



Check out all the fun from our parade on page 2.....

DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

Thursday 31st

- PFA Father's Day Stall 10am to 2pm at the school. ****HELPERS NEEDED!****

SEPTEMBER

Friday 1st

- Soccer Friendship Games

Mon 4th – Fri 8th

- School Dentist Visit

Friday 8th

- Life4Life RuOK School Disco

Friday 15th

- Wear Your Team Colours Day, BBQ for students
- Last day of Term 3 2:00pm finish

Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter Term 3 Issue 23, Tuesday 29th August 2023

Each year since 1945 the CBCA has brought children and books together across Australia through Children's Book Week®. During this time our school and many other schools and public libraries around Australia spent last week celebrating books, authors, and illustrators. Last week we finished the week off at WDSS celebrating with our Book Week and Wear Your Words dress up day and what a brilliant day it was! We even secured a full-page feature in this week's Gazette! A massive thank you to all staff and students who participated and a big thank you to all our families who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to get costumes ready and then also came in for our costume parade and morning tea.

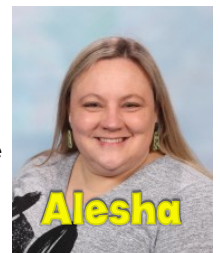
Last week was also Speech Pathology Week, the week promotes the speech pathology profession and the work done by speech pathologists. Did you know that 1 in 7 Australian's will have a communication difficulty at some stage in their life? Communication is a basic human right and Speech Pathology Week helps to raise awareness of communication disability and the role of speech pathologists. A big thank you to our speechies Bri and Carlea for all the endless support provided to our students, staff, and families. Bri and Carlea continuously advocate for the profession, for communication access in our community and provide significant support to our many students training here at WDSS to be speech pathologists.

The last few weeks of this term are going to be fun but busy. We have the Father's Day Stall on Thursday 31st of August, Live4Life- R U OK Disco on Friday 8th of September (gold coin donation) and on the 15th of September we have Celebrate Your Sports Team dress up day.

Senior students are heading to the Friendship Games (soccer) this Friday, good luck teams! Families with students involved have received a text message to check Sentral and sign off permission via the Sentral app, please sign off this permission ASAP if you intend for your child to attend.

A reminder that the last day of term is Friday 15th of September, and we have a 2pm finish. If your child travels home on a school bus, please plan that they will arrive home an hour earlier than usual.

Have a great week!



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.

It's time for Disco Matt to break out the flares again as the SRC Present the Annual....



DISCO



Friday 8th September in Room 11

Gold coin donation - raising Money for the Corey Maric Youth Program

Do Crazy Hair / wear Bright Clothes

Prizes for the BEST DRESSED /BEST DANCER in each class !

Parents / Carers are invited to join in on the fun....

★ Juniors Disco 11am to 11.45am ★

★ Middles Disco 11.45am to 12.30pm ★

★ Seniors Disco 12.30pm to 1.30pm ★





*** Costume Parade ***



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.

Wear Your Favourite Sport



TEAM COLOURS














Friday 15th September

Thanks to Jacqui for offering to do a sausage sizzle - any Parents / Carers who are able to assist on the day would be most welcome!



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 
 GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS	<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 	Total: \$ _____ Enclosed: \$ _____

SENIORS

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?...

Ex student catch ups

Its always lovely to catch up with ex students and hear how they are going. It was wonderful to see both Ben Roder and Can Bowering last week. Both young men living a full, interesting , happy ,supported lives with daily connections to their communities.

Ben Roder is now 25 years old and as exuberant and chatty as ever. He enjoyed catching up with students and staff...and of course remembering everyone's name, what football team they barrack for and how old they are! Ben has daily support workers and loves his connection with the Warriors basketball in Warragul.

I caught up with Cam Bowering (now 26 years old) and his carer Chris on the weekend up at the Mirboo North market. Cam has a busy life between support workers, Knoxbrooke and soccer. Cam is even heading to Perth to the Coldplay concert with a back stage pass to see Chris Martin. He is another happy exuberant young man!

- Sue



School Activities

DRAMA & DANCE SESSIONS

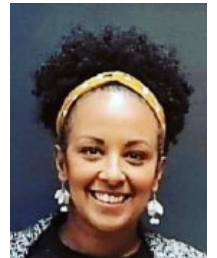
Last Friday the Drama group presented a mini concert to families and students. It was a wonderful occasion with excited performers and a very receptive audience. The students performed mini drama skits : the Magic Hat, What did you do that for? , The Ice cream Shop and The Zigzag News. Students sang This is Me and then ended with a dance.

Michelle is the director of BE Performing Arts in Warragul. She has had a long association with our school and we love having her working with our students. This year the Drama & Dance classes are an elective and up to 15 students in the middle & senior school have chosen to be involved and commit to participating each week. We look forward to having Michelle back in Term 4 working with the Drama group and the Graduation students in readiness for their end of school celebration.

- Sue



PERFORMING ARTS





MUSIC ROOM

Learning and fun has continued during music sessions across the school in term 3. Many delightful sounds have been heard as students play, dance and sing along to their favourite songs. Junior school students have spent their time playing as many different instruments as they can to create an array of spectacular sounds. Middle and Senior students have had been focusing on learning how to read some basic music notation in weeks which is always followed by sharing and enjoying listening to some of the latest popular tunes.

- Colin





STUDENT Awards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



LEAH

For participating in the Dance and Drama program with enthusiasm.



CONNER

For having the confidence to get up in front of senior assembly and demonstrating the Auslan alphabet to the senior students.



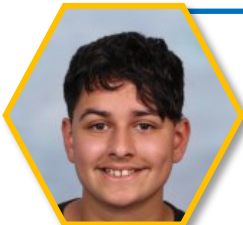
DEAN

Being a **LEARNER** – practising and matching hid numbers 1-10



ERIN

Being a **LEARNER**, communicating with both staff and peers using her voice and device.



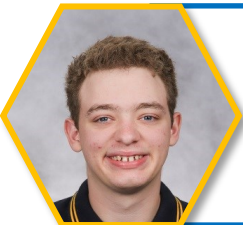
MARCUS

Consistently completing his work and keeping on task



AYDEN

Completing all his work on Tuesday and being a good **LEARNER**.



ETHAN

Being patient and staying calm when dealing with conflict.



CHARLIE

Always giving all the tasks a go during Soccer.



GEORGIA

For asking new staff questions with a loud voice.



LIZZY

Being a **LEARNER** when completing her maths work.



SAVANNAH

Being a **SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNER** in all classroom activities.





Sizes
2-14



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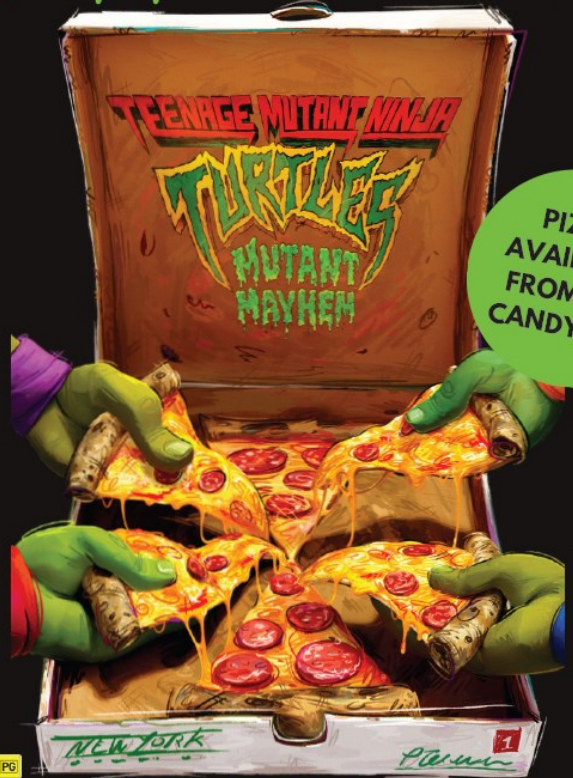


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PIZZA PARTY



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY GROUP ACTIVITIES

19.09.23-28.09.23

TUESDAY 19TH SEP

1PM-2:30PM PUZZLES & LEGO

THURSDAY 21ST SEP

1PM-2:30PM CARD MAKING

FRIDAY 22ND SEP

1PM-2:30PM MAKE UP & TIKTOK FUN

TUESDAY 26TH SEP

1-2:30PM ROCK PAINTING

THURSDAY 28TH SEP

1-2:30PM STRESS BALL MAKING

CONTACT US TO BOOK, PLACES ARE LIMITED!

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