

We are thrilled to announce that the votes are in and our

2024 School Captains are Coby & Melvin

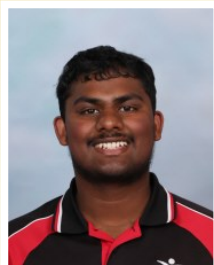
2024 Vice Captains are Charlie, Eli, Michael & Shona



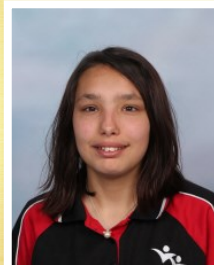
Congratulations on this fantastic achievement, we are so proud to have you represent our school in 2024!



Coby



Melvin



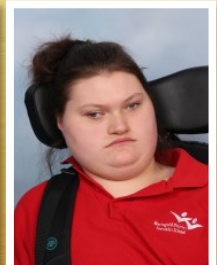
Charlie



Eli



Michael



Shona

DATES TO REMEMBER

DECEMBER

Thursday 7th

- **School Concert - commencing at 11:30am**

Friday 8th

- **Junior Excursion**
- **Middle Excursion**

Tuesday 12th

- **School Council**

Thursday 14th

- **Senior Graduation Night**

Tuesday 19th

- **Pupil Free Day**

Wednesday 20th

- **Last day of Term 4 12:30pm finish**

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The Christmas countdown has begun with just 10 school days to go before the end of the 2023 school year. The staff and students are working hard to finish projects and programs. In addition to this, many classrooms are partaking in lots of fun and exciting end of year activities, with many end of year parties over the next week or so, and our Junior and Middle school excursions on Friday. Please keep an eye on what is happening in your child's class. The main office looks very festive with their Christmas decorations up and sparkling, as do many classrooms. Throughout this term, we have been supporting students and families who have been transitioning into our school. Today, Tuesday will be our first official transition day, here at school with students and staff spending time with their 2024 classes in the afternoon. This enables students to meet their classmates and see their new room and perhaps meet a new teacher. We have a few new staff joining us in 2024 and we look forward to welcoming them to our school. The transition days will continue next week.

Thank you to all the families and local community who were able to join us for the '10-year Open Garden Celebrations' last Friday. It was lovely to see you in the school and joining us for some fun. The day was an absolute success.

A reminder that Tuesday the 19th of December is a Pupil free day and an important Curriculum Day for staff.

We hope all our students and families have a happy and successful last few weeks of the school year.

Keep Smiling and have a Super week,



Chris

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.

SENIORS

We were so proud of EVERY student who made the big step of applying to be our 2024 School Captains.

Due to the large amount of votes received we decided to have four Vice Captains for 2024. Last week Matt called Coby, Melvin, Charlie, Eli, Michael and Shona over to his office to tell them the good news. It was smiles all around and Eli even had some suggestions for next year! They are a great bunch of young adults who lead by example, always displaying our school values.

Congratulations Coby, Melvin, Charlie, Eli, Michael and Shona !



Congratulations!



L-R Zoe, Matt, Alesha, Melvin, Michael, Shona, Eli, Charlie, Coby, Chris & Sue

WDS Open Garden Day

10 years

Last weeks Open Garden Day was fantastic ! Despite rain all week we were so lucky that the rain held off on the day. We had over 80 visitors, which was slightly up on last years day and a great turnout considering the predicted weather. **Sue, Zoe and the Senior Team did an amazing job of organising everything ensuring that everything ran smoothly.** The students had a wonderful time and many were very happy to see their families visit. Special thanks to our parent volunteers for taking charge of the BBQ!! The kids just LOVE seeing their parents help out at school. Thank you to everyone who came along!



Zoe and Sue with our new garden sign, beautifully created by local artist Laurie Collins . Isn't it amazing !



Erin



Zac



Macy

Macy gave the day 2 thumbs up!



Corey



Alesha and former staff member Phil cutting the cake



STUDENT Awards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners !



JACOB

Being a **LEARNER** by *trying* hard with writing his sentences about our train excursion.



MADDIE

Being a **LEARNER** by joining in during morning circle.

2023 School Concert

SUMMER CELEBRATION

After a 3 year hiatus the
School Concert is back!

Families and Friends are
invited to come along
and be entertained by our
very talented students!

Thursday 7th December
commencing at 11.30am
on the school grounds

♣️ BYO camp chairs / picnic rug ♣️



THE CASSIDY CREW
CARERS, ADVOCACY, SUPPORT SERVICES,
INDEPENDENCE, DISABILITIES AND YOU!

COME & HAVE FUN

WARRAGUL DISTRICT SPECIAL SCHOOL SUPPORT DAYS

Tuesday December 19th

W.D.S.S PUPIL FREE DAY 9AM - 3PM
Home pick ups and drop offs available

Wednesday December 20th

W.D.S.S EARLY BREAK UP DAY 12.30pm - 3pm
School pick up and home drop offs available

ACTIVITIES

Dunk some hoops at our brand new indoor basketball court!

- Full sized indoor playground.
- Fenced outdoor area with sandpit.
- Music and movement on the stage.
- Dedicated arts and crafts room.
- Games and puzzles.
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- Full canteen facilities.



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BEST FIT DISABILITY GROUP ACTIVITIES



NOVEMBER 2023

Saturday 18th November 10am to 4pm	MELBOURNE OUTING & MYER WINDOWS	Enjoy a magical day out in Melbourne, explore the Myer Windows, enjoy a lunch out and make a start on some Christmas Shopping. Lunch included.
Friday 24th November 3pm to 11:00pm	WORLD SUPERCROSS AUSTRALIAN DIRTYBIKE GRAND PRIX	Marvel Stadium will be transformed into the ultimate battlefield. An epic night of intense competition racing. 3pm to approx 11pm, depending on traffic - Meal included. Respite available.

DECEMBER 2023

Friday 1st December 3pm to 6pm	BEST FIT DISABILITY GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY	Free event for all clients and families - Surprise visit & BBQ meal supplied - RSVP required please.
Saturday 9th December 9:30am to 4pm	GUMBUYA WORLD DAY OUT	Enjoy a day out at Gumbuya World this Summer, Waterslides, Rides, Animals - Don't forget your swimmers! Lunch provided.
Tuesday 19th December 9am to 4pm	PUPIL FREE DAY AT W.D.S.S IN-HOUSE ACTIVITIES BYO LUNCH	Arts & crafts, puzzles, cooking, in-house movies, park and outdoor activities.
Tuesday 19th December 10am to 4pm	MELBOURNE OUTING & MYER WINDOWS	Enjoy a magical day out in the city of Melbourne, explore the Myer Windows, enjoy lunch out and make a start on some Christmas Shopping. Lunch included.
Thursday 21st December 9:30am to 4pm	GUMBUYA WORLD DAY OUT	Enjoy a day out at Gumbuya World this Summer, Waterslides Rides, Animals - Don't forget your swimmers! Lunch provided.



NOTE: All prices may vary depending on level of care required and participants.
For further information & bookings contact 1300 604 374 or enquiries@bfdisability.com.au

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SPOTS AVAILABLE!

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YOUR GOALS TODAY!



11 AM ACTIVITIES
12 PM SCREENING

FAMILY FUN DAY

SUNDAY DECEMBER 10

BOOK YOUR TICKETS NOW

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