

"ACHIEVING TOGETHER"



Woody Yaloak Primary School

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- 2019 Term Dates
- 30th Jan - 5th Apr
 - 23rd Apr - 28th Jun
 - 15th Jul - 20th Sep
 - 7th Oct - 20th Dec

Smythesdale Campus	5342 8565	Snake Valley Campus	5344 9274
Scarsdale Campus	5342 8514	Ross Creek Campus	5342 0478

- FOR YOUR DIARY
2019
- DECEMBER
- Monday 2nd
- School Council— The Western Hotel
- Thursday 5th—Friday 6th
- Gr 5/6 Sovereign Hill Excursion
- Tuesday 10th
- Statewide Transition Day
- Wednesday 11th
- Scarsdale & Ross Creek Presentation Night
- Thursday 12th
- F/1/2 Ballarat Wildlife Park Excursion
 - Snake Valley & Smythesdale Presentation Night
- Wednesday 13th
- 4/5/6 Eureka Visit



Woody Yaloak Primary School 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.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Recently in partnership with the Golden Plains Shire we interviewed for an educator to run and Before and After School Care at our Smythesdale campus. I am pleased to announce that Belinda Hoist has been appointed as the educator for this position. Further details will be communicated to our community on how to sign up for the service shortly. There are limited spaces available, so it will be on a 'first in, best dressed' basis. There may be possibilities for our Scarsdale campus to access this service as well, this can be finalised when the applications are submitted. We are still working closely with the Shire to have a similar service available at our Snake Valley campus.

SCHOOL COLOUR WALKATHON

Thank-you to everyone who supported the recent colour walkathon. The students had a fantastic time and in the end the weather was kind to us. Presently we have raised \$4,351, which is a good result and will only get better in years to come with added promotion. Families have until November 22nd to hand in any outstanding donations and ordering needs to be submitted by November 28th.



STUDENT MOBILE PHONE POLICY

Recently all schools have been notified by the Minister that from Term 1 2020, students who choose to bring mobile phones to school must have them switched off and securely stored during school hours. The Department have a mandated policy, which all schools have to follow. This week at our School Council meeting, we discussed this policy. Parents can access the policy via our school website under the policy section. Please see a summary of the critical information around the policy:



- Exceptions to the policy may be applied if certain conditions are met. Exceptions can be granted by the principal, or by a teacher. Exceptions must be documented.
- Where students bring a mobile phone to school, the school must provide secure storage.
- Schools are required to develop a local Students Using Mobile Phones policy, which must include how this Ministerial policy will be implemented.

Schools will manage non-compliance with their local mobile phone policy in accordance with their existing student engagement policies.

BUNNINGS BBQ

Our school has been allocated a Bunnings BBQ at the Delacombe Bunnings on New Year's Eve. **We are very keen to use this to generate funds for our school, however prior to committing to the date, we would like to ensure we have enough parent helpers to staff the BBQ.** We are hoping to get helpers from all campuses and then share the funds, rather than having one campus responsible for trying to run the BBQ at this busy time of year.



If you are able to contribute 2-3 hours on New Year's Eve to assist with the BBQ, can you please contact your campus office by Friday November 22nd. If we do not get enough volunteers, we will have to forfeit this opportunity.

Corey Pohlner
Principal

- PERMISSION FORMS AND MONEY DUE**
- DUE TOMORROW**
- Grade 6 Graduation Gift orders and payment
- Due 22/11
- 2020 Gr 6 Tops forms & deposit due
- Due 4/12
- F/1/2 Ballart Wildlife Park form and payment due
 - 4/5/6 Eureka Visit form and payment due

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

MATHS OLYMPIAD RESULTS

As a school we aim to cater for all student levels, no matter if students are behind, at level or above level. An example of providing opportunities for our students to be extended is our recent Maths Olympiad Challenge. It was fantastic that we had a spread of students involved over our whole school.

This year we offered an extension program in Numeracy for our senior students. Thirty students participated in problem solving challenges as part of the Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiads.

The final results are in and a HUGE congratulations to Elliot B from Ross Creek campus who won our school based competition. Elliot also was within the top 20% of all competitors (31,000 across the country!)



The other top 10 place getters were:

2nd Place - Jayden C – Scarsdale Campus (Top 30%)

3rd Place – Annie T – Smythesdale Campus (Top 30%)

4th Place – Alana B – Snake Valley Campus (Top 40%)

4th Place – JP W – Snake Valley Campus

6th Place – Onyx H – Smythesdale Campus

7th Place – Eamon N – Smythesdale Campus

7th Place – Bryce W – Snake Valley Campus

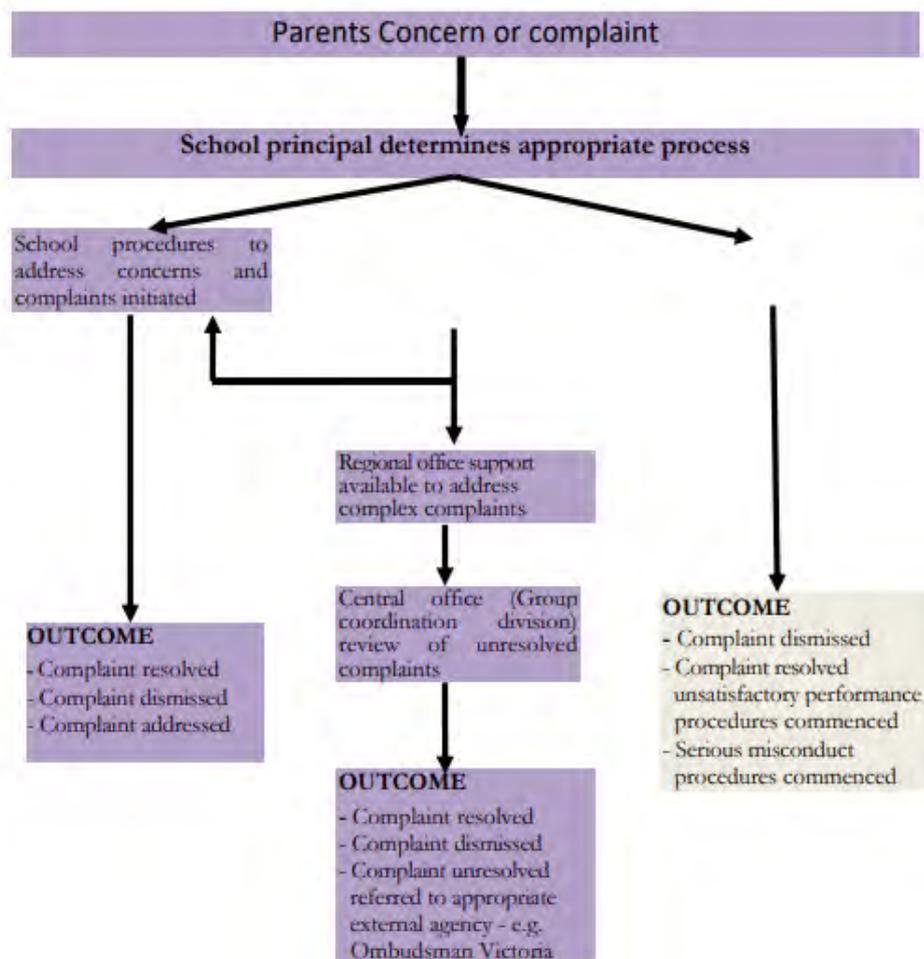
9th Place – Jesse R – Ross Creek Campus

9th Place – Riley S – Ross Creek Campus

Congratulations to all students who participated in this challenging event. We will be offering this extension opportunity again in 2020!

PARENTS RAISING CONCERNS

Each year schools are required to update their school communities of the processes around parent concerns or complaints. We are lucky to have a school community that displays our school values and are respectful to our policies and procedures. We all know that having good working relationships between school and home is the best for our students education. Our policy around raising concerns is on our schools website, I have included a simple flow chart of the process below:



By far the best method is for parents to approach a classroom teacher first, then leadership is involved if necessary. Regional office is only ever involved if the matter can't be addressed at a school level. If a parent approaches the Regional office as a first point of call, they will always be directed back to the school to discuss the concern.



You're all invited

Come along to the second annual end of year

ROSS CREEK SMYTHES CREEK
Community Group

Family Picnic and BBQ

Sunday 1 December

12pm onwards

Recreation Reserve, Ross Creek

BYO everything:
Food, Drinks, Chairs, Games, a Smile etc.....
we'd love to see you there !

Any questions?
contact: Cathy 0408 108 957, Suzanne 0455 667 227 or DI 0412 726 056



GOLDEN PLAINS YOUTH

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Presented by Golden Plains Shire Council.

Golden Plains Shire Youth Development team is proud to bring its road show of family movie nights. Join us for a night of laughs and an opportunity to relax and spend time out as a family. We will bring the snacks and you can bring the fun and family.

Date: Friday 6 December
Time: 6pm
Location: The Well, 19 Heales Street Smythesdale.
Cost: FREE

REGISTRATION:
Contact: Golden Plains Youth Development Team
Ph: 03 5220 7100 | eyouth@goldenplains.vic.gov.au

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VICTORIA

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03 5220 7111 | youth@goldenplains.vic.gov.au | goldenplains.vic.gov.au

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BOYS
SUMMER ADVENTURE CAMP
Ages 10 to 15

Ballarat - Victoria



11th – 19th Jan 2020

For Bookings & Enquiries – 0414 538 131
Website – campwedgetail.com.au Email – info@campwedgetail.com.au

Bring on SUMMER!!




active golden plains

Active Golden Plains' aims to improve and increase the physical activity levels and social well-being of those who live, work and visit Golden Plains by providing participation opportunities that meet the needs of a diverse and evolving community.



soccer mums

where Golden Plains Soccer Club Bannockburn Recreation Precinct

when Thursdays November 21 – December 12 11:00am – 12:00pm

cost FREE

register <https://www.trybooking.com/BGMNU>



pilates

where Ross Creek Community Hall 655 Sebastopol - Smythesdale Rd

when Wednesdays November 20 – December 11 6:15pm – 7:00pm

cost FREE

register <https://www.trybooking.com/BGMKR>





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Ross Creek Campus

Jolly Soles Fundraiser

Make your feet smile and help raise money for our school by purchasing a pair of Jolly Soles socks.

At only \$4.50 a pair they will help to brighten anyone's day. Great for presents!

Size Guide – this is a guide only

Size for	Aus	Order
Kids (4-8)	9-12	Extra Small
Kids (8-11)	12-2	Small
Teens & Women	2-8	Medium
Men	8-12	Large
Men	12-14	X-Large

Sock colours and patterns will be chosen at random.

Forms to be returned by Friday 29th November 2019.

Delivery in mid December



Please contact rosscreekpfa@gmail.com for any enquiries

