



Woody Yaloak Primary School ROSS CREEK CAMPUS

"ACHIEVING TOGETHER"

ISSUE 02 28/02/2017

2017 Term Dates

- 31st Jan - 31st Mar
- 18th Apr - 30th Jun
- 17th July - 22nd Sep
- 9th Oct - 22nd Dec

For Your Diary

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 28th

- Parent/Teacher Information Sharing Interviews 1.30pm-6pm

MARCH

Wednesday 1st

- Breakfast Club 8.15-8.45am

Friday 3rd

- Life Ed Van
- Casual Clothes Day

Monday 6th

- Life Ed Van
- Life Ed Van Parent Information Session 9.30am

Tuesday 7th

- Life Ed Van

Wednesday 8th

- Breakfast Club 8.15-8.45am

Monday 13th

- Labour Day Holiday
NO SCHOOL TODAY

Tuesday 14th

- Phoenix P-12 Information Evening

PERMISSION FORMS AND MONEY DUE:

- WEDNESDAY 1ST MARCH: Life Ed Van
- WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH: LDSSA Sports Day

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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

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Woody Kid of the Month February



Zach is an enthusiastic and friendly member of the class who always arrives at school with a positive attitude, ready to learn. He takes pride in all of his work, completing all set tasks neatly and to the best of his ability. He shows the school value of respect through being a kind and thoughtful class mate and always goes above and beyond to help others around him. Zach is highly organised, starting and completing work in allocated times in all areas of the curriculum.

Congratulations!

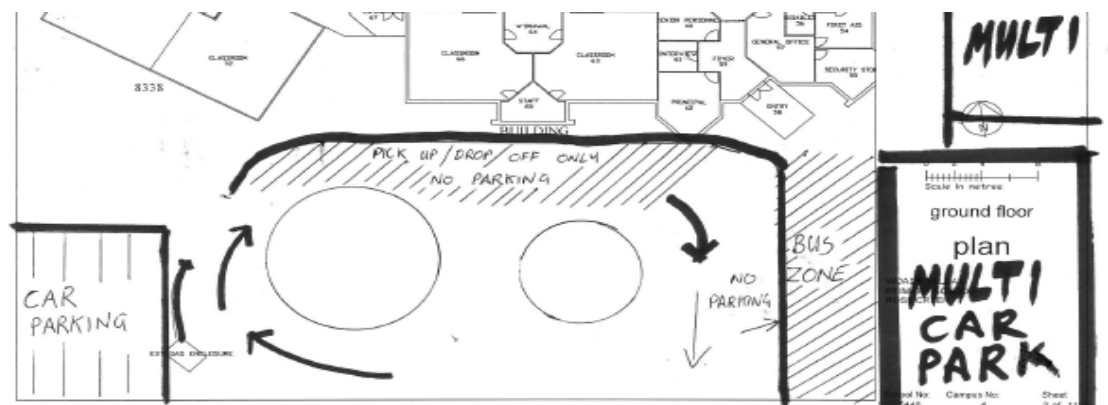
FROM THE CAMPUS HEAD

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS PARKING

While the multi-purpose room car park is being upgraded, we are going to trial a new bus-parking zone in our turning circle. This trial will be in place until the end of the term to assess its effectiveness. The changes are:

- From tomorrow, the bus will be parking (at PICK UP ONLY) next to the temporary fencing in the multi car park. PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THIS AREA. The bus will still be dropping off students in the turning circle of a morning.
- The bus-turning circle will be used as a pick up and drop off point only BETWEEN 8.45am-9.15am and 3.20pm-3.40pm. NO PARKING HERE AT THIS TIME FOR PARENTS NEEDING TO COME INTO SCHOOL.
- Parents who need to park and come into school need to park in the car park opposite the staff car park or next to the oval / tennis court area.

The following map indicates these parking areas. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at school. Thanks again for your patience during the car park upgrade.



"IT'S COOL TO BE AT SCHOOL"



EFTPOS & BPAY FACILITIES

EFTPOS facilities are available at each campus during office hours. Payments for accounts can be made using any Debit Card, VISA or MasterCard. No cash out and minimum transaction of \$10.00.

BPAY is now available. Individual reference numbers can be found on statements.



ROSS CREEK CAMPUS CURRICULUM NEWS

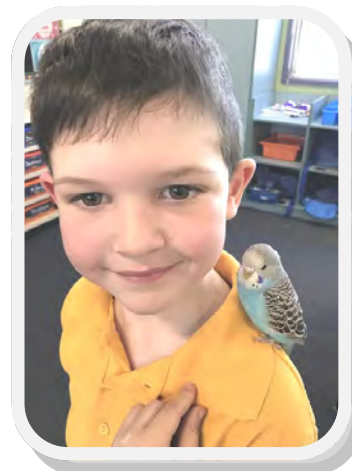
WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOMS?

What an amazing start we have had to 2017. Our students have been coming to school happy and motivated, regularly showing our school values of getting along, resilience, confidence, persistence and organisation.

Our senior students have recently been introduced to the my Ed program, which allows teachers to set digital learning pathways that can be adapted and individualised to suit each student's point of need. The early signs of this innovative program have been very pleasing and the students seem highly engaged. We look forward to measuring the success throughout the program.

Our Middle PLT students have been focussing on persuasive writing. I really enjoyed visiting Mrs Angel's class last week and being asked to justify why I thought winter was the best season. It was great to see the students focussing on expanding their paragraphs by adding supporting details to their arguments.

Our Junior PLT students have settled in well and enjoying their small class sizes. Having only 17 students in each of the classes has allowed Mrs. Hines, Mrs Weickhardt, Miss Wood, Mrs. Dwyer and Mrs. Fitzpatrick to really get to know their students and build some wonderful relationships. Our teachers at this level have been finalising their English Online Assessment so student data can be used to guide their classroom teaching programs. It was great to see a Daniel L. bring his pet bird Elvis in for a visit!



WHAT HAS BEEN THE BEST THINGS IN THE FIRST MONTH OF SCHOOL?

Our students have settled in really well this year and are working hard in the classroom. I asked a number of students what they have enjoyed about school in the first month.

Stephanie W: My favourite part of the year has been writing recounts. I like writing recounts because I get to write neatly.

Thomas C: I like school because we do a lot of sports training. My favourite event has been high jump.

Grace P: I like school because I get to do heaps of maths. I like maths because it is fun!

Seth H: What I have liked about school this year is we have been doing lots of sports training. My favourite sport is hurdles.



ROSS CREEK STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAMS

Over the past fortnight, students have presented their student leadership speeches to their peers and voting has taken place. The students who will form our 2017 student leadership teams will be announced at assembly on Monday.

EDUCATOR IMPACT TEACHER OBSERVATION PROGRAM

Over the next two weeks, all teachers at Ross Creek will be involved in classroom observations to use feedback to enhance their teaching. Teachers will complete a self-reflection survey, students will be surveyed about their teacher and an observer will complete a lesson observation with all this data then collated to inform the teacher about their particular strengths and areas to improve. Teaching staff will then use this information to form goals for their 2017 performance plans.

You Can Do It Awards



CONFIDENCE

Emily H



RESILIENCE



PERSISTENCE

Liam J
Finn H
Ben S
Jacob T
Paddy F
Lucy O
Joshua D



GETTING ALONG

Caden Q
Stanley M
Olivia F
Addison B



ORGANISATION

Tom S

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS CURRICULUM NEWS CONT.

PALL (PRINCIPALS AS LITERACY LEADERS COURSE)

Last Thursday and Friday, I was lucky enough to be involved in the Principal's As Literacy Leaders course with all campus heads from our school. The purpose of the course is to improve the literacy achievement of our students through developing the capabilities of primary school leaders to be effective literacy leaders. This is an ongoing course throughout 2017. At the completion of the program, Woody Yaloak will have developed a literacy intervention plan that supports and promotes literacy learning (primarily reading) across our school.

GIFTED AND TALENTED WRITING PROGRAM

This year, Woody Yaloak Primary School is involved in a community of practice (collaborative learning team) with a number of other schools, focussed on identifying and extending gifted and talented writers. This is a wonderful program to enhance our classroom teaching and learning programs to ensure we give our gifted and talented writers the greatest opportunities to display their talents. More information about this sought after program will be shared throughout the year.

LIFE EDUCATION VAN VISIT

The Life Education Van program begins at Ross Creek on Friday. Just a reminder all money and notes are due tomorrow. A parent information session will be held on Monday at 9.30am (in the Life Education van) for those people who would like to learn more about the topics covered in Life Education sessions.

PARENT TEACHER INFORMATION SHARING SESSIONS

Today parent / teacher information sharing interviews were conducted across the school. These interviews are a great way to get to know your child's' classroom teacher and share information that may be important to support learning both in and out of the classroom. If you were unavailable to book a time today, please contact the relevant staff member to make an alternate time to ensure we have the best possible parent / teacher / students teams.

CHICKENS

It is with great pleasure to announce that **WE HAVE CHICKENS!** Our five new feathery friends arrived at our campus on Wednesday last week and are settling in nicely. We would like to say a big thank you to the Clark family for donating three chooks. A big thank you also goes to Zander C for conducting a great business deal with us and selling two of his chickens. Furthermore, thanks to Ross Cameron for doing additional work around the chicken coop so that our little ladies can live in style and comfort! Last but not least, thank you to Mega Merch and Pet Stock for donating chicken food and Tanya and Andrew-Huebner for initiating this.



CHICKENS NAMES: Splash (grey), Rocket (white), Clucky (brownie white – big one), Cookie (brownie, yellow, black) and Moonlight (black with orange speckles).



WORKING WITH CHILDREN CERTIFICATES

Do you assist with:-

- ◆ Listening to reading,
- ◆ Excursions,
- ◆ Sporting activities,
- ◆ Cooking,
- ◆ Hot lunches,
- ◆ Or as a general classroom helper

- then we require you to have a "Working With Children" Certificate.

For parents to assist in our campuses we are required to see and file a photocopy of a current Working With Children Certificate.

The Department and the State Government guidelines require all parents who assist in the schools to have a current certificate. This is to safeguard your children's welfare. The certificates are only valid for five years.

If you do not have a certificate, please apply for one as volunteers are cost free.

Forms to apply for this are available at; <https://online.justice.vic.gov.au/wwccu/onlineapplication.do>. Once you have lodged your application at the Post Office, bring your receipt to school and you can simply fill in a Statutory Declaration, this will enable you to volunteer immediately. The Statutory Declaration covers the period of time between applying and receipt of your working with children card.

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS CURRICULUM NEWS

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS OPEN MORNING AND MORNING TEA

Two weeks ago, we had over 40 visitors attend our campus for our open morning and morning tea. The aim was to invite parents to come into the school to get to know their child's teacher and experience a morning in the classroom.

As a school we are always striving to improve, so are seeking feedback to make this morning a greater success in years to come. Please feel free to contact me with any suggestions.

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS ACTIVITY NEWS

FREE PANCAKE MORNING TEA!

Thanks to our wonderful and hardworking PFA who supplied our students with a free pancake morning tea today! The pancakes were very yummy and enjoyed by all! Thanks PFA!

CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

This Friday, children are encouraged to wear casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation. The money raised goes toward student leadership projects throughout the year. Last year, two of the major projects the student leadership team contributed to were the AFL Roadshow and the musical garden development.

ICY POLES SALES

Our wonderful student leaders will continue to sell icy poles throughout term one on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Icy poles are 50 cents each.

WOODY YALOAK COMMUNITY NEWS

ABSENCE & LATENESS

We understand that from time to time students are absent from school. We ask that you notify the school either by phoning the office / teachers, use the Tiqbiz app or send a note explaining the absence. If your child is away for two consecutive days and we are not informed, we will endeavour to contact you and check-in to see what's happening.

Did you know....?

If your child misses 1 day per fortnight, that equates to 20 days per year which is 4 weeks per year and over 13 years of schooling means that they would miss 1.5 years of schooling – a startling fact!



SCHOOL SPORTS

This year the School Athletics Day will be held on Wednesday 22nd March at the Linton Rec Facility. Sports day is a fantastic day for all students to participate. Parents are encouraged to stay and support their child and assist in the day where needed. The canteen will be available with lots of healthy lunch items and drinks. All students need to be transported by parents or guardians to the **Linton Rec Reserve** by 8.45. On arrival and departure, please see one of the Ross Creek staff so your child can be signed in. In the case of inclement weather, the backup date for the sports is Thursday 30th March. Permission notes have been sent home with today's newsletter and are due back on Wednesday, 15th March.

CURRICULUM DAYS / Dates to remember (subject to School Council Approval)

Wednesday 1st March – Foundation students attend school

Friday 12th May – Curriculum Day (no students at school) – Staff training regarding Writing / VCOP

Monday 19th June – Curriculum Day - Staff training regarding School Wide Positive Behaviours

Monday 14th August – Curriculum Day – Staff training Victorian Curriculum.



READ TO RUBY

Ruby has been very busy for the first few weeks of the term. She loved meeting all our new Foundation students and welcoming back students from last year. During Ruby's time at school, she listens to approximately eight to ten students read every week. These students are selected as a reward system by their teacher. They initially spend some quiet time with Ruby as a 1:1 whereby the student gets to pat and talk to her followed by reading to her. The student finishes the session by giving her a treat which she really looks forward to!



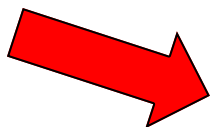
Captain's Corner

This year Miss Wood's class runs around the oval every morning so they are ready to learn. The Foundation class is having a teddy bear picnic this Friday and are learning the days of the week. We have got new sports equipment and got up more nets on the basketball rings.

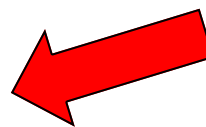


By:
Hannah, Mike, Sophie & James

SAVE THE DATE! Ross Creek Campus Trivia Night



Saturday, 20th May 2017



Expressions of Interest for Donations: We are seeking businesses large and small to sponsor tables or donate items, goods or services to this event. If you are involved in or know of a business that might be interested in assisting us - and who would like to receive FREE advertising on the night in return for their donation - please leave details with Brenda at the Ross Creek Campus office for further information.

SMYTHESDALE TRIVIA NIGHT!! COMMUNITY EVENT

SATURDAY 18TH MARCH, 2017
7PM

SMYTHESDALE RECREATION FACILITY

55 HEALES ST SMYTHESDALE

Hosted by the Rec Facility Committee of Management

Presenting your Trivia host **Greg Whelan.**

WIN prizes, memorabilia, auctions!!

Tables of 8 @ \$120 (or \$15 per person)

Book with Alan at the Smythesdale Post Office on 0419 929 179.

BYO drinks and nibbles.

WOODY YALOAK PRIMARY SCHOOL - ROSS CREEK CAMPUS

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

February 2017

GENERAL NEWS

- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – The PFA AGM was held on Tuesday 21st February. Thank you to all parents & friends who attended the meeting on Tuesday 21st February, 2017. It was great to see so many new faces on the night. A big thank you to Mr Johnson for chairing the AGM.

The PFA Executive for 2017 is:

- President – Casey Douglas
- Vice President – tbc
- Treasurer – Caroline Butterworth
- Assistant Treasurer – Jen Clarke
- Secretary – Chelle Henderson
- Communications Officer – Tanya Hubener

Thank you to these parents for taking on these important roles within the PFA. Please feel free to chat with any of our PFA representatives anytime!

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

- [Hot Cross Bun Drive](#)
- [Easter Raffle](#)
- [Entertainment Book](#)



Upcoming Events

NEXT PFA MEETING:

Thursday 16th March at 7pm in the Ross Creek Campus Staff Room.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND PFA MEETINGS @

PFA MORNING TEA / LUNCH DATES - TERM 1

28th February:

Pancake Day (Shrove Tuesday)

(No cost to Families)

16th March:

Subway

23rd March

Hot Dog Day

(No cost to Families)

29th March:

Hot Cross Bun Morning tea

(No cost for families)



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Treasurer: Caroline Butterworth e:mail rosscreekpfa@gmail.com

Please check the Noticeboard and Facebook page for more information.

WOODY YALOK PRIMARY SCHOOL - ROSS CREEK CAMPUS

PARENTS & FRIENDS

NEWSLETTER

THANK YOU

Mega Merch & Pet Stock for donating four bags of Golden Yolk Laying Pallets to feed our Chooks at School.

LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT GIFT?

Don't forget to get your Entertainment Book this year. Look out for them in the school entry foyer or call Barb Aberdein on 0423736304.

Don't forget if you pre-purchase before the 28th March 2017 you receive an additional BONUS sheet with lots of amazing new offers!

YOUR FUNDRAISING DOLLARS – WHERE DO THEY GO?

PFA members are always discussing new fundraising ideas and undertaking activities to raise funds to contribute to making the school a great place for our kids. We thank you for your support. If you have any ideas or would like to help out, we welcome all interest.

Some of our spending included:

- Bookweek Books
- All School AFL Footy Roadshow
- Fruit for the Walkathon
- Grade 6 Graduation Pens
- All School Movie Day

2016 Financial Report (reporting period Feb 2017 – Feb 2017 – see attached sheet for details of specific expenses)

• Starting Balance	\$3,737.16
• Funds In	\$8940.00
• Funds Out	\$4998.00
• Balance as at February 2017	\$7,121,72

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- Parent Communications
- Support for new and existing parents
-and more!



Volunteers

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Did you know that the **Sebastopol Bakers Delight** donate 5% of your purchases back to our Woody Yaloak Primary School - Ross Creek Campus? Next time you make a purchase please quote 4018 when you finalise your transaction.

If you join Rebel Active at **Rebel Sport**, please link your membership to Woody Yaloak Primary School - Ross Creek Campus as your preferred school to receive 5% of benefits from your purchases.

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PFA Income and Expenditure in 2016

Starting balance: \$3,737.16

Fundraising efforts: \$8940

- Bogan Bingo night – \$1650
- Raffles (Christmas & Easter) – \$1060
- Catering teacher PD day - \$750
- Hot lunches - \$390
- Entertainment books - \$325
- Bunning BBQ - \$2825
- Raffles (Wood, Thermomix raffle) – \$1940

Major Purchases – approximately \$4998.00

- Reading egg subscriptions - \$1730
- Contribution to Movie day - \$728
- School sanitation system - \$250
- Art room drying racks - \$300
- First aid bed - \$150
- Book week books - \$350
- New fridge for PFA - \$665
- Contribution to AFL footy roadshow - \$375
- Graduation pens - \$450

Current balance as at February 2017- \$7121.72

RECOGNITION OF SUPPORT



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