THANKYOU!



Today is International Education
Support Personnel (ESP) Day - when we
celebrate our non-teaching staff who do
so much to support your students
education.

At WDSS, in addition to classroom ESP's we also have Allied Health and Admin ESP's. We are so appreciative of them all for their dedication, expertise, and hard work in making a tremendous difference in the lives of students and families.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

Friday 26th

• Pupil Free Day

JUNE

Friday 2nd

 Junior School Excursion - My Puzzle House, Pakenham

Monday 12th

 Kings Birthday Public Holiday

Friday 23rd
Last Day of Term 2 -

Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter Term 2 Issue 12, Tuesday 16th May 2023

Welcome to week 4 of Term 2.

Today, the 16th May is ES Day. Every day, education support staff work to keep our school running, support our students to learn and our teachers to teach. We'd like our education support staff to know how much they are appreciated, that we value their work, and quite frankly wouldn't be able to open the school without them. Thank you!

We'd also like to thank Jacqui, Nicki, Sam and Robyn for running the Mother's Day Stall at school on Friday and for all those who donated goods for sale. Students loved being able to go and buy something special for mum, and I'm sure many mothers and special carers were delighted on Sunday morning with their gifts.

This week our word of the week is 'Where', our positive behaviour expectation is 'We stay in the yard' and our two focus books are 'Where is Galah?' an indigenous book, and 'Where the Wild Things Are': an absolute favorite from childhood: Such a fun book to read!

As the weather cools, rug up, stay warm, and spend as much time reading in bed as you can.



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.







Enclosed: \$

We still have approx. 20 families who have not yet set up the Sentral Parent App - please contact Angie or Cheryl if you would like help with setting it up.

It is a quick process - and we can even do it for you!

Parents are using the app to advise Absences, give permission for excursions and send messages to teachers.

It is easy to use and so convenient for families and staff!



School Canteen Order

Term 2 2023 (Thursdays)

Student Name: Room / Teacher: FOOD - Please tick **DRINKS** - Please tick □ Strawberry Milk ■ Apple Juice □ Party Pies (2) - \$2.00 □ Dim Sims (3) - \$2.50 \$ 2.50 \$ 2.00 □ Tomato Sauce ■ Soy Sauce □ Chocolate Milk ☐ Chicken Nuggets (6) - \$4.00 ☐ Shepherds Pie (topped with □ Orange Juice \$ 2.50 \$ 2.00 potato gems) - \$6.00 Gluten Free: ☐ Frogin a Pond ☐ Icy Pole Cupcake □ Party Pies (2) - \$2.50 \$1.00 \$1.50 \$0.50 Total: \$_ □ Tomato Sauce





Room 1 love going on Community Access. We go to the supermarket to buy Bev's groceries and we practice shopping and money skills while we do it. We follow a pictorial shopping list - Bev gets all the specials! This term we are also going to the Warragul



Regional Library. We read books there and borrow books to take back to school. Bev read us the book "The Wrong Book". It was funny.

We were very happy to see Callum back at school last week after being sick and in hospital. Welcome back Callum.

-Bev











JULE SCHOOL

Room 20 works with Anne and Room 21.

We do lots of activities that help us move our bodies and get stronger. We try to hit targets,





carry heavy weights, swing, roll, and spin, as well as having fun.

When we are finished our hard work, we get to use the parachute and play games with it. One fun game is to work together to try to get all the balls off the top of the parachute. They go everywhere and we have even more fun searching for them.

We do great learning in the Engine Room Program.

- Helen



























SENIORS

Jewellery Making with Annie



Annie is a very accomplished jewellery maker, so the students were so excited when she brought in her tools and materials and gave them the opportunity to test their skills! Everyone was so engaged and the pieces (earrings and rings) they produced were fantastic. Thank you so much Annie, what a wonderful experience for the students!















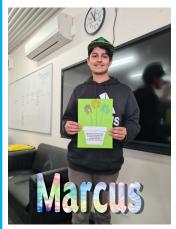


SENIORS

Room 14

Room 14 made these lovely gifts to give to their special people for Mother's Day.

Getting a handmade gift is always so lovely and we hope all the mums, aunties, nanas and carers loved receiving them!



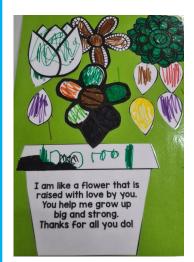




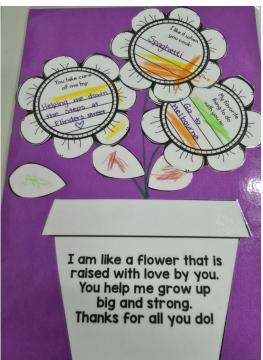












School Activities





Middle and Senior Students
unleashed their musical personalities
with their first dance and drama
sessions last Friday. We are thrilled to
have Michelle back with her weekly
sessions, everyone was so engaged
and there were lots of smiles during
and after the class.















School Garden Program

What a beautiful day we had in the school garden last week! After a chilly start, the sun came out and shone on us all morning – it must have filled everyone with energy as we got heaps of work done!

Top of the list was topping up all the garden beds with some lovely new soil from our compost bins. It was pretty difficult work as we had to dig deep to get all the best stuff from the bottom of the bins but the students really put their backs into it and before we knew it two of the beds were topped up!

Some of the students also did a very important job – chopping up all the old veggie plants to make new compost so we will have new soil for next Autumn. They also walked around the school collecting all the fallen leaves which are a very important part of good compost.

We also planted garlic, broccoli, cauliflower and cabbage and pulled all the rootstock passionflower from the tepee before it had chance to take over the garden.

For those of you who may not know, the garden has a digging patch next to the shed for those days when you just need to let off a bit of steam. Some of the guys had fun in there this week and even found pieces of pottery – our very own Time Team!

Our art afternoon was a lovely calm session as we made some jewellery, thanks to the superb skills of Annie who brought along all her special tools and supplies for us to try. There were some spectacular pieces – just in time for lovely Mother's Day gifts!

- Gail



















Come and visit Scope's Day and Lifestyle services to find out more about our activities and events. Our community-based activities provide a flexible, accessible and exciting program of social activities in your local area.

We are open from 4pm to 6.30pm on:

Tuesday, 9 May

Thursday, 11 May

Monday, 15 May

Wednesday, 17 May

Tours are approximately 25 minutes with time slots starting at 4.30pm and final tour is at 6pm.

Book online:



Meet new
people, build
your independence
and have fun!

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STUDENTAwards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



KYNAN

Being a **LEARNER** - good work on his Mothers Day plate.



LOTTIE

Being a **LEARNER** - making o'clock times independently.



VINCENT

Being **RESPECTFUL** in the garden.



KALLUM

Being a **LEARNER** - finishing all his work & completing an excellent Science project.



BEN

Being a good **LEARNER** and trying new things.



ZAC

Being a **LEARNER** and working through take away problems.



SOPHIE

Awesome work copying writing.



ELI

Being a good **LEARNER** and working hard at all his activities



CHARLIE

Being a good **LEARNER** and working well on her reading tasks.



LIAM

Successfully attending his first day of work experience in 2023.



GEORGIA

Successfully attending her first day of work experience in 2023.



EBONY

Staying with her class all Tuesday



SRIHAS

Great listening and **SAFE** participation in our cooking sessions each week.

The Room 7 STAR CHEF!





MICHAEL

Showing all our school values by being a SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNER during Senior Sport. Well done Michael!





SETH

Showing all our school values by being a **SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNER** during Senior Sport. Well done Seth!





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PUSS IN BOOTS:

THE LAST WISH 10.40AM

FRIDAY MAY 19TH

SATURDAY MAY 20TH

(SENSORY FRIENDLY SESSION)

SUNDAY MAY 21ST

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