

## FRIDAY 12TH MAY

Items will be priced at \$3, \$5 & \$10

Students will visit the stall with their class groups. Please send in money in a named envelope Parents / Carers are also welcome to visit from 10:30am

#### ~ PARENT HELPERS WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED ~

(Prior to & on the day) - please contact the school.



• School Council Meeting

Friday 12th Mothers Day Stall

Friday 26th • Pupil Free Day

### JUNE

Friday 2nd • Junior School Excursion - My Puzzle House, Pakenham

• Kings Birthday Public Holiday

Friday 23rd • Last Day of Term 2 -2pm finish Warragul & District Specialist School Newsletter Term 2 Issue 11, Wednesday 9th May 2023

Dear Families and Carers,

If you have been travelling along Burke Street in Warragul lately you will have noticed that roadworks have been occurring out the front of our school and down near Geoff Watt Track pedestrian crossings. Once completed both areas will have raised pedestrian crossings which will both serve as a crossing but also a speed hump for vehicles. The works and line painting are expected to be completed over the coming weeks.

If you have a child born between 2005 and 2013 (inclusive) you should have received an email from the school regarding the Attitude to Schools Survey which will be conducted from Monday 15th May to Friday 9th June, 2023. This is an opportunity for students to express how they feel about different areas of the school and give their own feedback. Participation in the survey is not mandatory and families/ students do have the option to opt out from partaking, further information on how to do this can be found in the letter sent.

Reporting and assessment is upon us, and your child's teacher is currently assessing your child on a wide range of areas of the curriculum. Teacher's look for evidence of achievement through assessment, what they observe of your child in the classroom and what they see in the community. We love to hear about what students are also doing at home and are happy to share news stories in our school newsletter. Contact Angie in the office if you have a news item you wish to share.

On Friday 26th May we will be having a Curriculum Day and therefore this is pupil free day. During this time staff will be updating their First Aid training, undertaking student report writing and undergoing further Professional Learning.

A reminder that this Friday is our Mother's Day stall. Items will be \$3, \$5 and \$10. Thank you to families who have offered help and provided items for the stall.



#### Our Commitment to Child Safety

Have a great week!

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.



#### 11.10AM

SATURDAY MAY 13TH (SENSORY FRIENDLY SESSION)

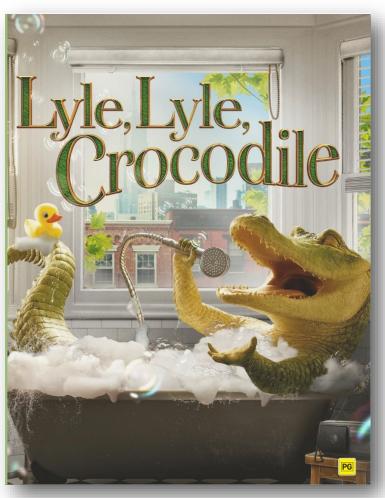
#### SUNDAY MAY 14TH



A BIG thank you to Peninsula Cinemas Warragul , who are a BIG supporter of not only WDSS but all local schools - regularly providing free tickets for student awards.



How fantastic to have Sensory Movie Sessions at the Warragul Cinema!





We still have approx. 20 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!

	<b>School Canteen Order</b> Term 2 2023 (Thursdays)		
	Student Name:		
FOOD - Please tick		DRINKS - Please tick	
<ul> <li>Party Pies (2) - \$2.00</li> <li>Tomato Sauce</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dim Sims (3) - \$2.50</li> <li>Soy Sauce</li> <li>Soy Sauce</li> </ul>	□ Strawberry Milk \$ 2.50	Apple Juice \$ 2.00
Chicken Nuggets (6) - \$4.00	□ Shepherds Pie (topped with potato gems) - \$6.00	Chocolate Milk \$ 2.50	□ Orange Juice \$ 2.00
Gluten Free: Party Pies (2) - \$2.50 Tomato Sauce	□ Frog in a Pond □ Icy Pole \$1.50	Cupcake \$1.00	Total: \$ Enclosed: \$

**INDLE SCHOOL** 





We have been busy in Room 9! We have been exploring slime, goo, and playdough, making them ourselves and learning about mixing the ingredients, discussing textures, and following instructions.





We have enjoyed going to the park for community access and playing on the equipment, engaging safely with our environment, and meeting some ducks at Civic Park!

Nathan and Maegan helped at the Middle Unit assembly recently, and Nathan spoke beautifully in front of everyone.



We have also been working on individual projects in Science with Kylie, and going swimming each Wednesday. We have been working hard on our Morning Task Folders for Literacy and Numeracy.







Our classroom had a bit of a renovation over the holidays, and we are enjoying having more space to work together.

- Steph and Kylie





The Baw Baw skills group have got off to a wonderful start for term 2. This term we will be working on all thing's cars. We will be learning to change tyres, oil and complete a basic service. We will also be looking at the differences in the electric, petrol and diesel engines.

This week we worked in teams to pull apart an engine. From this exercise, we now know how important it is to keep all the parts and equipment in order. This will make it easier to put it back together, we don't want any missing bolts do we!

- Liz



Students were also presented with their Term 1 Certificates for their CCG Rural Studies last week.



# School Garden Program

It's so good to be back at school with you all after my big trip away! And it was awesome to see that you have all been very busy in the garden and kept it in tip-top condition!

Autumn is the best time of the year to have a good clear-out in the garden. Most of the summer crops have finished their season and can be taken out ready for coldwinter plants. There are still a few things growing – the pomegranates need a couple more weeks before they are ripe and this week Will found some lovely black olives growing right at the top of the tree. The students had a major task on their hands – picking ALL the tomatoes and there were so many that it took the whole morning to do! There were still a few red ones on the vines and even the unripe ones will not go to waste as Helen is making green tomato chutney with them! All the plants were then pulled out and this week we will chop them into smaller pieces to go into the compost bin. Talking of compost we will also be topping up the garden beds on Thursday so get your muscles into training everyone!

In our afternoon art session, we made the most of the lovely Autumn leaves by collecting them for a very easy activity. We cut two large pieces of clear adhesive film and working in groups we pressed the leaves onto the sticky surface. When it was full, we cut two more pieces of film and stuck them on top to hold all the leaves in place. Then we placed them on the art room door to make an Autumn stained-glass window – have a look and see what you think!

- Gail Xavier



### Scope Day and Lifestyle Tours

Come and visit Scope's Day and Lifestyle services to find out more about our activities and events. Our community-based activities provide a flexible, accessible and exciting program of social activities in your local area.

We are open from 4pm to 6.30pm on:

Tuesday, 9 May

Thursday, 11 May

Monday, 15 May

Wednesday, 17 May

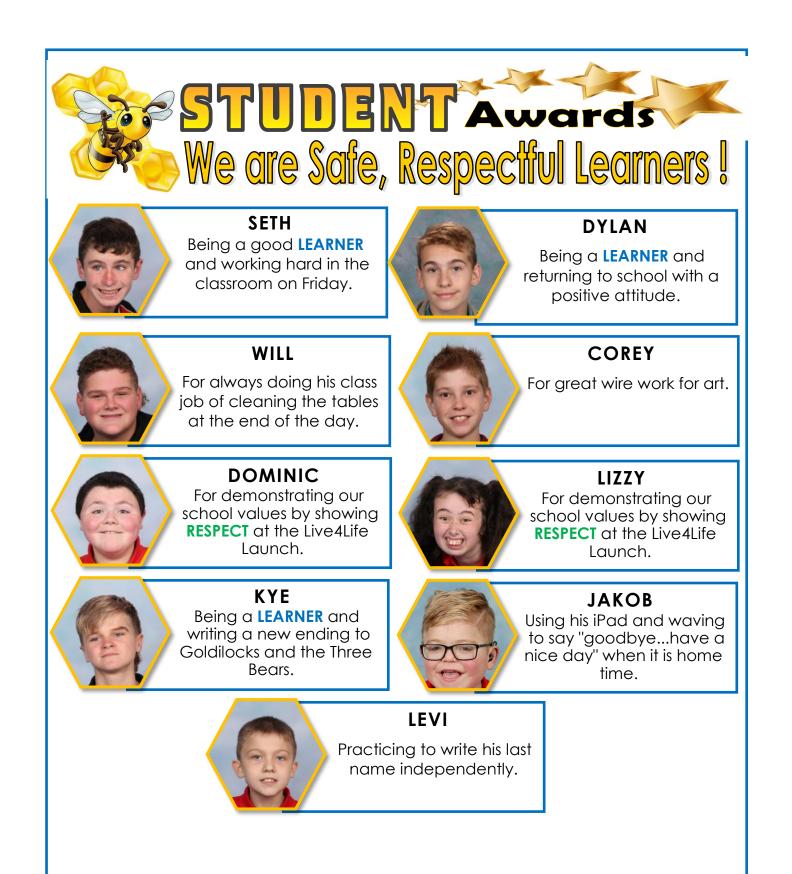
Tours are approximately 25 minutes with time slots starting at 4.30pm and final tour is at 6pm.

Book online:



Meet new people, build your independence and have fun!





# Well done for being such Safe, Respectful Learners!