

# AROUND the TRAPS



The Newsletter of Yellingbo Primary School

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## Principal's Message

### *Basketball*

We have been basketballing everywhere you look recently. The Year 5 & 6 Hooptime tournament was last Friday, while the Year 3 & 4 students had their event on Tuesday of this week.

This year we were invited to combine with students from Don Valley PS, which enabled the students to participate, which was great, and saved a lot of disappointment.

Do Valley staffer, Kelly was the coach for both events and I am really grateful to her for the effort she made for our students.

"So, how did they go?" I hear you ask. Well, the Year 5 & 6 students won through to the semi-final and were beaten at that level. The Year 3 & 4 students were robbed, according to Kelly. They were among three teams that won three of their four games, but did not get to the finals – even though they beat the team that did get into the finals. It must have been decided on a score count-back.

I'm not really sure it matters that much, though, because the student had a great day. And so did the players from last Friday.

### *Weekend Break-In*

We were burgled again during the early hours of last Monday morning, sad to say. This is the second time in less than a year, which is very disappointing. Entry was gained through a window

## CALENDAR

### August

Thursday 27th	Book Week Dress-Up Day
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## NOTICES SENT HOME

Notice	Due Back
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after the burglars had torn off a door handle – only to be thwarted by a separate lock on the door.

The thieves stole a TV and DVD player, a computer and monitor, a digital camera and my guitar. They riffled through drawers in both the school offices – probably looking for cash – but found none.

We had police from the Yarra Ranges CIU attend on Monday to dust for finger prints, but it seems the thieves were wearing gloves.

The goods stolen that were school property are covered by insurance, but my guitar is not because it is my personal property. This doesn't seem fair, but it 'has ever been thus' for DET employees. I will be keeping a close eye on the second hand dealers around the area to see what turns up – and so will the police.

### *Technology*

Not the computer kind of technology, but the kind that requires students to design and build small projects that fulfil certain specified criteria and may be made from materials such as newspaper, card board and other recycled materials, held together with tape, glue, staples and string.

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK ★

James	For some excellent Writing work
Luke	For Reading improvement

*Students have been very busy in the past week making marble runs that change direction and take a specified time to complete. They have also investigated the properties of shapes such as triangles and how they can be used to form strong structures. So how do you build a bridge 40 cm long to support a large tape dispenser out of newspaper? You use triangles!*

*But you should see what these students can produce when you give them a tub full of pop sticks and a glue gun.*

*This sort of activity is giving students lots of hands-on activity that involves maths and science. It also gives Carolyn and me plenty of opportunity to help the students develop oral language skills as they describe what they plan to do, and a strong focus for students' writing.*



*Come as your  
favourite book  
character  
Next Thursday (27<sup>th</sup>  
August) to  
celebrate Book  
Week 2015*

