



Woady Yaloak Primary School

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2018 Term Dates

- 30th Jan - 29th Mar
- 16th Apr - 29th Jun
- 16th Jul - 21st Sep
- 8th Oct - 21st Dec

Smythesdale Campus 5342 8565
Scarsdale Campus 5342 8514

Snake Valley Campus 5344 9274
Ross Creek Campus 5342 0478

APRIL

- Wednesday 18th
- Camp Wyuna
- Thursday 19th
- Camp Wyuna
- Friday 20th
- Camp Wyuna
- Monday 23rd
- School Council Meeting 6.30pm at Ross Creek Campus
- Tuesday 24th
- Smythesdale ANZAC Day Ceremony 3.00pm
- Snake Valley, Scarsdale and Ross Creek ANZAC Ceremonies 10.30am
- Wednesday 25th
- ANZAC Day
- No School Today
- Thursday 26th
- X Country at Scarsdale
- Friday 27th
- Curriculum Day
- No School Today
- MAY
- Friday 4th
- Woody Disco #1

PERMISSION FORMS AND MONEY DUE APRIL

DUE Wed 18TH:

- Canberra Camp Forms and Deposit
- Gr 4/5/6 X Country/Winter Sport/Round Robin

Principal Message

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to everyone, I hope you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed the nice weather during this time. I would like to welcome a number of new families to our school communities, we hope you enjoy the shift to Woady.

CONGRATULATIONS MR JOHNSON

Over the break we had some exciting news. We would like to congratulate Mr Johnson and his family on the arrival of Rosie Grace. We hope the first few weeks have gone smoothly and you are getting some sleep.

ANAPHYLAXIS AND ASTHMA

Schools are required to complete and implement a number of trainings and key documents around Anaphylaxis and Asthma. This requires working closely with families around the needs of their children. Some of these tasks involve;

- Policies
- Prevention strategies
- Communication plans
- Emergency responses
- Action plans
- Individual management plans
- Risk analysis on school excursions/camps
- Training
- Purchasing equipment

Last term we discussed the idea of 'communication plans'. It was suggested that we have a copy of student anaphylaxis plans, allergy plans and photos of students who suffer from asthma posted in the staffroom. The idea was raised, so that all staff have an understanding of the needs of our students especially in cases of an emergencies. This visual will be important in making our fill in teachers aware of student needs. It's important for us to have a quick visual in the staffroom, so that we can act quickly if a medical situation arises.

If any parent that has a child who suffers from anaphylaxis, allergies or asthma and doesn't wish to have their child's photo displayed in the staffroom, please contact your campus and let them know.

GRADE 5/6 CANBERRA CAMP

This week we were contacted by the company of the camp letting us know that there is an issue with our accommodation arrangements for the upcoming grade 5/6 Canberra camp in term 4. The accommodation we have booked is in trouble and will not be open when our camp is scheduled. This has forced us to look elsewhere for accommodation during the same time period. Canberra is a very busy place for school excursions and venues are booked 2 years in advance.

Luckily we have been able to source a brand new accommodation venue, called Canberra Park. They are willing to give us a 20% discount due to the unforeseeable circumstances. The issue we still face is the shortfall in costing.

Principal Message continued

The difference in cost is \$50 per student, which works out to be \$4500 extra for the accommodation. As a school we have already heavily subsidised the funding for the camp to keep the costs manageable for parents.

Although there are still 2 terms before the camp, I feel it would be hard for some families to come up with an extra \$50 and at the same time, as a school we don't have endless amounts of money to cover shortfalls in things like camp.

We won't be charging parents the extra \$50 per student for the Canberra camp. I will be asking the teachers in grade 5/6 to work with their student leadership group to think of some fundraising events, where we can raise the money required to cover the shortfall. Any money raised will be pooled and equally split to offset the total costs.

Corey Pohlner
Principal

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

TERM 2 CURRICULUM DAYS

A reminder to parents that we have 2 planned curriculum days for term 2. Our focus this year is on reading and both of these days are planned around this theme. Children are not required the school on the following days:

Friday April 27th

Friday May 11th

As a school we understand how hard it is for families to juggle work and school, this is why we give plenty of notice and it's why we communicated our curriculum days in term 4 the previous year.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

For parents new to our school in 2018, each semester we send home a formal school report, updating you on your child's achievements for the semester. This report will be sent home at the end of term 2. Last year we discussed that over time we will be making some changes to our reporting process, so that parents receive up to date information.

Part of the mid-year reporting period is your chance to meet formally with your child's classroom teacher. In the past we have scheduled these time slots in early term 3, so that parents have had a chance to read their child's report with their child and any questions can be asked at the meeting. More information will be communicated closer to the date.

We understand that 10 minutes is not a lot of time to discuss things in detail, but unfortunately the logistics of having longer is impossible for us to do. Parents should not be receiving new information in school reports, the open door policy and constant communication between school/home and home/school, should allow for regular updates on your child's progress. Teachers are always available to catch up for a **meeting with parents, if you wish to do so please contact your child's teacher to make a suitable time.**

CAMPUS UPDATES

SOMERS CAMP

Every two years our school is offered a limited number of places at the Department of Education and Training's Somers School Camp. This year our allotted time is from Tuesday, 17th July until Wednesday, 25th July. Children who gain selection from our school will join with 160 grade 5 and 6 children from our school district in this very special Outdoor Education and Personal Development program.

The fee for the camp is \$250 and must be paid in full before children can attend. The fee includes transport, accommodation, meals and pocket money.

This is a great camp and provides children with the opportunity to accept challenges, improve their self esteem, meet and mix with others from our local area, have fun and learn at the same time.

If you would like your Grade 5 or 6 child to attend please fill in the expression of interest form attached and return it by THURSDAY, 26TH APRIL.

Names will be selected at random however; consideration of behaviour and social skills must be taken into account.

SPORTING SCHOOLS

This term for sporting schools, we are offering golf and badminton. It is a great opportunity for students to participate in many different sports and is free of charge. The permission forms will go home this afternoon with the newsletter so please see these for further information.

CAMPUS UPDATES

ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE INFORMATION

ANZAC Day is one of Australia's most important national commemorative occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. Anzac Day falls on the 25th of April each year.

SMYTHESDALE CAMPUS

On Tuesday 24th of April at 3:00pm, senior students from Smythesdale will be hosting an ANZAC day commemorative service. All parents and friends are welcome to join us as our students honour those who fought and continue to fight for our country. Students are invited to bring flowers to lay near the flag, these will later be taken to the Smythesdale war memorial.

SNAKE VALLEY CAMPUS

Our campus will be conducting a service on Tuesday 24th April at 10:30 a.m. and we invite all community members to attend. Our service will be followed by a shared morning tea – please send along a plate to share. Our students have been practising a song to perform at the Snake Valley ANZAC Day Dawn Service, held at the Peace Memorial on Main Rd, commencing at 6am. All students are invited to participate and a note has been sent home. Please see Rhonda for more details.

SCARSDALE CAMPUS

On Tuesday 24th of April at 10:30am, Scarsdale will be hosting an ANZAC day commemorative service. All parents and friends are welcome to join us as our students honour those who fought and continue to fight for our country.

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS

Our senior students will be conducting our annual ANZAC Day Service on Tuesday 24th April at 10.30am. Please see Mr Bell or Mrs Webb for more details.

WOADSTOCK

WOADSTOCK-OUR HOME, OUR SCHOOL

My congratulations to all of the students who entered the art exhibition poster competition. The level of entries were particularly high this year. The juniors have been working hard on their letter formation and legibility. Some great pattern work was displayed in their borders by the Middles and the Seniors added light and dark. After a difficult decision the specialist team have decided that the winning entry belongs to Amy B from the Ross Creek campus. Please have a look for the winning entry that will be displayed at **your child's campus and in their classrooms. It will also be in all newsletters leading up to the Art exhibition at the conclusion of term 2.**



Your children are excited and keen to show off their artistic prowess, please mark the date in your calendars so they can be a part of it on Wednesday, 20th June from 4-8pm. Children are not required for the whole time and need to be supervised by an adult. We realise this time can be busy for families and have provided mobile sausage sizzles, gourmet burgers, hot and cold drinks for purchasing at your convenience.

The Specialist team





CAMPUS UPDATES



Hey Kids

"It's Time for another Blue Light"

This is an invitation to all local primary school pupils to attend **Ballarat Blue Light's next disco on Friday, 20th April.**

We have plenty more prizes to give away this disco, including family passes to Sovereign Hill, Ten Pin Bowling & the Ballarat Wildlife Park. So don't forget to ask your parents if you can come along.

**Friday 20th April
7PM to 9PM**

At Sebastopol RSL Hall, Beverin Street, Sebastopol.

Entry is only \$7 Per Person.

Blue Light Disco is drug, alcohol and weapon free.

It's fully supervised and there are No Pass Outs.

Children must be dropped off and picked up by a Responsible Adult.

For more information call Leading Senior Constable Des Hudson 0409 865 093

Don't forget to watch out for your photos in 2017 on [facebook.com/ballaratbluelightdisco](https://www.facebook.com/ballaratbluelightdisco)

You can also follow us on Snapchat at [bbluelight](https://www.snapchat.com/add/bbluelight).

We can't wait to see you there!

Make sure you wear something with a Christmas Theme!!!!

WHO WANTS TO WIN PRIZES?



It's time to let everyone know why your teacher is the best!

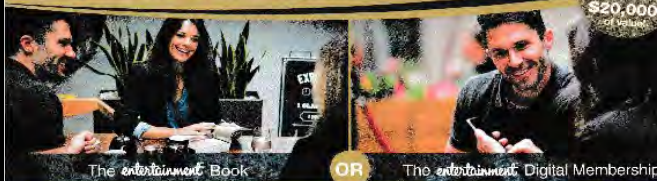
By voting for your teacher your school could be in the running to win an Apple iPad for your beloved teacher, an Apple MacBook Air for the school and a private movie screening for the entire class!

APRIL 16 - MAY 13

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