

# YELLOWWOODS NEWS



Dear Yellowwoods Community

I conducted a wedding ceremony recently and the theme of the message was that two are better than one. This was taken from Ecclesiastes where Solomon shared his vast experience and wisdom and concluded that it is better to deal with issues when you are part of a team and not alone. This year the focus at Yellowwoods is on team work. We face many challenges as an independent school in a rural setting. These challenges place much pressure on the management and Council of the school as we have to find increasingly creative ways to deal with our challenges. Fortunately for everyone involved, the teams that comprise the staff and Council are extremely competent and committed to the cause which is the continued success of Yellowwoods School.

Our Parents' Association affords you, as parents, the opportunity to become involved in the dynamic process of working towards the sustainable existence of our school. Congratulations to Mrs Natalie Mildenhall and her very able committee on being elected to the vital task of overseeing and co-ordinating the work of the PA. Team work is extremely important in this organisation and I implore parents to avail themselves and to contribute. Even the smallest contribution in time and effort will make a massive impact.

Yours Sincerely

Ignus Potgieter

## IMPORTANT DATES

- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** – Yellowwoods Inter House Gala at the Winterberg High school swimming pool. 8h00-11h00. Please support your children.
- **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – Grade 4-5 outing to Skietfontein.
- **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – School closes at 12h00 for half term long weekend.  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – School opens at 7h40.  
**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March** – Sci Fest in Grahamstown.  
**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – PP Bakerman and school ends at 13h00.

## LATEST NEWS



Learning at Yellowwoods can work up an appetite so the Grade 1's, 2's and 3's all enjoyed their Little Chefs day tremendously. The children were challenged to invent a flavor of Milkshake each. Many interesting and delicious flavors were whipped up and thoroughly enjoyed. Well done to all the children for their enthusiasm and amazing creations.

### Message from the Yellowwoods PTA

Dear Parents of Yellowwoods,

I would like to extend a welcome and my appreciation to the following people who have kindly joined the PTA committee: Chris Everton, Nielen Marais, Dirk Potgieter, Leana-Mari Alberts and Vanessa Brown.

I look forward to working with this enthusiastic group in order to organise some fun and exciting fund raising events for 2018. Watch this space!

Please feel free to contact me at

[bathfarm@procomp.co.za](mailto:bathfarm@procomp.co.za) should you have any queries or ideas, and especially if you would like to help in any way.

Kind regards,  
Natalie Mildenhall  
CHAIRLADY PTA



### IN THE CLASSROOM

I have had the privilege of seeing plenty of outstanding academic work and test results especially in English, Mathematics and Science. Well done children and remember – you still have plenty of time to keep improving and finding even more effective ways to improve results and develop a sound and satisfying work ethic.

Parents you will notice that your children are bringing home plenty of readers and various other sources of enjoyable reading books. Please encourage reading each and every day and you'll be amazed that even Grade 7's will enjoy a good bedtime story!

This week we pose a question to you all as parents. "How do you feel about homework?" Give it some thought and if you so wish please communicate your thoughts and ideas in writing to Mrs Grobler before mid-term and feel free to express your ideas and give input whether negative or positive. Chat to your children and I look forward to reading your opinions and ideas!

*"We cannot always build the future for our youth but we can build our youth for the future."*

*Franklin D. Roosevelt  
American President*