

We need VOLUNTEERS to help out with our PJ Day Breakfast on Friday 28th June.
We guarantee you will have fun feeding our Happy Hungry Students!

Please call Angie in the school office if you

can help!



Breakfast provided, Gold Coin donation supporting....

**Corey Maric** 

### DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

Wednesday 29th

• 13 & 16 Year Olds

#### JUNE

Monday 10th

 Kings Birthday Public Holiday

<u>Friday 28th</u>
LAST DAY, 2:30PM FINISH

 Pajama Day, Hot Breakfast provided, Gold Coin Donation

#### Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter Term 2 Issue 13, Tuesday 28th May 2024

If you have been travelling into WDSS lately you will have noticed that there have been many building works occurring outside the fenced off area of the build in the form of a temporary staff carpark nearing completion (located adjacent to the soccer grounds), new line marking, parent drop off zone and arrows directing the traffic in the main carpark.

The carpark is a busy place, and we cannot stress enough for all members of our school community to please stick to the speed limit, we understand that everyone is very busy during these times of the day however safety at our school must remain everyone's main priority. We would prefer students to arrive or be picked up 5 minutes late rather than members of our school community put in dangerous situations due to speeding cars. Please help us ensure this area can be as safe as possible.

In addition to the above changes, we have had many building materials delivered onsite and at times many of these are stored in the island at the front building entrance of the school, while other areas are coordinated. This area is taped off however as it is usually a garden it continues to serve as reminder that this area is not a pedestrian area. Please travel into and out of the main building of the school via the main footpath. "We walk on the path" is also a school expectation of our WDSS behaviour matrix so when everyone can model this then our students will learn this expectation best.

Last Thursday many people experienced the endless number of concrete trucks travelling backwards and forwards into the build site, this is because the first half of the slab to our wonderful new building was poured. We will once again have concrete trucks arriving this Wednesday 29th to pour the second half of the slab. Once again concrete trucks will be arriving from 7am and will continue throughout the day. The builders have traffic managers at the entry to the build site who are managing both traffic and pedestrians. Please follow their directions if you are travelling through the school grounds.

This newsletter update has had a very heavy building works and safety theme however let's finish off with a curriculum focus  $\square$  Reporting and assessment is well and truly upon us, and

your child's teacher is currently assessing your child on a wide range of areas of the curriculum. Teacher's look for evidence of achievement through assessment, what they observe of your child in the classroom and what they see in the community. On the last Wednesday of Term 2 (26th June) student achievements will go home via their Individual Education Plan (IEP) and Curriculum Report, both reports are a really great way to celebrate and capture your young person's individual successes this Semester.

Have a great week!



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#### **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.



### Connecting with other Parents/Carers can be a wonderful part of your child's time at school.

You get the chance to share experiences, swap ideas and build a supportive community around you.

Our Parents and Friends Association is a great opportunity to do this!

### We are currently seeking people to join in & help Jacqui in arranging family social events and fundraising for the school.

In the past we have organised Morning Tea for PFA at the school and last year Jacqui invited parents to lunch at Coffee Vibes - unfortunately we had zero attendance at the majority of these catch-ups.

These social activities give families the opportunity to find that they have a lot in common with other Parents / Carers who are navigating similar challenges and joys in raising their children.

#### Fundraising activities can include:

- Stalls for Mothers and Fathers Day (at school)
- BBQs on the Open Garden Day, School Concert, SRC events
- Usually one activity per term ie running this Term we need volunteers to help out with our PJ Day Breakfast on Friday 28th June.

### If you would like to be involved please speak with Angie or Cheryl in the office!





### WARRAGUL & DISTRICT SPECIALIST SCHOOL



Shop 5-6 Williams Square, Warragul (03) 5622 2930

#### **Trading Hours:**

MON-FRI: 9:00am to 5:00pm SAT: 10:00am to 1:00pm

#### Also Available for Purchase Online

www.beleza.com.au/online-store/ \$10.00 shipping fee Free shipping for orders over \$100

Polo RRP from \$23.50 | Windcheater RRP from \$27.50 Bomber Jacket RRP from \$41.00 | Hat RRP from \$19.00



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### Senior Uniform Available for Purchase at Beleza Warragul

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Polo RRP from \$38.00 | Hoodie RRP from \$49.00 | Cap RRP from \$18.00





Room 3 have been practicing fine motor skills through cooking as they learn to stir, scoop and slice. The students have been great **SAFE**, **RESPECTFUL LEARNERS** and the best thing is, after all of their hard work they get to eat the finished result!









### MIDDLE SCHOOL





Room 9 recently made the most out this lovely Autumn weather and visited a park in Darnum, where everyone enjoyed some time on the equipment. Andrew and Ella also had an autumn leaf fight!









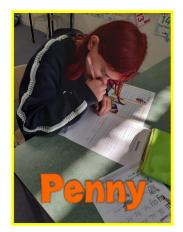


### MIDDLE SCHOOL



Room 19 have started our new Learners Love Literacy program. We are learning our sounds and Chitter Chatter Chants that help us remember the sounds. We say our sounds and practise blending them together to read words, sentences, and books. We have been practising our letter formation so that our letters are neat. We are doing great learning and our literacy skills are already improving.

- Helen



















### School Activities

Junior and Middle Students had a great time at the AFL Clinic last week! It was lovely to see them showing the facilitators such **RESPECT** when listening to the instructions!





















### SENIORS

This fortnight we completed our Vase of Appreciation. Students nominated staff whom they wanted to show appreciation toward for their hard work.

Colin was the lucky nominee! Students selected, trimmed and arranged a beautiful bouquet and presented the flowers to him: thanking him for 'Great gaming, wonderful music sessions and being an awesome guy.'









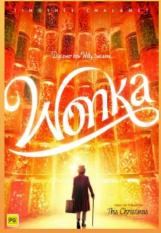
### \$5 KIDZ FLIX

BRINGING BACK YOUR FAMILY FAVOURITES

SATURDAY SESSIONS ARE SENSORY FRIENDLY WITH LOWERED SOUND & DIMMED LIGHTING



SAT 11 & SUN 12 MAY SAT 1 & SUN 2 JUNE



SAT 18 & SUN 19 MAY AT 8, SUN 9 & MON 10 JUN



SAT 25 & SUN 26 MAY

#### **ALL TICKETS ONLY \$5**





# Student Support & Wellbeing Team



**CAITLIN** 

SOCIAL WORKER

WELLBEING OFFICER



CHANTELLE

We are thrilled to have a new wellbeing team here at WDSS. Caitlin and Chantelle are joining the existing therapy team to support our students and families. Please get in touch with the school if you have any questions for Caitlin or Chantelle.

## School Garden Program

More muscles at work in the school garden this week! Our beds needed a top-up with some mushroom veggie mix compost so the students were pretty excited to climb up into my ute and offload it all! There was great teamwork – one group of students shovelled the compost into wheelbarrows and plastic tubs, another wheeled the loaded barrows into the garden and another tipped them into the beds. Now the beds are all ready for our winter crops to be planted – thanks guys!

Another task was to dismantle our teepee which has stood at the end of the garden for a few years. We will either rebuild it or maybe put something else in its place but for now we are clearing the ground and planting some ground cover to keep the weeds at bay. We also planted lots of peas and it's great to see lots of kale and red cabbage growing well too.

- Gail









### school Cantee

#### We are mixing up the menu!

The canteen team have decided to mix up the main menu item midterm. From this week we will be serving 'Loaded Hot Dogs'. You can choose your toppings between bacon, cheese, onion,

tomato sauce or mustard. As always, party pies, sausage rolls, chicken nuggets and dim sims will still be on offer.

Canteen is a busy place and each week the students work hard to ensure they follow the food safe procedures, prepare the food and sort and deliver orders as well as counting the money, cleaning and shopping.





### School Canteen Order Term 2 2024 (Thursdays)

Student Name:				Room:		
HOT FOOD			DRINKS			
□ Party Sausage Roll (2) \$2.00 □ Tomato Sauce □ Chicken Nuggets (6) \$4.00	□ Party Pies (2) \$2.00 □ Tomato Sauce □ Loaded Hot Dog \$6 □ Cheese □ Bacon □ Onion □ Tomato Sauce □ Mustard	□ Dim Sims (3) \$2.50 □ Soy Sauce	Strawberry Milk \$2.50  Chocolate Milk \$2.50	Apple Juice \$2.00	Total: \$ Enclosed: \$	
GLUTEN FREE			SNACKS			
□ Party Sausage Roll (2) \$2.50 □ Tomato Sauce	Party Pies (2) \$2.50 Tomato Sauce	Chicken Nuggets (6) \$4.00	□ Frog in a pond \$1.50	lcy pole \$0.50	Cup cake \$1.00	





**MARLEY** 

Being a **LEARNER**: Completing some of her table work.



**WILLOW** 

Being a **LEARNER** - excellent participation during LLL activities.



**JACOB** 

Being a good **LEARNER** and participating well in the AFL footy clinic.



**CHARLIE** 

Being a super **LEARNER**, listening and engaging in learning about the letter 'F'



LACHLAN

Being a **RESPECTFUL LEARNER** by working hard on addition with trading & listening to staff when they were helping him.



**ARABELLA** 

Being a **LEARNER** - engaging and participating in all her learning tasks.



LIZZY

Being a **LEARNER** - willing to complete more learning activities each and every day



**RILEY** 

Being **RESPECTFUL**- being kind to his peers and always offering help where he sees need.



HAVEN

Being a **SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNER**. Well done Haven!



# We are Safe, Respectful Learners

### TECHNOLOGY HELP?

Warragul Community House can help!

Call 56236032



- · with your phone
- with working on line

#### 2. Getting started with technology group

Join our weekly Be Connected group

- Learn at your own pace.
- Choose what you would like to learn about.
- · Bring your own device or use our computers.

#### 3. Beginners Computer class: Cost: \$60 per term

Easy Steps to Computers for Beginners class

- Build your confidence in word processing.
- Edit documents.
- · When and how to use spreadsheets.
- Saving and storing documents safely.

#### Excel for Work class: Cost: \$60 per term.

- · organize lists easily.
- · use maths to calculate easily.
- move information around easily and keep it organized.

#### 4. Intermediate Computers for Work or Home Cost: \$60 per term

- learn about internet safety.
- Cloud Computing,
- Email management
- · Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel.

#### 5. Borrow a laptop.

Cost: \$50 (refundable) cost for up to 3 months.





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