

towards getting my Learner's.

- Zeth

Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter Term 3 Issue 21, Tuesday 20th 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

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 12th
RUOK? Day

Welcome to Week 6 of Term 3

What a busy time we are presently having at school. Last week we celebrated 100 days of prep by inviting our students to come to school '100 days brighter' in some colourful outfits. We had a full day of celebrations planned, with colourful artworks, crowns, and a celebration at our assembly. And while we've had some illness in our junior classrooms, we didn't let that effect our celebrations. Our students have celebrated on their next day of attendance, which has meant an entire week of celebrations for our students. It has been great fun!

This week has kicked off our book week celebrations. If you have a chance to duck into the front office you will see the magical transformation that has occurred ahead of out bookweek theme 'Reading is Magic'. Thanks to Angie and Steph for all their hard work in making this space ready for our students to enjoy. Friday will be our major day of celebration with our costume parade at 9:30am – parents, families and friends are invited to attend. There will be prizes awarded to best dressed in each class. In keeping with the spirit of book week, and a streak of competition, classes are also competing in a door decoration competition to be judged by our school captains with additional prizes awarded to the winning class.

Additionally, we are in the midst of our weekly soccer clinic for our upper junior and middle school classes. Students have been enjoying building their skills to manipulate a soccer ball and work as a team. Two sessions have run so far, with another four to go. Well done to all the students so far and I hope your enjoy the remainder of your sessions.

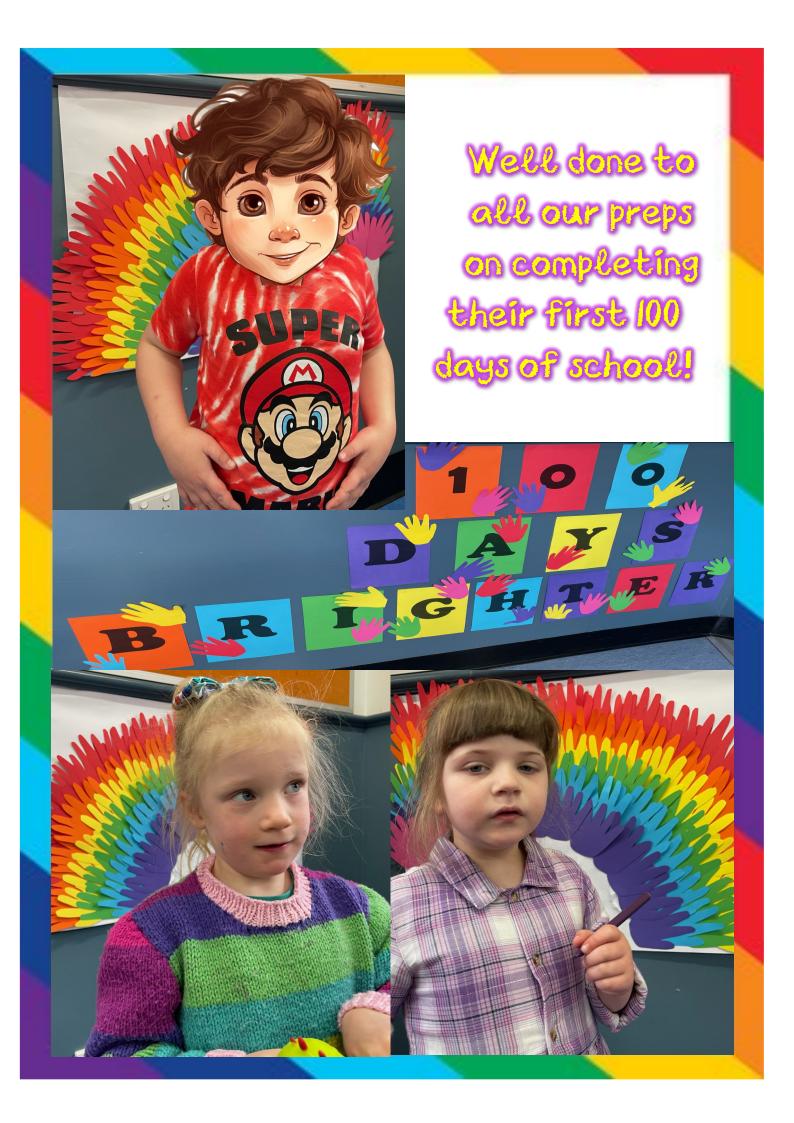
Finally, thank you to all the families who have supported the school in keeping their sick children home, or collecting children when unwell from school. It goes a long way to preventing the further spread of illness through our school and into the community. In addition to recent advice we sent home regarding the spread of Influenza A, our school has received advice of cases of whooping cough in other schools in the region. Whooping cough is incredibly contagious, and dangerous to our vulnerable members of the community. Please speak with your local GP regarding your child's, and your own immunities to whooping cough as it is included in the vaccination schedule.

#### 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 harderquists.

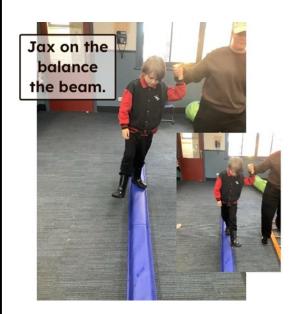
Every person involved in Warragul & District Specialist School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they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

















Students in Room 2 working on their gross motor development through navigating an obstacle course. It was extremely fun, and challenging at the same time!

- Jade







# MIDDLE SCHOOL

Room 19 have been working on improving our story writing this term. All the students have practised using their LLL sounds and graphemes to write and are writing more than every before. Check out some of our work ......

Dean's story is VERY long and he is still working on it!

- Helen



The cat is on a log. It is sitting down.

- Zeahn







The cat is napping on the log. She is happy.

- Michael



The hot air balloon is green and it is going to the fair. By Ben.



A French castle is being attacked by Australia. The French have a dragon. The Australians throw a bomb at the dragon. The dragon is alive without wings. It burnt the Australians. 100,000,000,000,000 were eaten.

The Italians help Australian. They have 10 dragons.

The French take Russia's 20 million dragons.

The Australians have died.

The Russians betray the French and half the French died. Now China is helping France. The Russians are dead. China killed everyone but the French. Then the French betrayed China. Now France owns the world.

By Em.



## CANTEEN

In the canteen we do a range of tasks from cutting, grating, cooking and preparing the food, service, food delivery to the shopping and cleaning afterwards. This term we are serving baked potatoes. Next term, what do you think it could be?

- Erin

#### This is what the students had to share about canteen:



Marcus

Marcus: "I like delivering the orders to the classrooms"



Corey: "I hate doing the dishes. But I like eating the food"

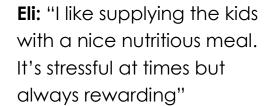






**Xavier** 

Xavier: "Canteen has been fun. I really like the baked potatoes"





Indianna: "I like cooking the best, but not doing the dishes and cleaning up"



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Maegan: "The dim sims are amazina!"



Will: "I like delivering the food to the classrooms. I like eating the food once we have finished"





### Have a conversation using these 4 steps



How are you travelling? You don't seem yourself lately – want to talk about it?

### **Ask R U OK?**



I'm here to listen if you want to talk more.

Listen

Have you been feeling this way for a while?



What do you think is a first step that might help you?

Have you spoken to your doctor about this?

### **Encourage action**



Just wanted to check in and see how you're doing? Have things improved for you since our last chat?

### **Check in**







**STEVIE** 

Being a **LEARNER** and always being a delight in room 4



#### **EVIE**

Being a **LEARNER** – by independently slotting coins in a pig and putting objects in containers.



#### MASON

Being **RESPECTFUL** by ensuring he is always listening in the classroom.



#### MONY

Being a **LEARNER** and completing his worksheets in the morning session.



#### **THURSTAN**

For his participation in Tac-Pac and sensory activities during Monday's Transition Program.



#### **CHARLIE**

Being a **LEARNER** and and always giving her learning tasks a go. Well Done.



#### SHONA

Being a **LEARNER**; experiencing and engaging in sensory story.



#### **ARABELLA**

Being **RESPECTFUL** to her staff and peers.



#### LEAH

For getting back into her school routine and managing her health and wellbeing in a mature and responsible manner.

We are Safe, Respectful Learners



# 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.







# DISABILITY RESPITE FARM RETREAT





Located in the picturesque Shady Creek 10 minutes from Warragul. Fully facilitated rooms and bathrooms

- Equine assisted learning
- Farm activies
- Bush walks
- socialization

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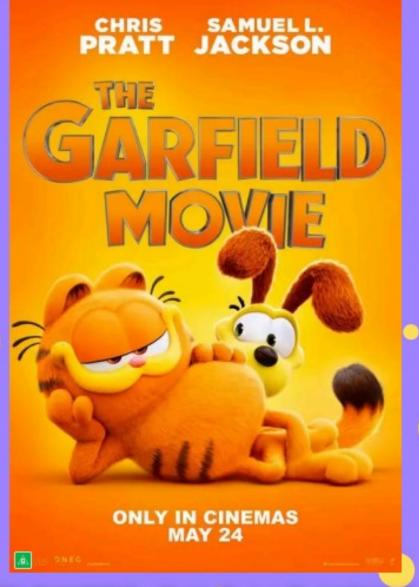




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