

Our Senior Students ventured out to the Baw Baw Job Skills Expo at Lardner Park last week. The Expo is always a highlight of the year, with lots of displays and hands on activities. Staff were very proud of our students and the way they engaged with the community - well done everyone!



DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

Friday 4th

- 13 & 16 year old Immunisations, 9:30am

Friday 18th

- 11:00am PFA Catch up: Coffee Vibes, West Gippsland Arts Centre

Thursday 31st

- PFA Father's Day Stall 10am to 2pm at the school

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 5th

- School Dentist Visit

Friday 8th

- Life4Life RuOK School Disco



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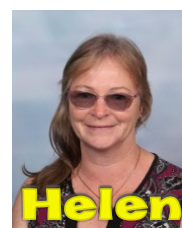
Room 20 and 21 had a fabulous day on Friday celebrating their 100 Days of School. They learned a new self-care skill when they used the iron to make special t-shirts with Kayla. It was fantastic to see them being so careful and safe. They did lots of activities about the number 100 including my favourite, Fairy Bread.



Middle School is also starting their swimming program for rooms 7, 8 and 21 next week. This is a great program to help keep our students safe in the water. According to Autism Parenting Magazine, 'swimming isn't just a workout for the body; it also works the mind, and its benefits outlast the time in the pool. Day-to-day challenges faced by autistic children like anxiety, concentration, overstimulation, and social interaction can all be improved.' It is also a way to improve your child's concentration, mental alertness, responsiveness, and peace of mind. It is also great fun, and everyone has a fantastic time in the pool.

Some of our Senior students are off to Parkville to the State Netball Centre for an amazing day of competition with Ally and Zoe. They are expecting to be back about 3.30pm after a long day of sport. Well done to all the students who have been selected for the squad.

We also have 13yo & 16yo immunisations between 9:30- 10:30am this Friday the 4th of August. All students who are eligible for these have received a notice from Meredith.



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.

Father's Day Stall

**PFA are holding a
Fathers Day Stall on
Thursday 31st 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 ARE ALSO WELCOME ~
(Prior to & on the day) - please contact the school.

The School Dental Van is visiting WDSS on Tuesday 5th September.

Consent Forms will be sent home this week. If you would prefer
to complete consent on-line, use this link or QR code:

[Sign up to Smile Squad](#)



FREE DENTAL COMING SOON TO THIS SCHOOL

The Smile Squad will soon visit this
school to provide all students with
free, high quality dental care.

www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au



MIDDLE SCHOOL

Room 20

Room 20 had a wonderful day celebrating 100 days of school! Among the many activities they had, the students thought about what they might do if they had \$100.....

I would buy a a\$100 gift card
Or
I would buy 2 steaks.
I would buy a dog, a whippet.
I would buy a block of chocolate.
I will go to the pool.
I will buy a cat.
I would buy games to the XBOX and PS5 or PS4.
I would buy a snake, a carpet snake.
I would buy a toy car, or cat, or dog, or bus.
I will save now.
- **Conner**

If I had \$100 I would save up to buy a house and a Ferrari.
- **Michael W**

If I had \$100 I will got to the toy shop and buy a toy car and a toy bus. I will buy KFC. I will have a hamburger. It is so nice. I will go to the pool.
- **Jayden**

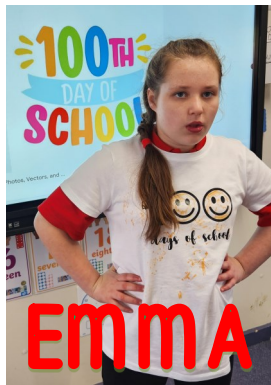
If I had \$100, I would buy Smarties and chocolate and ice cream, vanilla and rainbow ice cream.
- **Michael S**

If I had \$100 I would buy food. I would buy dark chocolate, bread and milk. I would make a ham and cheese sandwich.
- **Emma**

If I had \$100, I would buy from EB Games and PS4 game and a new bag and a new hat.
- **Kayden**



MICHAEL W



EMMA

**Modelling
our
fabulous
hand made
t-shirts !**



JAYDEN



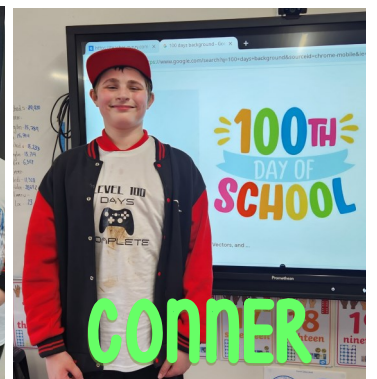
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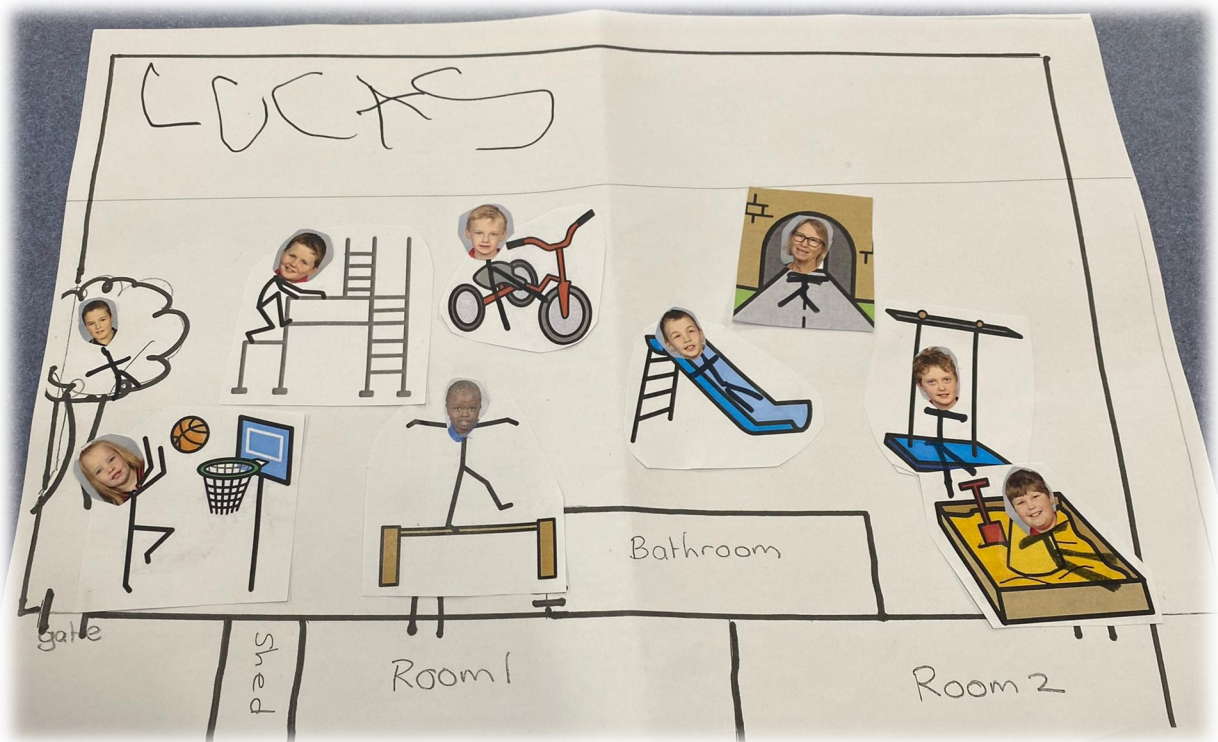
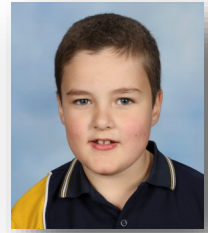


CONNER

Student Work

Last week our PBS learning was *We Share the Space*. Lucas made this awesome playground with all of his classmates playing on their favourite equipment in a **SAFE** and **RESPECTFUL** way.

Well done Lucas !.



When we are
outside,
we share the
space.





Bri



Carlea

Welcome Speech Pathology students!



The Speech Team are very excited to have two lovely Speech Pathology students with us this term!

Welcome to Steph and Hannah!

Both ladies are having a great time getting to know students and are already hard at work getting to know what the speechie role looks like at WDSS!

Steph had a great time in the Engine Room helping Sebastian on our new soft play equipment!



Layla, Connor, and Ben loved having Hannah join in and help us build Lego in Lego Club!



STUDENT Awards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



XANDER

Being a **LEARNER** working well on his activity schedule.



ERIN

Being a **LEARNER** – engaging & communicating with the community at the Job Skills Expo.



CHLOE

For following our morning routines with very little assistance. Well done Chloe!



TYLER

For working hard to build his communication skills and using these to let us know what he wants or needs.



SOPHIE

For being a **LEARNER** in Maths Groups.



LEE

For attending math groups.



MICHAEL

Showing our school values and trying something new by attending the I Am Ready Program.



MADDY

Being a **RESPECTFUL** and **SAFE LEARNER** on community access. Well done Maddy!



Well done for being such Safe, Respectful Learners!