

WELCOME TO OUR

Wooragee PS Newsletter

2025 CALENDAR

TERM 2

WEEK 3

WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY SCHOOL

PHOTOS

THURSDAY 8TH MAY MOTHERS DAY

BREAKFAST

FRIDAY 9TH MAY CROSS COUNTRY -

YACKANDANDAH SPORTS PARK

WEEK 4

WEEK 5

TUESDAY 20TH MAY- OPEN DAY

WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY NATIONAL

SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME

WEEK 6

WEEK 7

WEEK 8

MONDAY JUNE 9TH KINGS

BIRTHDAY

TUESDAY JUNE 10TH CURRICULUM

DAY (NO STUDENTS)

WEEK 9

WEEK 10

JUNE 23RD TO JUNE 27TH

SWIMMING LESSONS WODONGA

WEEK 11

WEEK 12

FRIDAY 4TH JUNE SCHOOL FINISHES

@ 2:20

From the Principal's Desk

TERM 2 WEEK 3 2025

Open Day – Monday 20th May

Welcoming Future Families to Our School

We're excited to invite families to our Open Day on Monday 20th May – a wonderful opportunity for prospective students and their families to visit our school, explore our learning spaces, and meet our dedicated staff.

Children starting Kindergarten in 2026 (or considering enrolment in other year levels) are especially welcome to come along, join in classroom activities, and experience the warm, inclusive culture that makes our school so special.

If you know a local family who is considering school options for their child, please encourage them to come along! We're proud to showcase our classrooms, specialist programs, outdoor learning spaces – including our bush playground Yirrikama – and the many ways we support every child to learn and thrive.

For more information or to register your interest, please contact the school office.

Exploring Yirrikama – Learning Through Bush Play

At our school, we're fortunate to have Yirrikama, a beautiful natural bush playground where children can explore, imagine, and connect with the environment. Yirrikama provides a unique space for unstructured play, discovery, and hands-on learning in nature.

Bush play supports children's development in many ways – it encourages creativity, builds resilience, fosters teamwork, and strengthens physical skills. Time spent in nature also supports mental wellbeing and helps children feel calm, focused, and connected.

Whether they're building cubbies, spotting insects, balancing on logs or simply soaking in the sounds of the bush, students thrive when given the freedom to play and learn in this rich outdoor space.

We love seeing the joy and curiosity that Yirrikama inspires every day.

Supporting Attention, Focus, and Self-Regulation in Learning

This term, our teachers are focusing on strategies that help students develop strong attention and self-regulation skills – essential foundations for successful learning. For students to effectively take in and retain new information, they need to be actively engaged and able to focus. To support this, our classrooms are designed to minimise distractions, provide the right level of challenge, and follow clear routines. Most importantly, we strive to create environments where every student feels safe, valued, and a true sense of belonging.

When students feel calm, connected, and confident, their capacity to learn and thrive grows significantly.

School Hours

Start 9:00am Finish 3:20PM

Supervision begins @ 8:35 and Ends @3:45 (For those travelling on the Late bus)

Children will be unsupervised if dropped off or picked up outside these hours



Inclusion News

Student Support Group (SSG)

A SSG is a meeting which happens termly between the teacher, parent/carer and/ or allied health individuals to formulate an Individual Learning Plan. During the meeting a plan and goals are formulated to support the student within their area of need (education, health, social, culture or emotional wellbeing).

Students can be eligible or require an SSG for a number of reasons:

- have a disability or additional learning needs/ receive funding through Disability Inclusion
- are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- be in out of home care
- be a refugee or from a migrant background
- attend two schools
- be at risk of attendance or behaviour related issues
- other reasons identified by staff and parents for needing extra support

Grace

Nellie News

The kids have loved having Nellie back this term. She has been spending a lot of time in the $\frac{3}{4}$ room when Grace is teaching. Excitingly the Foundation/1 class will be having Nellie visit in the coming weeks. Some sessions on making sure we are calm, not saying her name repeatedly or chasing her for pats will be taught before she visits.



Mothers day breakfast



LOVE YOU
♥
MUM

Mother's day breakfast



Hello my name is ~~win~~ winnie and I would like to thank you all for coming today to celebrate mother's day I would like to make a speech for you all ~~(deep breath)~~ ~~(do not feel embarrassed)~~ ok, Dear mothers and ~~so~~ special people, thank you for we love you to the end of time and back and if we hugged you with all our heart we savish you into little peices of love and put you back together With half of our heart, you have the biggest heart to love us with and bilions of words to comfort us with, stil so many happy tears to fill us with, the best of memories to ghyl us with for you. We give you more than hugs and kisses and cards we give you love and kindness, and hope that we will stay

to gethe for ever and ever. Thank you mums and special people for hugging us wen we are sad and coming here today. the end.

by Winnie!

Cross Country





Foundation / 1

We have had a beautiful start to term 2 and have been very busy with our learning and investigations. Our Foundation friends are busy learning how to write sentences.

We are lucky to have our fabulous student teacher, Allie, in our class for the first few weeks of term. She has been helping us learn about procedural writing by making Vegemite Sandwiches like in Possum Magic.



Holly, Matilda, and Finnley telling the Possum Magic story with picture stones.



Vegemite sandwiches were on the menu this fortnight while we talked about how to make them correctly - it's harder than you think!



In investigations we have been exploring the autumn leaves, creating our Wooragee Cafe and continuing our explorations of building with the wooden blocks.



Our Foundation students have been hard at work learning their letters and sounds - how amazing are our writers!







Wooragee

ENROLL TODAY!

OPEN DAY

2026 ENROLMENTS

We are thrilled to announce our Open Day on Monday, 20th May, where we warmly welcome future families to explore our school. This event provides a fantastic opportunity for prospective students and their families to engage with our vibrant learning environment, meet our dedicated staff, and discover the unique culture that sets our school apart.

Why attend the school's open day?

- Explore Classrooms
- Discover Programs
- Experience Outdoor Spaces
- Understand Support

FOR MORE INFORMATION

☎ 03 57287255

🌐 <https://www.woorageps.vic.edu.au>

BOOK A TOUR NOW

Have you seen me? lost *kindle*



Missing kindle if you have seen it please hand it into the front office of the school

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT.

GEM Chats Mindfulness

CREATING WELLBEING HABITS & CONNECTION

GEM Chats help families practice The Resilience Project's principles, offering a simple wellbeing check-in while **building stronger connections through daily conversations.**

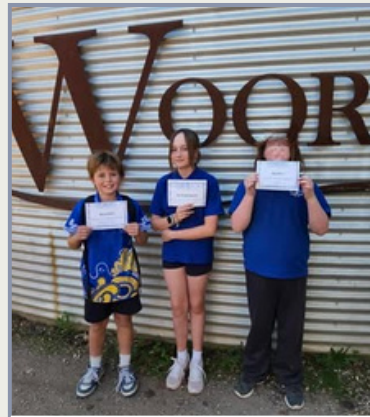
HOW TO USE GEM CHATS

Make GEM Chats a part of your dinner routine to reflect, check in, and practice mindfulness.

Try these prompts:

- ★ What mindfulness tools did you use today?
- ★ Take a moment to look out the window or around the room.
 - 3 things you can see.
 - 2 things you can hear.
 - 1 thing you can feel.
 - Notice how you feel after stopping for a moment.





May	June
<p>2 James 10 Jimmy 13 Landon</p>	<p>5 Percy 6 Dot 16 Marco 29 Harvest</p>

Thank you

THANK YOU TO DARCY, JAXON, TOBY, SOPHIE AND JIMMY FOR MOVING THE NEW SANDPIT EDGES OUT OF THE DRIVEWAY.

THANKS TO THE FAMILIES FOR SUPPORTING OUR MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST AND WHO CHEERED THEIR CHILDREN ON AT THE CROSS COUNTRY.



BEECHWORTH
MEN'S SHED

RAFFLE

\$2.00 EACH

1st PRIZE: Cubby House & Furnishings

- value \$2100 Built by Beechworth Men's Shed

2nd PRIZE: 1 Night accommodation for 2

- One night at Beechworth Motor Inn

3rd PRIZE: Karcher WD3 Wet & Dry Vacuum

- Donated by Beechworth Mitre 10

4th PRIZE: Handmade Chopping Board

- Made by Beechworth Men's Shed

Raffle to be drawn - 4 June 2025



BEECHWORTH
MITRE 10



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MOTOR INN

Thank you to Beechworth Mitre 10, Freeman on Ford and Beechworth Motor Inn for supporting Beechworth Men's Shed with donations for the raffle



Granite Girls Junior MTB

A junior ride mountain bike program for girls

Open to anyone aged 7+ who identifies as a girl.
We will focus on building confidence, and
improving MTB skills, fitness and fun.

**THURSDAYS AT 4:30PM
8 MAY - 3 JULY
LOCATIONS WILL VARY
(WEEKS 1-4 START AT LAKE SAMBELL
PLAYGROUND)**



Use the QR code to register and learn more or visit:
<https://beechworthchangang.com.au/junior-ride-program/>
All participants require a current AusCycling Beechworth
Chain Gang membership. A 4-week free trial membership is
available for first-timers. You can sign up on the AusCycling
website:
<https://www.auscycling.org.au/membership/other/free-trial>