Student of the Week

P/1 Kiara Cousins-Wilberforce for asking great questions in class reflection.

1/2F Rhys Harding for making good choices to ensure that he gets the most out of learning times.

3/4G Nicholas Gilbee for being an excellent role model in the classroom.

4/5/6M Ebony Edge for improved attitude and effort during numeracy sessions.

5/6U Becky Hall for taking responsibility for her own learning and handing work in ahead of time because she knew she would be away on the due date.

Dates to Remember

June

- Last week of Book Fair. Before and after school.
- 18th School Council
- 19th Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 20th Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 21st Please note change of date Student Performance Assembly Everyone welcome to attend. Multi Purpose room 2:15pm
- 29th End of term

Sports Award

The Bat Tennis Boys
Nicholas Gilbee, Johnny Turvey & Ryan Lucas

For some impressive skills and playing in a nice manner.

Values Award

Aiden Etherton
For being conciliatory with students from other schools.
A word from Debbie

Teachers’ Strike 7th June
Thank you for the support shown by our families last week when all teachers at Yea PS chose to strike due to the negotiation break down with the State Government. Many teachers received supportive emails and we hope that this action will not have to be repeated next term.

Notes for parent /teacher interviews
On Friday last week all students were given a note regarding times for parent teacher interviews to be held on the 19th & 20th June. You will have time to look through your child’s report and the teachers will be happy to discuss any concerns or issues with you. If the times on the note are not possible due to work etc please contact the school so we can set up a time with your child’s teacher. It is important that all parents attend these interviews and discuss progress to date and what families can do to support their child’s learning in Semester 2.

Semester 1 reports
Over the last month all teachers have been working hard to compile a report that accurately shows your child’s learning for semester 1 and activities that can be done at home to support their continued learning. All reports will be sent home with students on Friday 15th June. Deb Male is in charge of the software program that these reports are generated through. It always seems to have unforeseen problems and she has given up much of her free time to get these reports printed to match the time schedule set up at the beginning of the year. We are very grateful, thanks Mrs Male.

Winter Sports
On Wednesday 13th June all students in Grades 3-6 will be involved in Winter Sports with Sacred Heart, Flowerdale and Highlands PS. It is a great day with the students catching up with friends and having fun playing a game that they have chosen. Thank you to Deb Male for organising the activities to be held at Yea PS.

School Council
The next School Council meeting will be held at Yea PS on Monday 18th June at 6pm.

Student Assembly
A student assembly will be run on Thursday 21st June at 2:15pm in our multi purpose room. All parents and friends are welcome to attend and share the learning that has been happening in all grades. The school captains run the assembly which is a great opportunity for them to show their leadership and organisational skills.

Speech Therapy
Jacqui our speech therapist was not well this week and was unable to be at school. We look forward to her next visit on the 22nd June.

With thanks
Debbie George

Student Assembly
Change of date
It has been changed from Friday 22nd June to Thursday 21st June because the Friday is a day when MACC comes and it would interrupt her programme.

Active After School Care
Due to the cancelation of Active After School Care on the 7th June due to strike action. The final day for Active After School will be Thursday 21st June.
See you there.
Terry, Debbie and Leigh

The use of Bpay in Schools
Bpay is a fantastic way to pay for your child’s School Requisite and Curriculum Fees. However after a short trial with using Bpay to purchase school uniform, it has been decided that the only payment options for purchasing school uniform will be cash or cheque.

Also a reminder that if you pay your fees through Bpay please send Kylie a courtesy email notifying her of your payment.
fountain.kylie.a@edumail.vic.gov.au
Seymour Amateur swimming Club
New Member Tryouts
2012/2013 Season
When: 25th & 27th of June 2012
Where: Seymour Sports and Aquatic centre
Time: 6:20pm
Equipment: Swim suit & goggles
Cost: Pool Entry Fee

Prospective members are required to be able to Swim 50m Freestyle & Backstroke and be able to demonstrate that they have an understanding of the principles required to swim Breaststroke and Butterfly.
All swimmers will be assessed at the Coaches’ discretion.
For further information please contact:
Lisa on 0407308295

Passion Projects
Tips for a great presentation
Here are some ideas for students to keep in mind when they are preparing and practicing their Passion Project.

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<th>Preparedness</th>
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<td>Posture and Eye Contact</td>
<td>Student stands up straight, looks relaxed and confident. Establishes eye contact with audience during the presentation.</td>
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<td>Stays on Topic</td>
<td>Stays on topic all of the time.</td>
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<td>Volume</td>
<td>Volume is loud enough to be heard by all audience throughout the presentation.</td>
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<td>Enthusiasm</td>
<td>Facial expressions and body language generate interest and enthusiasm about the topic.</td>
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<td>Props</td>
<td>Student uses props that show work/creativity and which make the presentation better. This might be the book, a poster or a photo, etc</td>
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Billanook College
Saturday Morning College Tour
Saturday 23 June
10.15am for a 10.30 start
RSVP Essential
E: registrar@billanook.vic.edu.au
Tel: 9724 1179

Some snaps of the "race track" being built at the back of our classrooms by Jane Marks with help from Dominik Cianter.
Passion Projects will be on Tuesday 7th August.

This year Passion Projects will take on a slightly different focus, all students will be asked to make a presentation about their favourite book, this could be a story book, an author or a non-fiction book or subject. The presentation can take the form of a PowerPoint presentation, a book review or a poster. Students can dress up as a character or as the author but the main goal of the exercise is to speak for no more than 3 minutes about your book. Students have more than 6 more weeks to prepare their presentation, and hopefully this could be a winter holidays’ task. This is a fun project that gives students a chance to practice their speaking and listening skills as well as sharing their interests with others.

All students will present a Passion Project of their own choice, the presentation needs to go for about 2 to 3 minutes, and some example topics could be Harry Potter books, a Paul Jennings story, a book about trucks, Australian animal information, science fiction, Shirley Barber books about fairies, Australian Explorers. Etc. **This is a home project**, whilst we love parents to help source materials we would like students to do their own preparation. Each classroom will be covering public speaking skills and I have attached some tips for a great presentation. Public speaking can be challenging for some but a great achievement for all, please support your child with this venture.

Sal Phillips

All students will present to parents in multi–age family groups, so keep 12:30-1:30pm free on Tuesday 7th August.