

If you're at the school be sure to check out this great display of the night!



We were so proud of our Formal Participants for 2019 They had a FANTASTIC time and represented our school with confidence and pride!

Well done to Ali, Bailey, Bridget, Catherine, Cody, Hanah, Jack, Jaime, Jayden, Kelsey, Kieran, Lily & Tess



DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 12th

- Adam Wallace Visit

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd

- Book Fair

Thursday 21st

- LAST CANTEEN FOR 2019

Friday 29th

- Chesterfield Farm - Juniors

DECEMBER

Wed 4th - Fri 6th

- Graduates Camp



Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter

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Dear Students & Families,

Last Friday night's senior formal was a fantastic success.

It was wonderful to see students and families dress up and attend this year's senior formal. Formal students were presented to the room walking through the crowd to the dance floor as their hopes, thoughts and dreams were read to the attending families and friends. The weeks of dance practise were clearly evident as the formal participants danced their formal dances with confidence and pride. Thank you to the family members who participated in the family dances with the formal participants. The Black Tie was a great choice of venue with a fantastic atmosphere and providing an excellent three course meal. It was extremely pleasing to see student's stepping up and displaying skills and attitudes that were a compliment to themselves, their families and our school community! I hope that the studio photos of student and families that were taken on the night reflect an outstanding night and will be a reminder of the evening for years to come. Thanks to Zoe and the team for all the work that went into such a great event.

Formal Participants were: Ali, Bailey, Bridget, Catherine, Cody, Hanah, Jack, Jaime, Jayden, Kelsey, Kieran, Lily & Tess

We have had to cancel the Athletics day. Unfortunately this Thursday's weather is looking to be cold, wet and windy. Not the optimum weather to be holding our Athletics day! We will be cancelling the day and will hold the athletics carnival hopefully sometime next week.

Matt



Dear Parents / Carers,

NDIS - REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION



With the introduction of the NDIS into our region two years ago, many of our families have been fortunate to receive NDIS support at home and within the community. These supports can be of great benefit to your child and we encourage you to seek them out.

The NDIS application process requires both evidence of disability and evidence of need for support. If you currently have NDIS funded therapists working with your child, **they are best placed to write a report identifying and documenting future home and community based therapy**. Often it will be these people who will be implementing the program for your child. Your current NDIS plan should have funds available specifically for report writing by your NDIS therapist. Your **paediatrician and GP may also be able to assist in some aspects of your child's NDIS application, please discuss with them how they might support you in this process**.

How can Warragul & District Specialist School staff assist? Our school has a number of therapists who work with teaching staff to help your child access the education based programs being delivered at school. At times our therapists may contribute to school reports documenting how they are assisting a student. This documentation may be found in the **Individual Learning Plans (ILP), Student Support Group meeting minutes, mid-year and end of year student curriculum reports** and within the Department of Education's funding application reports. Families are likely to have copies of this documentation already, however additional copies of this information from your student's file can be made available upon request.

On occasions, you may find yourself without a NDIS therapist, doctor or school based reports to substantiate an identified need. If requesting support from the school, the therapist together with the school's leadership team will consider our capacity to write any new or updated reports requested. The following points will be considered when a request is made:

- If the existing documentation described above is already available and appropriate to meet the need.
- The school based therapist's existing knowledge and understanding of the home and community based goals being considered for the child.
- The impact of the request on the therapist's time to deliver timetabled student programs and perform their required duties at the school.
- The urgency and severity of the situation.

If your child currently sees a NDIS therapist, we encourage this therapist to make contact with the school therapy team to share information about goals and strategies to support the interventions in both settings. Please ensure that when making your NDIS plans, that it is clear that school based therapists do not provide ongoing individual therapy to your child, and have the primary role to support your child's participation in education based programs only. Please discuss details of your child's goals and educational program at future Student Support Group meetings to ensure that the details are minuted to support NDIS planning.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew Hyde", is written over a light grey rectangular background.

Matthew Hyde
PRINCIPAL



2019 School Formal

Everyone had a *Fabulous* time at the formal on Friday night.....

I loved wearing my pretty pink dress and my mum coming along. Also my dad, Ally, James, Will, Brock, Nan and Pa were all there watching. This makes me happy - **Tess**

I loved dancing with all of my friends on the night. I loved how my groovy nan went on the dance floor. It was funny watching Zoe too - **Ali**

I had a great time dancing on the dance floor with everyone. I really liked how I looked in my dress - **Bridget**

I would love to do the formal all over again as it was one of the best nights. It was a night I will never forget. I had a fantastic time on the dance floor - **Cody**

My highlight of the formal would be dancing with my mum for the special person dance. I also enjoyed having a dance with Lily. The food was nice but my favorite part of all would be the group dance at the start. We were awesome - **Bailey**

I had a great time dancing with my friends. I think I looked handsome in my suit - **Kieran**

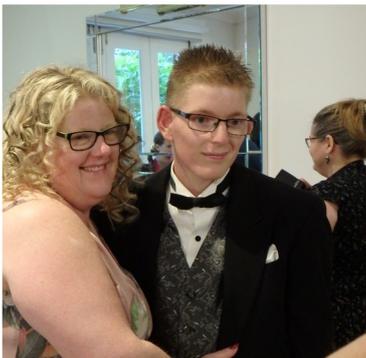
I loved looking like a princess in my dress at the formal. I had a great time dancing with my family on the dance floor - **Hannah**

I liked everything to do with the formal. I liked hanging out with all my friends. I also had a great time getting all pretty for the night- **Jaime**

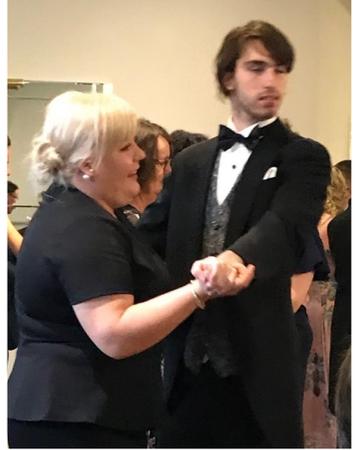
I enjoyed talking to all of my friends at the formal. I really liked eating the desert - **Catherine**

I loved wearing my beautiful long dress. I also had a great time out of my chair on the dance floor - **Kelsey**

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Seth was very excited when he met Scott Cam from The Block recently!



SENIORS

Some of the Seniors recently visited the Warragul Library to test out Virtual Reality - it was a very different experience for them but they all enjoyed it and are keen to try it again! Thanks to William, Noah, Josh and Ajay for giving us their thoughts on the world of Virtual Reality.....



Today I went to the library. I did virtual reality and played fruit ninja. I felt like a ninja and called myself Master Jiggins. I can't wait to play again.

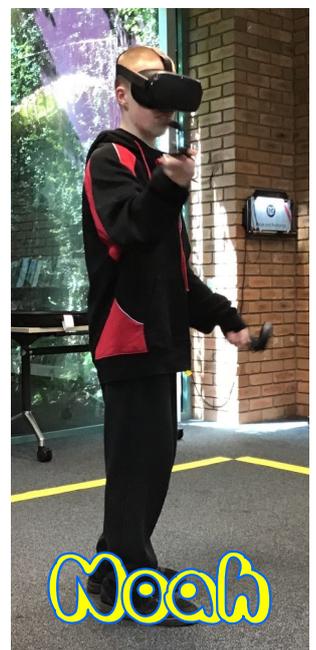


I went to the library. I played a different video game. It's called VR, I played fruit ninja. It was fun. I chopped pineapple, oranges, pears, lemons, apples, bananas and watermelon. I asked for more turns.



We went to the Warragul library today {28/10/2019} we got to try some VR I went first got sick L 2nd try did not get sick 3rd time played fruit ninja I killed a lot of fruit only hit one BOMB and now I WANT MORE GIVE ME MORE VR GIVE IT GIVE IT sorry I got carried away G.I.V.E.M.E.M.O.R.E.V.R.

Ajay used Proloquo2Go on the iPad to communicate to say 'no' to trying virtual reality. With the help of Proloquo2Go Ajay understood this was different and he would see fruit. So he had a go! After finishing his turn Ajay told the group that he wanted more and that it was awesome.



Art with Chris

Chris now takes Art on Mondays and this week it was all about the Melbourne Cup with students decorating their own horses.....



Josiah



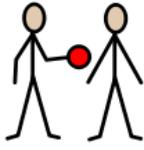
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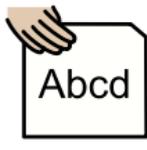
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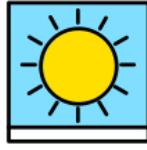
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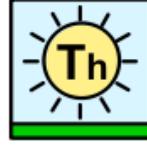
YOUR



WORDS



DAY



Thursday

31st

31st



October



Learn Ask questions
 model try again
 allow time keep the device ready
 smile listen more model
 KEEP MODELING
 Do more than request
 Use core vocabulary



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VIP SALE
20% OFF*

Monday 25 Nov - Tuesday 26 Nov 2019

TRADING HOURS:
MONDAY - FRIDAY: 9:30AM - 5PM
(WEDNESDAY CLOSED)
SATURDAY: 10AM - 1PM
SUNDAY: CLOSED

***VIP SALE CONDITIONS:**

Discount applies ONLY to Beleza brand full retail priced items.
Shoes & Discounted items excluded. Some other exclusions apply.

Remember in November



Monday 11th November is Remembrance Day, when Australia commemorates the noble sacrifices of armed forces and civilians during times of war.



WDSS is supporting the RSL through the sales of Remembrance Day items:

Wrist bands - \$3

Flower Badges - \$1

Poppies - 20c



STUDENT Awards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



ZACHARY

Being a good **LEARNER** participating in the SSS program with excitement and following the activity schedule.



AXL

Being a great **LEARNER** by learning to peel & grate the potatoes in cooking & eating with a knife & fork.



KYNAN

Being a **LEARNER** and hanging his bag on the hook.



JAYDEN

Being **SAFE** by wearing his sunscreen and hat everyday last week.



SOPHIE

Being a **LEARNER** by using her words and signing to communicate in literacy and maths



DANIEL

Being **SAFE** – listening to instructions at basketball



WILLIAM

Showing great school spirit during the Seniors Football Game & being awarded **Best on Ground.**



DAKOTA

Showing great school spirit during the Seniors Football Game & being awarded **Most Determined**



BELLA

Showing great school spirit during the Seniors Football Game & being awarded **Best Goal kicker.**



DENZELL

Showing great school spirit during the Seniors Football Game & being awarded **Best Team Player.**



MIKKI

Being **RESPECTFUL** by being helpful - nominated by Lillie