



Wee Jasper Public School

# The Bugle

Term 3, Week 10 2025 | Principal - Michelle Stewart



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**YASS VALLEY**  
LEARNING COMMUNITY

transforming lives through learning

The students with Australian Outdoor Education at the Wee Jasper Reserves

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# Term 3 & 4, 2025 Calendar

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| <b>WEEK 10<br/>SEPTEMBER</b> | 2PM Tennis                                                            | STEM PLC                                                          |                                                              |                                            | <b>FRI 29</b><br><i>Last Day of Term 3</i> |
| <b>WEEK 1<br/>OCTOBER</b>    | <b>MON 13</b><br>Staff Development Day                                | <b>TUES 14</b><br>Students return for Term 4                      | <b>WED 15</b><br>Grow Your Mind                              | <b>THURS 16</b>                            | <b>FRI 17</b>                              |
| <b>WEEK 2<br/>OCTOBER</b>    | <b>MON 20</b><br>Will Kostakis online workshop                        | <b>TUES 21</b><br>STEM PLC - Dalton                               | <b>WED 22</b><br>Will Kostakis online workshop<br><i>GYM</i> | <b>THURS 23</b><br>PLC @ Bowning PS        | <b>FRI 24</b>                              |
| <b>WEEK 3<br/>OCTOBER</b>    | <b>MON 27</b><br>Will Kostakis online workshop<br><i>Dance 1.45pm</i> | <b>TUES 28</b><br>Will Kostakis online workshop                   | <b>WED 29</b><br><i>GYM</i>                                  | <b>THURS 30</b><br>Ms Wendy Quinn visiting | <b>FRI 31</b>                              |
| <b>WEEK 4<br/>NOVEMBER</b>   | <b>MON 3</b><br>Will Kostakis online workshops                        | <b>TUES 4</b><br>STEM PLC - WJ                                    | <b>WED 5</b><br><i>GYM</i>                                   | <b>THURS 6</b>                             | <b>FRI 7</b><br>P&C Meeting 8am            |
| <b>WEEK 5<br/>NOVEMBER</b>   | <b>MON 10</b><br>Will Kostakis online workshop<br><i>Dance 1.45pm</i> | <b>TUES 11</b><br>Will Kostakis online workshop<br>Life Education | <b>WED 12</b><br><i>GYM</i>                                  | <b>THURS 13</b>                            | <b>FRI 14</b>                              |

## CHANGES TO STUDENT DAYS & STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

### 2025 - School dates

#### First to last days for students

- Term 4: Tuesday 14 October to Friday 19 December

#### School Development Days (8 each year)

- Term 4: Monday 13 October (1 day)



### Upcoming Public Holidays:

- Labour Day: Monday 6 October 2025
- Christmas Day: Thursday 25 December 2025
- Boxing Day: Friday 26 December 2025



# Staff weekly schedule for Term Four

## Monday

- Michelle Stewart - teacher
- Wendy Griffiths - SAM

## Tuesday

- Michelle Stewart - teacher
- Wendy Griffiths - SAM
- Helen Cathles - SLSO
- Nobby Kozlowski - GA

## Wednesday

- Michelle Stewart - teacher
- Wendy Griffiths - SAM
- Nobby Kozlowski - GA

## Thursday

- Michelle Stewart - principal admin
- Kim Rowling - teacher
- Troy Stewart - APCI
- Wendy Griffiths (Week 1, 3, 5, 7, 9) - SAM
- Mary Goulding - SARP

## Friday

- Michelle Stewart - principal admin
- Kim Rowling - teacher
- Wendy Griffiths (odd weeks)

## Additional Staff

- Anna Kemp - STEM Project Officer
- Sharlee Cassidy - Casual teaching staff
- Helen Cathles - Swimming Instructor

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**Wee Jasper**  
2nd & 4th Thursday of the month  
2.30pm - 3.30pm  
Primary School

May 8th & 22nd  
June 12th & 26th  
July 10th & 24th



yass valley council  
the country the people

# Principal's message

Well done to our students on completing another fabulous term of learning. They have applied themselves with enthusiasm and continue to make pleasing progress across all areas.

This term, our students participated in another Combined Learning Day with Dalton and Breadalbane Public Schools. The day included a captivating Music Around the World presentation at the Hume Conservatorium of Music, followed by a Musica Viva performance showcasing instruments and songs from across the globe. Students also enjoyed a gymnastics session at Invert Gym in Goulburn, where they challenged themselves physically while having fun alongside their friends from our STEM PLC. In addition, our final STEM Day for the term at Breadalbane PS focused on forces, offering students rich opportunities to explore science through hands-on activities.

We were also fortunate to welcome the wonderful staff from Australian Outdoor Education once again. Their program of games and challenges is always a highlight, encouraging students to stretch themselves while learning in our local environment. Sadly, that was our last session for the year, though we hope to continue this valuable partnership in 2026.

Last week, we had our school photo shoot at the picturesque Swinging Bridge, a location thoughtfully chosen by Charlotte, who had always wanted to spend time there. Our talented photographer, Camilla Duffy, captured some beautiful moments both at the bridge and within our vibrant school grounds. We look forward to receiving the photos next term.

Looking ahead, Term 4 will begin with a Staff Development Day on Monday 13 October, with students returning on Tuesday 14 October. Highlights of the term will include continuing our STEM PLC, a shared learning day with Binalong and Bowning Public Schools on 23 October, and the much-anticipated writing workshops with acclaimed author Will Kostakis. Thanks to the generous support of our fabulous P&C, our students for four weeks will join Will twice a week online, receiving personalised feedback on their writing, an extraordinary opportunity to learn from a real author.

I would also like to share that Ms Wendy Quinn has been appointed as the relieving principal of Wee Jasper Public School for 2026. Ms Quinn, currently teaching at Bowning Public School, is excited to join our community. She will begin the handover process with me on Thursday 30 October and will have the chance to meet our students and staff on that day.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful staff for their professionalism, dedication, and positivity. They truly are the heart of our school, and I am so grateful for all that they do for our students and community. To our parents, thank you for your ongoing support, encouragement, and partnership in your child's learning. And finally, to our students, well done on another term filled with growth, effort, and achievement.

I wish everyone a safe, restful, and enjoyable break. I look forward to all that we will achieve together in Term 4.

Michelle Stewart

Teaching Principal

## P&C message

THANK YOU

An enormous thank you to all our volunteers who came to our Bunnings BBQ on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August.

A special thank you to Reflections who generously donated \$250 to go towards purchasing sausages.

We managed to raise **\$1921** which is a fantastic effort.

**Next meeting: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025, 8am at the school.**

**Wee Jasper Public School's vision**

**Our school will remain the heart of our small rural community. Here, core values will be learned and lived, as every learner is fully engaged and challenged, in preparation to making their contribution to our complex and dynamic society. Every student will be known, valued and cared for and experience a secure sense of belonging and connection to this school, community and land. All students will be literate, numerate and curious. We will continue to see the diversity of our community as a pedagogical strength and draw upon our diverse human and natural resources to sustain learning. In this way, we will counter the potential disadvantage of living in a small, remote community.**

"Don't give up!  
I believe in you all!  
A person's a person,  
no matter how small!"

HORTON HEARS A WHO!



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# School news



## Netball

The students have been enjoying netball lessons at school this term with Courtney, who has travelled out to Wee Jasper to deliver the lessons at the school and at the hall.

Students have improved their ball handling skills as well as beginning to understand the rules of the game.

You never know, we might have a future Australian Diamonds player here in Wee Jasper!





# School news

## A Special Thank You to Miss Mary

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Miss Mary for the amazing newsletters she has created over the past three years. Her creativity and dedication have kept our school community so well informed and connected.

Mary has recently been given the opportunity to extend her work in Yass to include Fridays, which means she will no longer be relieving as our School Administration Manager on alternate Fridays. We are fortunate, however, that she will continue in her SARP role on Thursdays for the remainder of the year.

In addition to her work in administration, Mary has been a wonderful mentor for Helen and an endless source of support with Canva and IT in general. We are truly grateful for all she has contributed to Wee Jasper Public School.

We know that our newsletters will continue to provide our community with insights into our school. Mrs Helen Cathles will continue to support Mrs Stewart with the newsletters for the remainder of 2026, and we sincerely thank Helen for the enthusiasm and commitment she brings to this important role. We are also very proud of Helen's first newsletter and look forward to many more to come. Our school community is in safe hands with this team effort.

At Wee Jasper Public School, our support and office staff are so valuable. They support the students and teachers and strive to add their personal touch with professionalism.



## ENROL NOW FOR 2026 Wee Jasper Public School

### A welcoming start to your child's education

**At WJPS, we offer more than just schooling - we're a small, close-knit community where children thrive, families connect and success is celebrated.**

Nestled in picturesque Wee Jasper Valley, our school offers:

- ✓ Supportive, personalised learning
- ✓ Rich community and cultural activities
- ✓ Safe, inspiring environment



We value pride, hard work, and joy in everyday life.

Join a vibrant school with strong support from our P&C and School Council.

☎ Call (02) 6227 9652 to enrol or book a tour.



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# School news

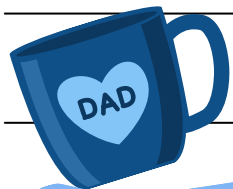
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## Father's Day Presents

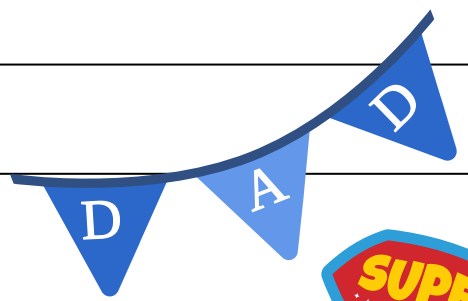
Happy Father's Day! We take so much pride and joy in planning and making gifts and cards here at Wee Jasper Public School. The students are always excited when Mrs G shares with them her idea for the latest creation. For Father's Day this year the students, with the help of Mrs G, chose an animal that they then made in the shape of a pillow. Happy Father's day to all our dads. We hope that you liked your presents.







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## Father's Day Writing & Portraits

### **My Dad - By Charlotte**

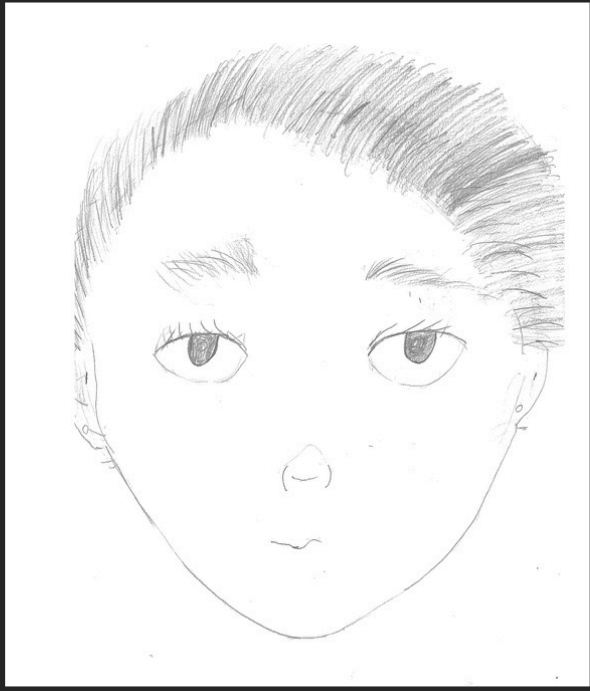
Loves me  
Unbelievable  
Keeps me safe  
Excellent

Always loves me  
Pays for movies  
Plays football  
Saturday, we go somewhere special

### **ABOUT MY DAD**

My dad's favourite colour is blue. My dad favourite songs are Lee Kernaghan songs. My dad's name is Luke. My dad's favourite TV show is Aussie Gold Hunters and Gold Coast cops. When me, Abi and Ella are playing football dad asks if he can play with us and we say yes and then we play touch football. We are so happy.

My dad always tells me "I love you, I love you, I love you, I love you". My dad calls me Nugget because I eat nuggets. I love my dad because he tells me funny jokes and I laugh so much that I can barely breath, that's how funny they are.

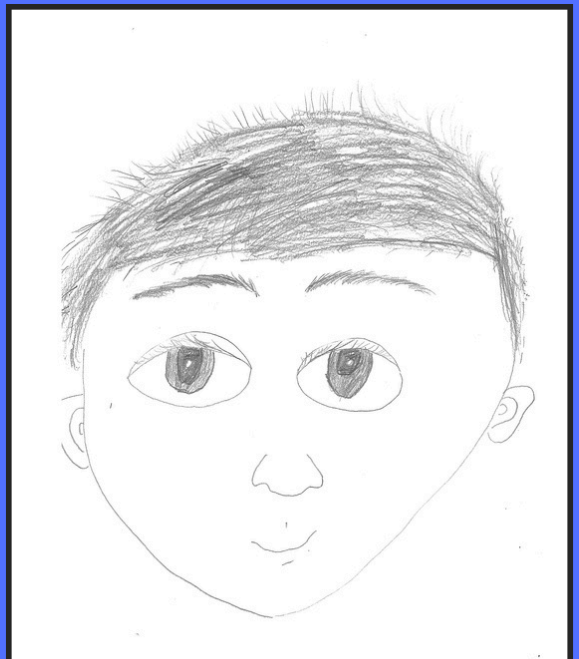


### **My Dad - By Ava**

Hilarious  
Apples he loves  
Young  
Daddy loves me  
Enjoys eating tuna  
Nice

### **ABOUT MY DAD**

My dad's name is Hayden. My dad loves tuna and loves country songs. My dad tells me to believe in myself. My dad is good at building. My dad's favourite colour is blue. Me and dad and mum love playing the "How to train your dragon" game together. My dad gives me kisses on the cheek or forehead and makes me filled loved. I love my dad because he loves me.





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## Father's Day Writing



### **My Dad by Abigail**

Loves me

Unbelievable Dad

Kind hearted

Excellent Dad

Amazing Dad

Perseverance dad

Pay me money

Sunday morning, he says good morning darling girl

### **ABOUT MY DAD**

My dad's name is Luke. My dad loves country songs by Luke Combs. My dad loves Gold Coast Cops, that is his favourite tv show.

My dad works for Tim who gave us the house that we live in.

I like it when he takes me to the farm to do feeding the cows and moving the cows. I like it because with get to hang out with each other.

### **My Dad by Tilly**

Favourite parent to hang out with

Amazing at Monopoly

Tries to make me do more maths

Has always had my back

Enjoys my company

Really good at cooking dinner

Sometimes lets me win a game

Dad is the best dancer

Amazing at art

You are the best dad EVER!!!!

### **ABOUT MY DAD**

My dad's name is Antony Ian Cathles. He is very smart at mathematics. He works in a company that delivers cars across seas, so he stays home most of the time. My dad has multiple nicknames for me like "Sausages" (most of them are food based). He is also a really good cook and makes amazing dishes (and also makes dishes to wash up) they are amazing.

For fun my dad "tries" to beat me in Monopoly. Most of the time I win. I love my dad because he cares about me and has really funny jokes. They make me laugh and laugh. I love my dad because his the best dad in the world (but is a "little" bad at cleaning).

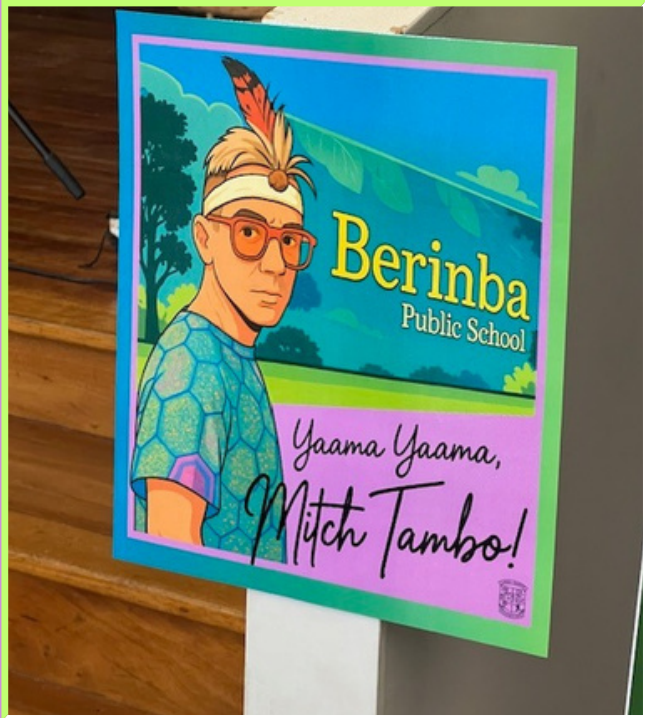




# Out and about

## "I AM ME"

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September the students travelled to Yass with Mrs Rowlings and saw the production **"I am me"** at Berinba Public School in Yass. The girls thoroughly enjoyed watching this fantastic performance by Mitch Tambo and were lucky enough to be given a signed copy of the book for the school library. It was fabulous for our students to join the students at Berinba and we thank them for inviting us.





# WE ARE A GROW YOUR<sup>TM</sup> MIND SCHOOL



MINDFULNESS | RESILIENCE | BRAIN AWARENESS | COMPASSION | GRATITUDE



## SPRING School Holiday Program

Week 1 – 30th Sept, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct

Week 2 – 7th, 8th & 9th October

Morning Session \$20 (9am–11am)

Full Day \$60 (9am– 3pm)

5yrs + Member & Non Members Welcome

### Bookings Essential

Book via emailing us for jotform link

email us at [info@yassgymnastics.com.au](mailto:info@yassgymnastics.com.au)

### FreeG & Ultimate Tag

Wednesday mornings

### Gymnastics

Tuesday

Thursdays



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