



WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

#16

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HEALESVILLE EXCURSION



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ROYAL FLYING DOCTORS INCURSION



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MARIMBA MAGIC INCURSION

CALENDAR 2018

Thur	1 Nov	Music: Count us In
Tues	6 Nov	Melbourne Cup Day holiday
Wed - Fri	7 - 9 Nov	St Johns Ambulance incursion
Fri	9 Nov	Senior Assembly
Wed	21 Nov	Year 4 students depart for Mt Evelyn camp
Fri	23 Nov	Junior Assembly Year 4 students return from Mt Evelyn camp
Wed	28 Nov	Year 6 Tradie for a Day excursion
Thur	6 Dec	Junior Sports Day Thank You Morning Tea
Fri	7 Dec	Senior Assembly

TERM FOUR ASSEMBLIES

Friday 9 November - Year Three to Six

Friday 23 November - Foundation to Year Two

Friday 7 December - Year Three to Six

Principal's Report

Twilight Working Bee

On Friday 26th October the Buildings and Grounds Committee held a working bee. Holding the working bee straight after school seemed to be very successful with at least twenty- five families attending.

While families were working they were able to enjoy a sausage or hamburger straight off the barbeque, expertly cooked by my husband. Many thanks to Craig Black, a Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee member, for co-ordinating the working bee and to the many families who attended. Your help was greatly appreciated.



Principal's Report *cont.*

Dedicated Teachers

A big thank you to the seven teachers who travelled to Melbourne last Saturday 27th October to attend Professional Learning. Miss Hunkin, Miss Radford, Miss Wilson, Mrs Goetz, Mr Cox, Mrs Kingsley and Mrs Klindworth reported that the Writer's Workshop presented by Deb Sukarna (renowned literacy consultant) was very informative and will improve their professional practice.

Setting Future Directions for Warragul North Primary School

The school review days for 2018 have been completed. The review panel spent four days (18th October, 22nd October, 24th October and 29th October) at Warragul North Primary School and assessed the school against its 2015 – 2018 School Strategic Plan. Panel members conducted interviews with PLC Leaders and teachers. Panel members also met with student focus groups from each year level for Year Three to Year Six and Junior School Council.

Our appointed reviewer, Zenda Clark, will write a review report for Warragul North Primary School which will be presented to School Council. Once the report is received we will use its recommendations to write the 2019 – 2022 School Strategic Plan.

WNPS Vibrant, Happening School

Students were offered two great learning opportunities last week. The Royal Flying Doctor Service incursion certainly captured the interest of students. The waste audit held by the Environment and Sustainability Group was informative and very topical. Thank you to Mr Cox for organising and conducting the audit as the Environment and Sustainability Co-ordinator. Warragul North Primary School continues to be a vibrant, happening school.


Corinne Collins
Principal



Warragul North Primary School Values

 **School Values**

- L**iteracy
- E**ngagement
- A**chievement
- R**espect
- N**umeracy
- I**ntegrity
- N**urturing
- G**etting Along

 **School Values**

Respect

Promoting and teaching positive social values, behaviours and attitudes helps young people to engage with their school, their peers, their teachers and their learning.

To promote and teach respect Warragul North Primary School has a whole-school focus and includes close links into classrooms and the curriculum.

Warragul North Primary School aims to develop students who respect themselves, others and the world around them.

Students are respectful when they show due regard for the feelings, wishes and rights of others.

In a 'nutshell' Respect means showing regard for the feelings and rights of others.

LITERACY – *Foundation – Sienna (0PC)*

ENGAGEMENT – *Year One – Georgia (0/1M)*

ACHIEVEMENT – *Year One – Chance (1/2K)*



School Values medals were awarded at assembly on Friday 26th October to Chance, Sienna and Georgia. Congratulations!

LAPATHON

In past years the WNPS Parent Club has held a Lapathon in October to link in with the Walk to School philosophy and to raise funds for our ongoing playground upgrades. However as the WNPS Fete is scheduled for Saturday 23rd of February 2019 and most preparation needs to be completed this term the decision has been made not to run the Lapathon this year. Parent Club will put their efforts in to assisting the Fete Committee this term.

REMEMBRANCE DAY POPPY APPEAL



In Australia, remembrance poppies have been used since 1921 to commemorate Australian soldiers who died in war. On Remembrance Day, the 11th of November and ANZAC Day, 25th

of April, they are laid at war memorials, and are sold by the Returned and Services League of Australia (RSL) in return for donations.

Remembrance Day poppies and badges are now on sale from the school office for 20 cents each.

SUNSMART



Parents are reminded that Warragul North Primary School sunsmart hats are a compulsory part of our school uniform in terms one and four.

Children not wearing a Warragul North Primary School sunsmart hat will need to play in the undercover area.

Thank you!

YEAR THREE & FIVE NAPLAN INDIVIDUAL STUDENT REPORTS AVAILABLE



During May students in Years Three and Five participated in the nationwide National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). Your child's individual NAPLAN results are available for collection from the school office.

WNPS VOLUNTEERS POLICY

The Warragul North Primary School Council have completed an in depth review of the Child Safe Standards this year. The WNPS Volunteers Policy has been reviewed and some significant changes made by School Council. Please read the policy which is included in this newsletter.

WNPS FACEBOOK PAGE



Warragul North Primary School is now officially on Facebook. Please find our page and follow it. We will be using the page to promote school news, achievements and items of interest with the wider school

community. Notes home, our newsletter and FlexiBuzz will still be the main source of reminders and important information to parents.

ANAPHYLAXIS MANAGEMENT



As part of Warragul North Primary School's commitment to the safety of all our students, meeting legislative requirements and advice

from the Anaphylaxis Advisory Service of the Royal Children's Hospital, parents/carers of students diagnosed with anaphylaxis are reminded of the importance of:

- Keeping the school informed of any changes to your child's medical condition.
- Ensuring the school has the correct and in date medication for your child.
- Reviewing your child's ASCIA Action Plan annually (or after an allergic reaction) with your medical practitioner, and providing the school with the new plan.

P.E. 'Wall of Fame'

Every week in Physical Education one student from the Junior (Years 1/2), Middle (Years 3/4) and Senior (Years 5/6) school is rewarded with being named the P.E Wall of Fame champion for that week.

The P.E Wall of Fame champion is a student who has shown great determination, effort, encouragement, sportsmanship and resilience during their Physical Education class.

Mrs Lisa Pyle, Mrs Deb Magyar and Ms Karyn Porch
Physical Education Teachers

Term Four - Week 2 Champions

Junior



Gabriel (1SP)

Middle



Cooper (3GA)

Senior



Rianna (5PS)

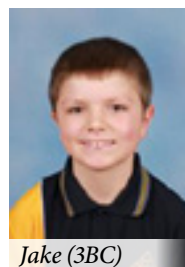
Term Four - Week 3 Champions

Junior



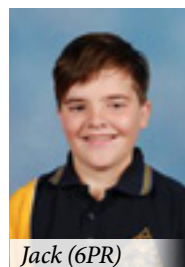
Roxy (2HU)

Middle



Jake (3BC)

Senior



Jack (6PR)

Canteen Roster

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO LACK OF VOLUNTEERS THE CANTEEN WILL ONLY OPEN ON WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER
Thursday 1st November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	
Friday 2nd November	9.00am to 10.15am	Tracey Armstrong Helen Sibley
Wednesday 7th November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Ronny Dent
Thursday 8th November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Aimee Beck
Friday 9th November	9.00am to 10.15am	Victoria Lee Rachel Steenholdt
Wednesday 14th November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Jessica McGennissen
Thursday 15th November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	
Friday 16th November	9.00am to 10.15am	Angela Brown Elvira Honey



Hello from the *Acorn Room*



We may sincerely love our children and assume our children know this, but my question to you, is does your child really know they are loved? Sometimes we can get stuck in a negative pattern of relating in families. Siblings bicker and fight, we are rushing to get to places on time, our child might do the same

irritating thing over and over again, tensions rise... It's easy to fall into ways of relating which fail to show our children how much we actually love them. But this is the single greatest thing you can do for your child.

So how can we effectively convey love to children in the midst of the busyness of life? How do we balance this alongside the need to correct and guide our children in the choices they make, especially when some children can make numerous poor choices? Withholding love is never an effective discipline strategy. Children learn best when they feel safe and secure in our love. It is important we keep looking for opportunities to demonstrate our love to our kids. Even if this means holding them to the consequences of their misbehavior at the same time.

Find the positives, and tell your kids whenever you think of something you love about them. Be specific with your compliments. Really listen to your child. Give them your full attention when you can. Validate their feelings. Things may seem trivial to us with our grown up perspective on the world, but to them, these 'small' things can be a big deal.

If it's not a good time for you and your attention is divided in some way, affirm your child that you do want to hear what they have to say, and commit to giving your child another opportunity to talk about it, and then make sure you follow through. Hug them, kiss them, give them high fives. Taking time from your regular schedule to do something special together is wonderful, but don't worry if time or finances limit this, there are still plenty of ways to show children how much you love them every day.

Mrs Sheryn Cutler

WNPS Chaplain

Warragul North Primary School offers chaplaincy and pastoral care to students and families in the Acorn Room on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Children at OSHC have made a display of butterflies and kites on one of the OSHC house windows and the feature wall is decorated with a spring theme. A swing has been hung on the tree in the back yard of the house and the children enjoy taking turns on it when the weather is suitable. They also play ball games and use the sand tub in the back yard.

Staff recently attended a network meeting of OSHC services in the Baw Baw Shire. A guest speaker from Anglicare was very helpful in making OSHC services aware of the many ways Anglicare can assist when seeking help for families facing difficult times. Representatives from Yoralla were helpful in answering queries regarding the electronic sign in/ sign out process used at OSHC services. Discussion was held and ideas shared on activities that can be incorporated into our programs for older children.

Don't forget the new Child Care Package came into effect on 1st July so please make sure you have provided all your necessary information to Centrelink via myGov. For more information on this process please visit education.gov.au/childcare

OSHC is available on a permanent or casual basis. Some sessions are fully booked and a waiting list is held for those sessions. Please remember that the Office or OSHC must be notified if your child is not going to attend a session they have been booked in for. That place can then be used for a casual booking.

Once you have a permanent booking you will be billed for that placement whether your child attends or not.

Phone numbers for bookings and cancellations are:

School Office 5623 4066

OSHC Mobile 0418 662 225

Hours for OSHC are:

Before School Care: 7am. to 8.45am.

NO EARLY DROP OFFS

After School Care: 3.30pm. to 6pm

NO LATE PICK UPS

Judy Eastwell, OSHC Co-ordinator

Book Week

Poster Competition

As part of the Book Week celebrations at Warragul North Primary School, our Parent Club held a poster competition. The club was thrilled to receive so many entries from all year levels across the school. Judging was a difficult task as so many students had produced high quality posters. The junior winners were announced at the assembly on Friday 26th October. The posters were on display at assembly for everyone to enjoy. Each winner was presented with a certificate and a \$20.00 book voucher.

The winners were:

Hailey (0JO), Hesara (1DE), and Kaylee (2TB).

Honourable Mention Certificates were awarded to Matilda (0MU), Ava (1SP) and Shayla (1BO). Ashleigh (1/2K) received an Encouragement Award.



Back row – Matilda, Ava, Ashleigh and Shayla. Front row – Hailey, Kaylee and Hesara.

Marimba Magic

Incursion

As the West Gippsland Arts Centre redevelopment was delayed we were unable to hold our school concerts this year. Instead the children enjoyed the Marimba Magic incursion held in August for the senior grades and during October for the junior grades.

John Madin from Marimba Magic is a trained classroom music teacher with a background in a wide variety of music-making. He has worked extensively in musical instrument design - marimbas in particular, as well as many other experimental musical instruments.

Jon has worked with marimbas in all states of Australia as well as in Japan, Indonesia, Austria, U.S.A., Germany, New Zealand, Hong Kong and East Timor.

John worked with the children during their Performing Arts lesson. During the last period each day the children participated in a performance that families were welcome to attend.

Mrs Sue Legg
Performing Arts Co-ordinator

Foundation student reflections...

"On Tuesday Mrs Purcell rode a music bike. Was it fun Mrs Purcell? I played an echo cello. Jon made the echo cellos and ding boxes and xylophones. We got to play all the instruments. I forgot one, it's the music bike. It was fun, very fun." **By Sienna**

"Yesterday we went to Marimba Magic with Jon. He helped us learn the instruments. He made all of the instruments except for two. Miss Coleman took us to the gym. We went in there for an hour." **By Blake**

"In Marimba incursion it was fun with the music bike. In Marimba incursion it was fun with the echo cello. In Marimba incursion it was very fun on the ding boxes."

By Jai

"On Tuesday we went to Marimba Magic. Jon taught us. He taught us how to play music. My favourite instrument was the violin because I loved the sound of the violin." **By Noah**

"We went to Marimba Magic and we played an echo cello. We went on the music instruments. We went on xylophones. We went on ding boxes. We went on the bike. I liked it!" **By Isla**

"On Tuesday we went to Marimba Magic and I went on a bike tricycle. I was so excited to see Jon the teacher. I saw my mum and my nan." **By Charlotte**





'Catch 'em being good' raffle

Our 'Catch 'em being good' raffle winner is **Hailey (0JO)** Well done!



ARE YOU MOVING?



If you plan on leaving Warragul North Primary School at the end of 2018, it would be appreciated if you could notify the school office as soon as possible.

This will assist us with our class planning for 2019 and also enable us to forward a transfer note to your children's new school. Thanks!

PLANNING FOR 2019

The process for planning grades for 2019 will begin shortly. Teachers take considerable time to place students in grades, giving consideration to the educational needs of individual students.

Parents who hold particular concerns for their child's placement for the following year are invited to put their request in writing and forward it to the school office for consideration. **Requests must be handed in by Friday 16th November, 2018.**

YEAR FOUR MT EVELYN CAMP



Mt. Evelyn
RECREATION CAMP

The Year Four children are looking forward to their camp to Mt Evelyn from Wednesday 21st November to Friday 23rd November. Permission forms and medical forms should already have been completed and returned to school. The final payment is due by Friday 9th November. A list of what to pack for camp is available from the school office if you have misplaced yours. Happy camping!

TERM FOUR UNIFORM REMINDER

Children need to be in either summer or winter uniform, not a combination of both e.g. summer dress over pants or leggings. (Please note that leggings are not part of our uniform.) A copy of the uniform dress code is available from the school office. Our uniform is available for purchase from Beleza in Williams Square, Warragul.

Black footwear is part of the Warragul North Primary School compulsory uniform. There is a wide range of footwear available in black such as runners, t-bars and velcro styles. As students grow out of (or wear out!) their shoes please replace them with plain black shoes.

Compulsory school uniform is a proud and distinctive part of the Warragul North Primary School identity. Our uniform is neat, attractive, practical, economical and wearing the uniform adds to the feeling of belonging and builds school spirit for students.

Shoes with a Purpose.

With every pair of Student's Choice school shoes sold, you're helping State Schools' Relief to provide assistance to tens of thousands of Victorian students that need our help every year.

Our quality leather shoes can now be purchased online at www.ssr.net.au/shop and directly from 16 retail stores and outlets across Melbourne. All profits from the sales of these shoes are returned to the organisation to further benefit underprivileged students.



STUDENT'S
CHOICE



AKA Embroidery
8/10 Norton Drive, Melton VIC 3337
Tel: (03) 9747 8855

Premiere Group
15 Goodyear Drive, Thomastown VIC 3074
Tel: (03) 9466 4250

Beleza Ballarat
22 Dowlton St South, Ballarat VIC 3350
Tel: (03) 5332 4320

Beleza Boronia
Shop 4, 216 Dorset Rd, Boronia VIC 3155
Tel: (03) 9761 2438

Beleza Dandenong
162 Cheltenham Rd, Dandenong VIC 3175
Tel: (03) 5126 2165

Beleza Forest Hill
423-524 Springvale Rd, Forest Hill VIC 3131
Tel: (03) 9878 2211

Beleza Geelong
136 Rhyrie St, Geelong VIC 3220
Tel: (03) 5221 8545

Beleza Gisborne
42C Aitken St, Gisborne VIC 3437
Tel: (03) 5428 1285

Beleza Hallam
Shop 7/151-152 Princes Hwy, Hallam VIC 3803
Tel: (03) 9702 3181

Beleza Moe
268 George Street, Moe VIC 3825
Tel: (03) 5126 2165

Beleza Pakenham
7/89 Bald Hill Rd, Pakenham VIC 3810
Tel: (03) 5941 4989

Beleza Somerville
8/13 Eramosa Rd West, Somerville VIC 3912
Tel: (03) 5977 5277

Beleza Traralgon
16A Seymour St, Traralgon VIC 3844
Tel: (03) 5176 5077

Beleza Warragul
Shop 5-6 William Square, Warragul VIC 3820
Tel: (03) 5622 2930

Beleza Wodonga
94 High St, Wodonga VIC 3690
Tel: (03) 6056 9402

State Schools' Relief
1/8 Johnston Crt, Dandenong South VIC 3175
Tel: (03) 8769 8400

Quality Leather School Shoes At Affordable Prices

Warragul North
Primary School

HAMPER REMINDER!

Saturday 23rd February 2019

The fete committee is pleading for your help. Each year level has been asked to organise a themed hamper that will be auctioned at the fete. Last term we asked each family or student to donate an item/s to the hamper. The response was minimal. Please send a donation to your child's classroom as soon as possible. (Thank you to the families who have sent in a donation). Every family can contribute to make the 2019 fete a great success.

FOUNDATION:
STATIONERY & CRAFT

YEAR ONE:
KID'S TOYS & GAMES

YEAR TWO:
SPORT

YEAR THREE:
GARDENING

YEAR FOUR:
COOKING

YEAR FIVE:
PETS

YEAR SIX:
HEALTH & BEAUTY



The funds raised by next year's school fete will contribute to the next exciting stage of playground renovation to benefit the children at Warragul North Primary School.

Thank you for your support of the 2019 fete.

Healesville Sanctuary

Excursion



**HEALESVILLE
SANCTUARY**

At 8.00am on Thursday 25th October, 88 very excited students boarded buses bound for Healesville Sanctuary. After studying animals from around the world last term, children were looking forward to seeing Australian animals up close and learning more about them. In small groups we explored the Sanctuary and then all

met up for the "Spirits of the Sky" presentation. During the presentation birds of prey swooped over us, 'Bernice' the Black Breasted Buzzard broke open an egg with a rock and a talking Corella entertained us. The weather was perfect and we enjoyed a packed lunch at one of the many picnic areas before some more time to explore. Thank you to all the students for their excellent behaviour and to the parent helpers for assisting us for the day.

Mrs Belinda Hyde
Excursion Co-ordinator

Student reflections...

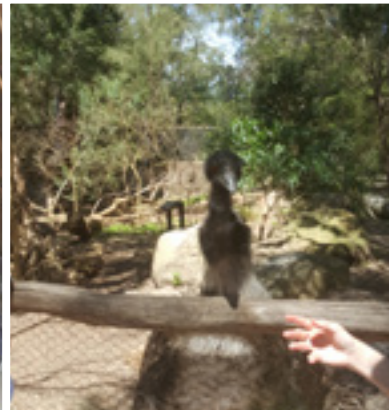
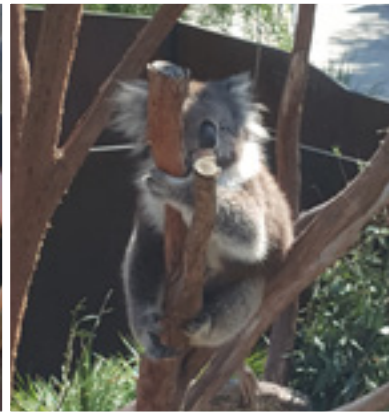
"I see koalas; snore, snore, snore. I hear footsteps; stomp, stomp, stomp. I smell dust; flick, flick, flick. I taste food; gobble, gobble, gobble. I feel grass; brush, brush, brush." **By Angus**

"I see spiky echidnas crawling on the ground. I feel the enormous birds above me. I hear the pretty birds chirping. I taste my beautiful lunch in my mouth. I smell beautiful eucalyptus trees." **By Sienna**

"I see spiky trees. I feel the soft grass. I hear the chirping birds. I smell eucalyptus trees. I taste my delicious lunch." **By Jade**

"At Healesville Sanctuary I found out that a platypus closes its eyes and ears when in water. They are the exact definition of adorable because of their funny appearance." **By Sam**

"Some emus are dark and some are light because light are young and dark are old. I liked seeing a kangaroo escape." **By Kayla**



wushka

Learning to Read

Wushka is an online reading program which helps students develop reading skills and includes an extensive selection of fiction and non-fiction levelled texts.

Every levelled text has an online comprehension quiz and printable support material.

It is very pleasing that of the 603 students currently enrolled at Warragul North Primary School, 486 have signed up for Wushka. These students have access to Wushka seven days a week.

This is a great program for students to have, especially over holiday periods, as they can use it at home to maintain and improve their literacy skills.



Dear Parents,

We are now using Wushka's cloud-based levelled reading program at school and would love you to continue reading with your child at home. The program encourages students to engage with fiction and non-fiction texts on interactive devices. All School Readers are levelled from Level 1 through to Level 31+ and have been developed using decades of educational publishing experience.

Recognising that the best outcomes are achieved when students continue reading at home, the Wushka School Readers are now available after school hours. The program is individually tailored by your child's classroom teacher and allows readers to be set for homework.

You will need your child's login details, which will have been given out in class. Please visit wushka.com.au to login to the program.

If you have any questions please speak to your child's classroom teacher or email the Wushka Team at support@wushka.com.au.

Happy reading!



300+ Days Home Reading Awards

At the end of 2017 certificates were presented to thirteen dedicated readers who had achieved 300+ days of home reading in 2017. This award is potentially achievable by all students, regardless of their reading level and reading expertise. To achieve this award reading needs to be recorded in the child's reading diary. We are hoping that many of our students will achieve a 300+ days of home reading award for 2018. Every student who achieves 300+ days will receive a special medal at the end of this year.

Pictured right are the children who received an award for 300+ days of home reading at the end of 2017.



New Art Installations in the B.E.R. Building

The students attending *Art After School* have been busy painting canvases for two new giant art installations in the BER Building. This was all part of a study in Term Three on the Japanese artist, Hokusai. Students enthusiastically designed and painted their own version of Hokusai's most famous painting 'The Great Wave off Kanagawa'. Forty-four canvases were selected for the final display.

Art lessons are offered after school at Warragul North Primary School in the art room. Lessons are available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays or Fridays from 3.45pm – 5pm @ \$18 / session. For more details contact the school office or phone Jo Draisma on 0404 613 665.

Ms Jo Draisma, After School Art Teacher



1,800,000

1,600,000

1,400,000

1,200,000

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ADDING 10 MINUTES OF READING EVERY DAY MATTERS

1,800,000+
WORD
EXPOSURE IN
1 YEAR!

600,000+
WORD
EXPOSURE IN
1 YEAR!

WORDS
READ
OVER
ONE
YEAR



A COMPARISON OF YEAR 5 CHILDREN

Research shows us that the benefits of reading more improves performance in: general knowledge, vocabulary, reading comprehension, verbal fluency and spelling.

Cunningham and Stanovich (1998)

State Athletics

Three Warragul North Primary School students qualified to compete at the Victorian State Athletics Finals held on Monday 29th October at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park, Melbourne. Well done to Jordy (6PR), Jasper (6BA) and Ash (4CU) who competed well and did their best at the State Finals. Fantastic effort!

Results:

Jasper – 8th in 12/13 year old boy's 100m

Jordy – 11th in 12/13 year old boy's discus

Ash – 4th in 10 boy's 200m heat

Mrs Lisa Pyle

Physical Education Teacher



Australian Hockey Carnival

Jordan from 6PR was recently selected as a member of the Victorian Under 13 State Hockey Team and took part in the 2018 Hockey Australia Championships in Hobart from the 4th to 10th October.

Jordan's reflection...

"I had a fantastic time representing Victoria at the U/13 Australian Hockey Carnival, it was great to be part of a team of talented hockey players and to play hockey against the top players in Australia. We had two awesome coaches who I learnt a lot from and I enjoyed the seriousness of constantly being with my team and having our own physiotherapist."

"It was a bit frustrating losing a few of our matches in the last thirty seconds of the game but it did not stop it from being a great experience, I would do it again tomorrow if given the opportunity."



Girls Regional Hooptime *Final*

The Warragul North Primary School Girl's Hooptime team qualified for the Regional Hooptime Competition which was held at the Traralgon Stadium on Thursday 25th November. There were several other schools competing, which was going to make it difficult to qualify for the State Hooptime.

After finishing the qualifying rounds, Warragul North had two wins and two losses, therefore qualifying for the semi-finals. The match was extremely close the entire time, with great shooting and defending from both teams, but unfortunately we lost the match by seven points.

Overall it was a fantastic day and each player should be very proud of themselves for showing great skill, determination and especially sportsmanship. A big thank you to my son, Lachlan, for coaching the team very successfully.

Mrs Lisa Pyle

Physical Education Co-ordinator



WNPS Waste Audit

Perhaps one of the greatest challenges in the future, is how an expanding population will support itself with limited resources. Earth's current population: over seven billion people. By 2050: the population is estimated to hit ten billion.

Students were exposed to this problem during our Waste Audit on Friday 26th October.

They were shown that much of our waste comes from timber (paper products), mines (tins, etc.), or oil reserves (plastics), and these require areas of wilderness to be removed. Much of this is being used at a rapid rate by the world's population. The world is currently unsustainable with our use of these resources.

During the Waste Audit, staff and students from the Environment and Sustainability Group, teamed up with our ResourceSmart facilitator, Simone Taylor, and parent volunteers, to look at how we can be a part of the solution to the problem.

With the glamorous job of collecting and sorting the school's waste over a two-day period, the group then showed the school what we currently do with our waste. The result? Most of the items placed into our bins could be classified as 'resources' and can be recycled. Obvious items such as paper and hard plastics were amongst the waste, along with lesser known recyclables, flexible plastics (chip packets, etc.), that can be recycled at local supermarkets. There was a significant collection of organic waste, which we will soon be able to turn into compost with our school's Worm Farm.

The idea of a 'closed loop' was introduced, where a product's life doesn't end once it has been finished with - it can be recycled and remade into new products. In doing so, we do less damage to the planet and sustain our resources for future populations.

Staff and students gained valuable knowledge from the experience. We would like to thank our ResourceSmart facilitator, Simone Taylor, for her support. The school has recently signed up as a ResourceSmart school and will be working towards developing school-wide sustainable practices.

A huge thankyou to our parent volunteers Kylie McNair, Aimee Beck and Michelle Burge; the day would not have run as seamlessly without your assistance. A big thankyou to our Environment and Sustainability Group for the maturity they mustered towards this challenge. It was a dirty, but important job, and you handled it with true grit!

If you are also interested in assisting the school in its environmental program, please contact me.

Mr Brendan Cox

Environment and Sustainability Group Co-ordinator





Well Done Sabine

Congratulations to Sabine from 6PR who recently achieved a third place overall in the Victorian State Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships. Sabine competed in three disciplines, the ball, the hoop, and freehand, achieving fourth, third, and seventh respectively to finish third overall.

Rhythmic gymnastics combines gymnastic techniques with elements of dance and acrobatics. Sabine has been dancing since she was three years old, and has been doing gymnastics and acrobatics from five years old. However, Sabine only moved to rhythmic gymnastics in August and was not planning to compete in the state championships this year.

Unfortunately, two weeks before the event a teammate was injured at home, creating an opportunity for Sabine to compete and gain some experience at the state level. While Sabine had been perfecting her hoop and freehand routines, she had not practiced the ball routine. After an intense two weeks of training Sabine was ready to compete, have fun and represent her club. Sabine was shocked to place third overall in her first major competition.

Sabine is now training nine hours a week to prepare for the Victorian State Pairs Championship in November where she hopes to gain some more experience and have some more fun.



School Costs 2019

The schools costs for 2019 were confirmed at the October meeting of School Council.

Statements will be posted out to all families at the beginning of 2019 with payment due as soon as possible. Families wishing to pay in two instalments should pay the first instalment by the end of February and the second instalment by the end of Term Two.

Payment can be made in person at the school office, by sending the payment in a named envelope with your child or online using internet banking. Our bank details are: BSB 313-140 ACCOUNT NO. 12012190.

Families who are in receipt of a Centrelink payment (e.g. Family Tax Benefit, Parenting Payment, etc) are able to set up a Centrepay facility to pay their school account in fortnightly instalments. Please call at the school office for further information or to set up Centrepay.

WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL COSTS 2019:

The school charges for the 2019 year as set by School Council are as follows:

STUDENT SUPPLIES

\$200.00 (PER STUDENT FOUNDATION)

\$190.00 (PER STUDENT YEARS 1 - 6)

To ensure all WNPS students have the stationery supplies needed for the academic year the Warragul North School Council makes a bulk purchase from reputable suppliers on behalf of parents. This ensures parents are able to purchase their child's supplies very cost effectively and easily. The bulk purchase also means all students have the same supplies (e.g. pencils, pens, rulers, paper, paint, glue, etc). This cost also includes materials and equipment for Visual Arts, Performing Arts and Physical Education. On the school account statement that parents receive the student supplies are charged as 'Essential Education Items' as per the Department of Education guidelines.



MATHS PORTAL (MATHS ONLINE)

\$20.00 (PER STUDENT FOUNDATION - YEAR 6)

Maths Online is an educational website catering for Kindergarten through to Year 12. Maths Online enables children to use tutorials to learn and revise a large range of topics. It has a comprehensive Australian K - 12 curriculum with more than 1400 animated and narrated mathematics lessons, a bank of tests and instant feedback to students. Once payment has been made a personal password is issued allowing access 24 hours, seven days a week.

ENGLISH PORTAL (WUSHKA)

\$20.00 (PER STUDENT FOUNDATION - YEAR 6)

Wushka is an online levelled school reading program which helps students learn to read and includes an extensive selection of fiction and non-fiction levelled school readers. Every levelled reader has an online comprehension quiz and printable teacher support material. Teachers manage their own class, easily setting class reading levels, reading groups and choosing readers to read at home. Once payment has been made a personal password is issued allowing access 24 hours, seven days a week.

HEADPHONES

\$20.00 (PER STUDENT FOUNDATION - YEAR 6)

For use in classrooms with laptops, i-Pads, i-Pods and audio equipment. Students will use the headphones during Digital Technology lessons. Headphones are to be retained from year to year.



MEMORY STICK

\$20.00 (PER STUDENT YEARS 3 - 6)

For use at school and home to enable students to store their school work. These are supplied with a Warragul North Primary School lanyard. Memory sticks are to be retained from year to year.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CHARGE

\$35.00 (PER FAMILY)

Parents are keen to see the school's buildings and grounds properly maintained in order to provide their children with a clean, tidy and safe learning environment. To assist in achieving this goal payment of the grounds maintenance charge will allow the school to engage paid labour.

WORKING BEE

\$60.00 (PER FAMILY)



The Buildings and Grounds sub-committee of School Council hold a minimum of two working bees each year. At Warragul North Primary School we recognise that parents cannot always be available on these days. The working bee charge enables families to contribute in lieu of attendance.

'FOR THE RECORD' SCHOOL YEARBOOK

\$30.00 (PER FAMILY)

The school yearbook is issued at the end of the year to the eldest child in each family. It is a fantastic record of the Warragul North Primary School year and includes photos of the many activities the children take part in during the year such as concerts, production, camps, excursions and incursions.

WNPS

Volunteers Policy

PURPOSE

To outline the processes that Warragul North Primary school will follow to recruit, screen, supervise and manage volunteers to provide a child safe environment, and to explain the legal rights of volunteers.

DEFINITIONS

Child-related work: work that usually involves direct contact (including in person, over the phone, written and online communication) with a child that is a central part of that person's duties. It does not include work that involves occasional contact with children that is incidental to the work.

Closely related family member: parent, carer, parent/carer's spouse or domestic partner, stepparent, parent/carer's mother or father in-law, grandparent, uncle or aunt, brother or sister, including step or half siblings.

Volunteer worker: A volunteer school worker is a person who voluntarily engages in school work or approved community work without payment or reward.

School work: School work means:

- Carrying out the functions of a school council
- Any activity carried out for the welfare of a school, by the school council, any parents' club or association or any other body organised to promote the welfare of the school
- Any activity carried out for the welfare of the school at the request of the principal or school council
- Providing assistance in the work of any school or kindergarten
- Attending meetings in relation to government schools convened by any organisation which receives government financial support

This is a broad definition and means that volunteers who participate in school community activities, such as fundraising and assisting with excursions, are legally protected (ie indemnified) from action by others in the event of an injury or accident whilst they are performing volunteer school work in good faith.

POLICY

Warragul North Primary School is committed to implementing and following practices which protect the safety and wellbeing of children and our staff and volunteers. The procedures set out in this policy are designed to ensure that Warragul North Primary School's volunteers are suitable to work with children and are well-placed to make a positive contribution to our school community.

Working with students

Warragul North Primary School values the many volunteers that assist in our classrooms/with sports events/camps/excursions/school concerts/other events and programs. To ensure that we are meeting our legal obligations under the *Working With Children Act 2005* (Vic) and the Child Safe Standards, Warragul North Primary School is required to undertake suitability checks which may include a Working With Children Check, proof of identity, work history involving children and/or reference checks.

Considering our legal obligations, and our commitment to ensuring that Warragul North Primary School is a child safe environment, we will require volunteers to hold a current WWC Check and have a copy of their valid card recorded by administration staff for verification in the following circumstances:

- **Volunteers who are not parent/family members** of any student at the school are required to have a WWC Check if they are engaged in child-related work regardless of whether they are being supervised.
- **Parent/family volunteers** who are assisting with any classroom or school activities involving direct contact with children in circumstances where the volunteer's child is not participating, or does not ordinarily participate in, the activity.
- **Parent/family volunteers** who assist with excursions (including swimming), camps and similar events, regardless of whether their own child is participating or not.
- **Parent/family volunteers** who regularly assist in school activities, regardless of whether their own child is participating or not

In addition, depending on the nature of the volunteer work, our school may ask the volunteer to provide other suitability checks at its discretion (for example, references, work history involving children and/or qualifications). Proof of identity may also be required in some circumstances.

Non child-related work

On some occasions, parents and other members of the school community may volunteer to do work that is not child-related. For example; volunteering on the weekend for gardening, maintenance, working bees, parents and friends club coordination, school council, participating in sub-committees of school council, fete coordination, other fundraising groups that meet in the evenings] during which children will not be, or would not reasonably be expected to be, present.

Volunteers for this type of work are not required to have Working with Children or other suitability checks as they are not engaged in child-related work and children are not generally present during these activities. However, Warragul North Primary School reserves the right to undertake suitability checks, including proof of identity, Working with Children Checks, at its discretion if considered necessary for any particular activities or circumstances.

School council members and volunteers on any sub-committee of school council will be required to provide a valid WWC Check. Whilst we acknowledge that these volunteers will not be engaging in child-related work as part of their role, we believe that it is important that our volunteers who are involved in making important decisions about our school which will have an impact on students do have a valid WWC Check.

Management and supervision

Volunteer workers will be expected to comply with any reasonable direction of the principal (or their nominee). This will include the requirement to follow our school's Statement of Commitment to Child Safety and our Child Safety Code of Conduct. The principal has the discretion to make a decision about the ongoing suitability of a volunteer worker and may determine at any time whether or not a person is suitable to volunteer at Warragul North Primary School.

Warragul North Primary School will provide any appropriate induction and/or training for volunteer workers. The principal (or their nominee) will determine what induction and/or training is necessary depending on what type of work the volunteer will be undertaking.

Volunteers will be provided induction in relation to Warragul North Primary School's child safety practices, including reporting obligations and procedures. The principal (or their nominee) will determine what

supervision, if any, of volunteers is required for the type of work being performed.

Compensation

Personal injury

Volunteer workers are covered by the Department of Education and Training's Workers Compensation Policy if they suffer personal injury in the course of engaging in school work.

Property damage

If a volunteer worker suffers damage to their property in the course of carrying out school work, the Minister (or delegate) may authorise such compensation as they consider reasonable in the circumstances. Claims of this nature should be directed to the principal who will direct them to the Department's Legal Division.

Public liability insurance

The Department of Education and Training's public liability insurance policy applies when a volunteer worker engaged in school work is legally liable for:

- a claim for bodily injury to a third party
- damage to or the destruction of a third party's property.

REVIEW CYCLE

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's five year review cycle.

This policy was ratified by School Council in July 2018



MUSIC: Count Us In!



Learning music at school makes a unique contribution to children's development. There have been countless studies that have linked music learning to improved academic and social outcomes.

With this in mind,

consider that only 23% of Australian Government schools have a consistent, sequential and developmental music program.

'Music: Count Us In!' is a Federal Government initiative which started in 2007 to highlight this issue by having as many schools as possible, public and private, primary and secondary, singing a purpose written song (by

secondary students) on the same day at the same time across Australia. Last year over 600,000 children and 2,100 schools nationwide took part including over 600 students from Warragul North Primary School.

Warragul North Primary School has been involved for the past six years and this year will again take part at 12.30pm on Thursday, 1st November, when the whole school will come together to sing, 'One Song'.

If you would like to find out more about this event or the benefits of music education, please go to www.musiccountusin.org.au. You can hear the song we will be singing and will also be able to look up Warragul North Primary School in the Victorian schools registration list with your children!

Mrs Sue Legg

Performing Arts Co-ordinator

Referral Agreement Drouin & District Community Bank Branch

The Warragul North Primary School Parent Club is pleased to announce that we have signed a formal Referral Agreement with Drouin & District Community Bank® branch. The Drouin & District Community Bank® branch has assisted WNPS in financing some school projects such as the sound garden. The bank generously reinvested \$5.4m of its profits back to the local Community over the past 16 years. The Community Bank relies on attracting new customers and business to ensure its profitability and ability to continue financially supporting the community.

The Referral Agreement is designed to be a year round fundraising option for the school to assist with Parent Club projects. Parent Club will receive an upfront payment for completed Home Loans, Business Loans and Equipment Finance. This Agreement is a win/win situation. It provides a great source of income for the Parent Club and at the same time supports the growth of our Drouin & District Community Bank®.

The Drouin & District Community Bank® branch offers a full suite of competitive Bendigo Bank products including:-

- Home Loans
- Business Loans
- Equipment Finance
- Rural Finance
- General Insurance
- Superannuation
- Financial Planning

WNPS supports the Community Bank model and its design to reinvest profits back to all corners of our communities.

Please let the Bank know that you are a Warragul North Primary School member when you call so that you may receive additional concessions on establishment fees and interest rates.

The Bank is located at 42 Princes Way, Drouin and their phone number is 56254544. Office hours are 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am to 12.00pm Saturday. For loan enquiries please contact Katy Slater or Bruce Sorrell. If you require loan assistance outside of business hours please call Mobile Relationship Manager, Leanne Marriott on 0419122228.



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YEAR 5 VISIT

Warragul Regional College



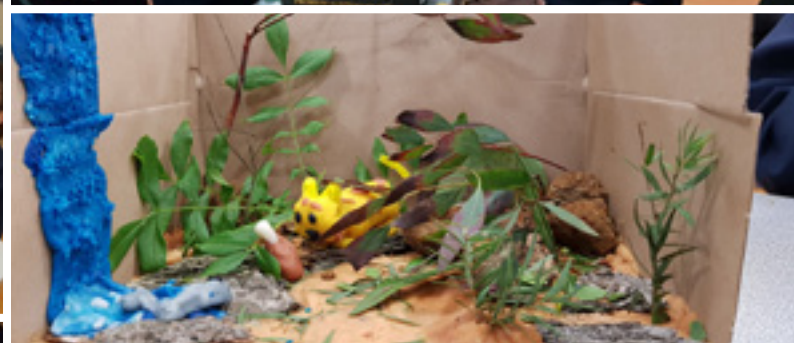
On Friday 26th October as part of our Senior School Transition Program, Year Five students were invited to Warragul Regional College to experience a Secondary School environment. The students took part in an engaging project based around endangered animals.

Secondary School students from Year Seven and Ten volunteered to guide student groups through this captivating project. Warragul North students researched, planned, created and presented a range of imaginative and innovative habitats for their endangered species. They worked collaboratively in groups with students from other local primary schools. The Year Five students were guided through the school grounds during the activities, giving

them the opportunity to become familiar with a large secondary school setting.

We would like to thank the Warragul Regional College students and teachers for providing this wonderful opportunity for our students. The visit was certainly an insight into the future for our Year Five cohort.

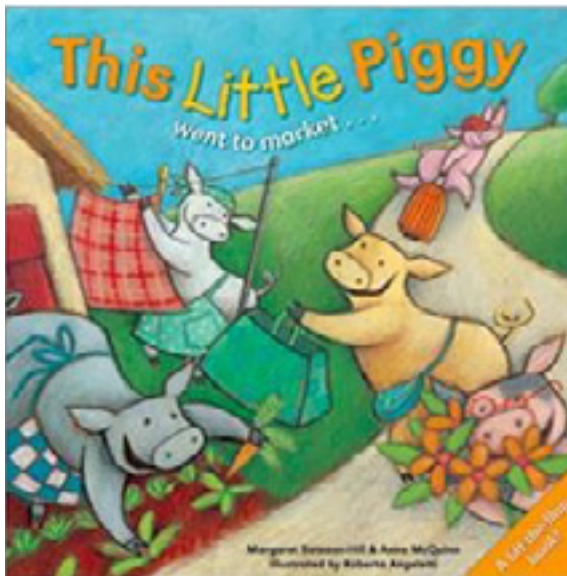
Mrs Kim James, Miss Imogen Wilson and Miss Ellee Polman-Short, Year Five Teachers



Warragul North Primary School

JOIN US FOR **Storytime**

Children **enrolled** for Foundation in 2019 are welcome to come along **with a parent** to these fun 30 minute sessions in our library on Fridays from 2.45pm to 3.15pm.



OCTOBER:

Friday 12th

Friday 19th

Friday 26th

NOVEMBER:

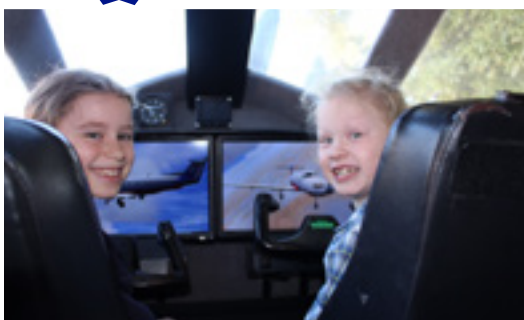
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Friday 9th

Friday 16th



Please ring 56234066 for bookings.

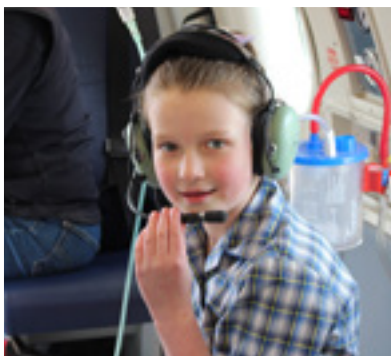
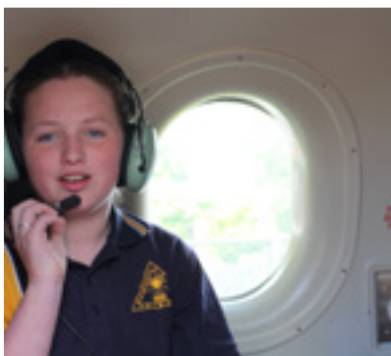


Royal Flying Doctor Service Incursion

Last week children in all year levels enjoyed a visit from the Royal Flying Doctor Service. The students learnt about the history of the Royal Flying Doctor Service and were given the opportunity to enter the aeromedical simulator which was fully equipped with stretchers, communications, oxygen and E.C.G. equipment. The aeromedical simulator is used as a training ground for doctors, nurses and pilots in the Royal Flying Doctor Service and it allowed the students to understand the environment our everyday heroes operate within. It was a great incursion!

Mrs Sue Bond

Excursion Co-ordinator



EVERY DAY COUNTS

In primary school, some students **miss** on average **3 weeks** of school **per year**. That's **half a year** of school by the end of **year 6**.



Each term certificates are awarded to children who achieved 100% attendance for the previous term. To be able to give out 145 certificates for 100% attendance for Term Three was very pleasing.

Well done to all those children who received a 100% certificate for Term Three. Let's hope we can award just as many certificates for Term Four's attendance!



Monash University Research Project

Warragul North Primary School has been approached by Monash University to be involved in their Project Magnet Research work. The project is aiming to help children with ASD and ADHD, to give them the best chance of good education, and a happy life. They will do this by looking at the DNA for those genes that they think affect behaviours like attention, memory, and language.

To be able to gather the large amount of data required Monash are looking for families who would like to be involved.

As a part of the data collection process, every child that is eligible to participate will complete a range of assessments at Warragul North Primary School, one of which will be a cognitive assessment. The study will require volunteers from:

- Families who have a child with ASD and/or ADHD
- AND/OR

- Families who have a typically developing child without ASD and/or ADHD

Participation in this research project is voluntary and there is no cost to the families who choose to be involved.

For more detailed information about the study, please email med.magnetstudy@monash.edu or to register your interest in participating, go to <https://is.gd/magnetproject>

Community News

Swimming Lessons

Learn in the Pool, Swim in the World

2 WEEKS FREE* if you enrol your child before 9 November 2018

WARRAGUL LEISURE CENTRE
21 Burke Street, Warragul 3820
0620 4017
warragul.ymca.org.au

Showing love for your child in non-sugary ways!

Sometimes parents put sugary 'special treats' in their children's lunch boxes to show them that they are loved. Unfortunately most children are already eating way more than the recommended amount of sugar every day. Here are some other ideas for you to help make your children feel loved:

1. **Lunch box love.** Write a silly poem or the lyrics to a song that reminds you of your child and hide this in their lunchbox. Your child will smile and feel loved even when you are apart.
2. **Read them one more story.** Say yes when your child asks for another story, even when you are tired. They will love the extra attention.
3. **Frame a favourite picture.** Print out a favorite picture of your child and write a note on the back of the photo describing why it's your favorite. Give your child this photo to keep in their room.

So please remember lunchtime sugar hits are not great you're your child's concentration and our teachers will thank you for avoiding them!

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