WOORI YALLOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



"IT'S NOT OKAY TO BE AWAY"

27th April 2017



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APRIL

Friday 28th April

MAY

Monday 8th May Thursday 11th May Thursday 11th May Special Lunch Order Day

School Photo Day Mother's Day Stall

Mother / Daughter Dinner

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ACROSS OLIVER'S DESK

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to term 2. We had a busy and successful first term with swimming, grade 5 and 6 camp, athletics and lots of learning. Speaking of education our school continues to be a leader in the Yarra Valley. This week we are hosting Wesburn P.S. teachers. They are coming to look at how we teach spelling. Other schools have also booked in to see our school in action. I will let you know through the newsletter when these learning walks occur.

This week we also had Tony Smith MP visit the school to hand out some certificates for a writing competition to our 5 & 6 students. Congratulations to Oscar Maguire for receiving a highly commended certificate and a prize. Minister Smith spoke to our students about the importance of the ANZAC spirit.





My favourite time of every day is being outside before school listening to our wonderful students laughing, playing and looking forward to the day ahead. It is impossible for me not to start my day with a smile on my face as I scan our playgrounds. The best thing about our school is definitely our happy motivated children.

OXFAM TRAILWALKER

Through the holidays we had Oxfam come through the school and as always it was a success, even though the number of walkers was down on previous years. I think it was probably a record for the amount of parent help we had on our BBQ and around the school, so thank you to each and every parent who helped out.

There were also a large amount of staff that helped during the event as always, but I would like to single out Flick, Carol, Sandy, Lani, Melissa and Mrs Menta who put in so much time and effort to make sure all of the walkers were looked after. All of the volunteered support meant that we were able to raise approximately \$1,300 which we hope to put towards a new chicken enclosure.

Continued

Thank you to the following families:

The Russell family

The Schaak family

The Geerling family

The Maguire family

The Van Der Vlugt family

The Wootherspoon family

The Scott family

The Paterson family

The Pratt family

The Tattersall family

The Lombardi family



HOMEWORK CLUB

Homework Club begins this week for students from grades 3 to 6 only. As grades Prep to 2 are not given homework, they have no need to attend homework club. If you have trouble motivating or helping your child to do their homework please enrol them into Homework Club. Homework Club is staffed by our teachers as an extra and I thank them for their continued dedication to our students.

READING

Reading is an important skill. In our modern world it is more important than ever. Children learn about the importance of reading as they watch family members use reading and writing for everyday purposes. Reading with your child at home will help your child in all learning areas of school.

TIPS TO HELP YOUR CHILDREN READ AT HOME

Be yourself. Involve children in everyday conversations. Read aloud to children; It helps them to learn the language of books and will encourage them to enjoy books and reading. Talk about books, read together and make reading an enjoyable, shared activity. Make sure there is a wide range of reading material for your child at home, both fiction and non-fiction. Make a ritual of reading with your child before bed. Doing this makes children look forward to bed time and finishes the day on a really positive fun note.

FAST FOR WORD PROGRAM

At Woori Yallock Primary School we fund The Fast For Word program at considerable expense to the school. We fund the program because it develops and strengthens memory, attention, processing rate, and sequencing - the cognitive skills essential for reading and learning success. The program develops a wide range of critical language and reading skills such as phonological awareness, phonemic awareness, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, decoding, working memory, syntax and grammar.

On Wednesday one of the programs executives was invited to come to our school to speak to both staff and parents about the program. Parents can access the program at home for no cost. If you have any questions about the setup of the program at home or how it works please see Andre Campbell at school.

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS

Jess Wallace on winning the Victorian Bowls State Title on the weekend!!



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TABLE TENNIS

During the next few weeks we have seven students participating in an inter-school table tennis competition. It's great to see those students practising at lunch times to give themselves the best opportunity to do well.

ANZAC DAY

Thank you to all the families who participated in the Upper Yarra RSL ANZAC Day march at Yarra Junction. It was wonderful to see our students attend in their school uniforms and be so respectful during the march and the service. To me, Anzac Day is one of Australia's most important national commemorative occasions. It marks the anniversary of the Gallipoli Landing, the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. I feel it is really important for our students to understand the history behind ANZAC Day.





And remember when life gets a little difficult, escape to the wonderful world of a book!

Oliver Thockloth Principal



BIG THANKS TO LAUNCH FRESH FOR PROVIDING FRESH FRUIT FOR OUR PLAYGROUP



Chaplain's Chat

This week, someone made a comment that really resonated with me. Her comment reminded us to look for and acknowledge the "sparkling moments" in our lives. I don't know about you, but after having a rather stressful last few weeks, I felt I really needed to be reminded that, despite the challenges we sometimes face, recalling some "sparkling moments" can be helpful in getting through the difficult times. Without stopping and thinking about these, we can often become overwhelmed and discouraged.

I would like to share with you some of my recent "sparkling moments," that really made my heart sing. Last Thursday I was delighted to see Caitlyn Parker, an ex-student now in year 11, now helping Mrs. Eckhardt with PE each week as part of her curriculum this year. To see her enthusiasm and pleasure about coming back to her 'old school' was really special. It was also great to hear about how she is working hard towards achieving her goals.

Then at the end of the day, I ran into Lillybeth, a year 10/11 ex-student who is now volunteering with Interchange Outer East to help with their Sibling Support Program which operates each Thursday after school. She too, was so excited to be back at her old school and keen to help make a positive difference in supporting children with special needs along with their siblings. Knowing Lillybeth and her bright, bubbly personality, she will definitely be a great asset to this group.

Then on Friday, I had the pleasure of seeing my daughter graduate from her Diploma in Remedial Massage at the Exhibition Centre in the City. I had the opportunity to be the proud mum, especially knowing the hard hours and effort that was required for her to successfully complete her course. I'm going to confess, there were a few tears of joy present as I saw her in her graduation gown being presented with her diploma. She was so happy, and her happiness and delight in her achievement, just made me so pleased for her.

Remembering and acknowledging my "sparkling moments" has really made a difference in encouraging me to see the positives and not to be overcome with the negatives. I am trying each day to train my brain to think about these moments and I would like to encourage you to not only take on this personal challenge yourselves, but also encourage this dialogue with your children.

Blessings,



CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

Families who held a concession card as at the 30th of January 2017 may be eligible for the Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund for your child/ren. Please complete the application form as soon as possible and return to the office. Applications close on June 30 and will not be accepted after this date. See Lani in the office if you have any queries. Please note families who made an application through Woori Yallock Primary School in 2016 are not required to complete another form in 2017.

Award Winners for 2017



Oxfam Thank You

A huge thank you to the families and staff who made the OXFAM BBQ a success this year. It was wonderful to see a group of people working harmoniously and happily to achieve a common goal—to raise money for our school and help out the OXFAM volunteers, walkers and their support teams.

The people who helped out were a great example of our community spirit in Woori Yallock, and the school was represented in an extremely positive manner to the hundreds of OXFAM participants.

A huge thank you to Carol Gerrard, Kate and Sukey Russell who helped throughout the night on Friday and then returned the following day to clean-up. Another huge thank you to Jillian and Steve Schaak who donated money from their coffee sales!

The following children, parents and teachers must be acknowledged (and please let me know if I have left anyone out).

Russell Family Schaak—Taylor family Geerling family Evita Maguire Joel Pratt **Brad Tattersall** Andrew Van Der Vlugt Kellie Scott Andrea Paterson Wotherspoon family Flick Curnow Melissa Grieg Jayden Erickson Sandy Walter Lani Hetherton Gianni Lombardi Glenn Waterhouse

Thanks again. Mary Menta



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OPEN EVENING

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You are invited to tour Billianook College and must our staff and students

School at Work Tour

Tuesday 7 February Friday 24 March Thursday 22 June Wednesday 2 August Wednesday 11 October Thursday 30 November

School at Work Tours commence at 9,30am RSVP essential

Saturday Morning College Tours

Saturday 25 February (Tour & Scholarship Exam)

Saturday 6 May Saturday 2 September

All Saturday Morning tours, 10.15am for a 10.30am start, PSVP Essential

A school in the tradition of the Uniting Church in Australia, Early Learning - VCE 197 Cardigan Road, Mooroolbark Tel: 9725,5388 www.billanook.vic.edu.au





MELBA AVENUE, LILYDALE

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

THURSDAY 11TH MAY, 7.00 PM

IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Lilydale High School invites you to attend our Information Evening. This information evening will be for parents and guardians of children currently in Year 6 who will be starting in Year 7 at secondary school in 2018.

Speakers will provide information and printed material will be distributed. There will be several student performances and tours of the school featuring displays of students' work and interactive demonstrations.

Tours of the school at other times can be arranged by contacting the school office on 9735-5644.

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HOW TO TALK SO KIDS WILL LISTEN

AND LISTEN SO KIDS WILL TALK

- Do you wonder what is the best way to talk to kids so they will listen? Do you want to strengthen and build
- respectful and positive relationships with your children?
- Do you want to build your confidence as a parent?
- Do you want to learn to help your child become more resilient?
- Do you want to have more understanding of why children behave the way they do?

WHEN: WHO:

Tuesdays 2nd May to 6th June 2017 (6 week program)

Dads. Mums. Grandparents & Carers of children 0 - 12 years 9.30am to 11.30am

Badger Creek Primary School Badger Creek Road, Badger Creek VIC 3777 FREE of Charge

COST:

TIME:

WHERE:

Bookings are essential.



Places are limited. Please contact Julia at Parentzone on 03 9735 6190 or 0400 866 495



WYTAG Garage Sale Saturday March 18, 2017

9 am - 1 pm

WYTAG Reserve Healesville Koo Wee Rup Rd Woori Yallock

wytag1502@gmail.com

Winter Warming **Sunday June 18, 2017**

3 - 7 pm Wickhams Reserve Wickhams Road Launching Place

welcome@whyld.org.au

Woori Open Day Saturday March 25, 2017

10 am - 2 pm Woori Community House

& WYTAG Reserve Woori Yallock

Woori Kid's Fest Thursday October 26, 2017

3 - 6 pm Presbyterian Church Healesville Koo Wee Rup Rd Woori Yallock

WHYLD@Wickhams Sunday March 26, 2017

3 - 6 pm Wickhams Reserve Wickhams Road

Launching Place

Camelot Castle Medieval Village Fair

Sunday November 12, 2017

10 am - 4 pm Healesville Koo Wee Rup Rd

Yellingbo info@medievalvillagefair.org

Welcome to WHYLD country and our inaugural newsletter. WHYLD is an acronym that stands for the towns of Woori Yallock, Hoddles Creek, Yellingbo, Launching Place and Don Valley. As residents of these towns you are all considered to be part of WHYLD. The WHYLD community group have been around for a few years now, and our vision is to unite these five small towns to form a larger and more connected community. WHYLD have facilitated a number of free local events aimed at bringing residents together. This newsletter provides a snapshot of previous events with details for 2017. Keep these diary dates on the fridge as a reminder and bring the family and friends along to support your community events this year. See you soon!

WHYLD welcome new members, so if you are interested in any of our events or activities, please feel free to contact us by email: welcome@whyld.org.au, message and please do like us on Facebook: WHYLD Community Group, or for more information visit our website: whyld.org.au.











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CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 - Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or nongovernment Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- · on the first day of Term one, or,
- on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - Submit an application to the school by the due date.
- * A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30 January 2017) or term two (18 April 2017).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

- Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
 - Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
 - If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
- 2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
- 3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2017 closes on 30 June, 2017.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.



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