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2025 Term Dates

• 28th Jan - 4th April

• 22nd Apr - 4th July

• 21st July - 19th Sept

• 6th Oct - 19th Dec

Woady Yaloak Primary School SNAKE VALLEY CAMPUS



"ACHIEVING TOGETHER"

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WYPS Snake Valley 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 Report

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all our students and families for the final term of the year at our Snake Valley 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:

- Student leader's crazy hair day
- Scarsdale Parents and Friends whole school fundraiser
- Whole school walkathon/colour run
- Year 3/4 camp
- World Teacher's Day
- Transition day
- High school transition days for our year 6 students
- Visits to the Woady Kinder
- Year 6 Graduation
- Application and interviews for 2026 campus captains
- End of year celebration week
- End of year assembly
- Senior bike ride

The staff at the campus are looking forward to another brilliant term. 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!

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



WHAT'S ONTHIS

Grade 3/4 Camp Assembly KESO Visit World Teachers Day RACV Safety

See page 5 for more details

GRADE 3/4 CAVE HILL CREEK CAMP

The grade 3 and 4 students are getting very excited for our upcoming camp to 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 smooth 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 the 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

EXCITING NEWS - OUR PIZZA OVEN IS ON THE WAY!

We're thrilled to share that a new pizza oven has been ordered for our school! This wonderful addition has been made possible thanks to the funds raised through our Tree Drive, Can Collection, and Student Leadership initiatives.



A huge thank you to everyone who contributed — whether by purchasing trees, parent helpers, collecting cans, or supporting our student-led projects. Your efforts have made this possible!

The pizza oven will provide a fantastic opportunity for our students and community to come together for shared cooking experiences, special events, and celebrations. We can't wait to fire it up and enjoy some delicious pizzas soon!

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 Monday, Wednesday and Friday for 50 cents each for the remainder of the school year. Funds raised through this program will support other school based activities.



CAN FOR A CAUSE

As a thank you from the **Central Highlands Homelessness Alliance** for Woady's contribution to **Can for a Cause**, we received the following heartfelt message:

On behalf of the Soul + Food Leadership Team, I would like to sincerely thank you for your kind selection of our charity to be the recipient of your recent school "Can Drive." We were absolutely blown away by the large volume of non-perishable food items donated. These generous contributions have significantly increased what we can offer to the 100+community members who access our program each week — supporting more than 300 household members in need. Our community members are so grateful for the variety of items available to help feed their families.

A big thank you to our Woady community for your kindness and support — your contributions have made a real difference!

SENIOR CAMP

Ropes

Our cabins were excellent.

Swinging on the giant swing.

Eating food.

*S*leeping bag for freezing nights

Giant swing

A lot of fun and bad food.

People - like Hamish the staff member

By Levi

Ropes low & towering

Obstacle course tricky & contemplating

Sleeping & snoozing

Eating & munching

Sneaking & creeping

Giant swing, gigantic & heart racing

Amazing waterfall

Playing & entertainment.

By Chevelle



Ropes

Obstacle courses

Swinging from high up

Eating food

Sitting next to the fire

Giant swing

Amazing memories

Playing with friends

By Xavier







GRADE 2 SLEEPOVER

Hamish

When I arrived, it was about 6:50pm and then we did a bit of activities for awhile and then we had to go to bed. But I could not get to bed for about 5 hours, so I finished my 400+ paged book which made me very tired. Something that was very funny was that the person that was telling everyone to be quiet was the loudest person also everyone was quiet.

When I got up, we had breakfast and for breakfast I had 3 pieces of toast and some orange juice. Then we did a little scavenger hunt and after we got to a kids Olympics and then we had to build the strongest cube out of marshmallows and toothpicks, and I won.

Amelia

On the 11th and 12th of September 2025, it was the grade two sleepover. After school, we had to come in our pyjamas. Then we all got to watch a movie called the Lion King and we got popcorn then we went to bed.

In the morning, we got dressed and then had breakfast. Then we had some activities that were the question, one where you have to pull out a card and you will answer the question and there's a scavenger hunt and a marshmallow building thing and there was one more but I got picked up early so I didn't have time to know what it was. I had so much FUN!!!!!!!!

Marley

First, in the girl's room my family helped me get my bed ready next to the heater then I waited for Arktavia, Amelia and Kayla. Then when everyone got there, we got put in different groups me, Kayla and Amelia were in the same group. So we did a questions activity like if you had 1000 dollars what would you spend it on. Next, all the grade twos went in the middle of the room to watch a movie. We watched The Lion king and we had popcorn. After, we went to the bathroom to brush our teeth and then we went to bed.

Lastly, it was the morning we played and then we packed up our things and then we had breakfast. I had spaghetti on toast then we did activities. First, we did a marshmallow building then we did a scavenger hunt. After, we did an art



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 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: woady.yaloak.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Wendy Hines, 2025 Colour Run Coordinator

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 your support.

October

Wed 22nd - Fri 24th - Grade 3/4 Camp
Mon 27th - Assembly @ 9.05am
Wed 29th - Meet the KESO session
Fri 31st - World Teacher's Day

- RACV Safety Squad



November

Tues 4th - Melbourne Cup public holiday
Fri 7th - Free Dress— Casual for a Cause

Mon 10th - Assembly 9.05am

Thurs 13th - 2026 Campus Captains applications sent home

Fri 14th - Grandparent's afternoon

Mon 17th - School Council

Thurs 20th - Colour Run/Walkathon

Fri 21st - Curriculum Day: Report Writing

Mon 24th - Assembly 9.05am

Thurs 27th - 2026 Foundation Transition morning

December

Wed 3rd - Wellbeing Wednesday

Thurs 4th - Free Dress- Casual for a Cause

Fri 5th - Campus End of Year Assembly Presentation

Mon 8th - NO Assembly

Tues 9th - Statewide transition day
Thurs 11th - Year 6 Graduation
Mon 9th - Assembly @ 9.05am
Wed 17th - Senior bike ride
Thurs 18th - Reports sent home

Fri 19th - Final day of year- 1:30pm finish



Jamie Dwyer CAMPUS HEAD

Captains Chat



Hi everyone,

Welcome back to school for term 4. We hope you all had a great holiday and are ready for a fun and busy term. Next week, the Grade 3 & 4 students are going to Cave Hill Creek for camp. We hope you have lots of fun, try new things and enjoy spending time with your friends.

For the grade 6's, this is our last term of primary school.

Let's make it a great one and enjoy our last few weeks together.

A big congratulations to Immy, who ran in the 200m race at Regionals. We are all very proud of you!

Let's have an awesome Term 4!