

It has been wonderful seeing the students getting out and enjoying our beautiful weather!

Haven (who knows all of the best parks around Warragul, Drouin and surrounds) told staff she

wanted to visit Civic Park In Drouin, she then directed them there! They had a great time, with Haven showing her skills on the exercise equipment!



Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter

Term 3 Issue 20, Tuesday 13th August 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

Mon 19th - Fri 23rd

• **Book Week,**

* **Dress Up Day on Friday ***

Friday 30th

FATHER'S DAY STALL
10am to 2pm

Welcome everyone to Week 5, Term 3! What a great start to the week, with sunshine, learning and socialising.

A message went out yesterday via Sentral and Seesaw reminding families to continue their vigilance towards symptoms of the common cold and flu. Across our school we have had numerous confirmed cases of Influenza A in staff and students, leading to some significant illness and absence for both. Please follow the guidance in the policy link attached to the message.

Classes across the school continue to learn how to be Safe, Respectful, Learners using our behaviour matrix and acknowledgement system. Be sure to check in with your student if they've earned any Buzz Bucks lately. All our students and staff continue to use the Zones of Regulation curriculum to help learn self-regulation and emotional control, key learnings in achieving to our best ability. I would like to send some BIG Thank You's this week:



THANK YOU to our families who are keeping their students at home if they are unwell.

THANK YOU to our staff and students who continue to follow our school values.

THANK YOU to our families, staff and students who have engaged in an SSG over the past weeks.

If you haven't already, please take the opportunity to contact your class teacher, to arrange an SSG for this term.

On Friday the 2nd of August it was Principals Day, I would like to acknowledge and send a HUGE THANK YOU to Matt and Alesha for their ongoing work and commitment to the running of our school.

We appreciate you!

Have a great week, Keep Smiling and Stay Safe,

An equally HUGE THANK YOU to Chris as well!



Our Commitment to Child Safety

Warragul & District Specialist School is committed to safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making. Warragul & District Specialist School has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Warragul & District Specialist School is committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the safety of children with a disability as well the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Every person involved in Warragul & District Specialist School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.



To celebrate **100 days** of our **Foundation Students**, we will have a **'100 Days Brighter'** celebration next Friday 16th August.

Foundation Students are invited to dress in their most **colourful** outfits, as we participate in **colourful** themed activities across the day.

Our Foundation Students have learnt so much, and are such **Superstars**, let's all **CELEBRATE** their achievements!

Reading is Magic



Children's Book week®

Dress up as your favourite Book
Character for our
staff & student Parade on
Friday 23rd August at 9:30am,
Parents, Families & Friends invited
to join in on the fun...
Prizes for Best Dressed in
each class!



FATHER'S DAY STALL

WDSS Parents & Friends are holding a Fathers Day Stall on Friday 30th August from 10am to 2pm at the school...

- Gifts will be priced at \$3, \$5 & \$10.
- Please send in money in a named envelope
- Students will shop with their classes to buy something for their dad, step-dad (or grandad / uncles).
- We will also have some items for other special people in their lives.

**~ PARENTS HELPERS AND/OR DONATIONS ARE ALSO WELCOME ~
(Prior to & on the day) - please contact the school for info.**





Last week Jacqui was joined by Michelle, Teresa, Sam & Megan for morning tea at Coffee Vibes. They had a great catch up and started organising our upcoming Fathers Day Stall. In an effort to accommodate parents / carers who can't make Friday catch ups, Teresa is going to organise another district day in the coming weeks, Stay tuned for details!



School Canteen Order

Term 3 2024 (Thursdays)

Student Name: _____ Room: _____

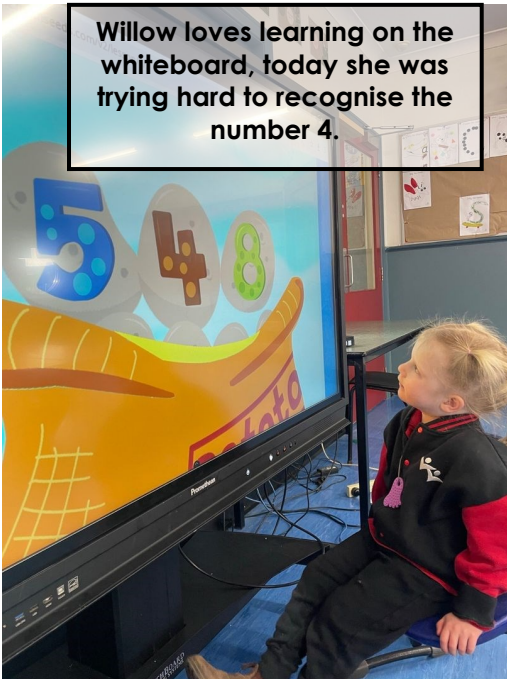
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<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Nuggets (6) \$4.00 	<input type="checkbox"/> Baked Potato \$6.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese <input type="checkbox"/> Bacon <input type="checkbox"/> Coleslaw <input type="checkbox"/> Sour Cream 	<input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate Milk \$2.50 	<input type="checkbox"/> Orange Juice \$2.00 		
GLUTEN FREE			SNACKS		
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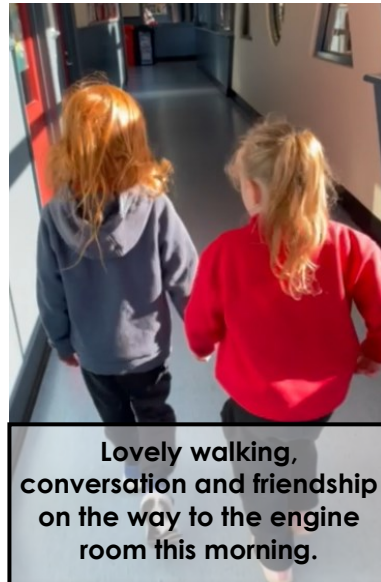
Roy having fun on the swing.



Charlie playing the piano



Willow loves learning on the whiteboard, today she was trying hard to recognise the number 4.



Lovely walking, conversation and friendship on the way to the engine room this morning.



Hollie loves working on the whiteboard. Today we were working on the concept of four.



Olivia seeing if her boats will float or sink.



Vyas carefully mixed the eggs, butter and cake mixture together. Vyas located eggs and milk on his communication device.

Student Work

Room 19 have been letting their imaginations run wild and turning BORING sentences into **INTERESTING EXCITING** sentences!



Old BORING sentence: A parrot squawked.

New INTERESTING sentence: A green, fiery phoenix, named Bob, squawked fire and burned down a village.

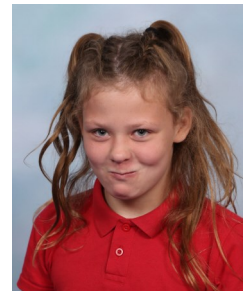


Emily



Old BORING sentence: The car raced.

New INTERESTING sentence: The fast, black car raced erratically all around the town.

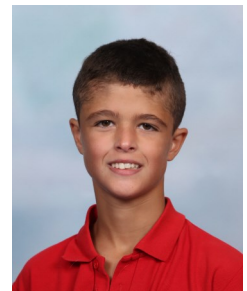


Zoey



Old BORING sentence: : The car raced.

New INTERESTING sentence: A formula one car was racing on a track, drifting around the corners.



Dean

SENIORS



Thank you to the Warragul Gazette for these great photos of our Student Leadership Team and the Live 4 Life Crew at last weeks All Crew Meeting at the West Gippsland Arts Centre. The purpose of the event was to discuss Mental Health Awareness Activities for the remainder of the year.

As part of the 2024 theme, Connect to Protect, Crew members used the meeting to plan how they would implement further health and wellbeing activities in their schools and throughout the community.

The Baw Baw Live4Life Crew, which is made up of nearly 40 young people from eight secondary colleges in the Shire, are mental health ambassadors and advocates for other local young people in the region.



Well done to Coby, Melvin, Eli, Charlie, Michael (Shona, absent) for your continued awesome representation of WDSS!





STUDENT Awards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



BROCK

Being a good **LEARNER** and working hard all day on Thursday.



EMILY

Being a **LEARNER** – using her imagination to expand boring sentences to make them interesting.



SRIHAS

Being **RESPECTFUL** by using a talking voice in the classroom.



MAKAYLAH

For being **SAFE** in the classroom.



LIZZY

Being a **LEARNER** and joining her classmates out on the yard at recess and lunchtime.



ALEX

Being a **LEARNER** and always working hard in LLL sessions!



NOAH

For completing his tablework activities and focusing on doing them to the best of his ability.



MITCHELL

For his hard work at Baw Baw Skills.



MICHAEL

For thinking about his spelling and using his increasing knowledge of letter sounds to write a full sentence. I love that you remembered your capital letter and full stop, too!

We are **Safe**, **Respectful Learners**



I'M INCLUDED

DISABILITY

WHERE EVERYONE IS INCLUDED

Support workers for

- Community access
- In home supports
- Weekend supports
- Day services
- After school care
- Respite
- Selfcare & Life skills
- Social and community participation



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\$5 KIDZ FLIX

SAT 24TH & SUN 25TH AUGUST
12.30PM ACTIVITIES
1PM SCREENING

GRAB A \$5 KIDZ FLIX COMBO AT THE CANDY BAR



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THE CASSIDY CREW



B OYS CLUB

Every Tuesday 3:30pm - 6:00pm

Boys Club After School

A vibrant hub where friendships bloom and
adventures are made.

For more information contact our events team on
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