

Our School Captains Georgia, Liam, Bayden & William took part in the Warragul ANZAC Service, laying a wreath in honour of our brave service men and women. We are very proud of how well they represented our school.

Thank you to the families of our captains for supporting their participation in the service.



DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

Tuesday 9th

- School Council Meeting

Friday 12th

- Mothers Day Stall

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 - 2pm finish

Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter

Term 2 Issue 10, Wednesday 2nd May 2023

Welcome back to Term2. There was no newsletter last week due to our ANZAC Day holiday on the Tuesday.

If you happened to attend the ANZAC day ceremony in Warragul last Tuesday you would have seen our student leadership team: Liam, Georgia, Bayden and William walking in the parade and laying a wreath. Thank you to Ally, our senior teacher, the parents and Angie for supporting our students in this important event on the calendar.

Thank you to the Warragul Gazette for taking a lovely photo of Liam and Georgia on ANZAC Day (above and also featured in today's edition).

Term 2 begins the process of Report writing. Soon your child's teacher and Allied Health staff will begin writing Semester 1 reports. These reports inform you on how your child is progressing in achieving their Individual Education Plan (IEP) goals which were discussed during your child's Student Support Group meeting (SSG) earlier in the year and will also report on other areas of the curriculum.

It's great to see our Foundation (Rm 4) students coming to school every day this term. They have done a wonderful job starting to learn new school routine in Term 1. They have all really loved spending their Buzz Bucks.. as all the students do in the school. Each Friday fortnight Chris Giles loves her role as a resident elf sorting out rewards from the Buzz bucks shop!

It's wonderful to see student groups getting out and about in the community: shopping, walking, swimming groups & visiting parks. The senior students visited the Arts Centre yesterday as part of the Live4Life Launch, along with 450 other secondary students.

The Junior unit are busy organising an excursion in June to the Puzzle House in Pakenham. That sounds like a lot of fun! The middle school unit have their swimming program well underway too.

The P FA had their first meeting for quite a while last week. They already have a MOTHERS DAY STALL organised for next Friday 12th May. This will be held in the main staffroom. I'm sure they would love some extra help too.

Have a great week everyone.



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 as 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.

**HELP US
HELP
YOU**



We still have approx. 35 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	
<input type="checkbox"/> Party Pies (2) - \$2.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Tomato Sauce 	<input type="checkbox"/> Dim Sims (3) - \$2.50 <input type="checkbox"/> Soy Sauce 	<input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Milk \$ 2.50 	<input type="checkbox"/> Apple Juice \$ 2.00 
<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Nuggets (6) - \$4.00 	<input type="checkbox"/> Shepherds Pie (topped with potato gems) - \$6.00 	<input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate Milk \$ 2.50 	<input type="checkbox"/> Orange Juice \$ 2.00 
Gluten Free: <input type="checkbox"/> Party Pies (2) - \$2.50 <input type="checkbox"/> Tomato Sauce 	<input type="checkbox"/> Frog in a Pond \$1.50 	<input type="checkbox"/> Icy Pole \$0.50 	<input type="checkbox"/> Cupcake \$1.00 
			Total: \$ _____ Enclosed: \$ _____

Juniors

ROOM 4

The Foundation students are settling into Term 2. We have welcomed a new student Jackson. He is enjoying the engine room each morning. All of the students use the engine room to regulate their bodies ready for learning.

Olivia loves to bounce as high as she can.

Jackson enjoys swinging.

Xander loves to chat with staff and lay on the mats.

Jax loves to explore the bouncy balls and play on the trampoline.

Alty enjoys running up and down the ramp and using the rings.

Vyas is a fan of the trampoline and loves to bounce and play with his peers.

After the engine room the students go to the classroom ready for learning.

-Julie



**Welcome to
WDSS Jackson!**



Olivia



Jax & Vyas



Xander



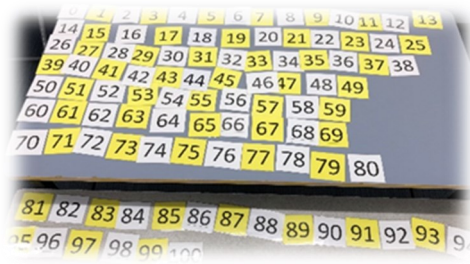
Jax

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Room 8

Room 8 has been learning different ways to do their maths. They have been rope counting 3, 4 and 10 starting at different points. Matching numbers using ice-creams and addition using stars to help get the answer and for some students singing songs to help count forwards and backwards.

- Rachel, ES



Well done

Ben, Charlie, Dean, Jordan, Layla, Macy & Seb

For being such Safe, Respectful Learners!

SENIORS



Senior students attended the Live 4 Life 2023 Launch at the West Gippsland Arts Centre yesterday. It was a very big crowd and we were so impressed with WDSS students who were so positive throughout the launch, showing respect and maturity to all in attendance.

School Captain Liam also addressed the audience which was awesome! Well done to everyone involved.

**Well done to Carli
and the 2022
Canteen Team who
raised \$2,500 for the
Live 4 Life Program!**



**Empowering the Baw Baw
Community to improve
youth mental health**

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Dear Susan

On behalf of the Baw Baw Live4Life Partnership Group, I would like to thank the Warragul & District Specialist School for your canteen profits donation of \$2,500.00 towards the **"Baw Baw Live4Life Initiative"**

Your funds will enable the initiative to support training and crew activities to all students in senior years, in the crucial knowledge and skills in recognising when a peer is struggling and referring to an adult for assistance.

Early intervention and prevention are the keys to reducing the incidence of mental health problems, the leading burden of disease, in our young people. As a community, we are working hard to make this a reality in Baw Baw and your contribution is a valuable resource to achieving this goal. Thank you again for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Susanne Lampitt
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Latrobe Regional Hospital
Live4Life Baw Baw Lead Agency Representative
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STUDENT Awards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



VYAS

Being a **LEARNER** sitting down at his table and completing some fantastic work.



JAKE

Being a **LEARNER** - Excellent activity box work!



INDIANNA

Being a **LEARNER** and working toward her goal of using full stops in her writing.



MAEGAN

Being a **LEARNER** and finishing all her work in class.



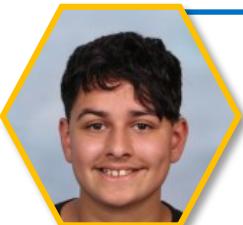
VILI

Being a **RESPECTFUL** member of Room 7 and communicating clearly with staff.



THURSTAN

Being a good **LEARNER** and using the iPad to say more.



MARCUS

Being a good **LEARNER** by being fully involved and asking great questions at Baw Baw Skills.



ERIN

Being a **LEARNER** using her voice to communicate with peers and staff.



WILLIAM

For being a **LEARNER** and sharing his photos and stories about his school holidays.



DEAN

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



JOSIAH

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

