

It is always wonderful to see so many happy smiley faces on the first day of term!



**Please continue to keep your students home if they are unwell - this will greatly help to limit staff absences due to illness.**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### JULY

#### Tuesday 18th

- School Council Meeting

#### Tuesday 25th

- Job Skills Expo at Lardner Park - Seniors

### Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter Term 2 Issue 16, Tuesday 11th July 2023

Hi Families & Friends,

Welcome back to term 3. It's hard to believe that we are halfway through the school year.

It was wonderful to see students, staff, and families return to school yesterday. Many returned to school bursting with news and excitement and quickly found their friends and the staff to share their news with. Then it was back into their school program and classes.

Just a reminder that 3rd term is traditionally a wet and windy term, with lots of rain and illness. To keep everyone healthy, please keep your child home if they are showing symptoms of illness. With the rain comes mud and the cold. Please ensure that your child is dressed warmly with appropriate shoes or boots for their program.

This term your child's teacher will send you're an invitation to attend the term 3 Student Support Group (SSG) meeting. This meeting is important as we will be looking at how your child is progressing towards their goals, and we will adjust their goals and strategies as appropriate. Please take the time to have a look at your child's report and Individual Education Plan (IEP) before the meeting.

Have a great second half of the year!



**Matt**

#### 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.

During the holidays, WDSS Staff officially farewelled three much loved staff members.

Teacher **Kim Rakip**, Speech Therapy Assistant **Mary Tyrrell** and her husband, Groundsman **Jim**, all retired at the end of 2022.

Between them have almost 60 years of working at WDSS - Kim commenced in 2000, Mary in 2001 and Jim in 2011 !

It was lovely to get together and celebrate them and the outstanding contributions they have individually made to our school. We all have so many fun and happy memories of their time with WDSS and they will be greatly missed!

We wish Kim, Mary and Jim a happy, healthy and fun-filled retirement !



L-R Matt, Mary, Kim & Jim

2007

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# Movie / TV Character



## DRESS UP DAY

### WEDNESDAY 21ST JUNE

The Movie / TV Character Dress up was a fun way to celebrate the end of Term 2 - it was great watching everyone arrive and lots of fun guessing who they were! Well done to everyone for their enthusiasm and to our **Class Best Dressed Winners:**



Zeth - Russell from 'Up'



Room 1: Brock

Room 2: Connor H

Room 3: Michael S

Room 4: Jackson

Room 7: Srihas

Room 8: Ben M

Room 9: Dakota

Room 10: Isaac

Room 14: Eli

Room 16: William

Room 17: Tash

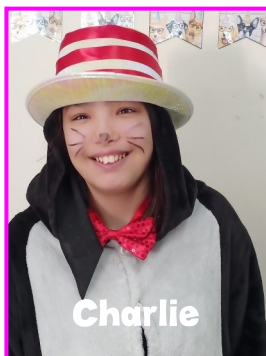
Room 19: Ben P

Room 20: Michael W

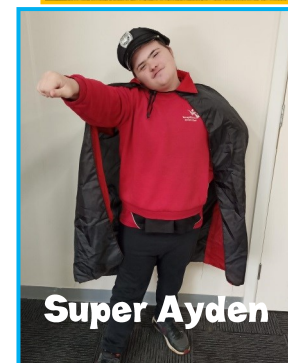
Room 21: Levi



Our very own Mario & Luigi - Michael & Nathan



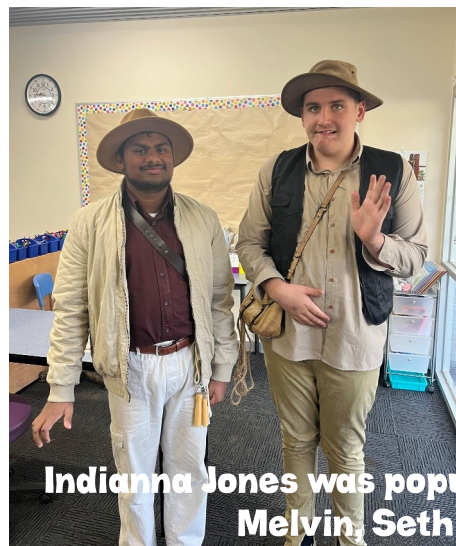
Charlie



Super Ayden



William Wonka!



Indianna Jones was popular in Seniors! - Melvin, Seth & Eli



Ben & Yvonne



**Captain Underpants  
Lachy and Constable  
Alex**



**Will Potter  
from Hogwarts**



**Leah with Scary  
Wednesday & Hairy  
Cousin Itt (aka Bri &  
Carlea)**



**Steph & Kylie**



**Michael &  
Seth**



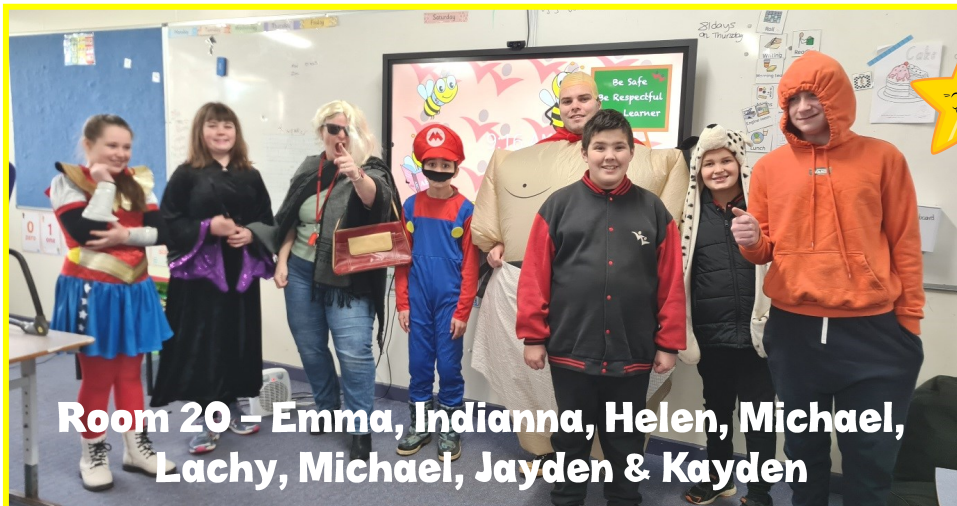
**Wonder Woman  
Dakota and leader of  
the Pink Ladies  
Steph**



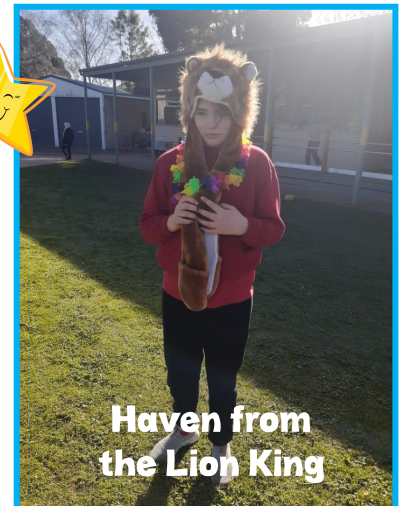
**Dean & Ben**



**Willy Wonka &  
Minnie Mouse  
took over the  
Office!**



**Room 20 – Emma, Indianna, Helen, Michael,  
Lachy, Michael, Jayden & Kayden**















**Haven from  
the Lion King**



# School Canteen Term 3 (Thursdays)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room / Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

FOOD - Please tick		DRINKS - Please tick	Other Items - <small>Purchased with cash by students from the canteen at the beginning of lunch time.</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Party Sausage Rolls (2) - \$2.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Tomato Sauce 	<input type="checkbox"/> Meat Pie - \$3.50 <input type="checkbox"/> Tomato Sauce 	<input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Milk \$ 2.50 	<input type="checkbox"/> Frog in a Pond \$1.50 
<input type="checkbox"/> Dim Sims (3) - \$2.50 <input type="checkbox"/> Soy Sauce 	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Nuggets (6) - \$4.00 	<input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate Milk \$ 2.50 	<input type="checkbox"/> Icy Pole \$0.50 
<input type="checkbox"/> Macaroni & Cheese - \$5.00 		<input type="checkbox"/> Apple Juice \$ 2.00 	<input type="checkbox"/> Cupcake \$1.00 
 <b>GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Party Pies - \$2.50 <input type="checkbox"/> Sauce <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Party Sausage Rolls - \$2.50 <input type="checkbox"/> Sauce <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Chicken Nuggets \$4.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Orange Juice \$ 2.00 	<b>Total: \$ _____</b> <b>Enclosed: \$ _____</b>



## ROADIES

All sites

### Camp Coolamatong Spring Camp

Are you between the ages of 13-17 years old and have an NDIS plan? If so, join us on the Spring ROADIES camp experience! The perfect way to meet new friends, try new things and get a taste of our ROADIES Camps!

#### DATE

- Wednesday 20th September - Friday 22nd September 2023

#### LOCATION

- Camp Coolamatong, Banksia Peninsula East Gippsland

#### OUT OF POCKET COST

- \$100 (covers accommodation, meals and activities)
- NDIS plan charges will be discussed with you to ensure your specific support needs are met

#### WHAT TO PACK

- Medication and Medication forms
- Packed lunch (all sites) for first day
- Packed Morning tea (Bass) for first day
- Drink bottle
- A CHECKLIST WILL BE PROVIDED WITH THE ITINERARY



## Camp Coolamatong



### Time Table

ICG Office	Drop - off	Pick - up
ICG Latrobe	10:00am	3:30pm
ICG Bass	9:00am	4:45pm
ICG East	12:00pm	2:00pm

### NDIS Benefits and Outcomes

- Social participation in the community
- Meet new people and develop friendships
- Increase your capacity to access your local community
- Development of your life and independent living skills
- Improve and develop your communication skills
- Opportunity to access new activities and try new things
- Selfcare for carers and participants

For further information please contact us or scan the QR code to register your interest

1300 736 765

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# STUDENT Awards

## We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



**MELVIN**

For using his voice and passing the ball during netball.



**XAVIER**

For sharing the ball around during netball.



**SETH**

For having a successful first day at SASI.



**BELLA**

For being a **LEARNER** and using her strategies to stay regulated



**WILL**

Spending time outside and in gaming for lunch.



*C'mon Barbie  
Let's Go Party*

FUN FOR ALL AGES

FRIDAY  
JULY 21 2023

6.30  
P M

SPECIAL EVENT

\$30

# Barbie

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PENINSULA CINEMAS WARRAGUL  
WARRAGUL SHOPPING PLAZA, VICTORIA ST. WARRAGUL





# Calling on Baw Baw's youth!



## Help create Baw Baw's Youth Strategy.

**Baw Baw Shire Council invites young people (aged 12–25) to share their aspirations, concerns and ideas about the youth services and programs they would like to see in Baw Baw. Feedback gathered will help shape the Baw Baw Youth Strategy to support the health and wellbeing of young people across the Shire.**

Complete the survey and go into the draw to win a variety of prizes worth up to \$1000\*! Winner can choose from a Gumbuya World annual membership, Apple Air Pods, gift vouchers, noise-cancelling headphones or a 6 month membership for any local gym.

\*T&C's apply.

Visit [www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/YouthStrategy](http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/YouthStrategy) for more information.

Complete the survey by  
**Tuesday**  
**25 July 2023.**



For more details and to complete the online survey please visit:  
[www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/YouthStrategy](http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/YouthStrategy)