



## IMPORTANT TERM DATES

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

Constable Care Incursion

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Faction Run4Fun

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

P&C Disco

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

Years 5&6 Interschool Winter Carnival

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

NAIDOC WEEK

\*Dates and events are subject to change at any time.  
Please refer to the Compass calendar for updates.

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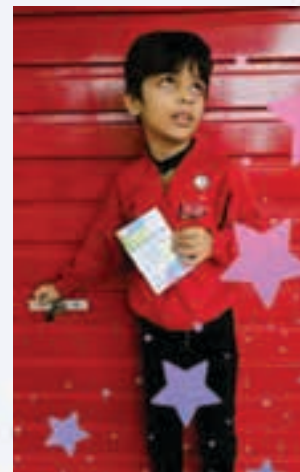
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newsletter! Can  
you find all 10?*

*The 'Did you know?' fact photos do not  
count in the hide and seek total.*



## Office Superstars

We're thrilled to celebrate the incredible achievements and the positive impact our Office Superstars bring to our school every day. Keep shining bright and thank you for all the hard work and dedication!



## Silver Threads Incursion

On the 23rd of May the students and staff at Yale were entertained by the brass band "Silver Threads" as part of the Act, Belong, Commit initiative. The concert was during the last hour of the school day. The interactive program included guest performances from all year levels, from the year 6's doing the "Can Can" then we had the Macarena, YMCA... right down to the year 1's playing percussion instruments and then the staff joining in with the Hokey Pokey. It was a very enjoyable time. The band comprises of retirees who give up their time to perform at schools and various other functions in the community. At the conclusion of the day the band stayed for an afternoon tea with staff and P&C representatives.





# Letter from the Principal

Hi Yale families,

As we pass the halfway point of Term 2, it's a pleasure to reflect on some of the great things happening at our school and within our community.

Congratulations to all students who participated in swimming lessons recently. Their outstanding behaviour and enthusiasm were noted by instructors and patrons at the pool. Great work everyone. Speaking of PBS, well done also to the students who earned their place at the mid-term Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) rewards. It's wonderful to see so many children consistently demonstrating respectful, responsible and caring behaviour.

A special shout-out goes to C5 for winning our first Attendance Challenge for 2025. Your commitment to being at school every day sets a strong example for others – well done! Part of C5's reward was to welcome Federal Education Minister Jason Clare and Matt Keogh, Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Member for Burt, to Yale Primary School. They spent time with students and staff learning about our programs and visiting C5. It was a great opportunity to showcase the work we're doing to support every child and you can view some pictures on our Yale P&C Facebook page.

We're also celebrating the artistic achievements of some of our current and former students, whose artwork is now featured at the new Thornlie-Cockburn rail extension. Students from Thornlie Senior High School attended a special excursion to see their contributions on display. The new station opens this Sunday, and we encourage families to take a look and celebrate the talent in our local area.

Looking ahead, don't forget our P&C School Disco is coming up on Friday of Week 8 – always a highlight on the calendar! And we look forward to celebrating NAIDOC Week with a whole-school event on Wednesday of Week 10.

Thank you for your ongoing support in making Yale a strong and vibrant learning community.

Kind regards,

Jason Shapcott  
Principal

## School Hours

**8.40am:** Classroom opens

**8.50am:** Morning roll is called (students **must not** arrive to school **before** 8.30am. Any arrivals **after** 8.50am must get a late note from front office)

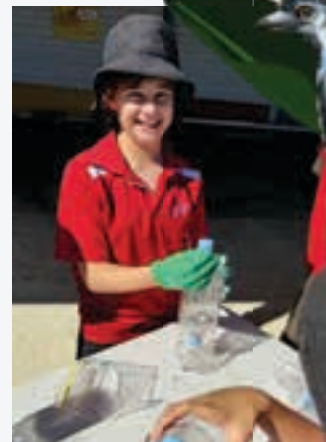
**3.00pm:** School finishes

Students must be collected at 3pm when the bell has rung for the end of the day. Any student still at school after this time will remain in the front office until collected. Parents/Carers must sign their child out after 3.15pm.



## Science Project 2025

B1 and Ms Hardman have started a Science Project about Greenhouses. The students are learning about how sunlight, water and soil help a plant to grow. They were assisted by our favourite gardener, Lincoln. All their projects are in B3, so come on over and have a look at our wonderful plants!

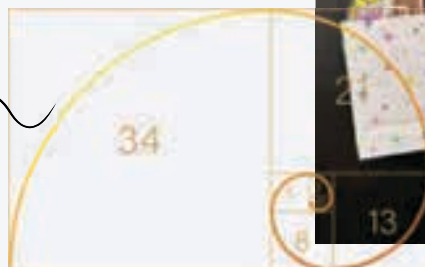


## Maths Competition 2025

Meet our Maths Artist extraordinaire, Tracey from B1, the winner for the Maths Competition 2025. Her art piece was done with precision and distinct colours. Tracey did an amazing project on the Fibonacci sequence.



*Congratulations*



## Lego Hero

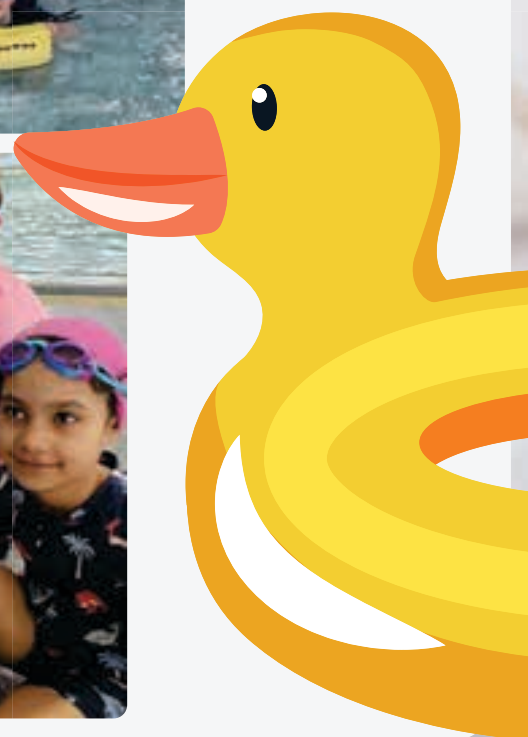
Yale Primary played host to Shane, our local hero from Legomasters 2024. Shane came down to Yale Primary School in Term 2 to help out with the senior school's STEAM lego session. B1 was very lucky to have met Shane and he was gracious enough to take a photo with a bunch of very excited Year 4's. We love your work Shane and your generous spirit!





## Swimming

Our students recently made a splash at Thornlie Pools during their swimming lessons. Over the week, they developed essential water safety skills, built confidence in the pool and had plenty of fun along the way. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to stay active and learn important life skills in a supportive environment. Well done to all our budding swimmers!



### Did you know?

Emus have the ability to run up to speeds of 50 kilometers per hour.





## Kindy Creations

In weeks 5 and 6, our Kindergarten students have been joyfully engaging with the classic nursery rhyme "Oh Where Has My Little Dog Gone?" Singing the rhyme with accompanying actions has been a fun and effective way to support the development of both aural and oral language skills. This activity also aligned beautifully with our current focus on measurement concepts, particularly exploring the ideas of long and short. To deepen this learning, students participated in a creative cutting task where they designed their own dogs, choosing whether their dog would have a long or short tail, and whether it would be a long or short dog when displayed. While some students found the cutting task a bit challenging, they all showed great perseverance and completed their artwork with pride. It was wonderful to see their personalities shine through in their creative choices. We are excited to share their creative work with you! - EC3 Team



## Faction Run4 Fun

Time	Yr	Gender	Distance
11:30 AM	5	Girls	1140m
11:45 AM	5	Boys	1140m
12:00 PM	6	Girls	1140m
12:15 PM	6	Boys	1140m
12:30 PM	Lunch		
1:15 PM	4	Girls	1140m
1:30 PM	4	Boys	1140m
1:45 PM	3	Girls	760m
1:55 PM	3	Boys	760m
2:05 PM	2	Girls	760m
2:15 PM	2	Boys	760m
2:25 PM	1	Girls	380m
2:35 PM	1	Boys	380m
2:45 PM	Presentations		

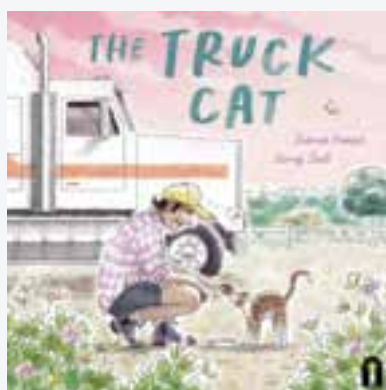




## National Simultaneous Week 2025



The National Simultaneous Week 2025 was celebrated with joy at Yale Primary School. B1 enjoyed the story *The Truck Cat* which was the winning book for 2025. The students drew a scene from *The Truck Cat* and made a 3D cat to complete their artwork. “*The Truck Cat* is a story about cats and humans, immigration and identity, and homes lost and found. Along with his human, Yacoub, Tinka travels roads wide and narrow, near and distant. But no matter how much they travel, home feels very far away—for both of them.”



## Yale artistic talent on display



The Thornlie-Cockburn rail extension is now showing off some amazing artwork by talented former Yale students! Current Yale students joined Thornlie Senior High School students on a special trip to check out the creative displays—and they got to see their own contributions proudly featured. With the station opening this Sunday, families are encouraged to come by, explore, and celebrate the artistic talent in our local community.





## Winter Uniforms

Uniforms at Yale Primary School promote a sense of belonging, equality, and pride among students. They help reduce distractions, encourage a focused learning environment, and reflect the school's values of respect and unity. As the weather turns cooler in Autumn/Winter, it is important that all students wear only the official Yale Primary jackets. This ensures consistency, helps staff easily identify students, and maintains the smart appearance that represents our school community. Thank you for helping us uphold these standards. Here are our model students wearing their winter Yale jackets. Our uniforms are sold at Lowes Menswear in Maddington Shopping Centre.

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### Did you know?

On average, emus live for 10–20 years in the wild. They can live up to 40 years in captivity.



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Shaping the future

## Kindergarten enrolments are now open for 2026

If your child will be **4 years old**  
by **30 June 2026**, enrol them in  
Kindergarten now.

Visit your local public school or community kindergarten  
to apply. Applications close 25 July 2025.

Find out more:

[education.wa.edu.au/enrol](https://education.wa.edu.au/enrol)





## Important Information



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**Information for parents – When is it OK to miss school? It is important for children to attend school all day, every day.**

### When is it OK to not go to school?

An OK reason is one that prevents your child from getting to school. This could include:

- your child is unable to attend because they are sick
- attending cultural or religious observances such as sorry time and funerals
- an unavoidable medical appointment
- an unavoidable natural event such as flood waters or a cyclone

The Principal decides if the reason given for your child's absence is acceptable.

### It's NOT OK to miss school if your child:

- is celebrating a birthday
- is going on a family holiday
- is visiting family and friends
- has slept in or had a big weekend
- is looking after other children
- has sport or other recreational activities that have not been approved by the school
- has appointment such as haircuts and minor check ups

If possible, routine medical and other health appointments should be made either before or after school, or during the school holidays.

### Do you need to let the school know if your child will be away from school?

Yes, you need to let the school know the reason why your child is going to be, or has been, absent from school as soon as possible. Where possible, please discuss any upcoming absences in advance so we can let you know of important learning or activities your child will miss out on.

This requires a responsible person, usually a parent, to provide a reason for the absence within three school days.

Having information about why your child is missing school helps us plan for their return to school and work out whether we can provide any further help to you.

### Why is going to school so important?

- At school, many concepts such as literacy and numeracy are taught in a sequence. Missing school means missing out on learning – which can often make it difficult to catch up later. This is particularly important in the early years when essential foundation skills are being taught.
- Going to school every day helps children learn the important life skill of 'showing up' – at school, at work, to sport and other commitments.  
Research from the Western Australian Telethon Kids Institute shows that every day at school counts towards
- a student's learning. Students who attend regularly, generally do better at school and in life.

## Early arrivals

To ensure the safety and supervision of all students, we kindly remind families that students must not arrive at school before 8:30am unless accompanied by a parent/guardian. Staff supervision begins at 8:40am. Early arrivals may pose safety concerns as there are no staff members available to monitor students before then.

Additionally, all students are expected to be in class and ready to begin their day by 8:50am. Any student who arrives after 8:50am is required to report to the front office to collect a late note before proceeding to their classroom. This process helps us maintain accurate attendance records and minimizes disruptions to learning.

We appreciate your cooperation in supporting a safe and orderly start to the school day.

A pink speech bubble with a black outline and a striped tail, containing the text 'ATTENTION PLEASE!' in bold, black, uppercase letters.

**ATTENTION  
PLEASE!**



We hope the students enjoyed the **Free Dress Day** on Thursday and we're happy to say we raised \$246. This free dress fundraiser was moved from Term 1 as the school had a large number of events on at the time. We have another free dress scheduled for the end of term with the theme to be announced.

Our Annual School **Disco** is fast approaching and we're sure all the students are getting excited. The date for the disco has been moved forward a week and will now be held on **Friday 20th June** (Week 8). The Disco will be held over two sessions: Kindy to Year 2 will be from 5 to 6pm, and Year 3 to Year 6 will be 6.15pm to 7.30pm. Tickets are \$5 per student (cash only) and can only be purchased with a **completed permission form that is signed by a parent/guardian** - these will be sent home early next week.

Tickets can be purchased in the undercover area:

Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th, Thursday 19th & Friday 20th June 8.30am to 8.50am & Thursday 19th June 2.45pm to 3.15pm

To make the Disco a fun night for the kids we need lots of **volunteers**! We need helpers who can work the sausage sizzle stall, take students to the toilet block, sell items from the canteen, supervise the dance floor and assist with set up and pack away. Please head over to Facebook (Yale Primary School P & C) and comment on the Disco post to let us know what session you can help with, or you can email [yalepandc@hotmail.com](mailto:yalepandc@hotmail.com).

As well as the sausage sizzle, we will have a selection of food and drinks available. Plus, some exciting glow stick and light up options. Prices will be advertised closer to the date. Make sure to keep an eye out for the 10c Containers for Change green bins to place your drink containers in as this will help raise funds for Year 6 graduation events.

Our **next meeting** will be held on 31st July in the Library at 3.15pm to discuss the Term 3 fundraisers. Everyone is welcome to attend.

As always, the P&C thanks you for your support!

## STEAM Project Resources

We are excited to announce a hands-on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) project where our students will be creating mini greenhouses to explore plant growth, sustainability, and environmental science.

To bring this project to life, we kindly ask for donations of the following items:

- Empty 1 or 1.5ltr soft drink bottles (clean and with caps, if possible)
- Shoeboxes (any size or condition — all are useful!)

The bottles will be repurposed by our students into functioning mini greenhouses as part of our sustainable science learning initiative and shoe boxes for next terms whole school project.



### Did you know?

With a maximum height of 1.9 meters, emus make up the world's second-tallest birds after the ostrich.





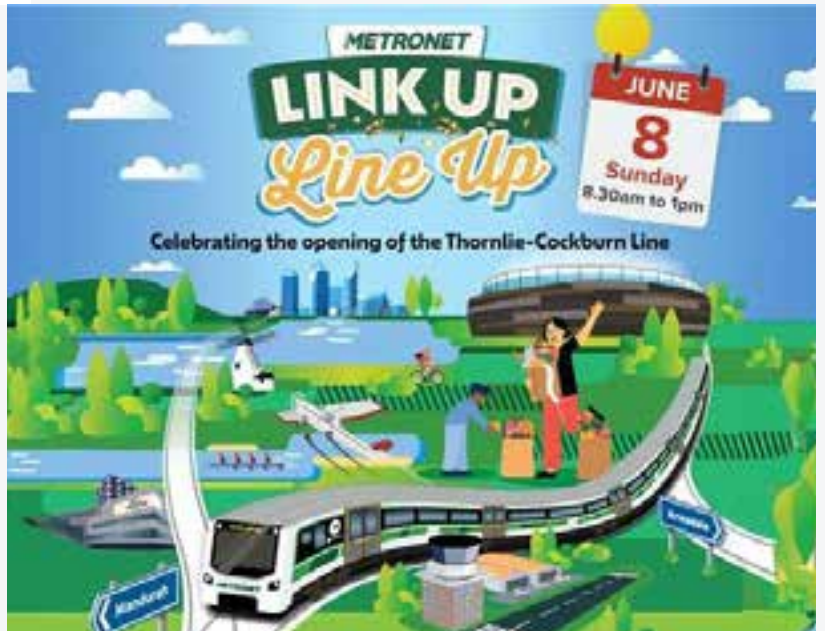
## Metronet Event

METRONET are opening the Thornlie-Cockburn Line! Perth's rail network is expanding once again and to celebrate the opening of the new METRONET Thornlie-Cockburn Line, a community event will be held on **Sunday, 8 June from 8.30am to 1pm**. To mark this major milestone, Thornlie, Nicholson Road and Ranford Road stations will have family-friendly activities, free food, live entertainment and community stalls showcasing local groups.

### What's on

Each station will host a range of community activities and food offerings. Travel along the new Thornlie-Cockburn Line and visit family friendly fun at each of the new stations - Thornlie, Exciting activities include:

- Kids can participate in many FREE activities such as face painting, circus activities, glitter tattoos and more,
- Enjoy FREE entertainment from a line-up of local WA artists.
- Specialty pop-up stalls will be located at each station showcasing local business and community offerings, such as local artisan goods, crafts and artwork.
- Food stalls will include frozen yogurt, slushies, coffee, dumplings and noodles, sushi, flatbreads, and more!
- And of course it wouldn't be a celebration without a FREE sausage sizzle at each station!



## Attendance Challenge

Exciting New Attendance Rewards!

This term, we are introducing some new and exciting incentives. We will now be drawing **2 x \$150 Kmart Vouchers** each Term! To be in the draw, students must have an attendance rate of 94% or higher. Let's work together to make every school day count! "Attend today, achieve tomorrow!"



# ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE IS BACK!

**Week 5 – Week 9**

We're turning up the heat on attendance – and the music!

◆ Lower Primary (K-2) ◆ Upper Primary (Years 3-6)

**WINNING CLASS** (one per group)

**PIZZA PARTY**

**AFTERNOON DISCO** in SHED!

★ **BONUS REWARD:** All classes that improve attendance by 3% or more get to join **AFTERNOON DISCO** too!

Be Responsible Be Caring

Be Respectful Be Your Best

**BE HERE!**



## School Hours

**Start: 8.40am** (classrooms open)

**8.50am roll is called**  
(students must not arrive to school before 8.30am. Any arrivals after 8.50am must get a late note from front office)

**Recess: 10.30am - 10.55am**

**Lunch: 12.35pm - 1.10pm**

**Finish: 3.00pm**

Students must be collected at 3pm when the bell has rung for the end of the day. Any student still at school after this time will remain in the front office until collected. Parents/Carers must sign their child out after 3.15pm.

## Canteen

Open Wednesday - Friday in the undercover assembly area. Orders can be placed at the canteen with cash or online using the **QKR app** before 9am. Please note opening days and menu is subject to change.

## Compass Communication

Wouldn't it be great if all of your child's information was available in one place? If communication was as simple as the click of a few buttons? If payment and consent for events could be made from your phone? We thought so, too. Download the free **Compass app** now! If you have any issues, please contact the front office.

## Helping Hands

Before and after school care located at Yale Primary

Phone: 0452 275 110

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast will be served on **Mondays** and **Tuesdays** from **8:00am to 8:30am** at the Chaplains new office located in the new building.

## Uniform Shop

Our uniforms are supplied and sold by **Lowes in Maddington**.

Maddington Shopping Center  
Crn Attfield St/ Burslem Drv  
Maddington, 6109  
Phone: 9452 0380

Western Australian law requires all school-aged children go to and attend school every day. If your child is absent, please notify the school via: telephone, the website absence button, email, in person or via the Compass app.

If your child is late to school for any reason, please bring them to the office to collect an arrival note before they go to class.

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