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P/1 Sunday Marsden
for great listening in Circle Time and speaking confidently to the class.

1/2F Damon Potts
for always listening well and working hard in class.

3/4G Skye Aldous
for doing some great writing and being an excellent role model.

4/5/6M Hayley Lawrence
for quickly settling back into Yea PS routine.

5/6U Chelsea McLeish
for always being ready to listen and follow instructions promptly.

Students of the Week

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Sports Award

Riley Francombe

For listening and following instructions in PE and encouraging others to do the same.

Values Award

James Dunn

For supporting younger students in the yard.
A word from Debbie
All our students have settled well into their new grades and are enjoying the new school environment. The final work on the synthetic grass has been completed and the volley ball nets have to be altered to size and should arrive next week. The outdoor seating has arrived and has been positioned around the new trees. Seating has also been positioned near the balcony area. Students will be able to watch the skipping team practise on the new concrete block. The middle size chairs for the classrooms should arrive next week. We have had some old cream vinyl chairs recovered in green and aubergine. They look great and the students are finding them very comfortable to use in the learning street of the new building.

Garden Beds
Amanda Jolly and Chris Cummins have spent many hours over the weekend planting tiny plants in all the beds at the front of the school. As we now have a watering system they should do really well. Thank you both for your support of our school.

Access to Yea PS
The students were asked at assembly to remember to not cut across the garden but use the footpath. Also, when leaving the school it is not safe to leave via the school car park due to reversing cars. Please ensure that your children use the footpath when arriving and leaving school.

Thank you
Belinda and Paul Johnson have donated a leaf blower to the school. This will be very useful in keeping our synthetic grass free of pebbles and leaves. This was a very kind gesture thank you.

Get To Know Meetings
Many parents took advantage of the meetings held last week with their child’s teacher. If you missed your meeting time and would like to catch up with a teacher please contact the school. The information shared was very valuable and has given teachers much insight into their students.

NSW Testing
NSW University testing material has arrived and details are in the newsletter with prices and topic areas. It is a family decision if your child participates and the school will subsidise half of the cost. Please return the slip in this newsletter to the office no later than Friday 20th April.

Swimming
Deb Male has put together the swimming program for Grades 1-6 and it is running smoothly. The weather has been great and all students are developing their swimming and water safety skills. Please ensure your child’s clothing is named as we have some clothing confusion with the younger students. The Cluster Swimming Carnival will be held at the Yea pool next Tuesday at 11am for students who qualified for events. There will be no swimming program on this day. Yea PS will be holding a mini swimming carnival on the 23rd February for all our students to enjoy.

New Laptops
Grades 3-6 are enjoying the new laptops and exploring the many programs that were loaded on to them in the holidays. It is fantastic that whole grades can use this technology at the same time. All teachers were involved in training this week for computers and the electronic whiteboards.

With thanks
Debbie George

Bookclub
Scholastic Bookclub catalogues were sent home with the eldest child of each family on Friday. Bookclub is a fantastic way of increasing your home library with wonderful books at cheap prices.

All orders with payment can be left at the school office by Monday 20th February.

Any queries please contact Beth Turvey on 5797 2168. Remember all orders generate bonus points for the school to purchase books.

Thank you, Beth.
Yea Primary School Guitar and Singing Students

Classes will begin tomorrow (Thursday 16th February). Parents can you please confirm with me tonight by phoning 0400 637 970 if your child intends to participate in classes this year.

A reminder to students to bring along your guitar.

Thank you

Julie

Get Fit the Fun Way with YEA Fitness

Kids Club - fun exercise program for kids aged 5 - 11. Wednesday 3.15pm - 4.15pm

4 week program $20 - next block starts on Wednesday February 15th.

casual classes $7 per session.

Let your kids learn about food, strength and exercise in a fun way with YEA Fitness.

Held at Yea Primary School

All Welcome

Claire Clarke

0432 144 755

Can you claim the EMA? Education Maintenance Allowance

To be eligible to receive the EMA, you must:

- Be a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary student up to the age of sixteen; and
- Be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004 or be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner or be a foster parent; and
- Submit your application to the school by the 29th February.

An application form is available from the school office. All forms must include a copy of your Health Care or Pension Card which must be returned to school no later than 29th February.

If you were eligible and applied for the Prep School Start Bonus then you do not need to reapply for the EMA.

Are you able to receive money from the Government for driving your child to school????

Unsure? Please read the attached Conveyance Allowance application contained in this Newsletter.

Applications for Conveyance Allowance are due into the office by Monday 5th March.

No late applications will be excepted.

For further enquiries, please contact Kylie.

Educational Assessment Australia NSW Testing

Please return this form with payment to school no later than Friday 20th April

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Can you help out in the Prep/One classroom? Are you able to come and hear Magic words, help out with Investigations, Numeracy or Reading groups. Please fill in a time below if you can.

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I can help out on a .............day with;

- [ ] Investigations
- [ ] Reading
- [ ] Numeracy

Thanks Sal