



*As you sow, so
shall you reap*

YANCO AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

April/May, 2019 Term 2, Week 6

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 7th

DESI Long Weekend
travel day

June 11

DESI return travel day

June 10th –12th

Shorthorn Bull Sale

June 14th

Riverina Cross Country.

June 15th

McCaughey Ball

June 21st

SW Zone Athletics,
Griffith

June 25th

Year 12 CSU Explore Day

June 27th

HSC Science Study Day

June 30 - July 5th

Coonabarabran - Equine

July 3rd

Paddock to Plate Evening

July 4th

Commendation Assembly
Parent Teacher Interviews
Performance Night

July 5th

Students Travel Home



GOAT SHOWSTOCK—Third Place Paul Hudson



HOG SHOWSTOCK TEAM

ABSENTEE NOTIFICATION

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason please call and/or email the front office with this information.

yancoag-h.admin@det.nsw.edu.au

All absentee information is to be communicated through the front office administration on (02) 6951 1500 or yancoag-h.admin@det.nsw.edu.au in order for your child's absence to be recorded correctly.

Weekend leave is to be in and signed by Wednesday each week. Duty staff are better able to check student numbers when these simple rules are followed.

Office hours are from 8am – 4pm Monday to Friday. After 4pm the phone will be answered by Duty Staff.

When returning your child to school PLEASE remember to sign them back in at the front office during school hours (8am-3pm) and at the Duty Room outside of school hours (before 8am - after 3pm) or they will be marked absent without explanation.

Where a student is absent from school, a note explaining the absence must be received by the school within **seven** school days. Where a note is not received the absence will be recorded as **Unjustified Leave**. This cannot legally be changed should a note be received after **seven** days. Absences both justified and unjustified are recorded on school reports.

NOTICE TO PARENTS UPDATING DETAILS

Sadly sometimes relationships break down and the court makes orders that change the contact parents can have with their children or the role they play in making decisions about their children's education. These can be Family Court Orders or Apprehended Violence Orders. Parents can also reach agreement about issues such as contact in a parenting plan.

If this happens it is important that you provide the school with a copy of any court orders or plan that could impact on your child's education.

In the absence of any notification to the contrary, the school will assume that both parents continue to retain a shared and equal parental responsibility for their children and should be involved in making any decisions regarding their children's education.

This means the school will recognise that each parent has equal duties, obligations, responsibilities and opportunities in relation to matters involving the school.

If any changes occur in your family relationships which have the potential to impact on the relationship between the school and your family, please advise the school immediately in writing and provide a copy of any court orders that may be obtained. These orders will be stored securely and only accessed by staff who need to see them in order to plan for your children's learning and support and related issues.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The school's new Business Services Manager, Mrs Katrina Spencer, has taken up the role and has already initiated some improvements. Mrs Spencer and her husband have moved to the area to take up the position after working for many years as a Manager/Team Leader for Safework NSW. The school welcomes her to the position and is grateful for the experience she brings to the role.

Works around Mutch, McCaughey and Breakwell buildings continue with hopefully all work being completed by the end of this term. The tiles for McCaughey have finally arrived from Italy and work has already commenced. It is obviously detailed work replicating as close as possible the original pattern with the work taking four to six weeks. Please take a look at the progress next time you are here, possibly Parent/Teacher interviews at the end of term.

The new blinds are going up in Mutch this week with all new furniture to arrive during the holidays. Year 10 girls should move into the fully refurbished building early next term. The fire upgrade continues in Breakwell after which the school will redo some painting and upgrading of most furniture, again ready for the beginning of the new term.

I have recently met with Mr Scott Buscombe, Manager for Assets Southern NSW, and Ms Catherine Wren, Manager for Assets Riverina. Assets have agreed to leave the pods in place for at least the next three years to use as the only foreseeable way to house students should a new girls dormitory be built. Assets have also agreed to fund the replacement of roads from the swimming pool area down to the stables and Mason building. After all the heavy traffic with building works etc. these roads are in appalling condition. There will naturally be issues with access, including parents dropping things off at dorms while this work is undertaken.

The school is currently working with the Department to get final year University Practicum students from the city to experience working in the country. These final year teaching students are working at Yanco, Leeton and Narrandera high to get a feel for working in country schools. This is part of a plan to entice new teachers to country areas when they finish University. The school will host another eight students early next term with hopes to bring a group of Infants and Primary teachers down later in the year.

The school has recently hosted a visit from Bourke High School as well as Scot's in Albury. Yanco actively encourages other schools to visit and get a feel for what we do in Agriculture. The school has great facilities and we encourage other schools to visit for tours or to host them for several days. Narrandera schools have requested us to host a Paddock to Plate day similar to what we do for primary schools around the Leeton area. This is a huge credit to the Agriculture staff whose programs are becoming increasingly well-known and appreciated by schools across the state.

To all parents and carers please remember that the last two days of Term 2 (4th and 5th of July) are scheduled for Parent Teacher meetings. The Thursday night is also Performance night which showcases the talents of our current students. It is always an enjoyable and relaxed evening with supper supplied by the Hospitality students.

Gary Hunt
Principal

TERM 2, 2019

DESIGNATED LEAVE LONG WEEKEND

Students Travel Home: Friday June 7th

Student travel back to School: Tuesday June 11th

END OF TERM 2

Parent/Teacher Interviews: Thur/Fri July 4th - 5th

Performance Night: Thursday July 4th

Students Travel Home: Friday July 5th

STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR TERM 3

Travel Day: Sunday July 21st

Day 1 classes: Monday July 22nd.



CHANGE OF DETAILS

If your **contact details have changed** please contact the Front Office, by email, with your new details.



If you have not returned your **2019 Annual Forms** for your child please return as soon as possible. This paperwork is vital for keeping your child's details updated for excursions and sporting events as well as medical conditions and emergency contact details. If you did not receive them at the end of last year please contact the front office and we will send you a set. Thank you for your attention to this.

2019 McCaughey Ball

Saturday June 15th, M.I.A. Club, Leeton

Dress: Formal Time: 6pm start



Parent/Teacher interviews: Thurs/Fri July 4th - 5th

Performance Night: Thursday July 4th

Paddock to Plate Night: July 3rd

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

School Representative Council

Year 12 – Hayden Brewer, Lachlan Henderson, Emma Dixon

Year 11 – Tully James, Rhiannon Bolam, Ella Bent, Georgia Stimson

Year 10 – Vincent Edwards, Sarah Manwaring, George Hatty, Rose Hogan

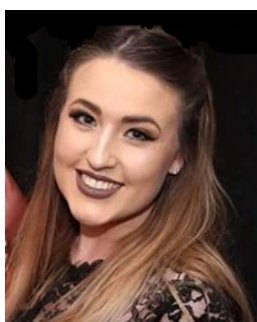
Year 9 – Albert Booth, Madelaine Woods, Alex Reschke, Kai Hammond

Year 8 – Darcey Cullen, Billy Limbrick, Brooke Smith, Stephanie Bramley

Congratulations 2019 SRC

NEW STAFF

REBECCA ARNOLD



Student Support Officer/Youth Outreach Worker

My Name is Rebecca Arnold, and I am Yanco Ag High School's new Student Support Officer. My role at the school is to enhance student social, emotional, and psychological wellbeing, and enhance learning outcomes. This involves providing students with personalised counselling sessions to address any issues are affecting their wellbeing or learning outcomes, connecting students with external mental health and wellbeing services (e.g. Headspace), and working in partnership with other welfare staff to implement wellbeing and anti-bullying strategies. I also hold tertiary level qualifications in Psychology and Social Work. If you would like to contact me with any questions or concerns, my email is: rebecca.arnold20@det.nsw.edu.au.

KATRINA SPENCER



Business Service Manager

Hi my name is Katrina Spencer and I am the Business Services Manager at Yanco Ag High School.

I have enjoyed a wide range of roles in my career, from starting out as a quarantine inspector at Sydney Airport to coordinating the Hunter Federal Election in 2007. Since then I have worked for SafeWork, NSW, initially managing strategic business planning and then developing Work Health and Safety initiatives for small businesses across NSW.

I have recently moved from the Central Coast with my husband and son and we are enjoying a much more relaxed country lifestyle. Thank you all for being so welcoming, I feel very honoured to be part of such a caring school community.

SPORT REPORT

STATE SWIMMING SYDNEY

Congratulations to all YAHS swimmers who went to Sydney in April to compete at the State level. All students swam well at the CHS State Swimming Carnival in Sydney.

Results included:

Boys Open 200 metres Medley Relay, YAHS came 25th out of 28 teams.

Boys 17-19 years 200 metres Freestyle Relay, YAHS came 21st out of 24 teams.



ARCHERY

Over the Easter Break Nicholas Scarlett (Year 9) competed at the Australian National Archery Championships at Mildura.

He had a great result taking home two Gold Medals and the Australian Champion Title for ABA and Australian Champion for 3D in the Junior Freestyle Unlimited category.



OPEN BOYS TENNIS

Rory Walsh, Thomas Hughes, Cody Headrick and Riley Irvin travelled to Griffith to compete in the Open Boys Tennis competition.

All boys showed great sportsmanship going down to a strong Barellan side. Special mention to Riley who won a very tight singles match 6-5. Well done boys.

Catherine Gray | Teacher/Coach



NETBALL

YAHS girls have begun participating in the Leeton Saturday Netball competition. The girls have so far had two wins from two games, with some very entertaining netball being played. The Players player is chosen after every game by the team and Connie Weekes in Year 7 has received it two weeks in a row. Connie is showing not only a strong skill set, but great sportsmanship skills. Keep up the good work girls.

Catherine Gray | Teacher



The new netball uniforms look great. Thank you to the P&C for their generous contribution.

CROSS COUNTRY - AGE CHAMPIONS 2019

AGE	BOYS	GIRLS
18 Years	Ryan Findlay	Bianca Smith
17 Years	Max Findlay	Kelsey Bandy
16 Years	Zachary Manwaring	Abigail Carey
15 Years	Dan James	Amber Langlands
14 Years	Lane Doyle	Brooke Smith
13 Years	Matthew Chant	Shay Bandy
12 Years	Michael Maher	N/A



SPORTING EVENTS TERM 2 @ YAHS



SPORT	NOMINATIONS CLOSE	DATE OF EVENT	WHERE
CHS Open Boys and Girls Touch Trials	Friday March 29th	Friday May 10th	Wagga Wagga
CHS Open Boys and Girls Squash Trials	Friday May 10th	Friday May 17th	Griffith
Zone Cross Country		Tuesday May 21st	YAHS
School Athletics Carnival		Friday May 24th	YAHS
CHS Open Lawn Bowls Trials	Friday May 24th	Friday May 31st	Temora
Riverina Cross Country		Friday June 4th	Gundagai
Zone Athletics	Friday June 21st	Friday June 28th	Griffith
CHS Open Boys and Girls Tennis Trials	Friday June 21st	Friday June 28th	Wagga Wagga

If you are interested in attending any of these events in Term 2, please see Mrs Stockdale.

NOTE: If there is a large group attending the trials, the school should be able to provide transport. If there are limited numbers, you will need to make your own arrangements.

NOTE: You must be of an elite standard in your chosen sport to attend trials (i.e. played at representative level).

YEAR 11/12 OPEN AFL 'SCHOOLS CUP' GALA DAY

On Tuesday May 28th a team of YAHS students travelled to Griffith to play in the Year 11/12s Opens 'Schools Cup' Gala Day. The first game was against St Francis College. Yanco Ag started extremely well placing pressure on the experienced opposition coming out on top after the first quarter. The second quarter was a different story with St Francis bonding together and producing many strong plays through the middle to convert five goals, giving them the lead. From there the YAHS boys struggled to find the goals at their end of the field losing the game at the final siren. Despite the loss, many of the boys who had never played the game before showed improved skill and started to put some sequences together. Credit to the Year 9 and 10 boys who stepped up to help make up the team while Year 11 is away on Work Experience.

The second game was against Narrandera High School. In this game the boys now had a better understanding of the rules and how the game flowed and were therefore able to put a small number of combinations together to kick four goals in the first quarter. In the



second quarter the boys continued to develop their skills and be three goals ahead at half time. After the half time break, the boys lost some focus allowing Narrandera back into the game, with one point separating the two teams going into the final quarter. However, the boys rallied and pushed through to bring home a twelve point victory in the last two minutes of the game with two quick consecutive goals to Darcey Cullen and Dan James. Angus Boulton kicked four goals for the match.

Notable players for the day for YAHS were Angus Boutlon, Darcy Barr, Jacob Oxley, Jackson Guilford, Joshua Forbes and Kane Johnston. Many thanks to Mr Lister for his assistance on the day to help manage the team.

Stuart McVittie – Team Manager



EX - STUDENT DAMIAN JOHNSTON RUGBY DEBUT

Ex student **Damian Johnston** made his run on, Sydney first grade rugby debut in the Shute Shield for Southern Districts on the weekend of May 25th 2019.

Damian finished Year 12 in 2015, where he toured South Africa with CHS NSW team. In 2016 he went to Sydney with Southern Districts, playing with the Colts.

He is currently a fourth year Electrical Apprentice and is considering an offer to play in England in the Sydney Rugby off season.



**Damian Johnston and his brother
Brett Johnston in Sydney**

RIVERINA REPRESENTATIVE

On Thursday May 9th, **Joshua Elworthy** of Year 11, travelled to Canberra as part of the CHS Open Rugby League team to represent Riverina against the South Coast.

He said that he was honoured to be part of the team and although they lost it was a pleasure and challenge to play against such a quality side.



2018 JUNIOR SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR

Montanna Wilkinson competes in several events in rodeo as a junior, with events being Junior Breakaway Roping, Juvenile Barrel Race, Open Team Roping and the Ladies Barrel Race. Montanna's success in 2018 started with competitions in southern NSW, having



**2018 Junior Sportsperson of the Year,
Montanna Wilkinson with Kurt Herzog
(photo courtesy of Cootamundra Herald)**

success at many events and being awarded the ABCRA Southern Zone Rookie Team Roping Header. Montanna qualified for her first Australian Bushman's Campdraft and Rodeo Association (A.B.C.R.A.) final and competed in both the Juvenile Barrels and the Junior Breakaway Roping held over three days in Tamworth. While in Tamworth, after many outstanding performances, Montanna was awarded the runner-up All Round Cowgirl for the Australian Junior National Finals and she has recently qualified to go to America in July 2019 to represent Australia in the National High School Rodeo finals in Rock Springs Wyoming, in a once a lifetime opportunity, competing against 12,500 other students.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL - AGE CHAMPIONS 2019

Age	Male (House) Points	Female (House) Points
12 Years	Michael Maher (Breakwell) 82 Liam Toole (McCaughey) 80	NIL
13 Years	Billy Limbrick (Mutch) 50 Harry Edwards (Mutch) 38	Connie Weekes (Mutch) 62 Chelsee Weekes (Breakwell) 61
14 Years	Darcy Cullen (McCaughey) 46 Lane Doyle (Breakwell) 46 Cody Headrick (McCaughey) 44 Luca James (McCaughey) 42	Charli Cullen (McCaughey) 44 Maddison Dowling (McCaughey) 38
15 Years	Jessee Weekes (Breakwell) 60 Damian Barker (Mutch) 40	Amber Langlands (Gardiner) 86 Kara Yelland (McCaughey) 46
16 Years	Harrison Whitehead (Gardiner) 44 Archie Ray (Mutch) 44 Aaron Read (McCaughey) 32	Megan Castle (Mutch) 62 Abigail Carey (Mutch) 62
Open	Ryan Findlay (Gardiner) 54 Stanley Herrmann (Gardiner) 32	Zoe Matthew (Mutch) 50 Molly McBride (Mutch) 38

HOUSE RESULTS:

1 st Place	McCaughey	1070 points
2 nd Place	Mutch	1069 points
3 rd Place	Breakwell	987 points
4 th Place	Gardiner	886 points

PASS STUDENTS VISIT YANCO PUBLIC SCHOOL

As a part of the Year 9 and 10 Physical Activity and Sport Studies (PASS) program we have commenced sessions working with the students at Yanco Public School. Yanco Ag students have been planning and delivering skill sessions to develop the student's skills in Netball, Touch Football and Rugby 7s. Whilst developing the Yanco Public students skills, the Year 9 and 10 students are also working on developing their own organisational skills and leadership skills. So far we have received some positive feedback and all students involved have enjoyed the experience.

*Mrs Arnall & Mrs Stockdale /
PASS Teachers*



CHS GIRLS RUGBY GALA DAY



On Thursday May 9th thirty three girls from Years 7-12 headed over to Wagga Wagga to compete in the CHS Rugby Gala Day. The under 16's girls played ten a side Rugby and played two games against Wagga High, unfortunately going down in both games. The team consisted of a range of experience levels and was a great opportunity for the girls to get some



game time and develop their skills. Kara Yelland proved very difficult for the opposition to handle by breaking the line numerous times and scoring as well. Eliza Kurrle and Lucy Bramley showed wonderful defence, especially out wide and half back Brigid Dunn demonstrated her fitness getting to every ruck. Many girls new to the sport demonstrated great skills and I look forward to them continuing to develop these over the coming years. In the Open Division girls played seven a side Rugby and met

tough competition with Wagga and Leeton High, where they were playing against girls who regularly play on the weekend, which proved difficult to handle their match fitness. Yanco still demonstrated some good plays and when they controlled the ball made great attacking plays. Solid passing from Georgia Cutcliffe saw the ball go wide to Zoe Matthews who ran half the field for a try, the only person close to catching her was the Ref. For the playoff for third and fourth position Yanco faced Tumut high, this game was a good match up and was very close with Tumut securing the win in the dying minutes. Audrey James teamed up with Kara for some great running Rugby plays, with Ella Bent working super hard to make it to every break down.





The final minutes of the games saw all Year 12 girls take the field for their final game of rugby for the school, with a number of the students being with the team for the past six years.

I would like to congratulate the girls on their sportsmanship throughout the course of the day and the wonderful effort they all put in. Many thanks to Mr Boyer for joining us on the trip and refereeing a couple of games.

Kim Weller | Coach

SRC CONFERENCE

We (Alex Reschke & Kai Hammond), started the week fresh on a Monday morning heading for Gillenbah where a coach was to pick us up. The coach arrived and we were off on a journey through the Riverina picking up kids on the way until we got to our destination at Murrumbateman where the SRC (Student Representative Council) conference was held. We arrived late in the afternoon where we were met by kids from all across the state, from Broken Hill to Dubbo, from Albury in the south, Wollongong and Sydney to the east and Coffs Harbour further north.

On Tuesday we settled in and soon learnt how the week was going to run. We both attended the same flexi workshops on that day and showed confidence and other traits of an effective SRC member.

On Wednesday everyone broke off into their area groups and were instructed to discuss a problem that we were going to tackle. We, the Riverina, chose to tackle bullying. Alex and I brought Stymie to the table as a solution to stop bullying. Kai presented the idea to the area and rattled a few minds like a politician but proved the point effectively. We were successful with our idea. On the same day we attended two more flexi workshops where Alex and I stood back and let our fellow friends have input. Throughout that day there was a guest speaker who spoke to us about being effective SRC members and ways to achieve this.

On the Thursday we presented our areas project and Kai took the lead on presenting Stymie to the conference. At the end of day we all prepared for the disco to be held later that night. Alex showed great enthusiasm on the dance floor where he danced all night. Kai showed his true colours grooving and boogieing all night.



Kai Hammond and Alex Reschke (Year 9)

FIELD DAY REPORTS

POONCARIE TRIP

On Thursday 2nd May we departed school and headed to Pooncarie for an adventurous few days. We arrived around 4pm Thursday afternoon and settled in to our accommodation at the local school. After setting up we cooked dinner, played some cards and headed off to bed. On Friday morning we woke early to prepare for our day working with the students from Pooncarie Public School and School of The Air. We thoroughly enjoyed working with the students, leading them through a range of activities including twine art and nail art, a range of music activities with students learning to use the drums and other percussion instruments. We also had an afternoon of movement activities including three legged race, rob the nest, sack races and many more.

After all the students left for the day we went for a walk around the small town of Pooncarie, observing the local area and the very low level of the river.

On Saturday we attended the Pooncarie Field Days at the racing grounds to represent and promote our wonderful school. We set

up our display site and throughout the day our students took turns standing at the display and engaging in conversations with locals and past Yanco students. The Drum Corps also performed at lunch time, captivating the field day crowd with a range of performances. Students also entered three teams in the Young Farmer's event, representing our school in the challenge which consisted of rolling a wool bale, banging in four steel posts, stacking hay bales, making a square yard and eating a steak sandwich.

At the conclusion of the field day we headed back in to town for Pizzas and to begin packing up ready to head back to school. On Sunday morning we boarded the bus around 8am and travelled back to school. A big thankyou to Miss O'Brien, Ms Richardson and Mrs Arnall for organising this opportunity for us.

Libby Saunders / Year 7



AGRICULTURE REPORTS

GOAT SHOWSTOCK

Students from Primary Industries exhibited Angora goats in the first week of the school holidays at the **Schools Angora Wether Competition**. The goats have been with us since October and are entered as teams of three, shorn and assessed on their mohair and weight. Students compete in paraders, herdsman and a presentation competition. YAHS was awarded fourth place in the presentation and herdsman competition, and Paul Hudson was awarded third place in both the Youth and Schools Parader competitions.

Ellie Quinn | Agriculture Teacher



HOG SHOWSTOCK - SYDNEY ROYAL

The Year 11 Certificate III in Primary Industry's class has attended the **Sydney Royal Easter Show** exhibiting six school bred pigs in the commercial pig's schools competition. The students received a number of awards which included on the hoof results of the fifth best individual pig, fourth best individual pig and second best pen of three. Also on the hoof, we received a second with the same pen of three. Sam Thomas qualified and participated in the state finals for young pig judges competition and received a fourth place in this competition, it was also a great experience and he is certainly getting his name known in the pig industry.





It took a lot of preparation to get to the show which included training our pigs, washing them, making sure they were the right weight and adjusting their feed mix to do so with the ratio of pellets to corn to soy-bean meal to lupins to barley. We also had to put together a power point presentation to enter the show and this was entered with our pigs. This power-point presentation talked about all the things we had to do to get to the show as well as the economic side of pig showing and what it costs to feed them in order to see how much of a return we are making. We also talked about the market specifications that the pigs needed to meet and all their weights so we could see early on how far off the specs they were so we could adjust

their feed accordingly. The PowerPoint was judged and we actually won this section of the competition.

This trip to Sydney was followed by a trip to Cademo Small Goods in Griffith where we were able to see school bred pigs, of a similar weight range to our pigs that we took to Sydney, be broken down and we also were able to see what processes occur after the carcass is broken down. These included the production of ham, bacon, salami also pork chops and rolled roasts, (yummy). All in all this was an excellent learning experience for myself and my fellow peers and really gave us an insight into the Australian pig industry.



Thank you to Mr Collins for his expertise in delivering this unit of competency and enhancing our understanding in this area.

Harry Morris / Year 11 Student

CATTLE SHOWSTOCK - SYDNEY ROYAL

Thursday April 11th saw the first day of competition for the cattle showstock team at **Sydney Royal Easter Show** with the parader classes being judged. Yanco Ag was represented by Samuel Thomas in the school's parader section, with him placing third in his heat. This was then followed by the state finals where nine of our students competed against 130 other students from across New South Wales. Yanco was successful in the ring with all competitors demonstrating their excellent skills to the judge. Ribbons were awarded to the following students in their respective classes:

Highly Commended - **Cody Headrick**. 6th Place - **Jake Turner**. 5th Place - **Lachlan West**. 3rd Place - **Sarah Manwaring**. 1st Place - **Hamish Maclure**. 1st Place and Reserve Champion - **Cooper Carter**. A strong performance was given by Dimity Evans, Michael Colley and Jessica Bunt, who all led their steers well in the ring.

Kim Weller | Teacher

POULTRY - SYDNEY ROYAL

Year 8 students had been studying Poultry in Term 1. As part of their studies they had to look after and care for chickens to be entered in to the **Sydney Royal Easter Show**. Yanco Ag entered in two categories: The Meat Bird Pairs and the Egg Laying competition. The school received the F1 pullets for the competition last year and the students had to monitor their growth and egg production levels. They also had to get the chickens to acclimatise for their new location at the show by adjusting the light and pen settings so that egg laying did not stop.

Early in Term 1 the school received 13 day old broilers. The students had to look after the chicks, providing them with heat, light, feed and water. Their weights were regularly monitored to ensure that they were gaining weight each week. Students grew their birds from a small 60 grams to a whopping 4.7kg in just eight weeks. Not only did students have to monitor growth and egg production rates, they also had to create a PowerPoint presentation to be sent to the judges to show them how they looked after their chickens and show them that they understood many of the requirements of looking after poultry. Some of the things they included were working out the daily growth gain and economics behind poultry production, washing and cleaning them as well as selecting them for the competition. The school achieved some great results from the competition which include:

Sydney Royal Schools' Layer Competition

Highly Commended :

Commercial Egg Laying – Egg Layers

Commercial Egg Laying - Presentation of Exhibits

1st place - Commercial Egg Laying – Project Component

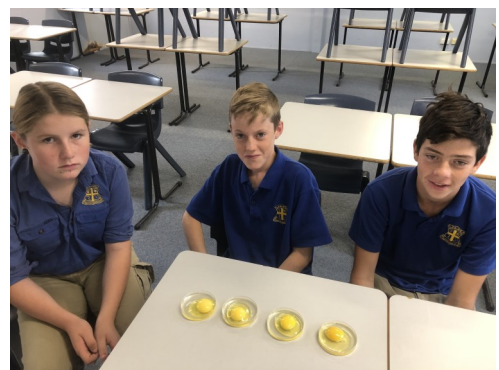
Champion School – Best Project Work for Classes 1130C and 1311C

Sydney Royal School's Meat Bird Pair Competition

8th place for Commercial School's Meat Bird Male Pair – Exhibits

3rd place for Commercial School's Meat Bird Male Pair – Carcass

Congratulations to Year 8 for all their efforts in preparing their poultry for the Sydney Royal Easter Show.



DUBBO SHOW - SHEEP

On Thursday May 25th, thirteen students and thirteen sheep were taken up to the annual Dubbo Show. At the show students participated in judging, preparation and the parading and showing of the sheep. On arrival we set up all the pens for the sheep and unloaded everything. On Friday we had an early morning start to get to the show in time to prep the sheep before showing. We were lucky enough to get a few fourth and fifth places, with one first place. Unfortunately the sheep were lacking condition compared to the other schools and other stud breeders.



On Saturday we had more of a sleep in as we didn't have to be showing until 2:30pm in the Goongunyah Shield. This is where you enter two teams of three and you are judged on the presentation and knowledge of your breed of sheep. Our two teams outdid themselves but were unsuccessful in taking home a ribbon.

Our final day was Sunday. This is when the students all participated in junior and senior judging, as well as handlers. With the judging we had to judge a meat sheep, a dual purpose and a wool sheep. We all gave it a red hot go, but the competition was too strong. A special congratulations to Rory Walsh who took out 3rd place in senior handling and 2nd place in meat sheep judging, George Hatty who took out best wool handler in the senior wool judging and Paige Brown who placed 2nd in senior handlers. Once all the judging and presentation had concluded, we packed up and prepared for the four hour trip home. Altogether the students enjoyed the show and the experience they gained from it. A special shout out and thank you to Mrs Quinn who helped organise this event and Mr Ganderton who both put in their time and effort to take us up to this show.



Paige Brown / Student Year 9

NSW VET IN SCHOOLS STUDENT OF THE YEAR

Jacob Oxley, currently in Year 12, has been named as a finalist in the 2019 Riverina - Murray State Training Awards in the VET in Schools category. Jacob currently studies two VET subjects as part of his HSC course, these include a Certificate III in Agriculture and Certificate I in Metals and Engineering. Jacob grew up on a mixed family farming operation near Swan Hill in the state's southwest. He has a great passion for Agriculture, and Metals & Engineering and is one of the top all-around students in these VET subjects. Jacob is a driven young man, with a clear vision and has worked hard to get to this stage of the competition. We wish him all the best at the awards night and look forward to his continued success in the VET frameworks post-school.

Luke Collins



AGDAY CAREERS

On Thursday April 11th, Hamish Maclure was presented with his award for winning the Agday careers competition held last year. He received his award from Aimee Snowden of the Little Brick Pastoral Company. His prize was an iPad Mini and a Certificate. Hamish won the competition by taking a photo using LEGO characters to show the career path he would like to pursue in Agriculture. He also had to write a story outlining a day in the life of his chosen profession. Hamish endeavours to be a Stock and Station Agent when he finishes school at Yanco. Congratulations Hamish.

Stuart McVittie / Agriculture Teacher



AGRICULTURE FACULTY REPORT



Term 2 has been very busy here in the Ag Faculty. We have hosted visits from Bourke High School and The Scots School Albury, where staff and students toured our agricultural facility, and engaged in some professional learning. Calving has begun with a set of twin heifers being our first autumn calves to hit the ground, the ewes have all been pregnancy tested and we are fortunate enough to have some winter crops poking their heads out of the ground. Staff have recovered from Sydney Royal where we had a vast array of livestock entered, along with students in

individual competitions. Congratulations to the staff and students involved in providing these opportunities to our students. A snapshot of some learning opportunities ;

Year 11 has been working on WHS, work effectively in the industry and putting their final touches on preparing livestock for competition clusters. The preparation of livestock for competition cluster has seen all classes working with different animals, Mr Collins' class working with pigs, Mrs Quinn's class working with angora goats and Ms Weller's class working with beef cattle. Throughout this cluster, students have



learned how to prepare livestock for showing which includes nutritionally altering feed, showmanship and how to select animals. Additionally, late last term all students in Year 11 attended a livestock handling course at Kooba Station, with Steve Hart and Clare Anderson, where they were taught how to handle stock with no harm to the animals or the handler and



the benefits on animal welfare and productivity if these practices are followed. Many thanks to Scott Hughes and his team at Kooba Station. Year 12 has completed tractors and machinery, chemicals and healthy livestock clusters. Students have engaged in large amounts of practical experience to refine their skills and demonstrate competency. They have maximised the use of school farm resources and businesses in the wider community,

this included a visit to JJ farm equipment in Griffith where students received a demo in spray nozzle selection and optimum operating pressures, and toured the showroom to look at conventional, minimum and zero till machines.

They also had a look at some of the exciting tech advances in the tractor, sowing and spraying facets of agriculture. Thanks to Justin James (Old Yanconian) for giving up his time to enable our students this opportunity. This year we also have four of our students completing school-based traineeships in Primary Industries which is the first time in many years where students have utilised this 'school to work' pathway. We wish Duncan Muir, Liz Tracey, Jesse Reid and Megan Castle every success with this program and look forward to following their progress.



Luke Collins / Head Teacher Agriculture

COMMENDATION RECIPIENTS FROM TERM 1

Year 7

Amity Barton, Samuel Booth, Matthew Chant, Harry Edwards, Josie Luckel, Michael Maher, Riley Philpott, Libby Saunders, Annabelle Smith, Liam Toole, Connie Weekes, Angus Woodhead.

Year 8

Shay Bandy, Darcey Cullen, Cody Grady, Alexis Hayes, Riley Irvin, Luca James, Fynn Kenny, Joshua Madden, Jasmin Payne, Bailey Ryan, Brooke Smith, Sienna Smith, Sara Stevenson, Jake Turner, Breanna Twigg, Joe Walsh, Chelsee Weekes, Emily Worsnop.

Year 9

Paige Brown, Michael Colley, Samantha Corti - Lyons, Maddison Dowling, Claire Gribble, Sarah Gribble, Kai Hammond, Nicholas Hutchison-Spence, Amber Langlands, Thomas North, Alex Reschke, Edward Stevenson, Madelaine Woods.

Year 10

Shelley Alsop, Aiden Bensch, Isabella Bergmann, William Bolam, Erin Ferry, Lauren Fitzgerald, Nicholas Gibson, George Hatty, Rohan Lacey, Grace McBride, Thomas Nicholls, William Price, Clare Ratcliffe, Ryan Thomas, Kara Yelland.

Year 11

Kelsey Bandy, Rhiannon Bolam, Erin Brown, Kate Cattle, Willow Clancy, Reba Curran, Ella Davis, Hannah Dunn, Sarah Elward, Dimity Evans, Jack Hughes, Tully James, Molly McBride, Christine McCarthy, Ned Routley.

Year 12

Hayden Brewer, Katherine Butt, Ireland Clancy, Lachlan Daniel, Jack Dickson, Emma Dixon, Marcie Gray, Ryan Greig, Lachlan Henderson, Audrey James, Tashi Jansen, Hamish Jenkins, Brook-Lyn Johnston, Georgia McDiarmid-Adams, Emma-Kate Nicholson, Sophie Ryan, Bianca Smith, Montanna Wilkinson.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Different year groups have been allocated to the following days:

students in years 9, 10 and 12 on Thursday 4th July (1.20-5.30pm)
students in years 7, 8 and 11 on Friday 5th July (8.30am-1.00pm).

If you are attending interviews for multiple children across different year groups, we invite you to book those interviews on a single day. If that isn't the case, to ensure access for a maximum number of parents, please respect the days allocated to different year groups.

Please be aware that there will be a Year 10 subject selection session on Thursday 4th July 10:50 am - 12:30 pm in the Hall.

Year 9 students and parents will have a presentation in the library on Thursday 4th July 11.45-12.30pm regarding the Youth Aware of Mental Health Program.

If you wish to book with a specific year adviser, please be aware of the following:

Year 7	Ms Gray
Year 8	Miss Troidahl
Year 9	Mrs Stockdale
Year 10	Mr Webb
Year 11	Mr Dixon
Year 12	Mr Gifford

Please understand that interviews are brief, a maximum of 5 minutes per teacher. If you require longer than that time, please arrange a separate interview with the teacher.

Details about how to book parent teacher interviews will be sent out via email to all parents after the upcoming designated leave weekend.

PIANO & SINGING LESSONS



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'Paddock to Plate, Freshness at Your Fingertips'
EVENING**

**A NIGHT FULL OF SOCIALISING, PRESENTATIONS ON
HOW PRODUCE GETS FROM
Paddock to Plate
AND ENJOYING A VARIETY OF FRESH PRODUCE**

SHOWCASING

A VARIETY OF LOCAL PRODUCE FROM COMPANIES ACROSS THE RIVERINA, TO BE INCORPORATED INTO A FULL-COURSE DINNER

BENEFITING

YEAR 12'S FUNDRAISING WHICH GOES TO CHARITIES INCLUDING 'CAREFLIGHT' AND 'FRIENDS OF LURO'

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