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HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

The YHS House Cross Country event was held on Monday 14th May. Congratulations to the following students:

Age Group Champions:

13 Year

Shayla Perry & Ryan Ockwell

14 Year

Arienne Holdsworth-Rose & Reece Hargreaves

15 Year

Cassandra Wilsmore & Daniel Williams

16 Year

Skye Ritchie & Josh Young

20 Year

Emily Noonan & Jake Henderson

Thank you to all the staff and students who participated in the day. Good luck to all those students who are progressing to the next round at Southern Ranges Cross Country.





COLES SPORTS SCHOOL PROGRAM

Thank you very much to every body who collected vouchers for the Coles Sports for School program.

As a school we collected **4898 vouchers**. This will provide some much needed equipment for students to use as recess and lunch time such as: Footballs, Basketballs and Netballs.





IMPORTANT DATES:

MAY

31st Southern Ranges Round Robin



SOCIAL SERVICE UPDATE:

JUNE

1st Year 11 Fit to Drive
4th Southern Ranges Cross Country
8th Student Fee Day
11th Queens Birthday
12—15th Year 11 Exams
20th Hume Cross Country

Last Friday (18th) we raised \$46.95 for the school's foster child, Adoniya. Well Done 11A for donating the largest contribution.

For the remainder of Term 2 we are continuing our support of Adoniya.

Please bring some loose change Fridays period 1 to support the school's social service program.

PRINCIPAL TEAM REPORT

NAPLAN

We thank our Year 7 and Year 9 students for the work they did in completing NAPLAN tests last week. Five tests in three days, in Numeracy and Literacy, requires considerable concentration and application. The results will better inform our teaching and school improvement over the next 12 months.

VCE Exams

A VCE Unit 1 exam timetable, for the week 12th June to the 15th June, will soon be available to students taking a Year 11 VCE subject. The General Achievement Test or GAT will be held on Wednesday 13th June for all students studying a VCE Unit 3/4 subject.

School Cross-Country

The school cross-country was held on Monday 14th May in damp conditions befitting a cross-country race. Thanks to Rowan Treloar who organised that event. Burnet continued to dominate the 2018 sport calendar with a 26 point win over Clarke.

Southern Ranges Term 2 Sport Round Robin

Teams are being organised for the Term 2 Sport Round Robin on Thursday 31st May. Teams will compete in football, netball, badminton and basketball in Seymour, Euroa and Shepparton. Thanks to Judith MacArthur for her work to organise that event.

Pupil Free Day and Public Holiday

Friday June 8th is a Student Free Day – no students are required at school on that day. Staff will be engaged with assessment reviews and the compilation of assessments.

First semester reports will be available on Compass at the end of term.

The school will be closed on Monday June 11th for the Queen's Birthday holiday.

Bus Travel

Students who travel to school by bus are reminded that they must follow the bus rules to ensure safe travel and at no time should their conduct distract the attention of the driver. Seat belts must be worn if fitted to the bus. Families are reminded that bus travel is a privilege, not a right.

The Importance of Full-time Attendance at School

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

Missing school can have a major impact on a child's future – a student missing one day a fortnight will miss four full weeks by the end of the year. By Year 10 they'll have missed more than a year of school. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.

School participation helps people to develop important skills, knowledge and values which set them up for further learning and participation in their community. Children and young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification have better health outcomes, better employment outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives.

How to help your child keep up.

Schooling is compulsory for children and young people aged from 6-17 years unless an exemption from attendance has been granted.

If your child must miss school for any reason, there are steps you can take to ensure they don't fall behind:

- speak with your advisor teacher or year level coordinator and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.
- •develop an absence learning plan with your school and ensure your child completes the plan.

Child Safe (Our Policy)

The safety and wellbeing of children is our primary concern. We are also fair and just to personnel. The decisions we make when recruiting, assessing incidents, and undertaking disciplinary action will always be thorough, transparent, and based on evidence.

We record all allegations of abuse and safety concerns using our incident reporting form, including investigation updates. All records are securely stored.

If an allegation of abuse or a safety concern is raised, we provide updates to children and families on progress and any actions we as an organisation take.



Mr. Bruce Skewes & Mr Brian D'Arcy







CONGRATULATIONS ARIENNE & ELLA

Arienne Holdsworth-Rose and Ella Jacobsen recently represented the school at the Ayr Hill interschool showjumping. Ella rode Vienna in the encouragement class (60cm-75cm) getting clear in the first round and a rail in the second but overall was very happy her performance. Arienne rode Buzz in the advanced (105cm -115cm) coming home with a 3rd and 4th and also competed in the intermediate (95cm-105cm) placing 6th on Olly .

GREAT VICTORIAN BIKE RIDE

Hi Riders/Parents

Yea HS will be running an information evening for those students interested in completing the 9 Day GVBR adventure. So far 32 potential riders have shown interest in the ride. Any interested students or parents are welcome to attend the evening.

Tuesday 29th May 7pm Yea High School

The GVBR schools coordinator from Bicycle Network Victoria will be making presentation followed by information about timelines, costs, training rides, possible fundraising and questions.

Any queries please contact me. Keep pedalling,

James Walsh

2018 GVBR Coordinator

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https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/rides-and-events/great-victorian-bike-ride/great-vic-2018/



LIBRARY NEWS TERM 2 2018

Since the beginning of 2018 the library has purchased, catalogued, and processed more than \$570 worth of requested book titles! That is a lot of books that the students have specifically asked for! This figure does not include the regular new release titles we have purchased, which continue to arrive several times each term. There are so many **new** books to read in the library!

Please come in and browse the new release display shelves. Don't forget to check out the display screen

where we show book trailers for some of the new titles to help you visualise the stories. And, as always, if you need any help choosing your next read, please speak to Belinda about your interests and together we will find your next great adventure/fantasy/romance/horror/comedy/autobiography/sci fi/mystery story!

A reminder that the library is open to students at lunch times on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. With the onset of colder weather, the library is a warm, dry, welcoming space for all students. We encourage you to come and spend time browsing the books, using the computers, playing board games, etc. just remember to eat your lunch first as there is no food permitted in the library.

It is hoped that before the end of the year, the fiction collection will be classified into genres, allowing students an easier, more enjoyable way of browsing the books for their favourite styles. A similar setup to the way you might look for genres in a book store.

There are still more changes happening to the layout of the library, with new shelving on the way, and other adjustments to the furnishings and space. The library will be closed again, for a week from Friday June 8th, until June 15th, while the classroom area is extended. Please excuse any inconvenience caused by the construction works, if you are having trouble finding what you're after, or accessing the library, just ask Belinda, or your English teacher. And don't forget about our fantastic range of eBooks and eAudio-books which are available to download online. See the information posted on Compass, or elsewhere in this newsletter for details on how to access these.

Belinda



7A students Liam, Joshua and Max enjoying Drama class

UNIFORM REMINDER

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT SCHOOL UNIFORM.



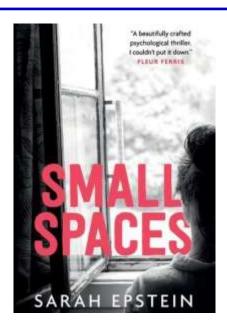


Uniform can be purchased from the Admin Office during business hours. To view the school uniform guidelines visit: www.yeahs.vic.edu.au/families/uniform/



BOOK PROFILE

Visit the Yea High School library now to check out this fantastic new book. If you can't locate it please ask the friendly library staff for assistance. Likewise, if there is a particular book that you are interested in and you don't know if the library has it, just ask! We are always on the lookout for great new titles/topics.



SMALL SPACES by Sarah Epstein

As an 8 year-old, Tash Carmody believed she had seen the nightmare figure that took her friend Mallory Fisher away from the local carnival. The problem was, no-body believed her and she herself eventually, with the help of a psychiatrist, comes to accept that she imagined the person who used to visit her at her aunt's house and who she saw again taking Mallory. It is much later, as a teenager, that she learns the truth during another visit to her aunt's. Aunt Ally, who was supposed to look after Tash when she stayed there as a child, turns out to have been neglectful and complicit in the awful events that took place. Tash's insecurity and claustrophobia which have plagued her life and have led to her being bullied at school, both stem from that time. This is a convincingly-written psychological thriller with a dramatic climax. It holds the reader until the end.



THE CHAMPIONS FOR THIS MONTH!

JUNIOR SCHOOL CHAMPION: ALARNA WATSON 8A

Favourite Genre: Non-fiction books on Motorbikes

Future Reading: I would love to read more books focusing on Horses **How do you feel about Strive?** I enjoy it and it keeps me entertained. Keeping record of my reading minutes is simple and when I look back, I can see how much I've read..







MIDDLE SCHOOL CHAMPION: LAYLA CALDER 9A

Nominated for demonstrating great progress toward reading goals and maintaining good reading results.

Favourite book: Divergent

A book you would recommend to your peers and why: Turtles all the way down by John Green. I'm reading it at the moment and I really like it because it's different from what I normally read.

How do you feel about strive? Having designated time for reading in class is great but I don't like recording my minutes and days.

The YHS Library is very proud to provide eBooks and now we also bring you AUDIOBOOKS, which are all available for loan 24/7 from school or home.

This is a fantastic way to catch up on your favourite titles over the school holidays when you can't get to the library to borrow. Make a long road trip fly by!

All students should have a working login to the ePlatform, visit https://yeahs.wheelers.co

enter your school user ID as your username and the password is Library1.

A login is not required to browse the books available on the ePlatform but if you do want to borrow, you will be asked to sign in.

For the best experience download the app (search ePlatform in your app store) to your device. It is also very easy to view eBooks or listen to audiobooks using your browser. The choice is yours.

If you have any questions or concerns about this wonderful new reading opportunity, please speak to Belinda in the Library as soon as possible. Or email: fisher.belinda.l@edumail.vic.gov.au.

