



# WOORAGEE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

TERM 1, WEEK 10  
4<sup>th</sup> April 2019

## WOORAGEE NEWS

Dear Families and Friends,

**Term 2:** This term has come and gone very quickly! I just wanted to bring your attention to the calendar and parent calendar, as there are some dates very early in Term Two to be aware of. The first is the student free day following Easter Monday (Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April) and the ANZAC public holiday on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April. Please see note below regarding arrangements for ANZAC Day marches.

**Orphan Lambs:** I must extend a huge thank you to Artemis, Georgia, Matilda, Ollie and Cooper and their families for VERY kindly offering to support us with our orphan lamb program. Their kind offer of help ensures that all of our children get to benefit from the wonderful program that is the Orphan Lamb program, so a huge thank you to these families. I still have no word as to when the lambs will be available, but we are ready once they are!

**ANZAC DAY MARCHES:** This year we are going to participate as a school in the Yackandandah and Beechworth ANZAC ceremonies. We encourage all students and families to attend one of the Marches, as we feel it is an important traditional that ensures our future children will respect and honour the meaning behind the day. The Yackandandah march commences at 9:30am at the CFA in Yackandandah and the Beechworth March commences at Beechworth Honey at 11:00am. Both of these marches are followed by services and wreath laying, where we will be asking two students at each march to participate in this.

**EASTER MARKET:** Please see the attached Roster for the Easter Monday Market. Thank you so much to the families who have offered their help. Many hands make light work, so please, if you are available to help, but haven't popped your name down, there are always jobs to do on the day that we would love some help with. We are hoping that the funds raised from this year's Easter Market will go towards more beautiful books for our library and sign posting our Nature Playground with Native Flora and Fauna.

**Canberra Camp Years 3-6:** We have a confirmed and secured date and itinerary for our Canberra Camp for 2019 with Middle Indigo Primary School. A detailed itinerary will become available as we near closer. Camp will be Term 4, Week 1 (Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>-Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October). The cost of the camp will be \$320 per student, which includes all meals, activities, transport and accommodation. We will be combining with Middle Indigo PS over our government unit of work during Term Three and the camp will be a celebration of the learning and consolidation of the experience. If you would like to set up a payment plan, please see Wendy in regards to this.

*Have a lovely weekend and a safe and enjoyable holiday break, Alicia Odewahn*

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### APRIL

- 4<sup>th</sup> Wooragee Farmers Market
- 5<sup>th</sup> SLT School Dress up in your Pyjamas Day (gold coin donation)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Term 1 Ends 2:30pm Finish
- 22<sup>nd</sup> EASTER MARKET 10am-2pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> STUDENT FREE DAY
- 24<sup>th</sup> Term Two begins
- 25<sup>th</sup> ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY- March at Yackandandah & Beechworth

29<sup>th</sup>&30<sup>th</sup> Alicia at PLC Training

### MAY

- 3<sup>rd</sup> NERSSA Cross Country (P-6)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Mothers' Day Lunch 12pm
- 14/15/16<sup>th</sup> NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> NERSSA Athletics (P-6)
- 28<sup>th</sup> GRIP Leadership Conference (5/6 Students)

### JUNE

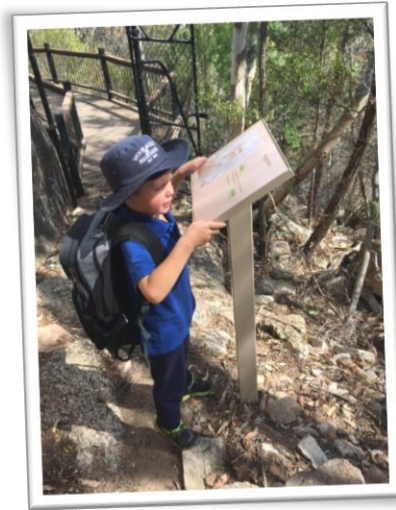
- 6<sup>th</sup> Payment Due for Charlie & the Chocolate Factory
- 7<sup>th</sup> STUDENT FREE DAY
- 10<sup>th</sup> QUEEN'S BDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY



Taylor: Yesterday we walked up Mt Pilot, it was really fun. We went there to see the Aboriginal peoples art work. My legs got really tired on the long walk. When we finished the walk we did a puppet show in the bush.



Lachlan: Yesterday I did a Mt Pilot walk because we did a whole school excursion. We saw some skinny caves. Some caves also had avalanche marks.



Hudson: Yesterday I went to a walk at Mt Pilot, we went for a big walk to see all the rock paintings and I loved it. I could smell some trees and I could feel some wind.



Matilda: Yesterday at Mt Pilot we did a big walk around the mountain. The other students did a puppet show.

**ARTICLE FOR THE WEEK: LET CHILDREN JUDGE RISKS, BE RESILIENT- MAGGIE DENT**

When I was a young lass, most of the kids I knew only had to be hit once or twice in the chin by a wayward seesaw before we learnt the playground was a place requiring a bit of caution and some skill.

These days, not many playgrounds have wooden seesaws or metal maypoles or long monkey bars or sand under the swings. Modern playgrounds are a much more structured, safer option, or so we think.

We'd also ride our bikes to the playground and hang about there for hours without our parents' supervision.

Mostly, life isn't like that anymore and while on one level that's a good thing, on many levels we are doing our children a terrible disservice.

This weekend (2012), I am sharing a C&K conference panel in Brisbane with, among others, controversial author Lenore Skenazy (via Skype) who caused a stir worldwide when she allowed her nine-year-old son to ride the New York subway.

Also on the panel, in person, is UK author Tim Gill, a passionate advocate for risk-taking and giving children access to the natural world.

We're going to be talking about children's rights and, for me and, I suspect, my aforementioned co-panellists, one I feel most passionate about is the right for children to play, to learn from their mistakes and to bounce back from life's challenges.

As Jane Fynes-Clinton wrote (The Courier-Mail, April 26, 2012) of a parent who was suing a 13-year-old for accidentally hitting his daughter in the eye with a tennis ball, accidents happen.

What worries me is we have spent so much time trying to safely guide our children and prevent bad things from happening to them that we are dissolving their ability to judge risk for themselves which ironically sets them up for disaster.

We have also created a world so busy and an education system so focused on academic results that we are providing our children with fewer and fewer opportunities for unstructured play. We are diminishing their freedom in just "being" kids seeking fun and having experiences that are massively engaging.

Research consistently proves that play helps children learn about risk-taking, being creative and imaginative, having choices and autonomy. Play is how we learn to wait, to take turns, to develop the art of strategy, to lose and to win graciously. When it's set outside in the natural world, it's also fantastic exercise, good for children's spirits and can reduce stress.

Young children require the movements of rough-and-tumble play, spinning, balancing and rolling, for certain aspects of brain development to occur. Perhaps most importantly, unstructured play stimulates our curiosity and develops our "seeking mechanism".

An under-active seeking mechanism in adulthood can contribute to a person staying stuck in an unloving relationship, or in a boring and soulless job. We may not be able to imagine alternative scenarios for ourselves.

If we, as parents, teachers, indeed, as a society, don't start taking play more seriously and allow our children to take a few risks, we are denying them the opportunity to be resilient human beings. And the world definitely needs more of those.

<https://www.maggiedent.com/blog/let-children-judge-risks-resilient/>



## Student Work

**By Hope.** The Top Pig

On one Friday a pig named bacon made history, he was the top pig at high jump for pigs. It was a new world record, so let's start with when he was a baby.

He was strong and fierce, then when he was a teenager he trained every day for high jump. But he didn't make it at first, he lost to three other pigs, but he didn't stop there. He kept going and going until he won. The first time he won was when he made a new world record. He beat the best pigs in history. He jumped six meters. Then he moved onto swimming.



## THANK YOU

*We would like to say a special thank you to:*

Owen and Eric for taking our gardening program every week

The Gladstone's for their help at the Wooragee Market

Wendy Fisher for helping out and organising all of our jars for the Easter Market

Wendy Fisher, Sharon and Keagan for helping u at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour with Kitchen on Friday, you were the most incredible help!

Belinda, Charisse and Nathan for their help on the excursion.

Ollie, Cooper, Summer, Shari and Kade for looking after Bazza in the holidays for us.

Cameron and Sadie for looking after our chickens for us over the holidays.

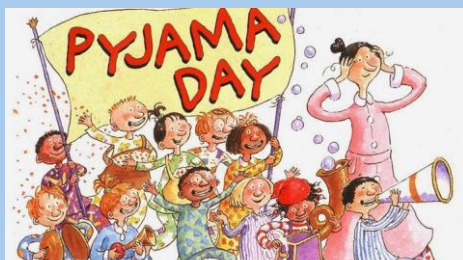
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## PYJAMA DAY

Our Student Leadership Team have decided that they would like to hold a fundraiser to raise money for the Victorian Bushfire Appeal. Students are being invited to wear their pyjamas on the last day on term and to make a gold coin donation. We are looking forward to dressing up with the kids!



## EASTER MARKET

The Easter Market is going to be here before we know it and we are kindly seeking donations from our school and wider community.

- Preloved books in good condition
- Homewares, kitchenware
- Jewellery, accessories
- DVD's, CD's, Records

Anything in good condition, Please see Belinda and Sharon



## EASTER MARKET

MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2019

PLEASE SEE THE ROSTER FORM AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER TO INDICATE AVAILABILITY

### School Uniform Order

Please find attached uniform order form.

If you wish to order please do so and return by Friday 5.4.19 10am at the latest.

## APRIL BIRTHDAY

4<sup>th</sup> Alicia  
5<sup>th</sup> Lachlan  
10<sup>th</sup> Cooper H  
12<sup>th</sup> Aston  
23<sup>rd</sup> Artemis  
27<sup>th</sup> Hope

## SAKG FRIDAY MENU

End of Term  
Gold Class

Teachers to wait on Students

Menu

Fruit

Pizza

Banana Muffins

# WOORAGEE FARMERS MARKET

## ROSTER 2019

DATE	STAFF	PARENT/FAMILIES
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Grace	Porteous

## EASTER MARKET ROSTER

8-10am (set up)	10am-12pm (stalls)	12pm-2pm (stalls)	2-4pm (pack up)
<b>PRELOVED STALL/ BOOK STALL</b> Gladstone Wynne-Jenkins Shani Sadie Loveday Holt	<b>PRELOVED STALL/ BOOK STALL</b> Gladstone Wynne-Jenkins Shani Ermacora	<b>PRELOVED STALL/ BOOK STALL</b> Gladstone Wynne-Jenkins Shani	<b>PRELOVED STALL/ BOOK STALL</b> Gladstone Wynne-Jenkins Shani
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<b>PLANT &amp; PRODUCE/ICY POLES</b> WPS Staff	<b>PLANT &amp; PRODUCE/ICY POLES</b> WPS Staff  <b>COW POO LOTTO</b> Carter  <b>WOOD RAFFLE</b>	<b>PLANT &amp; PRODUCE/ICY POLES</b> WPS Staff  <b>WOOD RAFFLE</b> Carter	<b>PLANT &amp; PRODUCE/ICY POLES</b> WPS Staff

INDIGO SHIRE LIBRARIES

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM. SCINTILLATING SCIENCE!

UNLEASH YOUR SCIENTIFIC SKILLS.

**LIGHT: COMBINE A LEMON AND TWO DIFFERENT METALS  
TO CREATE LIGHT. YOU CAN MAKE ELECTRICITY!**

**MOTION: MAKE A FLYING ROCKET USING A FILM  
CANISTER, PROPELLANT AND WATER. SEE HOW HIGH  
YOU ROCKET CAN TRAVEL. !**



BEECHWORTH	MON	15TH APRIL	1.30 AM
CHILTERN	WEDS	17TH APRIL	1.30 AM
RUTHERGLEN	WEDS	10TH APRIL	11.00 AM
YACKANDANDAH	MON	15TH APRIL	10.30 AM

INDIGO SHIRE LIBRARIES

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Celebrate the 30th anniversary of the iconic book  
"We're going on a bear hunt". We will have stories,  
songs, rhyme, crafts and of course a bear hunt.  
Children are encouraged to bring their own bear.

Age: Children up to 7 years of age



BEECHWORTH	TUES	9TH APRIL	10.30 AM
CHILTERN	FRI	12TH APRIL	10.30 AM
RUTHERGLEN	WEDS	17TH APRIL	9.30 AM
YACKANDANDAH	TUES	9TH APRIL	1.30 PM