



A Tradition of Excellence



A great start to your child's future



# What Sets Us Apart



## 1 Expansive Playgrounds

YPS is set on two hectares, and encompasses separate playgrounds for infants and primary, a dual quiet zone, and a full-size sporting field which is used daily.



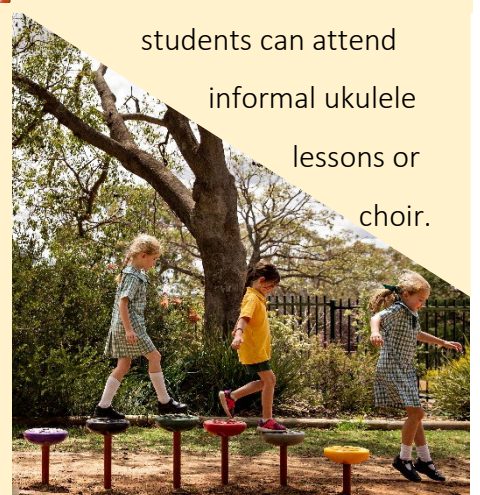
## 2 School Band

Award winning school band conducted by Mark Corkery, Young Regional School of Music. On-site lessons available during school time. In addition to band opportunities,



## 3 School Counsellor

In addition to the multitude of social and emotional supports offered, YPS has a school counsellor available three days per week. There is also an accredited therapy dog available.



## 4 Emphasis on Technology

YPS has a strong emphasis on technology boasting class sets of laptops for the entire school, a robotics laboratory, and access to STEM and coding activities in all classes.



## 5 Visible Learning

We hold a strong commitment to the philosophy of making learning visible for all students. VL principles are embedded into quality teaching and evidence-based program delivery.



# Welcome to Young Public School

## WHAT WE OFFER

Young Public School boasts a broad range of staff expertise and evidence-based programs to support students' intellectual, emotional, and physical health. See further information below.

## EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS

InitialLit	An evidence-based whole-class literacy program for Kindergarten to Year 2
PreLit	A skills-based early literacy preparation program including play-based learning
MiniLit	A small group program for Years 1-2 building strong reading foundations
MacqLit	An explicit and systematic small group reading intervention program for Years 3 - 6
MultiLit - reading tutor	An intensive individual reading program using the principles of the above programs
Aurora College - OC Class	The program is part of the NSW Virtual Selective High School, providing students in rural and remote areas, in Year 5 - 6, the chance to study specialist subjects using the latest technology. It aims to provide intellectual stimulation by grouping gifted and talented students, who may otherwise be isolated from suitable groups. The program is also available at Young High School.

## EXTENSION PROGRAMS

Mathematics extension group	Weekly extension classes including the Maths Olympiad
Writing extension group	Weekly extension classes in creative, informative, and persuasive writing

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

**Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)** is a comprehensive, integrated whole-school approach to student wellbeing and behaviour. PBL is a process that supports school leadership teams to create **positive learning environments** that enable student learning and wellbeing. It is data based and focusses on monitoring and rewarding positive school playground behaviours. These positive behaviours are identified and explicitly taught in line with Young Public School's core values: **RESPECT**, **RESPONSIBILITY** and **INTEGRITY**. PBL is about preventing unwanted behaviours and being proactive in teaching acceptable behaviour practices.



## WELLBEING TEAM

School Counsellor	Supports wellbeing and learning
Student Wellbeing Teacher	Emotional regulation, anxiety, resilience, grief and loss
Learning Support Teacher	Supports student learning outcomes
Instructional Leader	Supports students with English as a Second Language (ESL), literacy, and numeracy
Family Support Officer	Parenting support and family service referrals
School Nurse (WHIN)	Facilitates access to external health services
Occupational Therapist	Identifies and supports difficulties with everyday tasks
Speech and Language Therapist	Treats speech and communication disorders
Aboriginal Education Officer	Promotes Aboriginal education within the community
School Chaplain	Supports wellbeing by offering pastoral care services
Therapy Dog - Bob the Kelpie	Recognised and certified by a nationally and internationally accredited dog trainer

## WELLBEING SUPPORT PROGRAMS

BounceBack!	A program teaching social-emotional skills, resiliency and wellbeing used in class
Smiling Mind	A mindfulness and relaxation method used in class
Zones of Regulation	A cognitive behavioural approach to self-regulation
Seasons for Growth	A grief and loss program used in a small group setting
Peer Support	The connection between senior and junior students in the playground

# The Seven Year Experience

## Enriching the mind and body

YPS develops well-rounded students through fostering a variety of sport, arts, and special interest opportunities throughout a student's K-6 education at our school. Some of these include...



- ❖ School band conducted by Mark Corkery, Young Regional School of Music, competing in eisteddfods
- ❖ A partnership with Young Regional School of Music, with lessons available in school time, on school grounds
- ❖ PSSA sporting competitions for a multitude of sports
- ❖ School debating team practice and participation in the Premier's Debating Challenge
- ❖ Operation Art workshops each year with the Arts Unit
- ❖ Public Speaking students participate in the NSW Multicultural Public Speaking Competition



- ❖ Ukulele group
- ❖ Premier's Sporting and Leadership Challenge
- ❖ Dance and musical performances in Cherry Jam, an arts extravaganza
- ❖ Premier's Spelling Bee participation
- ❖ School choir – junior and senior
- ❖ Boys and girls special interest groups



## The Seven Year Experience



- ❖ Lunchtime activities timetable includes: guitar lessons, robotics and STEM, organised sports on the oval, public speaking, and ukulele lessons.
- ❖ Handball and ping-pong challenges
- ❖ Chess and other games available in the library
- ❖ Premier's Reading Challenge
- ❖ Aboriginal cultural activities
- ❖ Chaplain support
- ❖ Primary peer support in the infants playground







## Transition to Big School

Orientation is the knowledge of a new environment. Transition is being comfortable in that new environment. Our program moves from orientation to the transition phase and does not cease until the middle of first term of Kindergarten. Our aim in the transition to school program is to get to know your child and family and build up the home school partnership.

1

School Tour – make an appointment now!

You can book a school tour any time. Come and be guided through YPS and learn more about what's on offer. See the grounds, meet the staff, and ask any questions.

2

Preschool and Day Care Visits to YPS – Week of Monday 31 August to Friday 4 September 2020

All preschools and long day care centres visit YPS during August. Children participate in morning activities, tour the school, share recess with Kindergarten students, and try out the playground.

3

Kindergarten Open Day – Wednesday 28 October 2020 from 10:30am -11:30am

An opportunity to see Kindergarten in action, discover the classrooms and ask any questions.

4

Your invite is on its way - October

Your invite to our Kindy Orientation Information Session is on its way. 😊

5

Kindergarten Orientation Information – Wednesday 4 November 2020 from 7:00pm - 8:00pm

An information evening for parents and carers of children enrolled to commence at YPS. Gain insight into Kindergarten life, meet the Kindy teachers, pick up your Early Start pack, and share supper.

6

Early Start – Fortnight beginning Monday 16 November – Friday 27 November 2020

Children commencing Kindergarten the following year are given the opportunity to attend our school for two days as part of their preparation for their first year of school. These are flexible depending on needs and current preschool days. Please advise us if you believe your child needs additional support.

Children enjoy learning classroom etiquette and fine motor skills in small groups. They meet Year 5 buddies for recess and enjoy playing and visiting the current Kindergarten classrooms.

7

Watch your mailbox! – December to January 2020

During the Christmas school holidays, your child's starting time will be mailed home. Students begin at staggered start times to allow plenty of settling time and time to chat to parents.

8

First day of school – Friday 29 January 2021!

A day to celebrate... your child's first day of school! Students will begin at staggered start times to allow plenty of time to settle in. Parents are welcome to come into class with their child, meet the teacher, and have a photo.



## Find us on...



**FACEBOOK:** used for school (and sometimes community) announcements and reminders.  
<https://www.facebook.com/youngpublicschool/>



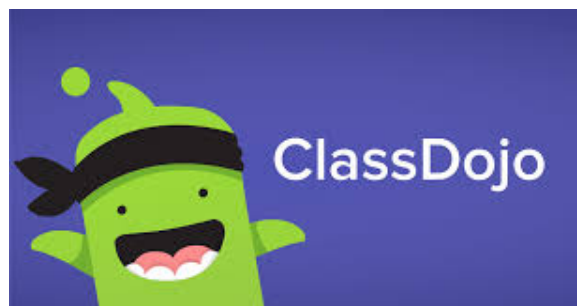
**SKOOLBAG APP:** a mobile device or web app used for school announcements, reminders, and newsletters.  
<https://www.moqproducts.com.au/skoolbag/>  
<https://young-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/skoolbag.html>



**YPS WEBSITE:** a central place for parents to find out more about our school, and links to departmental policies.  
<https://young-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



**YPS LEARNING FROM HOME HUB:** a website linking many other sites and apps to support home learning.  
<https://bit.ly/ypslearningfromhomehub>



**CLASS DOJO:** a class driven communication app for parents and carers.



**SEESAW:** a class based communication app for parents and carers.





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