

Meet the new Educators at Woody Yaloak Kindergarten

Hello,

My name is Susanne and I am so excited to be part of the staff here at Woody Yaloak Kindergarten alongside Kathryn. I am married with young children of my own and live locally in Scarsdale on a property of 9 acres. I understand how precious your children are and that each one is a miracle.

My position in the Kindergarten is the 4yo Teacher, Nominated Supervisor and Educational Leader. I have a Bachelor of Education - Early Childhood 0 - Grade 6 and have worked in both Primary and Kindergarten settings. I am passionate about the early years of education and providing children with the opportunity for a positive start to their schooling. I have a keen interest in learning through play in the outdoors, the power of nature play and have been learning about the use of positive psychology in education.

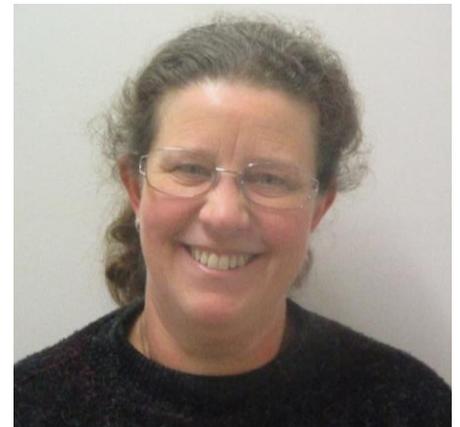
I am very much looking forward to getting to know you and your child and the learning journey we are about to embark on together. Please know that you are always welcome and encouraged to be part of your child's education and that we are here to talk too and support you through these wonderful years of Kindergarten.

Susanne.



Hi everyone,

My name is Kathryn. I grew up in Sydney where I worked in a large public library for 7 ½ years, 6 of those years working as a Children's assistant. I ran weekly pre-school story-time sessions, visited and hosted preschool and primary school groups and conducted other children's activities as well as all other general library work. I left Sydney to travel to UK and Europe where I met my husband and stayed 11 years in England. I worked as a teacher assistant in a mainstream Primary school followed by Special Needs school before starting our family. I helped establish a small village kindergarten and worked as a kindergarten assistant there for 2 1/2 years.



Since moving to Ballarat 11 years ago, I have worked in primary schools as a general assistant and also working specifically with students with Autism, ADHD and other behavioural issues. I have been with ECKA since October 2018 and love being able to contribute to children's learning and development.

I have 3 children aged 17, 13 and 10. Our family are all heavily involved in our local Scout Group; I am our Joey Scout leader (5-7-year-old group). We are also all members of Ballarat Memorial Concert Band (I play percussion). My second son plays basketball and my daughter does ballet.

I look forward to meeting you all and getting to know your children while helping them learn, have fun and enjoy their time at kindergarten.

Kathryn.