



YORK DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL | NEWSLETTER – 2023

From the Principal

August | 2023

Kaya everyone,

Welcome back to Term 3! It has been pleasing to see so many students return from a restful break and set new goals for Semester 2. As always, the calendar is jam-packed with many exciting opportunities for students to demonstrate **SUCCESS** and **IMPROVEMENT** throughout our **COMMUNITY**.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge a staff member that has been offered a new challenge moving forward. Mr Josh Gough, we thank you for all your contributions to our School during your time at York DHS. We hope your efforts and enthusiasm continue to bring positive outcomes wherever you go.

With this staffing change, we are very pleased to welcome to our teaching staff Mrs Lana Chitty. Mrs Chitty is already a much beloved Education Assistant at our school and is now taking on the exciting challenge of stepping into the role of classroom teacher. It is already clear to see the affinity Mrs Chitty has for teaching and the connections she has made with our students.

A friendly reminder to all parents/carers to please utilise the designated carparks when dropping off or collecting your children. Please do not enter the Bus Bay or the Rec Centre carpark along Forrest St and Ulster Rd. We also have 2 designated “Kiss and Drop” zones, 1 in the school carpark and 1 in the carpark opposite the manned crosswalk. These areas are for the specific purpose of dropping off your children and leaving immediately. If anyone needs to accompany children on to school grounds, please park your car in a designated carpark and leave this area clear. Students should also not be accessing playgrounds on school site before school. Your support in these matters is greatly appreciated and will help ensure the safety of everyone during the busiest time of the day.



*Mr Trent Lockyer
Principal*





York District High School
Independent Public School
Courage, Effort & Innovation



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Vision Statement:

York District High School is a school of choice for learning and life. We strive to inspire a relentless pursuit of excellence (**SUCCESS**), a love of learning (**IMPROVEMENT**) and resilience through connection (**COMMUNITY**)

Important Dates:

**Note: All events are subject to change, following the most up-to-date information from the Government of Western Australia.*

Aug 9 – Keys for Life Parent Workshop (6-7pm ILC)

Aug 10 – WCF Netball Cup Final

Aug 11 – Primary Assembly (Rm 27)

Aug 15 – Be You 'Blue Food' Stall

Aug 21 – 25 – Book Week

Aug 24 – Book Week Character Dress-up Day (Parade 9am)

Aug 25 – Primary Assembly (Room 20)

Aug 25 – Final Cadet Camp Payment Due

Aug 28 – Be You Free Dress Day

Sep 1 – Secondary Interschool Athletics @ Beverley



R We are RESPECTFUL

O We OWN our Behaviour

C We are COURAGEOUS

K We are KIND



@ **Y**ork District High School



Faction Athletics Carnival Champions & Runner-Up Champions

Champion

Indi Bowers	Hunter Latham	Riley Guadagnin	Lucas Galbraith
Grace Emin	Cooper Mackenzie	Alaine Metcalfe	George Boyle
Sophie Rous	Ky Argett	Hamish Marwick	Shavon Slater
Karis Rous	Matthew Ashworth	Etonche van Emmerloot	Lincoln May
Abigail Wok	John Donavan	Eliza Clare	Logan Szymanski
Myah Day	Jimmy Slater		

Runner-Up Champion

Madison Noonan	Bradley Kohn	Olive Wallace	Cooper-Lee Gore
Mackenzie Rous	Flynn Williams	Danika McColl	Jesse Latham
Pheobe Wherrett	William Devlin	Jayden Metcalfe	Marine Wallace
Sienna Darr	Joe Boyle	Sara James	Joshua Jacobson
Haiden Sheridan	Nate Atkins	Grace Allen	Marcus Slater
Addison Mayes	Scott Lindridge		



York District High School Award Winners



*Congratulations to the following students for receiving
Certificates of Excellence
in recognition of their achievement throughout Semester 1 2023*

Chastelle Donovan

Kaylia Begley

Nathan May

Lily Marwick

William Devlin

Hunter Latham

Anorah Smith

Shayla Mathews

Ryley Barclay

Zoe Harris

George Boyle

Milena Bovington

Jacob Theedom

Sara James

Alexis Compton

Myah Day

Olive Cole

AJ Lockyer

Lincoln May

Nathan Jones



Culture of Success



Faction Athletics Carnival

On Friday June 16 we hosted our Faction Athletics Carnival, with jumps and throws events held the prior Monday. Although the weather was not always friendly, our competitors, supporters, staff and community members spirits and enthusiasm could not be dampened. Our HPE created a circuit of events that kept our students engaged and motivated throughout the day, and the result was an excellent display of value driven competition.

Thank you to everyone that makes these events not only possible, but a highlight of our school year. Congratulations to our Champions and Runners-up. We wish you all the best at the upcoming Interschool Carnival in Beverley.

Congratulations to **Avon** for claiming the Handicap Shield and to **Mackie** for securing the Faction Shield!

Primary Netball Carnival

The York District High School Netball initiatives continue to achieve **SUCCESS!** Congratulations to our students that competed in the Primary West Coast Fever Cup on Thursday June 22. All York teams entered did very well, with three teams winning their division and bringing back trophies!

End of Term Rewards

As Term 2 drew to a close, eligible students enjoyed a variety of reward activities throughout Week 10, to acknowledge their efforts and achievements. Primary classes enjoyed individual class activities, whilst our Secondary rewards were coordinated through our Cadet program. Activities included Archery, Bike Riding, Mini-Golf and Laser Tag. We hope these activities allowed students the time to reflect on their progress throughout Semester 1 and begin to set their goals for the second half of the year. Thank you to all coordinating staff for their efforts in providing these exciting opportunities.

Bibbulmun Track

From the 21st to the 23rd of June, Cadet Leaders embarked on the annual Bibbulmun Track camp. Our 8 Cadet Leaders were also joined by one Beverley Cadet Leader, Ms Read, Mr Gregory and School Nurse Mrs McGuiness. Over the course of the three days our students tackled over 30kms of challenging terrain in tough conditions. Their Leadership skills were developed through the experience, as they honed their ability to be self-reliant, carrying everything they needed with them, and supporting each other to meet all challenges.

These opportunities are often recalled as the enduring experience of students school life by former attendees. On the track, students who were normally quiet and reserved took on clear leadership roles, and those who are normally outgoing had the opportunity to focus on their physical, social, and emotional capabilities.

By the end of the three days, the Leadership group had formed a strong bond that was founded in our ROCKY and Cadet values. We look forward to seeing them reap the rewards of their efforts, and raise up those around them for the rest of their time here at York.

Room 12 Mural

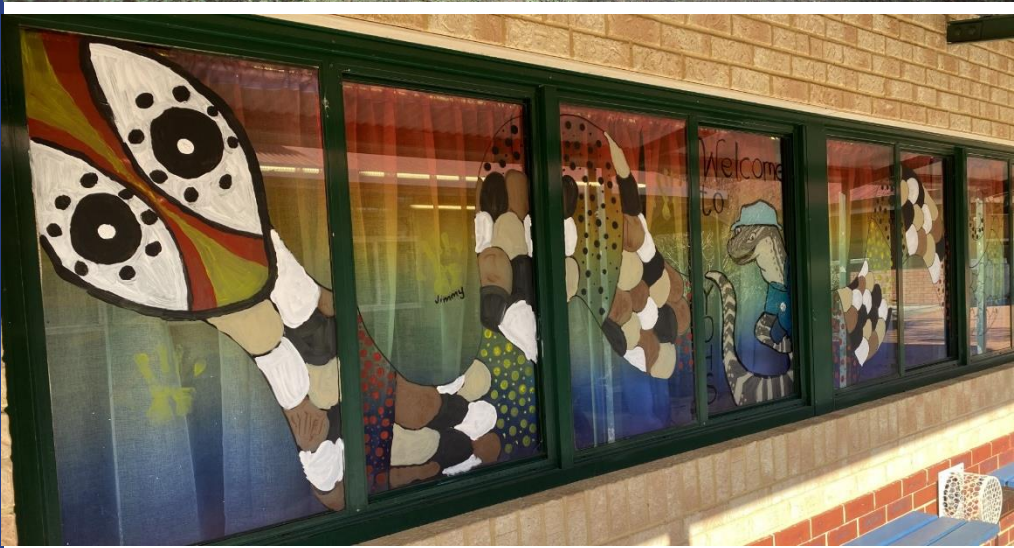
"Long, long ago in the Dreamtime there was a big explosion at Boyagin Rock, where all the rainbow serpents were sleeping. This big bang was so loud that it woke up all the rainbow serpents that were peacefully sleeping in and around the rocks"

Jimmy Slater's (Yr 10) serpent window mural takes pride of place outside Room 12 (SEN Room). Jimmy has developed this project under the guidance of Lead EA Mrs Mac and Mrs Chitty, in consultation with AIEO Mrs Bateman.

We are so proud of the efforts that Jimmy has made to create something that everyone in our school community can enjoy and discuss.



Culture of Improvement





Instrumental Music

The Instrumental Music Program at York District High School includes students from Year 5 to 10. Students attend weekly lessons across a variety of woodwind instruments including flute, clarinet, and saxophone. This year students once again took part in a Wind and Percussion Workshop and Concert held at Narrogin Senior High School. Many schools from the area that have instrumental programs participated. This was a great event for the students to be involved in, and a wonderful showcase of our students' talent.

Be You Food Stall

Be You is the national mental health in education initiative delivered by Beyond Blue, in collaboration with Early Childhood Australia and headspace. Be You supports educators from early learning services and schools to develop a positive, inclusive and resilient learning community where every child, young person, educator and family can achieve their best possible mental health. These efforts are highlighted at York DHS during the annual Be You Day in Term 4. There are a number of events that support Be You Day through fund raising such as our Blue Free Dress Day, and the Blue Food Stall. Thank you to everyone who continues to support this important initiative.

Culture of Community

York District High School's
BLUE FOOD STALL
Purchase blue foods at our stall next to the canteen and the money will go towards our Be You Day!

28 July, 2023 | 10:30-10:50 | 12:40-1:15
15 August, 2023 | 10:30-10:50 | 12:40-1:15

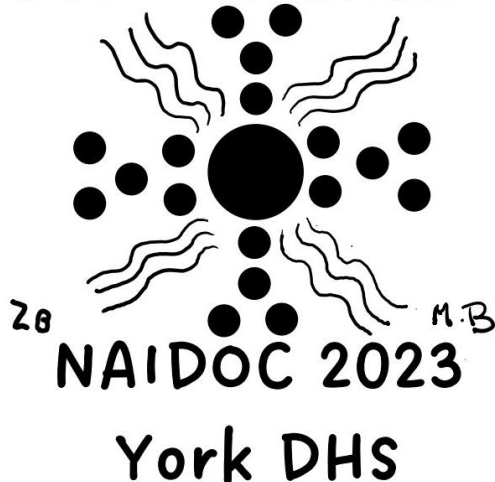
BLUE FOOD MENU 28 JULY 2023

Blue Cupcakes	\$ 2.00
Blue Biscuits	\$ 1.00
Blue Jelly	\$ 2.00
Blueberry Pancakes	\$ 1.00

NAIDOC Week

Please keep an eye on our social and regular communication channels for a full update on our NAIDOC week celebrations. Throughout Week 3 of this Term, there have been a number of activities at the school that centred on this year's theme 'For Our Elders'. Highlights include our annual smoking ceremony, our damper and BBQ food celebrations and this year's original York DHS student designed NAIDOC shirts. Thank you to everyone that has contributed to the **SUCCESS** of NAIDOC week this year!

For Our Elders







PBS Update



It has been a great return from school holidays for our PBS Team. We have continued our presentations to primary students on procedures and expectations with a revisit on our values and our current procedures. Students are responding well to the clearer expectations about walking on bricks and concrete and enjoying being rewarded through ClassDojo. Our continued partnership with our Social and Emotional Learning Team is resulting in students explicitly restating and demonstrating persistence and confidence in their everyday behaviours and we look forward to new aspects of this program being addressed in future mini-assemblies.

We	R	O	C	K
 	<p>We are <u>Respectful</u></p> <p>Respectful people are polite, they listen and make positive choices. They show regard for others, themselves, property and the environment.</p>	<p>We <u>Own our behaviour</u></p> <p>People who own their behaviour are accountable for their actions by following procedures, acting safely and showing initiative.</p>	<p>We are <u>Courageous</u></p> <p>Being courageous is the ability to make positive choices in the face of challenges and being brave even though the outcome is uncertain.</p>	<p>We are <u>Kind</u></p> <p>Being kind means that through your actions you show genuine empathy and consideration for others.</p>
All of the time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We actively listen and follow all instructions. We are polite and use our manners. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We make positive choices and are accountable. We are honest and act with integrity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We challenge ourselves to be our best. We seek help when needed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are helpful and considerate. We accept and respect differences.
Learning Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We listen to people when they are talking and wait for our turn. We use appropriate school language. We show regard for everyone's belongings and school resources. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are accountable for our own learning and behaviour. We use technology appropriately. We give everyone the opportunity to participate and learn. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We persist in the face of challenges. We seek feedback to improve. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We help and include others. We show patience and compassion when people are learning new things.
School Grounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We speak to and about others appropriately. We wear our school uniform with pride. We show regard for equipment and the environment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We model appropriate behaviours. We make safe choices. We use school facilities appropriately. We play by the agreed rules. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We report unsafe behaviour to staff. We use strategies to positively support someone who is being bullied. We engage in educational opportunities and challenges. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We resolve problems through thoughtful words and actions, seeking further help if needed. We welcome new people and visitors to our school.
Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We speak appropriately to all people in our community. We follow the expectations of different environments. We are considerate of personal space. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are positive advocates and role models for our school. We follow all road rules. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are active citizens who contribute positively to our community where possible. We take pride in our community, school and self. We speak up for our safety and the safety of others. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We show consideration for the thoughts, feelings and opinions of others. We care for ourselves and community members. We celebrate and encourage the success of all school community members.



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THE FACTS ABOUT VAPING



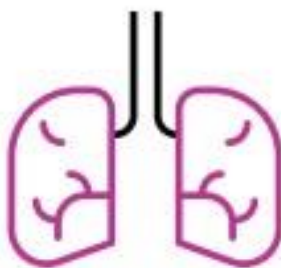
Many vapes contain nicotine making them **very addictive**



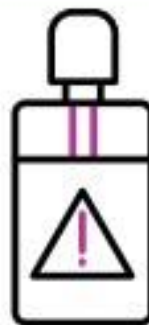
The nicotine in 1 vape can
= 50
cigarettes



Young people who vape are **3 times** as likely to take up smoking



Vaping has been linked to **serious lung disease**



Vape aerosol **is not water vapour**



Vapes can contain the same **harmful chemicals** found in cleaning products, nail polish remover, weed killer and bug spray.

The biggest misunderstanding about vapes is that they are harmless compared to cigarettes. This is not true. Vapes are not safe.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY'RE VAPING?

If you need support, speak with your teacher or student services staff.



ARE YOU A CHANGE MAKER?

YOU CAN DONATE YOUR CANS TO YORK DHS P&C

IT'S AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3...

Collect eligible containers

Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible.

Take them to a refund point

There are different types of refund points across Western Australia, so find the right one for you.

Earn a refund or donate to York DHS P&C Scheme ID C10467214

You'll receive 10 cents for every eligible container you return which you can keep or donate.

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York DHS P&C Scheme ID



ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS

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Bag drops

Bags of containers can be dropped off at various locations as a convenient and contact free way to recycle and receive refunds via your scheme ID.

Donate your containers

Simply quote your chosen group's scheme ID at your local refund point to donate your containers.