



# Woody Yaloak Primary School SCARSDALE CAMPUS



"ACHIEVING TOGETHER"

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2021 Term Dates

- 28th Jan - 1st April
- 19th Apr - 25th Jun
- 12th July - 17th Sep
- 4th Oct - 17th Dec

For Your Diary 2021

## AUGUST

Wednesday 4th

- 8.15am Breakfast Club

Thursday 5th

- Swimming Program

Friday 6th

- Potato Olympics
- Dress up as an athlete

Monday 9th

- Curriculum Day

Mon 23rd - Fri 27th

- Book Week

Monday 23rd

- Book Week Dress Up Day
- Little Light Digital Performance

Monday 30th

- Aboriginal for a Dae (3/4)
- Police in Schools Visit (5/6)

PERMISSION FORMS AND  
MONEY DUE:

## AUGUST

Due Thursday 12th

- CSEF \$125 applications close

Due Tuesday 17th

- Little Light performance forms and payment due

Due Thursday 19th

- P&F Pie Drive order forms and payments due

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Principal: Corey Pohner PH: 5342 8565

### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

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WYPS Scarsdale Campus was formed on the lands of the Wadawarrung 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.

## Campus Head Report

# WOADY KID OF THE MONTH

## JULY 2021



Zac G

Zac has enjoyed a fantastic first semester to his Grade 6 year. Taking on the role of School Captain, Zac has shown traits such as maturity and inclusiveness which have made him a great role model for his peers at school. Zac has continued to demonstrate the school values of Excellence, Responsibility and Respect on a regular basis with his friendly nature being evident. Zac has represented Woody at Regional Cross County and performed admirably. Zac has demonstrated pride in his work and has taken on more responsibility in his learning which is setting him up for a fantastic final semester of primary school. Well done on a great semester Zac!

*Congratulations!*

### SCARSDALE PFA PIE DRIVE

This term, our PFA is running a pie drive through the Ballarat Bakery to raise funds for classroom resources for our students. There is a large selection of regular pies, family pies, party pies and fruit pies to choose from. Order forms have been sent home with the newsletter today and money and forms are due back on the 19th August 2021.



### THE POTATO OLYMPICS COMES TO SCARSDALE - FRIDAY 6th AUGUST

To celebrate the end of the Olympic Games, our campus will be holding its very own Potato Olympic Games this Friday. Each student will create their very own 'athlete' out of a washed potato, with all potato athletes then competing in a series of Olympic events designed by our campus student leadership group. The Scarsdale Potato Olympics will also include an opening ceremony, torch lighting and medal presentations. To add to the excitement, all students are invited to come dressed up as an athlete. Children are asked to bring to school one washed potato. We will have some spares at school for anyone who may forget! We will regularly be posting photos on Class Dojo so you can keep up with the action throughout the day! Let the games begin!



"IT'S COOL TO BE AT SCHOOL"

**SCARSDALE BREAKFAST CLUB**

Breakfast Club recommences tomorrow. With no parents / carers allowed on-site, the teachers will be running a breakfast club in the staffroom between 8.15am-8.45am. Students from all year levels are welcome. We thank Food Bank for their ongoing support.



**VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL DAY**

This Friday, we are celebrating and thanking the work that our Principal, Mr. Pohlner does for our school. Particularly through the last 18 months, we have all developed a new appreciation of the value of schools in their local community and in their students’ lives.

Through all the ups and downs that our communities have experienced, Mr Pohlner has been the person ready to step forward and willing to take the responsibility of leading our school. Along with this, Mr Pohlner has successfully secured wonderful opportunities for our school, including the recent announcement of 9.5 million dollars of funding.

Friday is a day to say ‘thank you’ to Mr Pohlner for the wonderful job he is doing. This week, the students have sent a message of thanks to Mr Pohlner and please feel free to send him a message of thanks yourself via email at [woady.yaloak.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:woady.yaloak.ps@education.vic.gov.au)



**SWIMMING UPDATE**

Due to the recent lockdown, unfortunately we missed a few weeks of our swimming program, and as the Aquatic Centre were unsure of their opening conditions regarding COVID restrictions, they cancelled any swimming lessons for week 3. Good news that this week we will be starting back with the usual program running from Thursday for Scarsdale, and Friday for Smythesdale, Snake Valley and Ross Creek.

As a result of missed lessons the Aquatic Centre are unable to fit in make-up lessons, so \$5 for each lesson missed due to COVID restrictions will be credited to your child’s account – Scarsdale students \$10, with remaining campuses \$15. Hopefully moving forward we will be able to complete the remaining lessons.

Please note that In regards to spectators at our swimming lessons, until further notice as part of the Aquatic Centre’s COVID police, parents/carers are not allowed to attend to watch lessons. Thank you for your understanding with the current circumstances.



**DIVISION FOOTBALL UPDATE**


I am sure all students taking part in the division football team will be happy to hear that Sporting Schools Victoria are currently looking at a date to reschedule the day. It certainly has been a challenge being able to play this year with two days being postponed already, so fingers crossed we will have the opportunity to play this time around. As soon as details for the day have been released you will be updated.



**CAFS SUPPORT**

We have formed a partnership with a representative from CAFS (Child and Family Services) in Ballarat to support our families across the whole school. Olivia will be working from our Smythesdale campus each Monday and can be contacted for questions or support. She can assist families to engage with other agencies such as The Orange Door, Headspace etc. If you would like to meet with Olivia or get her to call you please contact me at school.






**WOODY BEANIES HAVE ARRIVED**

**\$15.00**

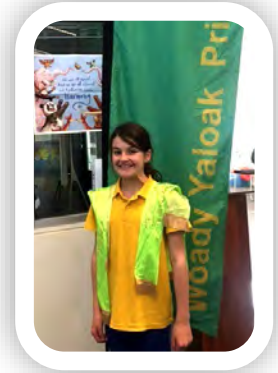
**Please come in and see Peta at the office and collect your Beanie.**

**BPAY, EFTPOS or payment over the phone is preferred.**



**CONGRATULATIONS COURTNEY!**

Recently Courtney A entered a poultry show, showing off some of her birds. Courtney had great success, being awarded champion junior waterfowl, champion junior banton and res champion junior waterfowl. Congratulations Courtney on behalf of the Scarsdale community.



**2022 SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACEMENT CONFIRMATION**

Parent/Carers of Gr 6 students will be notified by email tomorrow about their child’s secondary school placement confirmation for 2022. If you have any queries please contact Sharon (Smythesdale Campus) on 5342 8565.

**GR 5/6 CAMP (Wednesday 13th - Friday 15th October)**

Dear parents, the grade 5/6 camp will be held at Camp Cooriemungle on the 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of October. We have chosen this camp due to Melbourne Camp being cancelled due to Covid restrictions and uncertainties. Camp Cooriemungle is located near Port Campbell in the South West region of Country Victoria. Some of the activities include canoeing on the lake, high ropes course, flying fox, commando (bush) course, fitness classes, giant swing and more. Notes and more details will be out soon. We look forward to heading down to Camp Cooriemungle.  
Senior PLC team.



**CSEF - CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUNDS**

Do you have a Health Care Card? You are entitled to access the CSEF to support your child’s learning. All you need to do is provide a copy of your health care card/pension card/Veterans card then complete a form at your campus office and the amount of \$125 is added to your account to use for excursions/sports and camps. The date to provide your details has been extended to **THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**. Please contact Sharon in the office to ensure you are receiving these funds that you are entitled to.

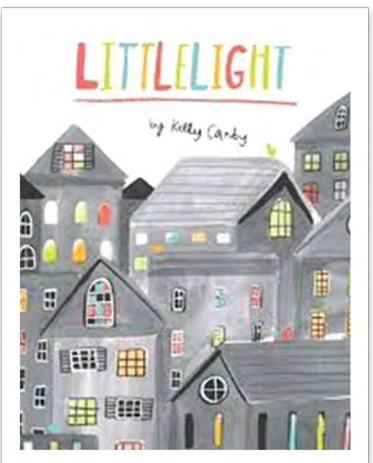


**BOOK WEEK (Monday 23rd August - Friday 27th August)**

This year, students will celebrate Book Week with a digital performance of the Children’s Book Council notable book ‘Littlelight’. Students across our campus will be enthralled with an interactive show that challenges students to think about how they can be tolerant and accepting of others. So what is Littlelight about?

*When bricks start to go missing from the town of Littlelight, the mayor whips his citizens into a frenzy of aggravation. But when the townspeople find the thief, and her motive, they discover perhaps it is the mayor who is the problem.*

*Illustrated in moody black and white with dynamic neon highlights, this is a thought-provoking tale of tolerance and acceptance.*



Permission notes have been sent home with all students today and are due back on **Tuesday 17th August**.

**BOOK WEEK DRESS UP- MONDAY 23rd AUGUST**

As part of our book week celebrations, students are invited to dress up as their favourite book character on Monday 23rd August. This date coincides with our digital performance of ‘Littlelight’. We will hold a parade in the morning and hope by then parents are allowed on site to watch. We will pop further reminders on Class Dojo in the lead up to the event.



**SHOP LUNCHES**

We are soon going to be able to offer school lunches from the new local café. We have been working together to design a suitable menu and will let you know a.s.a.p. when we can start orders and what day of the week we will operate our school lunches on.

**WOADY ART SHOW – (MONDAY 30th AUGUST - FRIDAY 10th SEPTEMBER)**

This year is our biannual Art Show. Due to the current climate we have decided to change the format of our Art Show, so that it can still go ahead. This year all students Art work will be set up in the middle space in Weeks 8 and 9 (Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September). Parents will be able to come in and look at the Artwork that is being displayed, at any time during those two weeks.



*If current restrictions are still in place and parents are unable to come onsite, we will create a video of all the Artwork and upload it to class dojo accounts for parents to view.*

**STUDENT ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY – GRADE 4/5/6 - WE WANT OUR STUDENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!**

We value student voice as a means to improving student engagement, wellbeing, and quality instruction, and are conducting a survey to find out what your child thinks of our school.

The AtoSS is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training to assist our school to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Students will be asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer relationships, bullying and life in general.

Students from Year 4 through to Year 6 at our school will participate in the survey. Your child will complete the survey online during school hours using a purpose built secure online survey tool. It is important to note that we are not in any way "testing" your child. Your child has the right to refuse or withdraw from the survey at any time.

Your child will be provided with a unique login to complete the survey. The student login is an assigned identifier that may be used to link data for statistical and research purposes only. All responses to the survey are kept anonymous in the response file. Personal identification data will not be recorded in the survey response file. This ensures that the confidentiality of your child's responses is protected at all times.

This year the Attitudes to School survey will be conducted at our school over the period Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August. The survey takes around 20-45 minutes to complete and occurs during your child's class time.

The survey results will be reported back to the school in an aggregate form throughout the survey period. All survey data that is made available in reports are for groups of students only so that no individual student can be identified. Data suppression rules are used for schools with low student numbers per year level.

If you would like more information, please speak to your child's teacher or visit: <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/data-collection-surveys/guidance/attitudes-school-survey>

**CURRICULUM DAY – MONDAY 9th AUGUST**

Please add to your diaries that Monday 9th August is our curriculum day for term 3. This means that no students will be attending school on this day. Staff will be having a guest speaker that will be sharing strategies to support students and families that have suffered from trauma. I will share some of this new learning in future newsletters.

**CURRENT SCHOOL RESTRICTIONS**

Just a friendly reminder that currently, only 'essential' visitors are allowed on our school site. If you do need to enter the school building, we kindly ask that you phone prior. We thank you for your cooperation and like everyone, we are hoping to return to some normality in the near future.

## 2022 ENROLMENTS NOW BEING TAKEN!

Shortly we will be starting to make staffing arrangements and class structures for the 2022 school year. If you are planning to enrol your child for 2022 or know of someone who is, please contact Peta at the office for an enrolment pack. Campus tours can be arranged by making an appointment.



### Hot Chocolate and Chocolate Freddo's for sale

Purchase at recess every Tuesday and Thursday from the staff room

**50c each**



**MR. SNIBSON IS LEAVING**

We wish Mr. Snibson the best of luck as he leaves Woody Yaloak P.S. after working here for 15 1/2 years. He starting working at the Ross Creek Campus in 2006 and has worked in a range of roles including class teaching and as a specialist. Mr Snibson is commencing a teaching role at Mt Clear Secondary College in the Earth Ed Centre.

Best wishes for your change in career path and thank you for your contributions to staff and students at Woody Yaloak!



**QR CODES AND RECORD KEEPING (SERVICES VICTORIA QR CODE APP)**

A friendly reminder for all parents / carers that enter the campus building must scan the QR Services Victoria QR Code that are placed at all campus entry points. Thanks in advance.



**PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEW BOOKINGS**

Thanks to all parents that booked in and contributed to the Parent Teacher Interviews that took place last in week 1 and 2 of the term. We had 60% of families book to discuss their child’s progress and learning. At other times throughout the year we make regular contact with parents, as the need arises and we encourage all families to do the same. If you would like to discuss your child’s progress at any stage during the year please contact your child’s classroom teacher to organise an appropriate meeting time.

*Eamon Johnson*  
**Scarsdale Campus Head**

**TERM 3 DATES**

Every Thursday for Term 3 - Swimming Program (Lessons 1.15pm-2.00pm)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August - Scarsdale Potato Olympics

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August - Curriculum day (no students at school)

Monday 23rd August - Whole School Digital Performance- Littlelight

Monday 30th August - Aboriginal for A Dae (Miss Hannah’s class) / Police in School visit (year 5/6)

Friday 3rd September - Fathers Day activity (Restrictions pending)

Friday 10th September - Casual Clothes Day / School Disco

Friday 17th September - End of term 3



**POTATO OLYMPICS**



# CAPTAIN'S CHAT



Pippa



Alycia



Zac



Haylee

Hi everyone,

It is great to be at school and out of lockdown and this Friday is casual clothes day and we are having a POTATO OLYMPICS so make sure that you bring a clean washed potato. We have lots of very fun potato events for you and your potato

Also swimming is back on this Thursday YAY!!! So don't forget for swimmers and a towel.

Haylee, Zac, Alycia and Pippa

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**WELLBEING SUPPORT CARD**

If you or someone you know needs urgent help, feels unsafe or is at risk of harm always call 000

Relay Services: Telephone, Text Message, Write, Web Chat, Email

**Local Police stations**

**Bennockburn** 51 High St, Bennockburn  
📞 5281 1260

**Inverleigh** 90 High St, Inverleigh  
📞 5265 1211

**Meredith** 14 Wilson St, Meredith  
📞 5286 1222

**Rokewood** 54 Ferrars Rd, Rokewood  
📞 5346 1342

**Smythesdale** 4 Sebastopol Smythesdale Rd, Smythesdale  
📞 5342 8524

**Linton** 82 Sussex St, Linton  
📞 5344 7211

**For non-urgent medical advice**

Nurse on Call free, 24/7 health advice from a registered nurse.  
📞 1300 606 024

**Mental Health**

**Lifeline** 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services.  
📞 13 11 14  
📞 0477 131 114 (midday to midnight)  
📞 lifeline.org.au (Chat 7pm to midnight)

**Beyondblue** this service is for everyone, inclusive and supportive.  
📞 1300 224 636  
📞 beyondblue.org.au

**StandBy Support After Suicide** 24/7 outreach support for those impacted by suicide.  
📞 0421 974 949

**Butterfly Foundation** free, support for individuals and families affected by eating disorders or body image issues.  
📞 1800 334 673  
📞 butterfly.org.au (Chat)  
📞 support@butterfly.org.au

**Mensline Australia** free, 24/7 support, referrals & counselling services for men.  
📞 1300 789 978  
📞 mensline.org.au

**Kids Helpline** free, confidential 24/7 service for young people aged 5 to 25.  
📞 1800 551 800  
📞 kidshelpline.com.au (Chat)

**QLife** anonymous and free LGBTQIA+ peer support and referrals. 7 days.  
📞 1800 184 527 (3pm to midnight)  
📞 QLife.org.au (Chat)

**Hesse Rural Health** social connection programs, Home Care Packages, district nursing and allied health services.  
📞 5267 1200

**EACH** supports people of all ages with, or at risk of developing a mental illness.  
📞 1300 003 224  
📞 each.com.au

**Wellways** supports people affected by mental health issues or disability, as well as their families, friends or carers.  
📞 1300 111 400

**Addiction**

**Directline** 24/7 confidential alcohol and drug counselling and referral for individuals or their families.  
📞 1800 888 236

**BCYF** (Berwon Child, Youth and Family) programs and support for children, young people and their families.  
📞 5226 8900

**Bellarat Community Health** alcohol and other drugs, counselling and support to individuals and their family.  
📞 5338 4500

If you or someone you know needs immediate help or feels unsafe call 000

**Translating and Interpretive Service**  
131 450

**National Relay Service**  
133 677

**Legal Aid**

**Barwon Community legal service** free legal information, advice, casework.  
📞 1300 430 599

**Bellarat and Grampians Community Legal Service** provides free legal services.  
📞 5331 5999

**Accommodation/Housing**

**Emergency Accommodation** 24/7 state-wide support, speak with a housing and support worker.  
📞 1800 825 955

**Uniting Ballarat** short term emergency accommodation for individuals and families in Ballarat.  
📞 5332 1286 (Mon to Fri, 9am to 5pm)

**Community Housing LTD** for people who are homeless or are at risk.  
📞 1300 245 468 (Ballarat service)

**Food Relief**

**Bethany Community Support** – Emergency relief help for families in financial crisis needing immediate help.  
📞 5278 8122

**Council's delivered meal service** for older adults, people with chronic illness or disability.  
📞 5220 7111

**Financial Wellbeing**

**National Debt Helpline (NDH)** free financial counselling.  
📞 1800 007 007

**Gamblers Help** 24/7, free support for those affected by gambling.  
📞 1800 858 858

**CatholicCare Victoria** emergency relief for food, fuel and no interest loans.  
📞 5337 8999

**Sexual Health**

**1800MYOPTIONS** free, confidential, pro-choice information on pregnancy, contraception and sexual health.  
📞 1800 696 784

**Barwon Health Sexual Health Clinic** provides sexual health information, screening, treatment and advice.  
📞 0466 376 158 (Tuesdays)

**Bellarat Community Health** sexual health services for all ages and genders.  
📞 5338 4500

**Family Violence**

**Family Violence is against the law in Australia.**  
It can happen with a current or former partner, in same sex, gender diverse relationships, between a parent, carer, child, sibling or extended family.

The abuse can come in many forms including verbal, emotional, financial, technological, physical and sexual. The abuse often escalates over time, which is why it is important to know the early signs and what to look out for. This may include verbal abuse such as name calling, manipulation or using disrespectful/degrading language. It may also include emotional abuse such as controlling decisions, threats of harm/damage (e.g. property, pets, children, self-harm or suicide), monitoring whereabouts, withholding medication/aids, dishonesty about use of contraception, threats to tell others about sexual orientation or gender identity, or isolating person from friends, family or community. It may also include financial abuse such as controlling finances or limiting access to money or work.

If you are experiencing family violence it is never your fault and help is available.

**1800RESPECT** 24/7 sexual assault and family violence information, support and counselling.  
📞 1800 737 732  
📞 1800 555 677 (NRS)  
📞 13 14 50 (Interpreter)

**Safe Steps Victoria's** 24/7 Family Violence Response Centre.  
📞 1800 015 188  
📞 safesteps@safesteps.org.au  
📞 safesteps.org.au/chat (Chat Mon to Fri, 9am to midnight)

**The Orange Door** free for adults, children & young people experiencing or have experienced family violence.  
📞 1800 312 820 (Central Highlands)  
📞 1800 219 819 (Barwon)

**Victorian Sexual Assault Crisis Line** counselling services for people who have experienced sexual assault.  
📞 1800 806 292

**With Respect** LGBTQIA+ family violence service.  
📞 1800 542 847

**InTouch** Multicultural Centre against Family Violence supports women from migrant and refugee backgrounds. Mon to Fri, 9am to 5pm.  
📞 1800 755 988  
📞 intouch.org.au

**Djirra** legal and non-legal support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Mon to Fri, 9am to 7pm.  
📞 1800 105 303

**The Sexual Assault and Family Violence Centre** free, sexual assault and family violence services.  
📞 5222 4318 (Geelong Service)

**Victims of Crime Helpline** free, service offering information, advice, referrals.  
📞 1800 819 817  
📞 0427 767 891 (text)

