



# DATES TO REMEMBER

#### JUNE

Wednesday 21st

 SRC whole school movie character dress-up day

Friday 23rd

Last Day of Term 2 2pm finish

JULY

Monday 10th
First Day of Term 3





Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter Term 2 Issue 15, Tuesday 20th June 2023

Hi Families & Friends,

I think after yesterday's hail and rain, a lot of us are now looking forward more than ever to the upcoming school holidays and the opportunities this presents for staying in our warm beds slightly longer and 'movie' days on the couch with hot chocolate and the heater keeping us cosy!

We're having a busy last week at school with the Middle school students having their excursion yesterday at Jump and Climb and My Puzzle House. Both these places are open during the holidays if your child has come home saying what a great time they had and how they'd love to do it again. I

n the Juniors, we're trialling our new classes on Thursday and Friday as we have had to consolidate 4 classes into 3 due to changes in our staffing. Students will bring home photos of their 'new' classes on Thursday. The changes are only small for the majority of our students but will result in more consistency in staffing going forward for the rest of 2023.

Our Seniors are continuing this week with Family Planning Sessions. These are provided by highly trained staff from Sexual Health Victoria (formerly Family Planning Victoria). These sessions are an important way of acknowledging that our senior students are growing into mature young adults who, like all of us, need the knowledge and skills to have healthy, respectful relationships in adulthood.

I hope you all have a lovely break. I will be on Long Service Leave until October, see you in Term 4.

#### **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.



## MIDDLE SCHOOL

Yesterday we hopped on a bus to Jump and Climb. Tina, Helen, Lachy, Kelly, Chris and Anne came to Jump and Climb with us. We got new socks. Then we went on the trampolines and we had so much fun. Then we went on the bus and had lunch at the park. Then we went back to school.



5 Stars.

By Indianna



Yesterday Jump and Climb on the bus.
Then we went to the park in Traralgon.
I have snacks and the play. I like to
swing. I got blue socks.

5 stars

By Michael S-C

We went to the bus to Jump and Climb.

It was fun. My favourite part of Jump

and Climb was the trampoline. We also

went to the park too. My favourite part

of the park was the balance swing.

5 stars.

🕉 By Kayden



## MIDDLE SCHOOL





















### SENIORS



Seniors students had some special visitors last week!

Former students Ozi, Keith and Jayden came in to share their experience at TAFE Gippsland and post school programs.

It was great to hear about what they had accomplished since graduating - they have been keeping very busy!



L–R Ozi, Keith, Jayden and Gabrielle from Gippsland TAFE









## School Garden Program

Winter in the garden is the perfect time to tidy up and get ready for lots of Spring activity! Last week the students really excelled themselves by making a start on clearing the greenhouse so we can give it a good wash and clean before the holidays. We had been using some old carpet in the garden on top of the weeds under the trees but now we had to move it from its storage space in the greenhouse. Has anyone ever tried to move a roll of carpet? Soooo heavy! Now imagine a roll of carpet that is WET – it's twice as heavy! But the students showed fantastic teamwork as they loaded into the back of my ute then unloaded into the dumpster – really dirty heavy work and they did it magnificently!

The work wasn't over though – heavy pallets were loaded back into the ute to be taken to the community garden in Warragul. Phew – everyone really deserved their morning tea!

When you visit the garden you may notice a couple of things – the grapevine needed some TLC so it is now nestled behind a little fence to protect it while students work in the digging bed. I have also painted numbers on the raised beds so we can keep track of what is planted and where. There are lots of little seedlings coming up in all the beds – all very exciting!

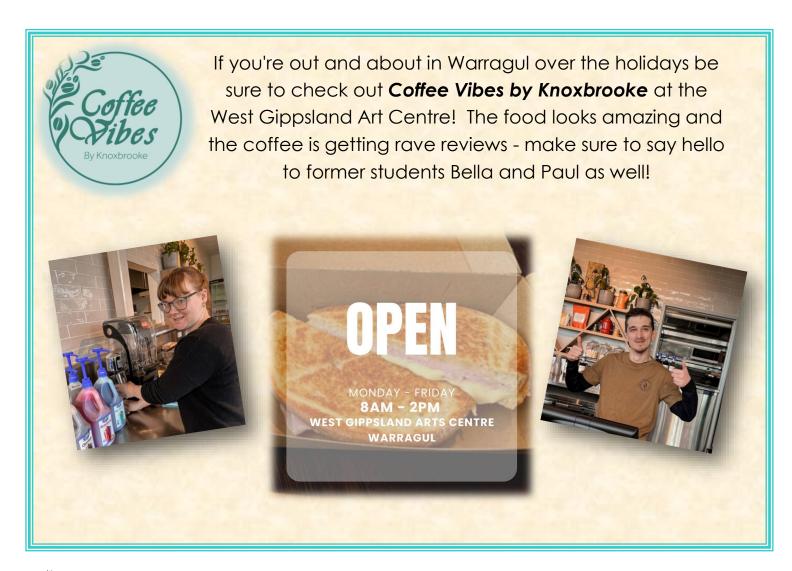
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### School Canteen Order

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 ☐ Chicken Nuggets (6) - \$4.00 □ Chocolate Milk ☐ Shepherds Pie (topped with □ Orange Juice \$ 2.50 potato gems) - \$6.00 \$ 2.00 Gluten Free: □ Frog in a Pond □ Icy Pole ■ Cupcake □ Party Pies (2) - \$2.50 \$1.00 \$1.50 \$0.50 Total: \$\_ □ Tomato Sauce Enclosed: \$\_



### STUDENT Awards

### We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



#### **BROCK**

Being a **LEARNER** by typing his sentences in Literacy.



#### **KAYDEN**

Concentrating on his work every day this week. Well done editing your writing to make sure the tense was correct.



#### NATHAN

For being **SAFE** and staying away from trouble.



#### **SAVANNA**

For having a go threading beads independently.



#### **KYE**

Showing maturity in walking away from situations in the yard.



#### LIZZY

Being **SAFE** and asking others to 'stop' when she didn't like the noise.



#### **EBONY**

Being a good friend



#### **SOPHIE**

Being a good **LEARNER** by being **RESPECTFUL** 



#### **MELVIN**

Being helpful in the classroom.



#### **ERIN**

Being a **LEARNER** & bringing her communication device to school each day.



#### **BAYDEN**

Showing the school values during sport and passing the ball to his peers.



#### WILLIAM

Showing the school values during sport and passing the ball to his peers.



#### PIPPA

Being a good **LEARNER** following all of the teacher's instructions returning to class on time & completing all of her tasks.



#### **AYDEN**

Being a good **LEARNER** and being safe in the classroom on Tuesday.









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