

"ACHIEVING TOGETHER"



Woody 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

FOR YOUR DIARY AUGUST

Tuesday 28th

- One To One Device Program Session 6.00pm at Smythesdale

Thursday 30th

- Write A Book In A Day Competition-Ballarat Young Authors Program

Friday 31st

- Smythesdale Gr F-6 Swimming
- Snake Valley Gr F-6 Swimming
- Ross Creek Gr 3-6 Swimming

SEPTEMBER

Monday 3rd

- Scarsdale Gr F-6 Swimming
- Ross Creek Gr F/1/2 Swimming
- Sporting School-Basketball Swimming

PERMISSION FORMS AND MONEY DUE AUGUST

Tue 28th: Maths Challenge Day

Wed 29th: Battle for Australia Commemoration-Student Leadership Team

Wed 29th: Winter Sport Make Up Day

Fri 31st : **Young Author's Celebrations**

SEPTEMBER

Wed 5th: Middle PLC Werribee Zoo

Wed 5th: Senior PLC Health Fair

Wed 12th: Gr 2 Sleepover

Wed 19th: Canberra Camp Full Payment Due & Spending Money

Principals Message

END OF TERM FINISHING TIMES

Last term all schools in Ballarat received an email from the Department, outlining the dismissal times at the end of each term. Below I have outlined the details around end of term dismissal, all schools are expected to follow.

Students can be dismissed:

- after 2.30 pm at the end of terms 1, 2 and 3
- earlier than 2:30 pm on the last day of term 4 when: - school council agrees provided that the instructional period excluding recess and lunchtime is at least 240 minutes.

This will mean that our term 3 dismissal time will be 2.30pm for our students.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Last week we received an email from the Golden Plains Shire. Residents around the area are invited to help shape the **development of Council's new Play Space Strategy 2018-2028**, which will help Council to better understand the **community's needs, determine priorities and guide future investment in public play spaces within Golden Plains Shire.**

Council is asking families, carers and the wider community to provide them with detailed information about how and where they play in the Shire, what they can do to encourage more families to play outdoors, improvements that could be made to provide better play, value and benefits, through attending one of three community workshops (details below) or completing a detailed survey, which will be available soon online and in hard copy (keep an eye on their social media and website for updates).

Community feedback will be collated and then fed into the development of the draft Play Space Strategy 2018-2028, which will be placed on public exhibition later in the year, so that community members can review the document and provide feedback should they wish to do so.

They would love to see as many of you as possible at these sessions and ask you please share this information and encourage anyone you feel may be interested in this piece of work to provide feedback. A link to our website which has more information and future updates is below.

<https://www.goldenplains.vic.gov.au/news/play-space-strategy-community-workshops>

PARTICIPATE IN ONE OF THREE COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

Smythesdale (in the north of Golden Plains Shire)

Date: Wednesday 5 September

Time: 6.30-8.30pm

Location: The Well, Jubilee Room, Heales Street, Smythesdale 3351

For more information on the strategy please feel free to contact Brodie Marston from the shire.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE SURVEY

Last newsletter there was information about a survey to gain data around our before/after school needs over our whole school. It was explained that the purpose of the survey was to gain data, to support a research paper the Department are undertaking for small, multi campus schools. This doesn't affect the normal running of the Ross Creek care arrangements.

To complete the survey, simply type the following address (URL) into a smart phone/tablet browser or computer.

Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L3HDPZP>

Corey Pohlner
Principal

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

ALLEN NOVEMBER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Last week I attended a professional development session with Mr Snibson and Miss Wood. We attended a session with Allen November, a world renowned presenter and leader in transforming teaching and learning over a 40 year period. Allen has a passion on using technology to empower students through their voice and agency.

The reason for our attendance was to start the planning process for improving the way we empower students' voice, in particular, in their learning. Our focus will be trying to integrate technology as a tool to give our students more opportunities. Below I have outlined some key questions that we will use in 2019 to gauge if we are on the right track:

1. Did the students assignment or task build capacity for critical thinking on the web?
2. Did the assignment or task develop new lines of inquiry?
3. Are there opportunities for students to make their thinking visible?
4. Are there opportunities to broaden the perspective of the conversation with authentic audiences from around the world?
5. Is there an opportunity for students to create a contribution (purposeful work)?
6. Do students own their learning?

CAMPUS UPDATES

GRADE 2 SLEEPOVER

On Thursday, 20th September we will be having a whole school Grade 2 sleepover at the Scarsdale Campus. This is a sleepover for Woody Grade 2s only and is designed to help prepare these students for camp in grade three, and provide an experience working with their peers from other campuses. Some students have not had the experience of spending a night away from home and the sleepover provides this experience in a close-to-home environment. The children will need to be dropped off at the Scarsdale Campus at 7pm on the Thursday evening, already wearing their pyjamas, having had baths/showers and eaten dinner. You could help them set up their beds before leaving them for the night. We will play some getting-to-know-you games, read together and watch a movie before settling down to sleep.

On Friday morning the children will get dressed (uniform) ready for school, eat breakfast and pack up their bedding. All children attending the sleepover will stay at Scarsdale campus for school on Friday. Fruit break and morning tea will be provided.

Traditionally our campus end-of-term dismissals have been 1:30pm rather than the regulation of 2:30pm, as we have not used a lunch break, but the Department of Education has become more stringent about schools observing this regulation. However, given that these students will possibly be tired, you have the option of collecting them at Scarsdale campus from 12.30pm onwards. Also parents may need to be at other campuses to collect siblings. (Supervision will be available until 2:30pm.)

If you have any queries, please contact Gay Pearse, Scarsdale campus, (organising teacher) or your child's teacher at your campus.

PARENT OPINION SURVEYS

The closing date for the online Parent Opinion Survey has been extended by the department to Sunday, 2 September 2018. Parents can submit completed online surveys until 11:59PM Sunday, 2 September 2018.

HEALTH FAIR LUNCH

We are pleased to advise that the Smythesdale P&F are offering to provide lunch during our health fair on Wednesday 12th September. For \$5.00 your child may make their own healthy wrap adding a variety of meats and salads. They will also be offered a snack and bottle of water. If you would like your child to have this offer please complete the form and return it by Friday, 7th September to your child's teacher.
No late orders will be accepted.

SMYTHESDALE

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

All fathers, grandfathers and significant males in our students' lives, are invited to our annual Father's Day breakfast. It will take place from 7:30am until 9:00am on Friday, 31st AUGUST. There is no cost and we hope all the dads can come along and spend some extra time with their wonderful children.

WOODY KINDER VISIT

On Tuesday, 11th September the Student Leadership Team will be visiting the Woody Yaloak Kindergarten between 11:45am and 12:30pm. Our students are looking forward to meeting the kinder kids, reading with them and doing activities with them on this day. Many of our current students have fond memories of the Woody kinder from their own time there before starting school. This will be an excellent opportunity for students who will attend our campus next year to connect with older students they will see in their new primary school environment and on transition days. We have a second visit planned in November to further connect with our local kindergarten and assist the kinder students with their transition to primary school.

CAMPUS UPDATES

SNAKE VALLEY

SUPERHERO DRESS UP DAY – Friday 7th September

Next month the student leadership team have decided to support National Superhero week. National Superhero Week for Muscular Dystrophy is a week-long event in which people across Australia dress up as their favourite superhero to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy Australia's programs, services and research. All students are encouraged to come dressed as a superhero for the day to raise money for this great cause. Please bring a gold coin donation.

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SCARSDALE

FATHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA

Just a reminder for all fathers and special guys in our students lives that we have an activities and afternoon tea planned for Wednesday, 29th August.

WORKING BEE

A Working Bee has been scheduled for Friday, 7th September, from 3:30pm until 6pm. There will be a BBQ dinner provided at the end by our very own Parents & Friends Committee (and it sounds great!).

Having the Working Bee straight after school on Friday means we can get straight into it whilst everyone is still around and have all our work done in a matter of a couple of hours! It's going to be a great time to get to chat with parents, students and teachers and all help out to make our school even better.

There was a return slip with the last campus newsletter - please return this with the details filled in so we know what jobs we can set out and how many we cater for. Many thanks in advance!

Please see Mr Harris if you have any questions, suggestions, or jobs you'd like to put your hand up for.

We have lots of important jobs to get done such as:

- Cleaning out the front garden bed near the bench seats/playground and planting Agapanthus (if you have any please feel free to donate these to the school!)
- Cleaning the chicken coop and repairing it's structure
- Removing all the dead leaves/sticks from the drains in front of the school
- Spreading 15 square metres of premium grade softfall on our playground areas to keep them safe

BOOK WEEK

Our Book Week parade and activities were a success! All of the students who dressed up looked absolutely fabulous and thank you to all the parents who came along and enjoyed the parade.



ROSS CREEK

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Our Father's Day breakfast is fast approaching! On Friday, 31st August from 7.30am-9.00am, our Father's and prominent males in our student's lives are invited to attend a free breakfast in the multi-purpose room with their children.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Please note there will be NO BREAKFAST CLUB this Thursday, 30th August due to the Father's Day breakfast on Friday.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

A Father's day stall will be held on Thursday, 30th August. Children can purchase a present for \$1-\$5.





COMMUNITY NEWS

Recipe Request Form



Woody Yaloak – Ross Creek Campus are publishing our very own COOKBOOK!

We are giving everyone the opportunity to submit their favourite recipe and have it published.

We are compiling much loved recipes from all the Woody Yaloak Campuses to be professionally published, designed and printed in a spiral-bound cookbook that you will use for years to come.

It is SO simple to submit your recipes!

Go to the www.PublishedAuthors.com.au website click on the "Submit Your Recipe Here" button.

1. Select "Woody Yaloak PS Ross Creek Campus" from the drop down box.
 2. Submit your recipes using their **really quick and easy** online template.
- We encourage you to submit more than one recipe, as we may delete duplicate recipes.

Alternatively you can submit your recipe by emailing rosscreekpfa@gmail.com

Don't delay, as submissions will close 8th October 2018

If you have a local business and would like to advertise in the cookbook, then please contact rosscreekpfa@gmail.com for further details.

Cookbooks will be available mid November for \$15each or purchase 3 for \$12each.

Contact rosscreekpfa@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Please help us compile this wonderful cookbook by submitting your favourite family recipes.

SHOPPING TRIP

Shopping Trip - Saturday 20 October 2018 -7am

Cost \$30 non-refundable \$15 deposit due by 31 August 2018



Pickup/Drop off is at the Gold Bus Depot, 9-11 Martin Drive Delacombe

Includes Morning Tea, tea and coffee making facilities

Contact Rebecca Tacey 0407555965 or rebecca.tacey@sro.vic.gov.au

OUTLET	ARRIVE	DEPART
Bags & Luggage Outlet	8:20 AM	8:50 AM
Beaches Fashion	9:10 AM	9:50 AM
Converse	10:10 AM	10:40 AM
Breville/Kambrook	10:40 AM	11:10 AM
The Linen Factory	11:30 AM	12:00 PM
Brunswick Park	12:10 PM	12:40 PM
Bambis Homewares	12:50 PM	1:30 PM
Toy Network	1:45 PM	2:25 PM
TG 14-	2:40 PM	3:10 PM
Diana Ferrari	3:20 PM	3:50 PM
Nalin	4:00 PM	4:30 PM
Ross's Quality Nuts	4:40 PM	5:10 PM

Bakers Delight

Family Value Pack

Fundraiser

- 2 x Hi Fibre Lo GI Loaves
- 8 x white round rolls
- 4 x finger buns
- 6 x mini cheese and bacon rolls

Over \$30 of value retail for only **\$20 per Postcard ordered.**

\$5 per postcard will also be donated back to your School!!!!

Purchaser can collect product/s from our store when its most convenient for them –

you do not have to collect products all at once!!!!

Bakers Delight Sebastopol will also provide with each Value Pack, 60 FREE rolls over 10 visits to our bakery when they purchase a Hi Fibre Loaf .

Total value to parents = \$78 for \$20 outlay
\$20 POSTCARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE.

Woody Yaloak Primary School DISCO

Strictly Primary School Age Children

Friday 14th September

6.30pm-8.00pm

Woody Yaloak Recreation Facility

\$5 Entry

NO PASS OUTS

Canteen, Novelties & Raffle Prizes

Further Info
Contact Kaylene Trigg
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