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Woody Yaloak Primary School ROSS CREEK CAMPUS



"ACHIEVING TOGETHER"

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WYPS Ross Creek Campus was formed on the lands of the Wadawurrung people of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging. We also acknowledge the First Nations people throughout Victoria.

WELCOME BACK!

WE ARE BACK! We are really excited to commence our junior classes today and look forward to seeing our seniors back on site on Tuesday 9th June. Things will look a little different, there will be some different guidelines and the safety of our students and staff will be at the forefront of all of our decisions and processes.

These unprecedented times have provided challenges and opportunities. It has been fantastic to see the partnerships between schools and their communities work together in such times of uncertainty. It will definitely be a time that we will never forget. Thank you for supporting our staff with the remote learning process and in only a few short weeks and our campus grounds will be filled with laughter, adventure, engagement and excitement.

CANCELLED EVENTS

Unfortunately due to the restrictions that are currently in place we have had to cancel or postpone a number of events. These events include:

- Curriculum day on 9th June (please note this has been moved to Monday 16th November)
- Grade 3/ 4 Camp
- Mothers day afternoon tea and activities
- Whole school Art show
- Term 3 Swimming program
- Grade 5/6 Camp
- Kinder visits
- Grandparents day
- Campus tours

As school continues to resume to normality we will inform you of any changes to extra-curricular events. Thank you for your understanding.

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

We held our Parent-Teacher interviews last Friday using the video-conferencing platform, Webex. During these interviews it was interesting to discuss with parents their child's learning goals, strengths and weaknesses while learning from home and thoughts on returning to school.

Our teachers are beginning to gather data and will be writing modified reports that will be sent home on Thursday 25th June. There will be further information on how these reports will look later in the term.

YEAR 6 TO YEAR 7 SECONDARY TRANSITION 2021

Families of Grade 6 students were emailed 2021 secondary school transition information and application form on Friday, 24th April. If you wish your child to attend a government secondary school in 2021 you must complete the application form and return to school no later than Friday, 29th May 2020.

If your child has secured a place at a private secondary school for 2021 and you have received confirmation of this, you do not have to complete this form. You must however inform the school as to which secondary school your child will be attending.

If you wish to send your child to a private secondary school in 2021, but are as yet to secure a place, we suggest you complete the application form and return to school by Friday, 29th May 2021. Applications can be withdrawn at any time.

If you are unable to print off the pack, you may collect a hard copy from our campus office.

UNWELL STUDENTS

Should a student present with signs or symptoms associated with COVID-19, parents/carers will be called for immediate collection. We understand that this may be frustrating as it can impact your work life and plans for the day, but rest assured we are doing this in the best interest of our whole community and their safety. Students can then return once well.

2020 Term Dates

- 29th Jan - 27th Mar
- 14th Apr - 26th Jun
- 13th Jul - 18th Sep
- 5th Oct - 17th Dec

For Your Diary

JUNE

Monday 8th

- Queens Birthday- Public Holiday

Tuesday 9th

- Gr 3/4/5/6 Return

Friday 12th

- Casual Clothes Day

Monday 15th

- School Council Meeting

Friday 26th

- Term 2 Ends-2.30pm Finish

JULY

Monday 13th

- Term 3 Begins

PERMISSION FORMS AND MONEY DUE:

Friday 29th May:

- Yr 7 Placement forms

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS CURRICULUM NEWS

USE OF DRINK BOTTLES

All parents are strongly encouraged to send their child with a drink bottle each day and check that they have it when departing home. We don't want our children drinking out of the drinking fountains and will be working with staff to ensure students have access to their drink bottles during break times.

PHYSICAL/SOCIAL DISTANCING**Managing adults onsite**

Physical/social distancing of adults is critical in keeping everyone safe and along with DET guidance on visitors, we will be limiting access to our campus to those delivering essential school services and operations. We know that this is different to what the normal has been, but again we cannot reiterate how important this is for us all to adhere to. No parents should enter hallways or classrooms until further notice. Should you have a query, we ask that you call, email and use ClassDojo to contact the staff member that you wish to speak to.

CASUAL FOR A CAUSE

We will hold our next 'Casual for a Cause' casual clothes day on Friday 12th, June. Normally we have our casual clothes days on the first Friday of the month, but given there will be less than half of the school onsite we will hold it over to Friday 12th, June. Students are welcome to come dressed in casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation. This donation will be given to a charity decided by our school leaders.

SCHOOL BUS

The bus is operating as per normal. PTV suggests that when traveling on a school bus your child should:

- Practise good hygiene and physical distancing from others when they can
- Sit next to their siblings
- Stay home if they are unwell
- Practise good hygiene including using hand sanitiser and coughing into their elbow

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Before and after school care is returning to normal operation. If you require any clarification or details around this please contact Barb.

COMMUNICATION

For **whole school & campus communication**, please ensure you have connected with us on Facebook and have Flexibuzz installed and logged in. It is important that these two communication methods have 'Notifications' turned on if you are using a mobile device. This will ensure immediate delivery of all communication.

For Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/woodyyaloakps/>



For Flexibuzz:

Apple & Andoiird Devices: <http://www.flexibuzz.com.au/au/school-app/>

**REBEL SPORT - COMMUNITY GIVEBACKS PROGRAM**

Our campus has partnered with Rebel Sport as part of the 'Support Your Sport' loyalty program. Rebel will automatically give our campus benefits from all purchases registered with our campus at the counter. With these benefits we can support our school with extra sporting equipment. Please make sure you mention Woody Yaloak Ross Creek Campus when you purchase any sporting goods at Rebel Sport.

**UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**

Mon 8th June - Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Tues 9th June - Grade 3-6 return to onsite learning

Fri 12th June - Casual Clothes Day

Mon 15th June - School Council

Fri 26th June - End Term 2, 2:30pm finish



Our school app is available via the Apple App Store for iPhone users or Google Play Store for Android users.

This app will provide many notifications of important dates and events for both our Ross Creek campus and the entire Woody Yaloak PS.

Please use this app and have notifications turned on to ensure you are kept up to date with all happenings. Additionally - if your child is sick you can fill out an absence notification that gets sent straight through to our office - how easy is that!

Nathan Harris
Campus Head