Apologies to those parents who weren’t able to attend our Athletic Carnival; they were without doubt two of the best days on our school calendar for 2014. Those parents who did attend were treated to over 200 events that catered for 3 year olds up to over 50! The participation rate of our students, staff and parents was the best ever, and the assistance and support offered by our grade 10 students was so amazing to see. Sportsmanship was very evident with competitors cheering for and congratulating each other’s efforts and successes. Thanks to everyone involved, including the McOnies and Co. from Yolla General Store who provided refreshments and food for everyone, to the parents who participated, encouraged and assisted on the day, to staff for their supervision and encouragement, and to the students for their participation and sportsmanship. A HUGE thank you to Mrs Pennington for the hours and hours of organisation and co-ordination of such a big program. The success of the day is reflective of your passion and dedication!

If you have visited our Early Childhood playground recently you would notice three great new additions: a puppet theatrette, an adventure play area and soft-fall under our swings. Our sensory garden students, along with Ms Kreemers and volunteer Scott Riseley have designed and built the puppet theatrette which is already being enjoyed by our younger students. This and the adventure play area are promoting creative thinking and co-operative play, great skills for our children to be developing. Thanks to Mrs Holland for sourcing packing boxes and materials for the adventure play area. Mr Groenewege has worked hard to excavate, box and fill the area under the swings to make it a safer play space, much loved by our students.

Another fantastic addition is our new Yolla District School Farm sign. Lachie Whitton-Lowe and volunteer Harry have worked hard over many sessions to make this sign from scratch, cutting out the lettering by hand. We are very proud of it and have further plans to beautify this area – watch this space!

This newsletter will be making its way into your homes as many of our grade 6 - 8 students will be packing their bags for their week long camp to the East Coast, next week. The itinerary for the week is incredible, the experiences they will have will be fantastic, and the memories the week will bring will be long lasting. A HUGE thank you to Ms Maartensz for the incredible amount of time and effort she has put into organising and co-ordinating this huge event. Thanks also to Mr Cramp and Ms Brown for the support role they have played and will continue to play. It is a huge undertaking for our staff to leave their families, and take on the responsibility for other people’s children for 24 hours over 5 days. We wish them and the children all the best for 5 fantastic days, and know they will represent our school with pride. We will look forward to reading about your experiences in the next newsletter. The students not participating will enjoy an alternate program at school.

Our grade 10 students will be participating in a “Work Readiness” Day run by the Beacon Foundation on Thursday December 4. This will be a fantastic opportunity for our students to learn about employability skills and what future employers are looking for. They will mix with representatives from industry and business and practice the skills they will learn during the morning program. We look forward to hearing about this program in the next newsletter. Thanks again to Wynyard Lions Club for their generous donation allowing this program to run and also to Environmental Systems and Contracting for their generous donation which also helps us cater for this program.

You will have received the notice and permission slips regarding our school picnic and other end-of-year events recently. Please complete these forms and return them to school as soon as possible as we cannot allow students to participate in some of the activities without these forms being returned.

Reports, class lists and other information regarding the 2015 school year will be sent home in the week beginning December 8. Staff names may not be listed against the 2015 classes, as enrolment numbers and staffing levels may not be determined by this time. Our 2015 School Resource Package and the new staffing formula will impact on our staffing. We will need to lose two staff members and the process for this is still being determined. We will continue to provide relevant and personalised learning programs for your children, however cuts such as these do put extra pressure onto our staff.

We look forward to sharing these last 3 weeks of the 2014 school year with your children.
**Yolla District High School**

**DIARY OF SCHOOL EVENTS**

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**Student Assistance 2015 (STAS)**

Student Assistance forms for 2015 are now available from the school.

**WYNYARD MUNICIPAL CONCERT BANDS**

The Wynyard Municipal Concert Bands put on an outstanding performance at their end of year concert on Sunday. Aydn Martin plays saxophone in the intermediate band, and Erin Brown plays the French horn in the senior band, along with Mrs Neilson who plays the flute. Daniel Gladwell (euphonium) won the Rising Star award in the senior band, and in the beginner band Anna Hamilton (saxophone) won the Rising Star award, Meagan Hamilton (cornet) took out the Most Improved award and Harry Hamilton (electric bass) was awarded Player of the Year.

Congratulations all of you! Your music was beautiful.

**2015 SEC and House Captains**

We have made some changes to our nomination pool for our Student Executive Council (SEC) and House Captains. Our 2015 grade 9 and 10 students will be able to nominate for these positions and elections will be held in two weeks’ time. A majority of grade 10s will make up the SEC, with priority being given to them if voting is tied, as the grade 9 students will have the next year to run again. This is an exciting but daunting time for our students, so please encourage your children to have a go and nominate. It is a wonderful opportunity for them, and they will be supported in their roles if elected.
Every good sports article is laden with statistics: some interesting and relevant, some useless and trivial. This article has both categories covered. This year’s YDHS carnival used 8 cans of line marking paint, the canteen supplied 20kg of hot chips to the starving athletes and spectators, there were 256 events held over 12 hours, 1 record was broken twice, 1000mL of sunscreen was applied, the same ‘So Fresh’ CD was played 10 times, all of the Grade 10 girls (except for 1) participated in the 1500m, 42 bales of hay were lined up the 100m track, the shotput was thrown 270 times, 4 rubber chickens were strangled by 64 Pre-Kinders to Grade 2s and 10 aging staff members showed their strength and stamina against 10 over confident Grade 10s in an epic 2 minute tug of war.

The Athletics Carnival is a great mix of competitive track and field events, funny novelties, sportsmanship and battling Yolla’s crazy weather. It is heart-warming and rewarding from this PE’s teacher’s perspective to see so many participating, enjoying their time on the oval and showing support to each other. For some students the carnival is a chance to get out of the classroom for two days, for others it is the best 2 days of the year where their skills can be appreciated by others and they can really push their bodies to do great things.

Congratulations to our Grade Champions in the Track and Field as they are listed below. Once again it is all about participation with two of the champions decided by one point. Rachel Sharman (Field) and Riley Ransom (Track) were only 1 point away from the championship in their age groups so deserve a mention. Ryan Gardner showed his dominance and versatility by winning every event offered to the Grade 4 boys! Ellie Johnson broke the Grade 6 Shot put record and held it for about 5 minutes before April Potter broke Ellie’s record to hold the new mark at 8.02m. Well done girls. Around the oval there were many other great events including a sprint finish at the end of the 1500m between Joshua and Jake, Jackson flying in the sprints and cruising home in the distance events, Joanna dominating the field events, the Yolla Gift coming to an exciting finish as the backmarkers stormed home, the Grade 10 helpers playing alongside the K-2s in their novelty events and some fast finishes in the relays among many fantastic efforts across the two days.

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In the end it is all about the House Points and who took out the shield for 2014. Wattle took a big lead into the second day and, despite a valiant effort from Waratah on Day 2, Wattle were able to hold the lead and win by 909 points. Congratulations Wattle.

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Thank you to all of our marvellous students who competed in a wonderful spirit: they were focussed on the finish line and give it their all then shook hands at the end of their races. Thanks to those Grade 10s who helped our EC students, you will never know how much that means to them to have you big kids helping and cheering for them. Thanks to our staff who run the events, marshal students, start the races, remind everyone about sunscreen, offer advice, first aid and eat chips from the canteen. Thanks to Malcolm and Jenny from the Yolla Shop who kept us fed and watered for the two days. Thanks to Mr Dudfield and his helpers for carting the hay bale hurdles and to all the parents and friends who came along to watch. Apart from the chilly weather it was a truly wonderful two days and makes me want to do it all again next year!

Mrs Pennington
The Grade 10 group thought it might be nice to dress up as scary zombies, clowns, witches and doctors and scare the daylights out of the rest of the school. So we did. In the morning we had a parade for everyone who had dressed up and it was great to see so many students who had taken time and effort to dress up and do scary makeup and hair. Some of the costumes were amazing! Later in the day the Takone Theatre was transformed into a maze of tents and screens and housed a cemetery, zombie room, crazy doctor’s surgery, glow room, witches around a smoking cauldron and a freaky dinner party. We had guides leading groups of squealing students through the house and the grade 10s wrecked their voices by screaming at them, they tickled their ribs and jumped out from the dark. Apart from two students who turned around only a couple of metres inside the door when they changed their minds, most students came through the house more than once over the recess and lunch breaks. Thanks to the Grade 10s who truly embraced the idea, wore way too much face paint and somehow squirted fake blood on the ceiling of Takone Theatre.
CHILDREN’S XMAS PARTY
ELLIOTT COMMUNITY HALL
829 MURCHISON HIGHWAY ELLIOTT
COME ALONG AND HAVE SOME FUN
GAMES & DANCING
SANTA WILL BE COMING AS WELL.
DOOR PRIZE & RAFFLE
SATURDAY 13 DECEMBER 2014
TIME:- 7PM
ADMISSION:- $5.00 PER FAMILY
PLEASE BRING A PLATE OF FOOD FOR SUPPER
TEA, COFFEE & CORDIAL PROVIDED
PARENTS PLEASE BRING A NAMED GIFT UP TO
THE VALUE OF $10.00 FOR EACH CHILD FOR
UNDER THE XMAS TREE.
CONTACT DETAILS
JUDY KEENE 64363216 OR
0409363217

Cattle Handling Report

Corrections firstly, Boys team at Sheffield included William Dudfield, Ryan Koop and Samuel Blake. Secondly William is representing Sheffield in State final in Junior Dairy Handling not Junior Judging.

Deloraine results in Beef Gracie 3rd in Breeds and 9-12yrs Handler; Chloe 2nd in Breeds and not placed in Handler unfortunately.

In Dairy Ayrshires - Samuel (Jonty’s heifer) 6th and Ryan 7th. Dairy Shorthorn Edward Jnr Champion and 6th in All Breeds; Illawarra William Jnr Champion and 5th in All Breeds; Guernseys - Reanna 3rd and Kaitlyn 4th; Jerseys Harry 2nd, Anna 6th, Meagan 2nd, Jakobi 3rd and Leah 4th.

Dairy Handler Edward, Meagan, Jakobi and Kaitlyn not placed as only encouragement class and all received a white ribbon. Next class 9-14yrs Harry placed 2nd and 4th in Champion Handler. Remainder of team not placed as was class of 15. It was the judges decision not to do all.
This week our kindergarten to grade 7 students have been learning about fire safety. They have learnt the four rules if a fire was to start in their home: GET OUT (Crawl low and go, go, go); go to your safe meeting place (eg. letterbox); call the fire brigade on “000” and never go back into a burning building.

They have also talked about keeping clothes, newspapers, kindling and other flammable materials at least 2 metres from the heater or two big giant steps. Also everyone should know this rule STOP, DROP and ROCK ‘N’ ROLL. If your clothes catch fire, don’t run! Stop where you are, cover your face with your hands to protect your face and lungs, drop to the ground, and roll back and forth to smother the flames.

Our lower grades have had activity books handed out to them. After the conclusion of the program the activity book can be taken home and we encourage other members of your family to participate in the activities to ensure your home is fire safe.

Some of our students were lucky enough to be able to try on fireman Craig’s firefighting protection clothes and helmet. The students have enjoyed these very important sessions and are now ready to talk to family about making their homes fire safe.

Congratulations to Izzy Holland and Emilyah Stacey who have won prizes in the Roberts colouring in competition.

Izzy won first prize in the 3-5 years age group which was a $30 toyworld voucher.

Emilyah won second prize in the 9-12 years age group which was a metro movie voucher.

Well done girls!
School Banking 2014

Our last banking day will be on Thursday December 11. Thank you to all those students who have saved up their money to bank at school. A big thank you to Mrs Wendy Barker our Banking Coordinator.

Taekwon-do

Somerset Taekwon-do club travelled down to Hobart on Saturday 21 November to take part in the Southern Tasmania Taekwon-do Tournament. Erin Brown, Fraser Symes and Michael Dick where part of this team.

Patterns first up with Michael taking the bronze medal, with Erin and Fraser only just missing out on medals in each of their division. Sparing saw all our keen Yolla competitors taking away a medal; Erin silver, Fraser gold and Michael gold. Last event was special technique, Michael came equal third in the high kick. Fraser took out silver in his division of the high kick and flying side kick event.

A very successful tournament for our Yolla students and the Somerset club.

School Uniform and Secondhand Uniform Donations

We are seeking donations of clean and tidy school uniform for our secondhand clothing stall for book sales day. If you have any that you are willing to donate please bring it to the office.

Just a reminder for parents and students with the new school year almost upon us that our policy states “We recommend sturdy black school shoes but unobtrusive joggers are permitted. Work boots are acceptable only if clean and worn with long trousers.”

We are concerned over the wearing of the ‘ballet’ type shoes worn by some girls and skate shoes worn by our boys, as these are loose and are not considered safe by WH&S standards. Our students need to be able to walk and run safely without fear of tripping and being hindered by loose shoes. It is also reported that in later adult years back pain and problems can be attributed to the wearing of shoes that do not offer appropriate support during childhood.

The Tasmanian Education Department states “Tasmanian government schools strongly encourage wearing the school uniform. Wearing a uniform identifies your child with their school and places all students on the same level in terms of clothing.”

We encourage the wearing of black school shoes or joggers readily available from local retailers. These are much safer, much more supportive of growing bodies and available for a much lower cost than the shoes currently being worn by many of our students. If students are wearing the skate-type shoes, they must be laced up tightly so the shoe is firmly fitted to the foot. We have discussed this with our students and they are aware of our expectations and the reasons behind them.

Regarding the wearing of jewellery, we ask that it be kept to a minimum and be discreet. One bracelet on each arm if there is no watch being worn, or one bracelet and watch are acceptable. These should not impede handwriting and should not be loose enough to catch on door handles or hooks, for WH&S standards. It is preferred that no rings be worn and dress rings are not permitted. Similarly a simple, discrete necklace may be worn. Earrings are also to be discrete, with sleepers being preferred. Long, dangly earrings are unsafe and spacers need gauges that sit flat within the ear. Protruding gauges are not acceptable. Other piercings also need discreet jewellery to be worn at school such as studs. All jewellery needs to be removed for PE lessons. The school cannot accept responsibility for lost or broken jewellery.

If you have any concerns or wish to discuss this with us, please contact the school.

Congratulations

Lachlan Dick was presented with his shield this week from North West Woodcraft Guild Exhibition for Best Exhibit in Schools Woodwork Competition.
If you wish to purchase the 2014 School Magazine, you may do so by filling in your details below and returning this form with your payment back to the office by Monday 1 December 2014. The Magazine this year will cost $20.00, and will be ready for collection on book sales day or posted home.

Family Name: ________________________________________________

Student Responsible for collection: ________________________________ Homegroup: _______

Number of copies @ $20.00 each (inc gst): ____________ I enclose payment for $______________

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Dear Principal, Music Teacher, Parent,

EMUsicians is a Combined Primary School Band consisting of students from 10 primary schools in the Burnie and surrounding area. The Band offers the opportunity for Primary school age students to learn a band instrument (flutes, clarinets, saxes, trumpets, trombones, euphoniums, guitars and percussion) under the direction of qualified instructors and to perform in many concerts and public performances throughout the year. The band rehearses at the Burnie Concert band rooms at the Cooee Memorial Hall (beside the Burnie Bowls Club) on Monday afternoons between 12:45 – 3:00pm.

Auditions for new members are at the end of every year and consist of a short musical assessment by our team. Students that show a musical aptitude will be invited to join the program. It is not necessary to play an instrument or read music however music reading will be a big advantage and some instrumental knowledge (recorder, piano guitar etc) would also help. The EMUsicians has a limited number of instruments that will be allocated to new members at the beginning of the year however if any student has access to their own instrument and shows musical aptitude they may be included in the program.

2015 auditions will be held at Cooee Memorial Hall on Monday December 8th 2014. Any children in grades 3,4,5 or 6 in 2015 are eligible although preference will be given to grade 4 and 5 students.

The Audition will include:
- A demonstration of an instrument (if possible). Please bring along instrument and music e.g. recorder, piano, violin, drums, flute, guitar etc. Drums and a piano will be provided at the audition to use. Please note: guitarists and drummers need to have some experience to be included in the program.
- Demonstrate reading of music (if possible)
- Ear test (pitch - singing, rhythm - clapping)

NB - The ability to play an instrument and read music is an advantage but not a necessity.

Please keep the above information and return the form below, preferably through your school, or directly to EMUsicians by Friday 28 November.

Kind Regards
David Turner  EMUsicians Coordinator

To EMUsicians
C/- Parklands High School
Atkins Drive, Burnie Tas 7320
Email david.turner@education.tas.gov.au
Ph: 64330206

Dear EMUsicians
My child (name)____________________________________________ from (school and grade in 2015)______________________________________ would like to audition for EMUsicians and if successful

I agree to:
- provide regular transport
- accept care of any musical instrument loaned to my child
- attend all EMUsicians activities
- make the payment of the 2013 levy ($180.00 can be paid in 4x$45 term payments)

NAME:________________________________________________________(Parent/Guardian)
ADDRESS______________________________________________________
TELEPHONE_____________________________________________________
SIGNATURE_____________________________________________________