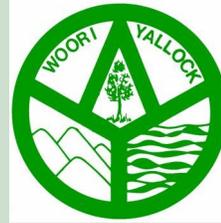


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WYPS NEWS

6th June 2019

Dear Parents,

It's been a big couple of weeks at our wonderful school.

FENCE BETWEEN THE STAFF CARPARK AND THE PLAYGROUND

Amazingly I came to work on Monday morning walked through the staff carpark and realised that there was no fence?? The people who stole the fence were obviously very organised and committed as they have stolen such a large part of the fence. We have contacted the police and the insurance arm of the Department of Education, however, I'm led to believe that the school's insurance may only cover temporary fencing and that the school will again be out of pocket to put in new fencing. When things like this happen it is simply a case of money that should be used to improve the school and the education of students being totally wasted.

If you know or saw anything suspicious on the weekend please let me know or call Lilydale Police.

BELIEVE CAMP

Friday last week, our grade 5/6 girls took part in the Believe camp. It is a feature of our school that every year our grade 5/6 boys and girls take part in a gender program, educating them on particular issues that come with being a boy or a girl in today's ever changing society. The girls had dinner with their mums and teachers, shared stories and heard from guest speakers, one of the speakers was Adele Ormsby (one of our wonderful parents). Adele is a school council member and works for Victoria Police. She spoke to the girls about cyber safety and we thank her for making herself available. Special thanks to Veronica, Andre and the grade 5/6 teachers for organising the camp. The boys' camp was meant to be this week but we have had to postpone it due to the weather.

GRANDPARENT'S DAY/SPECIAL PERSON'S DAY

The school received lots of positive feedback for our grandparent's/special person's day. They loved seeing the orderly learning environment we have at the school and the positive vibe between teachers and students. Having the day as a themed dress up day really added to the excitement and some of the costumes were amazing, Lisa Hughes was voted best teacher costume for the second year in a row, I do know there is a plot at hand to beat her next year.

Because the school keeps getting bigger, we continue to get more and more people through the doors, which is wonderful. I loved watching how excited the children were to show their special person their work and their school.



IMPORTANT DATES 2019

Monday 10th June
Queen's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 11th—Thursday 13th June
3/4 Ballarat Camp
Tuesday 18th June
Kinder Picnic
Friday 21st June
Speaking Competition
Thursday 27th June
Woori Archies
Friday 28th June
Last Day Term 2
Special Lunch Order
Free Dress Day
Monday 15th July
Term 3 Begins

**IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY**

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Our book fair again did very well and I would like to thank all our intergration aides who work so hard to make the book fair a success. Cheryl Sinclair coordinates and decorates the book fair and continues to an amazing job for our school, thank you Cheryl.

Big thank you to everyone that was involved in making it such a successful day. I would also like to thank the weather for holding off!

UNDERCOVER WALKWAY

By the end of this term our new portable will be connected to the school with a walkway so that our students do not have to get wet getting to class or going to the toilets if it is raining. Our school council was able to secure the funds for the walkways by writing directly to the Education Minister, James Merlino. Mr Merlino has been a great supporter of our school and we hope to invite him out to the school to officially open the walkways. I'll keep you posted about that.

PENELOPE HARRIS

Penelope has been acting principal of Warburton Primary School for the past 14 weeks. She has obviously been very successful in the role as she has now secured two more acting positions in the Yarra Valley Network of schools while principals take long service leave. She will be acting principal at Gladysdale Primary School for last two weeks of this term and then acting principal of Gruyere Primary School for the first four weeks of term three. As a school we congratulate her and wish her all the best in her endeavours to become a principal.

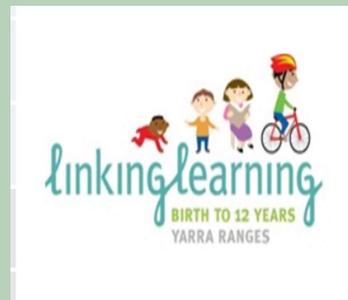
VISITING SCHOOLS

Last week we had a number of teachers from other schools visit to watch and learn from our teachers. We hosted Doncaster, Montrose, Malvern (they have been a number of times) Yering and Templestowe Primary Schools. Special thanks to our fantastic teachers who give up their time to demonstrate and teach other teachers from other schools so that the success we have here can be translated elsewhere.

PERSERVERANCE

At our school we teach children at their level of understanding, however, we also make sure that at times they are challenged with difficult concepts. On many occasions I've watched children being weakened by well-intentioned adults (teachers and parents). If a child is finding something difficult we want to help. Children will want the problem to disappear, or be taken away. Their behaviour changes and their shoulders droop. They make some self-derisive remarks like, 'I'm useless,' or "I've never been able to do this," and they give a look that says help or I'll quit." They want help but the question is, do they need it?

For children to develop perseverance, they need to be challenged by things that make them want to give up. This means that teachers and parents have to at times let children deal with discomfort. Sometimes giving children the chance to really feel the hurt and disappointment helps them to decide they don't want those feelings and that they can do something about it.



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Of course it is important for me here to say all tasks do need to be achievable provided students make an effort. Perseverance takes courage and inner strength and that's the bit they have to work on. Everyone does need to learn that you can go from feeling helpless to being in control. I suppose personally my parents were far right and always made me solve all of my own problems and never helped, which is not what I'm advocating here. I do believe that children need to learn perseverance and we do need to let them feel and learn discomfort and not solve/fight every battle for them.

Have a great week!

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

Oliver Thockloth
Principal



Chaplain's Chat

True friendship and kindness often come packaged together and show up when you least expect it, but need it the most. It's a special thing when we find friends who love and accept us, along with our weaknesses and strengths. Friends who have that innate ability to often see beyond what is said and correctly read the unsaid. Such people are like precious diamonds that you value and appreciate and hold dear to your heart. Friends, who you feel so blessed to have as part of your life. How many of you have friends who you would identify as your family? I'm not meaning being related by blood. But friends who you feel so comfortable and safe with, that you measure this relationship as being as close and meaningful as a family member.

If we want to experience healthy, long-term social connections, we often have to take the risk of being vulnerable. Being vulnerable is what makes us authentic and real and this quality is what makes us loved. I think it takes a lot of courage to allow ourselves to be truly seen. We have to take the risk of allowing others to see who we truly are if we want to experience the joy of genuine connections. I feel very grateful beyond words for the special friends in my life who know all of who I am and still want to share in my life.

Arriving home late Tuesday night from a busy day at school, to find the house warmed by the coals of a still burning fire. My daughter had stacked the fire before she left for work in the early afternoon, knowing how I really feel the cold. I am grateful for her kindness and thoughtfulness. I see that she has also closed the curtains on the balcony window and again I am thankful for her thoughtfulness. I settle into my pj's and begin to prepare my evening meal when the phone rings. I'm tempted to leave it ring, as I really just want to 'switch off' and enjoy my meal. Something pushes me to take the call. It's my good friends, Beth and Robbie. They share that they had called at my home just before I arrived, to drop off something for me. They said that they felt that I needed a hug and some flowers and so had gone and brought me a beautiful floral arrangement which they had left on my balcony. I pulled back the curtain while still on the phone and saw the heartfelt gift as I thanked them for their kindness and thoughtfulness. I reminded them how much I love and appreciate them and how very privileged I feel to have them in my life.

May I encourage you to find the strength and courage to 'show up' and be vulnerable, true and authentic with the personal relationships that you invest your time and energy into. And as we cultivate this trait in our personalities, may it be that we marvel and enjoy a depth of social connection that will transform and enrich our lives.

Blessings,

Veronica



Girls Believe Day



Award Winners for 2019



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Poster Competition for Primary Schools

Design a poster to promote this event for Sunday 23rd June 2019

Competition Rules

- One entry per child – grade level from Prep to Grade 6
- Use A4 landscape format provided
- Use any medium that can be photocopied (winning entries will be laminated)
- On the back please include : Name, Age, Grade & School
- Prizes given for each grade level in combined Upper Yarra schools
- Prizes are vouchers to spend on the Red Cross stall (food/drinks or winter woollies) at the event
- First prize \$25, Second prize \$15 and Third prize \$10
- Please leave labelled entries at your school office
- Entries will be collected on Friday 24th May
- Winners notified on Monday 3rd June
- Winning entries will be copied and displayed in shops & businesses throughout WHYLD and the Upper Yarra to promote the event
- Winning posters will be displayed at Woori Yallock & District Community Bank during June and at our Winter Warming event on Sunday 23rd June

What is Winter Warming?

Winter Warming is a local event for residents of the WHYLD, Upper Yarra and neighbouring communities to venture out in the heart of winter, enjoy community spirit and celebrate the winter solstice. Fire and warmth are central themes for this community gathering around a bonfire with free activities for all ages including magic show, circus play, badge making, open mic. stage, face painting, and grand finale fireshow performance by local volunteers. WHYLD Community Group enlist the support of CFA, SES and Red Cross with other groups welcomed where they can all come together socially to practice and promote their cause.

For further information please contact Meryl: 0458594606

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Thursday 4th July | 10am

Sherbrooke Family and Children's Centre
1443 Burwood Hwy, Upwey

Friday 5th July | 10am

Mt Evelyn Community House
50 Wray Cres, Mt Evelyn

Registration for the Australian Animal Program is essential as places are limited.

Please contact
Michelle Lehmann
9294 6207
earlyyears@yarraranges.vic.gov.au

Winter Playspace for Upper Yarra Families

1-6 year olds: Indoor obstacles for climbing, tunnels, inside play, storytime and songs

6-12 year olds: STEM Activities (Science, Technology, Environment and Mathematics) board games, robotics, craft, family sports and obstacle activities.

Tuesday 2nd July | 10am-11.30am

Millwarra Community Building
at Millwarra Primary School
Cavanaugh Rd, Millgrove

Tuesday 2nd July | 2pm-3.30pm

The Redwood Centre
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