



Woody Yaloak Primary School

ROSS CREEK CAMPUS



"ACHIEVING TOGETHER"

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2025 Term Dates

- 6th Oct - 19th Dec

OCTOBER

Wed 22nd—Friday 24th

- Gr 3/4 Cave Hill Creek Camp

Monday 27th

- Assembly @ 2:50 pm

NOVEMBER

Friday 14th

- Casual Clothes Day
- Grandparents Day

DECEMBER

Friday 5th

- Casual Clothes Day

PERMISSION FORMS
AND
MONEY DUE:

NOVEMBER 2025

Bake and Grind
Orders due: Friday
7th November



WYPS Ross Creek 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.



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all our students and families for the final term of the year at our Ross Creek campus! We have started off the term with lots of excited faces. Everyone has been eager to get back in the swing of learning and have settled back into school life.

We have lots of fun activities planned for this term, such as:

- Whole school walkathon/colour run
- Year 3/4 camp
- World Teachers Day
- Transition day
- High school transition days for our year 6 students
- Year 6 Graduation
- Application and interviews for 2026 campus captains
- End of year celebration week
- End of year assembly
- Movie Day
- Responsible Pet Ownership Program
- Senior bike ride



The staff at the campus are looking forward to another brilliant term at Ross Creek. As always, if you have any questions or need support, please don't hesitate to reach out. Let's make it another great term together!

GRADE 2 SLEEPOVER

Our grade 2 sleepover review.

We got into our ice breaking in groups
We watched a movie (Lion King)

We firstly did art, we made toothpick marshmallow towers with partners and we went on a scavenger hunt with a partner. For breakfast we all had vegemite on toast. After a little while we went outside to eat some fruit. For fruit we had apples and oranges. After we had fruit we played lots more games. We played games like play dough, twister, colourings and bracelet making. After all of that we played outside. We had a grade 2 sports area where we played games like throw the frisbee in the net, hurdles, throw the mini bean bags in the hula hoop, knock the plastic bottles down with a ball in a sock, run to the cones, jump as far as we can and put a cone down and stand in a four square and throw a ball to each other. Then our parents picked us up. We had so much fun.

From Madison, Evelyn and Harper



"IT'S COOL TO BE AT SCHOOL"

SENIOR CAMP

On the last 3 days of term 3 the grade 5/6s went on Senior Camp at Roses Gap. First we met some staff at Roses Gap who told us some rules we had to follow. After that we were assigned our cabins and got to eat our lunch, then we started our first activities. Mine was the vertical playpen. Then we went to the dining hall so we could have afternoon tea. It was a yummy chocolate drop slice and fruit. After that we went back to doing activities for an hour and a half and then it was time for dinner. For dinner we had parmas and for dessert we had apple crumble and ice cream. After that it was time to go on a night walk so we got our torches and coats and started to walk. Once we had returned from our walk we could have showers, sit in our cabins or sit at a campfire. Lights out was at 9:30pm. On the second day we had to stay in our cabins until 7:30am and breakfast was at 8:00am. For breakfast we had toast, rice bubbles and muesli. We could have jam, honey, vegemite or marmalade on our toast. Once we had breakfast we started activities straight away. I went canoeing. We learnt how to steer the boat and competed in games and races. My favourite game was pirates treasure. In pirate treasure we had to collect balls from the water and steal balls from other boats. Once we had done our first activity for the day we had morning tea. For morning tea we had a chocolate slice which was just as good as the other slice. After that we went to our next activities, I went on a walk to beehive falls and then it was lunch, lunch was wraps. We could choose what filling we wanted. There was a lot to choose from; they included chicken, ham, lettuce, carrot, cheese and beetroot. After lunch we did two more activities. Mine were the crate stack and low ropes. The crate stack was fun and so was low ropes. Once we were done with our activities it was dinner. For dinner we had lasagna and salad and then we had a movie night where we watched the new Lilo and Stitch movie. After that we went to bed. In the morning we had breakfast which was the same as yesterday's. After that we did our final 2 activities. Mine were the giant swing and flying fox. The giant swing was scary but ended up being my favourite. After that we had sandwiches with the same filling as the wraps we had the day before. We ate that outside and then it was time to get on the bus. It was 12:30 and we arrived at Smythesdale at 2:30. It was a great camp.

By Taylor

On the 17th of September the grade 5/6 Cohort went to Roses Gap camp. The buses left for Roses Gap at 9:15 and we arrived around 10:30. The Staff at Roses Gap gave us a very warm welcome and explained how the first and last day would work and then the teachers put us in our cabins. There were lots of different activities such as, big swing, flying fox, vertical playpen, canoeing, archery, low ropes and a bush walk to Beehive Falls. For afternoon tea we could have chocolate drop slice and fruit. For dinner we had parma's and vegetables and for dessert we had apple crumble with ice cream on the first night at camp. Just before bed we went on a night walk around the camp then it was straight to bed. In the morning the teachers woke us up and said how long it was till breakfast. There were also cabin checks, to see who had the cleanest cabin. Breakfast was at 7:30. For breakfast we could have toast and cereal and after breakfast it was straight into activities. Morning and afternoon tea was chocolate slice and fruit. Before lunch we had free time. For lunch we had wraps with salad. For dinner we had lasagna and salad and for dessert we had ice cream sundays with sprinkles. After dinner there was a movie. The movie was Lilo and Stitch, you could either watch that or go to bed. In the morning it was crazy! We had to pack up before breakfast which was at 7:30!, and we had to get up at 6:30. Breakfast was the same as yesterdays, and after eating we got straight into activities again. For lunch we had sandwiches that were delicious! We hopped on the bus around 12:30 and got back to Smythdale around 2:15. Overall Roses Gap camp was one of the best camps I've been on!

By Sophie

MEET OUR KESO

All parents and carers are invited to meet Zerene Webster-Morley, our new KESO (Koorie Engagement Support Officer), who works as part of the regional team. This will be a great opportunity to touch base with Zerene, ask questions, and share your ideas about culture within our school. A light morning tea will be provided. Toddlers are welcome to attend and please feel free to invite any other interested community members.

When: Wednesday 29th October
Where: Ross Creek Campus
Time: 11:30-12:30



SAFE SPACES

On Tuesday, we grade 5/6s had a safe space program. We had lots of activities, firstly, we had a playdough activity where they'd say make something that makes you happy and you had 1 minute to make something that makes you happy, and you'd go around and say what you did. Next, we had a lucky dip to pick a number. Once they called out your number they explained the word you got. The word I got was role model where I had to create a puzzle piece after we had finished we all made a big puzzle. For the other 5/6 class they made a wind chime to hang up in their classroom. Both activities and classes turned out amazing.

By Elita

On Tuesday grade 5/6's did a Safe Space program and it was very enjoyable. First off we made things out of playdough and you had to do a topic like one thing that makes you happy or what does happiness look like? And what does a safe or unsafe place look like? For this activity we had 30 sec to 1 min for each thing we made. Both 5/6 classes had a different main activity. 5/6P did puzzle pieces and 5/6G did wind chime. For the puzzle pieces we were partnered and picked a lucky number and you got an R word for your theme on your puzzle pieces and we decorated the piece with what that word looks like. For example, Renee and I did reassure as our word and we drew what that looks like with pictures and colours.

By Mahlee

On Tuesday the Safe at School Seminar came to Woody and visited the 5/6s. For the class 5/6G, we created a Windchime with the 10 R words. 5/6P made puzzle pieces to make a big puzzle about the 10 R words. Both classes were given a certain topic to make out of playdough in 30 seconds. The 10 R words are, Role model, Restore, Repair, Rally, Report, Respect, Reassure, Redirect, Relate, Recognise and Rights. We really enjoyed having them come and visit our school.

By Addy, Emilia and Macey M

SCHOOL HATS

We encourage students to wear a sun protective hat outside whenever UV levels reach 3 or higher. In Victoria UV levels are typically three and above from mid-August to the end of April. Students are now required to wear their hat when outside during physical education lessons, recess and lunch times. Hats must be a school wide brimmed hat. Caps are not permitted. If your child does not have a wide brim hat, they are available from Beleza in Ballarat.

**STUDENT FUNDRAISING**

Zooper Doopers will be sold by our student leaders every Tuesday and Thursday for 50 cents each for the remainder of the school year. Funds raised through this program will support other school based activities.

**SCARSDALE PARENTS AND FRIENDS WHOLE SCHOOL FUNDRAISER- BAKE N GRIND**

The Scarsdale Parents and Friends are running a whole school fundraiser with Bake N Grind. Order forms are being sent home today to order pies, slices, donuts and more. Please ensure your order form and money is returned to your campus office by **FRIDAY 7th NOVEMBER**. All orders will be delivered to your campus on Wednesday 19th November. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Jacqui Tung at the Scarsdale campus. We thank you for supporting the Scarsdale Parents and Friends.



3/4 CAMP

The grade 3 and 4 students are getting very excited for our upcoming camp at Cave Hill Creek. On Wednesday 22nd October, students will meet at the Recreation Reserve at the Smythesdale Campus ready for a 9:40am departure. Students are to arrive no earlier than 8:50am and no later than 9:20am. On Friday the 24th, we are expected to arrive back at Smythesdale at approximately 2pm. Please keep an eye out for communication from the school in case we are running early or late on the day. Please remember that a packed lunch is required on the first day.



To help the morning run as smoothly as possible, if your child is bringing their personal medication on camp, you are to see Stephanie Sanders inside the Recreation Reserve to hand over the medication. Medication forms were sent home yesterday. If you did not receive one, please see your child's classroom teacher. Medication should be supplied in either a zip-lock bag or a small container. If your child requires medication on Wednesday morning, it must be administered prior to our departure. If required, Panadol will be supplied by the school if consent has been given to administer.

Packing lists are available from your classroom teacher, alternatively, they have been sent via a Compass notification. Students have been given permission to bring some lollies to camp. If you choose to send lollies with child/ren, please only send one small bag per child. A comfort toy/teddy of a suitable size can also be brought along. Hats are compulsory.

Middle PLC Teachers

CASUAL CLOTHES DAYS- TERM 4

Our two casual clothes day for this term will be held on the following dates:

Friday 14th November

Friday 5th December

Students are welcome to wear casual clothes on these days and bring in a gold coin donation.

BIRD HIDE OPENING

Last Friday we had the opening of the bird hide viewing area in our wetlands. We welcomed the community members that have been working closely with the school in developing plans moving forward. The bird hide will help us support the habitats of the Latham Snipe bird that flies from Japan and stays here for the summer. It was great for our kids to learn all about the history and bring together a wonderful community event.



2025 CALENDAR



TERM 4 DATES

OCTOBER

Monday 20 th	Phoenix College Transition session
Wed 22 nd -Fri 24 th	3/4 Camp
Monday 27 th -	Assembly @ 2:50pm
Friday 31 st	World Teachers Day

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 4 th	Melbourne Cup public holiday
Monday 10 th	Assembly @ 2:50pm
Friday 14 th	Casual Clothes Day
	Grandparents Day
Monday 17 th	School Council
Thursday 20 th	Colour Run/Walkathon
Friday 21st	Curriculum Day: Report Writing
Monday 24 th	Assembly @ 2:50pm
Thursday 27 th	2026 Foundation Transition morning

DECEMBER

Wednesday 3 rd	Wellbeing Wednesday
Friday 5 th	Casual Clothes Day
Tuesday 9 th	Statewide transition day
Wednesday 10 th	Awards Assembly @2:30pm
Thursday 11 th	Year 6 Graduation
Wednesday 17 th	Senior bike ride
Thursday 18 th	Reports sent home
Friday 19 th	Final day of year- 1:30pm finish



Chris Jerram
Ross Creek Campus Head

CAPTAIN'S CHAT



Ella



Stella



Kira

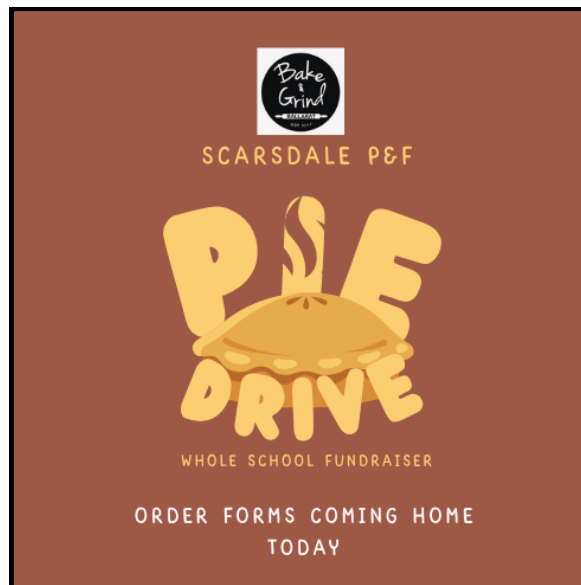


Lucas

Welcome back to term 4. I hope everyone had a great holiday and are ready for a great last term. Friday we officially opened the bird watching hut in the wetlands. On Tuesday, the grade 5/6 classes had the safe at schools seminar where they created wind charms and puzzle pieces with the 10 R words. Icy poles are also back for 50c and don't forget to wear your hats at school this term.

Ella and Stella

COMING HOME TODAY



2026 GRADE 6 HOODIES & POLO SHIRTS

It's that time of year again. Grade 5 students now have the opportunity to place orders for Grade 6 Hoodies and Polo Shirts for 2026. Samples of these garments will be available for students to try on at their campus on the following dates.

Ross Creek:	Tuesday 14 th – Friday 17 th October
Smythesdale:	Tuesday 21 st – Thursday 23 rd October
Scarsdale:	Monday 27 th – Wednesday 29 th October
Snake Valley:	Friday 31 st October – Wednesday 5 th November

Order forms have been sent home with students today.
Order forms with full payment are due by **THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER.**

NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT DATE.

If you have any questions, please contact Robyn at the office.





Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for supporting Woody Yaloak to be the best it can be! This term we are again hosting a **Monty's Colour Fun Run** for our students and raising funds for our school.

How Do We Fundraise?

Fundraising for our school is easy! Simply go to www.myprofilepage.com.au and click the register button to create a cybersafe, online profile page. Once you've created a parent account and profile page, you can share that around to family and friends to receive online donations. Please note that this is an online fundraiser only and all cash donations must be converted to an online donation before November 21st

Receive a prize for your fundraising efforts by simply raising \$10 online! At the end of the fundraiser, student incentive prizes are ordered automatically based on their fundraising total and bonus donations. Students can earn up to 15 unique prizes!

You can also receive some bonus Monty the Monstar incentive prizes! Check out your sponsorship form booklet for more information!

Event Information

Thursday, November 20th 2025

All students will be bussed to the **Ross Creek Campus**

Wear a white shirt to make the colour pop!

Each student will also receive a pair of sunglasses and a headband!

Students are required to wear closed-in shoes!

Students will be covered in non-toxic, biodegradable colour powder!

A BBQ lunch, fruit and an icy pole will be provided to students on the day.

We look forward to seeing the students all bright and colourful on the day of our Monty's Colour Fun Run!

Event details, permissions and excursion costs will be available on COMPASS shortly.

For further information, please contact Mrs Wendy Hines at either Ross Creek or Snake Valley or via

email: woody.yaloak.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Wendy Hines, 2025 Colour Run Coordinator

