



WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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20th December 2018



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Principal's Report

Memorable Year Six Graduation

Yesterday was a delightful day as our Year Six students completed their primary years of schooling. A formal ceremony in the gymnasium highlighted the skills and talents of students which was followed by morning tea for students and their parents. During the afternoon a dedicated group of parents transformed the gymnasium into a Hollywood red carpet spectacular ready for students to return and complete their time at Warragul North Primary School with a graduation dinner and dance. We hope the morning ceremony and evening function enabled students to leave with fond memories of primary school.

To the students and their families thank you for being a part of our Warragul North Primary School community. We wish our Year Six students every success in the future.

Warragul North Primary School gratefully acknowledges the generous donations provided by the following sponsors for the awards. A big thank you to the sponsors of this year's awards; The Freemasons Foundation, Victoria, The Gippsland Forest Lodge, of Warragul and The Lioness Club of Warragul.



CALENDAR 2018

Thur 20 Dec Mini Concert
Students visit their 2019 grades
Academic program concludes for 2018 at 3.30pm

Fri 21 Dec Clean up and moving day -
1.30pm dismissal

CALENDAR 2019

Thur 31 Jan Term One commences for all students 9.00am 'Tea & Tissues' for parents of Foundation students

Sat 23 Feb WNPS Fete at Logan Park

TERM DATES 2019

TERM ONE
Thursday 31st January to Friday 5th April

TERM TWO
Monday 23rd April to Friday 28th June

TERM THREE
Monday 15th July to Friday 20th September

TERM FOUR
Monday 7th October to Friday 20th December

Award Recipients For 2018:

Education Scholarships

Ashlyn Holland
Selina Hunt
Lucas Jones
Haley Pratt
Gemma Ryder
Jemma Skellern

English Awards

Acacia Healy
Connor O'Brien

Mathematics Awards

Jessica Hunt
Noah Tagarelli

Physical Education and Sportsmanship Award

Jasper Alger

Performing Arts Award

Alice Stern

Visual Arts Award

Issabella Risch

Civics and Citizenship Awards

Amelie McWilliam
Jordan Oellermann
Mia Steenholdt



English Awards – Acacia and Connor.



Mathematics Awards – Noah and Jessica.



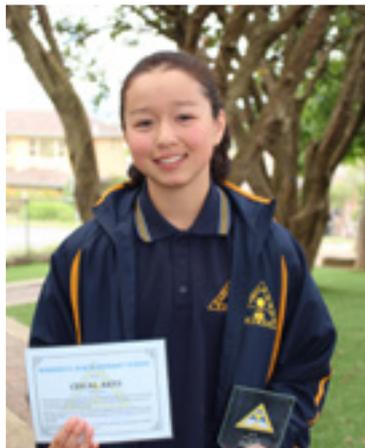
Phys Ed Award – Jasper.



Civics and Citizenship Awards – Amelie, Jordan and Mia.



Performing Arts Award – Alice.



Visual Arts Award – Issy.



Education Scholarships: Back row – Ashlyn , Mr Brett Kersten, Past Master of the Gippsland Forest Lodge and representative of The Freemasons Foundation, Victoria, Mr Allen McCowan, Worshipful Master of the Gippsland Forest Lodge and Gemma. Front row – Lucas, Jemma, Haley and Selina.

Principal's Report *cont.*

300+ Days of Reading Awards

At the Year Six Graduation assembly and the mini-concert certificates and medals were presented to the very dedicated readers who had achieved 300+ days of home reading in 2018. At the end of 2017 certificates were awarded to 13 children so it is absolutely fantastic to report that this year there were 77 children who received a medal and certificate. I am thrilled that such a large number of children achieved the 300+ reading award for 2018. Well done to all our super readers!

Staff Farewells

Mrs Pam Thrift-Mulholland



Mrs Thrift-Mulholland joined the staff at Warragul North Primary School in 2011 in a junior grade. She moved to the senior school and has remained in senior grades for the past seven years. Throughout her years at Warragul North Primary School she has successfully promoted and co-ordinated the school's participation

in the Tournament of Minds competitions each year. Mrs Thrift-Mulholland is taking up the Acting Principal position at Noojee Primary School for the first semester of 2019. Good luck Mrs Thrift-Mulholland with your first principal role and the challenges it will bring.

Mrs Kim James



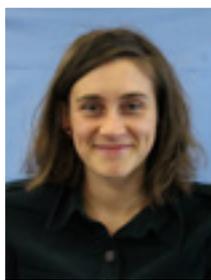
Mrs James came to Warragul North Primary School as a C.R.T. during 2016. She became a Year Two teacher in 2017 and has been teaching in Year Five during 2018. Mrs James is having quite a change and will be the new Mobile Area Resource Centre (M.A.R.C.) van teacher. Mrs James will visit small local schools in her new role. We wish her all

the best as she embarks on this exciting endeavour.

Mrs Alice Hill



Miss Hill has been a hardworking and valued member of the Foundation team at Warragul North Primary School for the past three years. We wish her well for the future as she takes up a teaching position in Melbourne.



Miss Bridgette Coleman

Miss Coleman joined the Performing Arts Department earlier this year when Mrs Binks retired. Miss Coleman has been an asset to this department and has worked closely with Mrs Sue Legg to run an excellent Performing Arts program for the students of Warragul North Primary School.



Mrs Marg Hayes

Mrs Hayes commenced working at our Outside School Hours Care facility during 2000. She has been an integral part of the OSHC team for the past 18 years and has worked closely with the OSHC Co-ordinator. We wish Mrs Hayes a very happy and relaxing retirement.



Miss Abby Collinson

Miss Collinson has been part of the Outside School Hours Care team during 2018. She has now completed her teaching degree and will commence in her first teaching position in 2019. We thank her for her work and wish her well in her teaching career.



Mrs Jan Winterton

Mrs Winterton joined the administration team at Warragul North Primary School in 1996. During that time she has seen three rotations of children pass through the school and has helped most of them with either a bandaid, an icepack, a permission form or an emergency lunch.

Mrs Winterton has been an integral member of the administration team for the past 23 years and she will be sadly missed. We thank her for everything she has done for Warragul North Primary School and wish her health and happiness in her retirement.



Principal's Report *cont.*

Portables are Ready for 2019

Late afternoon on Tuesday 18th December six portable buildings housing twelve classrooms, were handed over to Warragul North Primary School. These portables will be used during the demolition of the old junior wing and the construction of new modular permanent classrooms during the first half of 2019.

The portables have been strategically placed around the oval leaving as much grassed, playing space as possible. The classrooms are spacious, in excellent condition and air-conditioned.

A B-I-G thank you to Mrs Deb Magyar and Mr Bruce Harris for their hard work co-ordinating the move out of the old building and into the portables. It is exciting to think about moving into our new building with excellent student facilities next year.

Thank You and Season's Greetings

The Warragul North Primary School community is most fortunate to have the services of a committed and highly professional staff. On your behalf I sincerely thank them for their outstanding efforts throughout 2018. Finally, thank you for the wonderful parental and community support we have received during the year. We are most grateful. I wish all families a safe and happy festive season.

Corinne Collins
Principal



2019 Student Leaders & Peer Mediators

Last Friday the Peer Mediators for 2019 were announced. We are very proud of the students who have been selected for this important role for 2019 and wish them all a very enjoyable year.



Adia



Alex



Andy



Ashlea



Charlotte



Chloe



Connor



Drew



Eleanor



Ella



Emma



Georgia



Hannah B



Hannah S



Haridu



Hunter



Josh



Kamryn



Kayla



Lewis



Madison



Mia



Olivia



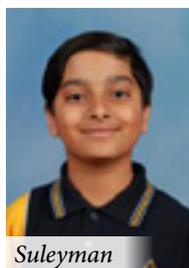
Rianna



Rylee



Sienna



Suleyman



Tahlia



Taylar



Zhara

Year Two Skipping Competition

Congratulations to the Year Two students who took part in the skipping competition this term. Matilda (2RA) was our winner and Sienna (2RA) the runner-up. Matilda skipped 205 skips non-stop. Well done Matilda. We certainly have some fantastic skippers at Warragul North Primary School.

Mrs Lisa Pyle
Physical Education Co-ordinator



Junior School Council Christmas Food Drive



Last Friday 14th December, the children brought donations for the Junior School Council Christmas food drive to school for collection. Children who brought a donation were able to dress up in their Christmas clothes and the school certainly looked very Christmassy! It was fantastic to receive so many donations and the Baw Baw Combined Churches Food Relief staff were amazed at the generosity shown by the families from Warragul North Primary School. Thank you to everyone who donated to our Christmas food drive.

Miss Ellee Polman-Short
Junior School Council Co-ordinator



EVERY DAY COUNTS

Each term certificates are awarded to children who have achieved 100% attendance for the previous term. It was fantastic to be able to give out 133 certificates for 100% attendance for Term Four. Great effort!

Well done to the 18 children who achieved 100% attendance for 2018. These students were presented with a 100% certificate at the mini-concert and Year Six Graduation assembly.

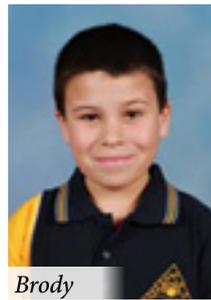
In primary school, some students **miss** on average **3 weeks** of school **per year**. That's **half a year** of school by the end of **year 6**.



Allison



Ashlyn



Brody



Connor



Ella



Georgia



Hannah



Henry



Joel



Kayla



Lachlan



Locki



Madison



Riley



Sam



Tabatha



Tammy



Zahli

Environmental & Sustainability Group



Representatives from the co-sponsors of our school's worm farm, the Drouin & District Community Bank, attended our assembly on Friday 7th December. The Drouin & District Community Bank donated \$1,000 dollars towards the project, which is now in operation. This donation went towards the worm farm equipment, supplies and the construction of a new fence.

We have nine worm farms, with one more coming soon. These are taking the food scraps from three grades. As the worm populations build up, we will increase the amount of food scraps. Through this process, we hope to divert the 3.2 tonnes of organic waste our school sends to landfill each year.

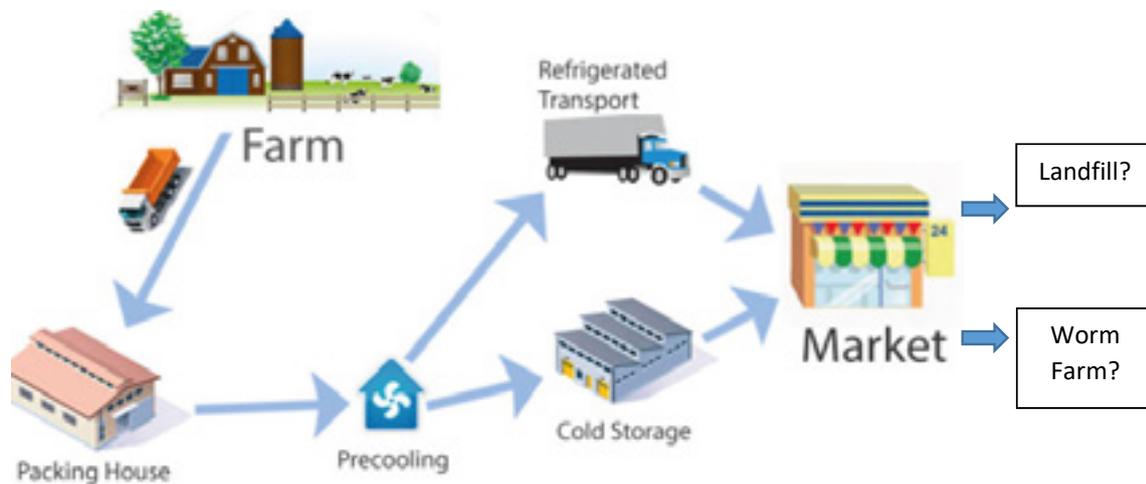
We would like to thank the Drouin & District Community Bank for their massive contribution to this project.

Mr Brendan Cox
Environment and Sustainability Group Co-ordinator

How can you can help at home?

Most of the food waste that goes into the worm farms is fruit. During our waste audit, we have discussed the chain of production of items we purchase. It would be good if you could discuss this with your child. It will save you money, and reduce pressure on the worm farms!

By sending students with smaller portions, or encouraging them to bring home fruit if uneaten/barely eaten – we can reduce the environmental impact of our food production and disposal. We also teach them how to be more sustainable in the future. Tip: the use of reusable containers and lemon juice can prevent fruit from discolouring (if sending smaller portions).



Pictured are the members of the Environment and Sustainability Group, Mr Cox and the representatives from the Drouin & District Community Bank, Mr Rob Dunlop, Director and Mr Rob Hutchinson, Branch Manager.

300+ Days Home Reading Awards

Foundation



Bailey



Blake



Brooklynn



Claudia



Connor



Cooper



Georgia



Hailey



Harper



Jack



Jasmine



Joel



Lexie



Marcella



Nathan



Noah L



Noah M



Thomas

Year One



Allison



Andrew



Brody



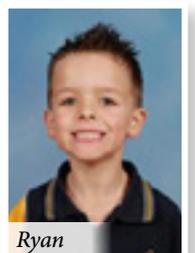
Elizabeth



James



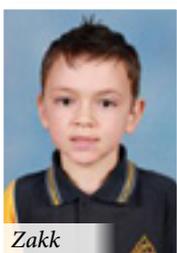
Raj



Ryan



Sapphire



Zakk



Zarah

Year Two



Alistair



Ashleigh



Deena



Emma



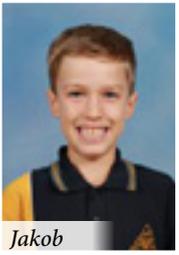
Guinevere



Henry



Jack



Jakob



Jett



Lawson



Matilda



Mattaya



Nina



Olliver



Stephanie

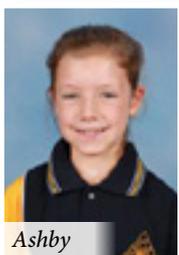


Tabatha

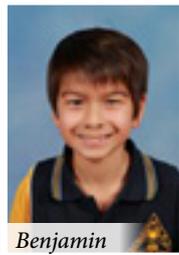
Year Three



Alex



Ashby



Benjamin



Ella



Gemma



Issy



Logan



Mickayla



Musa



Winter



Xavier

300+ Days Home Reading Awards continued

Year Four



Claire



Cyrus



Riley



Tyler

Year Five



Adia



Alex



Angus



Darcie



Eleisha



Ella



Georgia A



Georgia H



Hannah



Josh B



Josh L



Madison



Olivia



Summer



Tahlia



Tiana



Zara

Year Six



Reeve



**WARRAGUL NORTH
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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★ ★ - 2019 - ★ ★

SAT 23RD FEBRUARY 2019
LOGAN PARK, HOWITT ST, WARRAGUL
10AM - 3PM

**UNLIMITED RIDE
WRIST BANDS**

**SUGAR RUSH • ARCTIC PLUNGE
MINIONS JUMPING CASTLE
PETTING ZOO • CHAIR-O-PLANE**

**\$20 PRE-PURCHASED
BEFORE 20 FEB 2019**

-OR-

\$25 AT THE GATE

**SHOWBAGS
FACEPAINTING
OPEN AUCTION
MARKET HALL
MYSTERY JARS**

**BBQ
BAKED SPUDS
SLUSHIES
DEVONSHIRE TEA
BAKE STALL
COFFEE**

RIPTIDE

**RIPTIDE NOT INCLUDED
WITH WRISTBAND
PURCHASE.**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE
SEPERATELY**



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OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

On behalf of everyone at the service we would like to say a sad farewell to Marg and Abby. Thankyou Marg for your 18 years of friendship and dedication to Outside School Hours Care. Enjoy your retirement and looking after the grandchildren.

To Abby thanks for your contribution we hope you enjoy your teaching position at Baringa, Moe.

Looking forward to another great year in 2019. Merry Christmas and happy new year from all the staff at Outside School Hours Care.

Judy Eastwell
OSHC Co-ordinator



Congratulations Izzy!

Izzy from 6BR recently competed at the Victorian Age State Swimming Championships in Melbourne. This event is the most prestigious and important swimming meet of the year in Victoria for under 18 swimmers.

Izzy had a fantastic competition and finished up with two silver medals in the girls 12 year old age group. She won a medal for the 100 metre breast stroke and the 200 metre breast stroke. Her time in the 100 metre event set a new Gippsland record and a new out of Gippsland record for her age group. In the 200m race Izzy and the winner both posted the current fastest times in Australia for 12 year old girls. Amazing effort Izzy!





Hello from the *Acorn Room*



As 2018 draws to a close we can find ourselves reflecting on the year that's been. Has it been a tough one? Where were things at this time last year? Kids grow and change so much – it's nice to take stock and recognize the wonder of our children's growth, and cherish the children in our lives.

The Christmas and holiday season can bring much busyness and it's always a challenge to keep the joy in Christmas. It can be hard on little people whose sleep and routines are disrupted (as may the grown-ups be also!) so it's good to remember to be kind to each other, and give members of a family the space to do what they need to do to get through the season.

May your homes be filled with love and joy. May your grief and sadness be comforted. May 2019 bring you growth, peace and love.

I look forward to continuing to work with you and your families in 2019. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a safe and happy new year!

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.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

The office will close at 1.30pm
on Friday 21st December for
the staff Christmas lunch



SEE YOU IN 2019!



Community News

Try to Include some healthy Christmas treats in your celebrations!
Merry Christmas from West Gippsland Healthcare Group

WARRAGUL COLTS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday 3rd Feb 2019
Between 10am & 12pm

Where: Eastern Park, Warragul

For more information please contact
Jason Ross (President) on 0437 160 385
or email admin@coltsjfc.com.au

BAW BAW
SWIM SCHOOL

ENROL NOW

SUMMER INTENSIVE PROGRAM

Monday 14th - Friday 18th Jan 9am-12pm
Monday 21st - Friday 25th Jan 9am-12pm

Term lessons start
Thursday 7th Feb 3pm-6pm
or Sunday 10th Feb 9am - 12pm
Lessons are 30 mins duration

CALL 0448 880 722