1 points
2 nd	Zac Liley	234.1 points

3rd James Kearines 229.1 points

4th Lachlan Hughes 223 points

On the Sunday we finished off with the RMS, small metal targets shot standing offhand with a scoped rifle. Jacob Skinner shooting a score of 22 out of 40 and achieving his silver award, Zac Liley achieving his Junior Proficiency and Lachlan Hughes scoring 18 out of 40 and earning his Junior Proficiency and Bronze Award and then we said our farewells and set off back to school.



Jacob Skinner receiving his award

We would like to thank all the people involved with the great weekend including Mr Sachs, Robert and Kathy Tobler, Tim and Kim and the many others who made this weekend possible. Without them we wouldn't have had a very fun weekend.

By Matthew Young and James Kearines.

AEROSOL SPRAY CANS ARE PROHIBITED IN ALL NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Aerosol spray cans are prohibited at all NSW Public Schools!



It is essential to understand that aerosol spray cans of deodorant are prohibited at all NSW Public schools due to the dangerous effect they can have on some students' health.

Students are not to bring these products to school. Suitable roll-on or pump spray alternatives are permitted.

If an aerosol can is found at school it will be confiscated and returned to the parent when they come to retrieve it.

These products are NOT to be taken on any excursion or school camp for the same reason.

HOLBROOK SHOW REPORT

Sixteen students, fourteen sheep, Mrs Quinn and Mr



Dixon went to the Holbrook Sheep and Wool Fair from the 11th to the 13th of June. The weather held up for the first two days for the School's workshops and Interschool's competitions. The students participated in workshops on Meat Sheep and

Wool Judging and animal health. We also looked at stud Merino sheep and watched a shearing demonstration.

In the School's competition, the students paraded the sheep, and we were awarded first in the 4-tooth ewe class and then Champion Ewe, with 120093, a ewe by an AI Bundara Downs sire, out of a Tattykeel ewe. Molly Cornish was secretly selected out of 150 students for the Champion Junior Handlers Award.



The Merino Junior Judging Competition was won by Deanna Johnston, with Angus Smyth coming second. In the Riverina final of the Junior Meat Sheep Judging, Deanna Johnston placed second and Molly Cornish placed fourth, qualifying for the State Finals of the Meat Sheep Judging at the Sydney Royal Show in 2015.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Too sick for school?

As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It's often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For

safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Teenager's seeking more independence

Knowing how much freedom and responsibility to give your teenager is difficult, especially if they're your eldest or only child. To become capable adults, teenagers need to learn to make good decisions on their own and have opportunities to show you they can. The Raising Children Network website has a wealth of expert information and guidance for parents of teens and younger children. If your child is testing the boundaries and pushing for more independence, you may find the article 'Shifting responsibility to your child' worth reading. Go to www.bit.ly/1jCxKhe

Study help for high school.

It's often quite difficult for parents to assist their children with their high school homework and study. Even if we have professional experience in the subject area, children tend to find it difficult to take parental advice when it comes to school. (Don't feel bad, teachers' own children do exactly the same thing.) www.khanacademy.org is an excellent, not-for-profit website which may help your child study and revise tricky concepts in science, maths and the humanities.

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