



WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

#12

4th September 2019



4 BOOK WEEK



14 OLD GIPPS TOWN EXCURSION



10 FATHER'S DAY STALL

CALENDAR 2019

Fri	6 Sept	Year 5 students return from Ballarat Camp
Mon	9 Sept	NO SCHOOL BUSES RUNNING
Tues	10 Sept	Foundation excursion to Chesterfield Farm
Thur	12 Sept	Musical Soiree at 6.30pm
Fri	13 Sept	Year 5 & 6 Footsteps Dance Junior Assembly
Tues	17 Sept	Year 2 excursion to Quantum
Wed	18 Sept	Year 2 excursion to Quantum Year 3 students depart for Phillip Island Camp
Fri	20 Sept	Year 5 and 6 Footsteps Dance Year 3 students return from Phillip Island Camp Last day of school for Term Three - 2.30pm finish
Mon	7 Oct	First day of school for Term Four
Thur	17 Oct	Junior School Concert at West Gippsland Art Centre

TERM THREE ASSEMBLIES

Friday 30th August - Years 3 to 6

Friday 13th September - Foundation to Year 2

Principal's Report

Lions Junior Public Speaking Competition

The Warragul Lions Club once again invited Warragul North Primary School to become involved in their Public Speaking Competition this year. Students wrote their own speeches and participated in the school level competition.

On Monday 26th August the school competition was conducted with three independent judges adjudicating. It was most pleasing to have so many students keen to participate. We congratulate each student on having the courage to prepare and present their speech.

Progressing to the next level of competition, which is the club level where students from local schools compete against each other, were Angus (6TH), Bella (5PS), Evie (4HA) and Zoe (3/4M). The dinner meeting was held by the Lions Club of Warragul on Wednesday evening the 28th August and was attended by students involved in the competition, family supporters and school representatives, Mellisa Manuel and Pam Vickerman.

All participants spoke on their particular topic with great expertise. Angus, Bella, Evie and Zoe can be justly proud of their achievements as they spoke with

confidence, excellent expression, tone and volume variation and had thoroughly researched their topics.

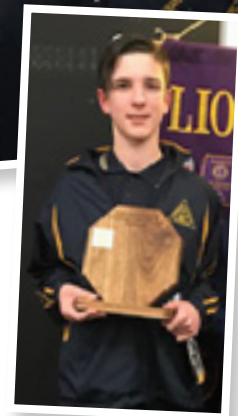
The parents and school representatives were thrilled and excited that Angus was selected as the Year 5/6 winner. The Zone Final will be held on Sunday 8th September and we wish Angus well as he prepares for the next level of competition.

Corinne Collins
Principal



Above: Bella, Evie, Angus and Zoe at the Lion's Junior Public Speaking Competition.

Right: Angus with the Public Speaking Trophy



Warragul North Primary School Values

 **School Values**

 **literacy**

 **engagement**

 **achievement**


 **respect**


 **numeracy**

 **integrity**

 **nurturing**

 **Getting Along**

 **School Values**

 **Integrity**

What is it?

The definition of integrity states that a person with integrity adheres to moral and ethical principles. Such a person has soundness of moral character. Having integrity means doing the right thing in a reliable way.

Integrity is a character trait that is admired by others since it means a person has a moral compass that does not waver. Integrity literally means having 'wholeness' of character, just as an integer is a 'whole number' with no fractions.

Integrity means being honest and telling the truth. Integrity involves being fair.

Living with integrity means that you do what you know is the right thing to do - you listen to your conscience. You do the right thing whether anyone is watching or not, whether anyone will know or not.

In a 'nutshell' Integrity means being honest, telling the truth, doing what you know is right and being fair.

NURTURING – Year Three – Kaylee (3CO)

GETTING ALONG – Year Four – Abby (3/4M)

LITERACY – Year Five – Jye (5PS)

ENGAGEMENT – Year Six – Kayla (6TH)



School Values medals were awarded at assembly on Friday 30th August to Kaylee, Abby, Jye and Kayla. Congratulations!



Hello from the *Acorn Room*



Father's Day can be a wonderful time of joy and celebration of this very unique and important role of fatherhood. It can also be a challenging reminder of family difficulties, such as the absence of loved ones, bereavement and/or broken relationships. Fatherhood is hard work. Dads aren't going to get everything right all the time.

What's important is that children feel loved and feel safe. I want to encourage all Dads to keep finding new ways to show their kids that they love them. This is the single greatest thing you can do for your child. In those families where dad's don't play this role, please be assured that research shows the love of one significant adult in a child's life can be enough for kids to achieve positive outcomes.

Despite the challenges and sensitivities around Father's Day, I think it is important to give Father's Day a place in our families. To use the occasion as an excuse to do something special together, or just to be able to say how much we appreciate each other. I hope you were able to enjoy a Happy Father's Day this year. Keep up the great work, Dads!

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.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL BUS USERS



Warragul Regional College have advised us that they have changed their pupil free day from Friday 16th August to Monday 9th September. Please note that there will be **NO** government school buses operating on **MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER**. The connecting

town bus will also not operate on Monday 9th September. Parents need to make alternative transport arrangements for their children to attend school on Monday 9th September.

ABSENCE REPORTING LINE



2020 FOUNDATION (PREP) ENROLMENTS



Enrolment forms are available from the school office for families wishing to enrol a child for 2020 in Foundation (Prep). Please enrol siblings as soon as possible to ensure all children are included in

the orientation program which will commence early in Term Four, and to assist with class planning for 2020.

'Catch 'em being good' raffle

Our 'Catch 'em being good' raffle winner is **Anna (5JE)**
Well done!



Book Week *Dress Up Day*

A host of literary characters arrived at Warragul North Primary School on Friday 23rd August, to celebrate Book Week. The children and teachers certainly were very inventive with their dress up ideas. Harry Potter, Elsa and Anna, the King of Hearts, Dumbo, Little Red Riding Hood, Thing 1 and Thing 2, Robin Hood, Mary Poppins, and many other characters were on show. Snow White made an appearance with six of the seven dwarves, unfortunately Sleepy overslept and didn't make it to school!

Thanks to our Parent Club for organising our Book Week celebration that raised \$556 to be spent on books for our fabulous library. Mrs Burton is very grateful for the support given to the library by Parent Club, and is excited about the great new books she will be buying. The books will soon be ready for the children to borrow.

There was a fantastic response to the Parent Club poster competition with a huge number of entries received. The winners will be announced at upcoming junior and senior assemblies.





Artists of the Week

Artist of the Week awards were presented at assembly on Friday 30th August to many talented children who had created out of this world space paintings and very colourful nature drawings during their Visual Arts lessons. Great job!

Mrs Shelley Roberts and Ms Jo Draisma
Visual Arts Teachers



Darcy 4CU



Emma 3/4M



Keelie 5/6P



Tiana 6HI

Interschool Gymnastics Competition

"On Wednesday 21st August, Jamisyn, Madicyn and I travelled to Cranbourne to compete in the Interschool Gymnastics. We competed in floor, beam, bars, rings, vault and aerobics. Some of the apparatuses were ones that we hadn't trained in. Most teams had around 20 competitors but our team had only 3 competitors. I was really proud of how well our team performed as overall we placed third."

By Mia (5/6P)



Madicyn, Jamisyn and Mia

Year Three Camp Reminder

The Year Three children are very excited about their upcoming three day camp to Phillip Island from **WEDNESDAY 18TH TO FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER**.

Please make sure full payment for camp has been made as the due date is today Wednesday 4th September. If you have misplaced your packing lists another copy is available from the office.



VicSpell

On Wednesday 21st August four students from Warragul North Primary School competed in the Central Zone VicSpell competition. VicSpell is a spelling bee where each school selects two students from Year Five and Year Six to participate in the competition. Our students competed against students from other schools in their own year level.

Well done to Summer (6HI), Rianna (6BA), Zoe (5WI) and Leo (5JE) for representing our school and doing their best. Summer placed second in the Year Six level and Leo placed third in the Year 5 level which were fantastic results. Great job everyone!

Ms Kay Baughurst
VicSpell Co-ordinator



Pictured are our VicSpell representatives Summer, Leo, Zoe and Rianna.

Canteen Roster

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CANTEEN IS ONLY OPEN ON THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER
Thursday 5th September	9.00am to 10.15am	Helen Sibley
Friday 6th September	9.00am to 10.15am	Angela Brown Victoria Lee
	1.00pm to 2.15pm	Kellie Williams
Thursday 12th September	9.00am to 10.15am	Val Little
Friday 13th September	9.00am to 10.15am	Tracey Armstrong Belinda Hogan
	1.00pm to 2.15pm	Linda Love
Thursday 19th September	9.00am to 10.15am	Rachel Steenholdt
Friday 20th September	9.00am to 10.15am	Angela Brown Helen Sibley
	1.00pm to 2.15pm	Kylie Sage

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

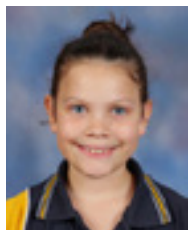
Term Three - Week 6 Champions

Junior



Sebastian (1SP)

Middle



Aaliya (4CU)

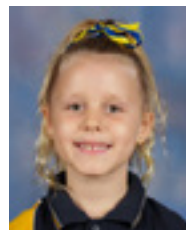
Senior



Arli (6HI)

Term Three - Week 7 Champions

Junior



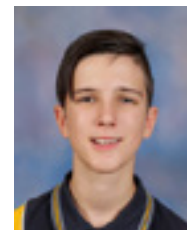
Billie (1SP)

Middle



Briley (3CO)

Senior



Angus (6TH)

Life Ed Van

Life Education Victoria is a community-based, independent organisation at the front line of positive and preventative drug and health education. Approximately 200,000 Victorian children and 18,000 families take part in their pre-school, primary and secondary programs each year. Driven by the popular Life Education mascot, Healthy Harold, the Life Education program helps young people to make informed decisions about drugs and their health.

The Life Education Van and Healthy Harold visited Warragul North Primary School this term and each grade visited the van for an age appropriate session on topics including drugs and alcohol, personal safety, cyber safety, food and nutrition, physical activity, social and emotional well-being and the human body.

Mrs Lisa Pyle

Physical Education Co-ordinator



Father's Day Stall

On Tuesday 27th August the Parent Club held their annual Father's Day stall to enable children to buy a special present for their dads. The children certainly enjoyed visiting the stall and there were plenty of great presents for them to choose from. Thank you to Parent Club for organising the Father's Day stall and to the parents who helped on the day. We hope all our dads enjoyed a very happy Father's Day.



PARKING | TRAFFIC FLOW DISABLED PARKING



Please be aware that the 'reserved' parking permit area near the administration building is for staff use only and permits must be displayed on the windscreen.

If everyone adheres to the agreed parking areas and

direction of traffic flow it creates a safer environment for children during drop off and pick up times.

Just a friendly reminder that the disabled parking space provided outside the administration building is for people with a disabled parking permit only. It is also requested that you be mindful of other people who use this space and not double park across it. Please do not park across this specially designated car space. Thank you.

To assist families to clearly understand the various parking signs displayed around our school, in our newsletters we will include detailed information from the VicRoads website.

No Stopping Signs

If there is a 'no stopping' sign you are not allowed to stop or park your car in, or partly in, that area for any reason. Dropping off or picking up passengers or goods in a 'no stopping' area is not permitted.



BPAY



Warragul North Primary School is now offering BPAY as an option for paying any school costs such as student supplies, camps, excursions and Outside School Hours Care. Each family has an individual BPAY reference number which can be found on the bottom of a current family statement. Please contact the school office if you do not have a current statement and would like to find

out your BPAY information.

'FOR THE RECORD' 2019

You will have noticed that your school account has the inclusion of a \$30.00 contribution for your family's copy of our school magazine 'For the Record'.

'For the Record' is a fantastic record of school events; has photographs of every child at the school on 'photo day'; a list of every child attending Warragul North Primary School just prior to the printing of the magazine and an item from every student attending the school on 'For the Record' submission day.

Should you wish to receive a copy or copies of the school magazine, then the cost must be paid by **FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER**. Only those families who have paid for the magazine by this deadline will receive a copy. No extra copies will be printed beyond those paid for and ordered.

We look forward to presenting this year's magazine to you on the last day of school for 2019.

Mrs Ann Burton

'For the Record' Co-ordinator

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

The last day of school for Term Three is Friday 20th September and school will finish at 2.30pm. Buses will depart just after 2.30pm. The first day of school for Term Four is Monday 7th October.

CONTACT DETAILS

Parents are reminded of the importance of ensuring the school always has the most up to date contact details. In the case of an emergency it is imperative that we are able to get in contact with parents without delay. If your contact details have changed please advise the office as soon as possible.

Please also remember to advise the school of any Intervention Orders or Court Orders that may be in place relating to your children. A copy of the relevant orders must be provided to the school to enable us to follow the orders.

WNPS Environment and Sustainability News

‘Towards Zero Waste’ Update - CONGRATULATIONS 3CO!

You are the recipient of the Environment and Sustainability award for ‘Creating Positive Change’

Congratulations to grade 3CO for their efforts in helping lead WNPS in becoming a ‘Resource Smart, Sustainable School’.

3CO has reduced their waste in the following areas:

Organic Waste – 3CO started recycling their organic waste (food scraps) before our worm farms arrived at Warragul North. 3CO sends their food scraps home with Mrs Coghlan who feeds them to her chickens.

Recycling paper – They use the back of printed sheets to save paper. Mrs Coghlan also uses paper twice by using pre-printed sheets in the photocopier.

Flexible plastics – ‘scrunchable plastics’ from snacks and lunches are collected and sent to the local supermarket.

Bread Tags – Nina Nakamura has also started collecting bread tags in the grade. These go to Baw Baw Food Relief and then sent to Africa. These are then used to make wheelchairs.

What a great effort! Keep up the good work 3CO!

I wonder what your grade will do next to lead you to become a ‘Zero Waste’ classroom!

Please support our efforts to reduce our waste at school, by encouraging similar habits at home. If we think about reducing packaging and potentially uneaten food in lunchboxes, we will further reduce our waste.

What can **you** do to make a positive impact?

Mr Brendan Cox

Environment & Sustainability Coordinator

Positive Impact Tip of the Week:

Chickens are a great asset to any home and can suit smaller backyards. They eat most scraps, including meat-based products. This can significantly reduce the amount of waste you send to landfill (food in landfill creates ‘methane gas’ which is 20% more potent than carbon dioxide in building up greenhouse gases). Add a compost bin or two, and you’ve just about eliminated any food waste from going into landfill.



Nina and Evan from 3CO with the Creating Positive Change Award presented to Grade 3CO at the assembly on Friday 30th August.

WNPS Environment and Sustainability News

CERES STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM INCURSION

A very engaging and educational experience was had by 30 Environment & Sustainability students who attended the CERES (Centre for Education and Research in Environmental Strategies) Student Environmental Leadership Program (or 'SELP') incursion on Wednesday 21st August.

Students performed a range of fun educational activities, and developed some future ideas for the school based on an audit of our waste procedures:

- Students looked at where products come from (for example, plastic from oil), and the time it takes human made products to break down in landfill (sometimes up to ten-thousand years). They learnt about the 5Rs (Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) and why these are important.
- They learnt that humans throw 'waste' away when they don't know what to do with an item after they have finished with it. There are often other alternatives to sending something to landfill by following the 5Rs.
- They also completed an audit of our school's waste procedures, and learnt that there are a number of ways our school can improve our waste practices. E&S students are now working on project ideas to improve these areas.
- Finally, students looked at one solution to our 'fast fashion' problem (cheap clothing, not made to last). They upcycled used t-shirts into cool bags.

It's these ideas and activities that help students see that there is a problem with the way the world 'wastes' and that there are easy and sometimes creative solutions to these problems.

I look forward to working with these students as they help lead our school towards becoming more sustainable.

Mr Brendan Cox

Environment & Sustainability Coordinator

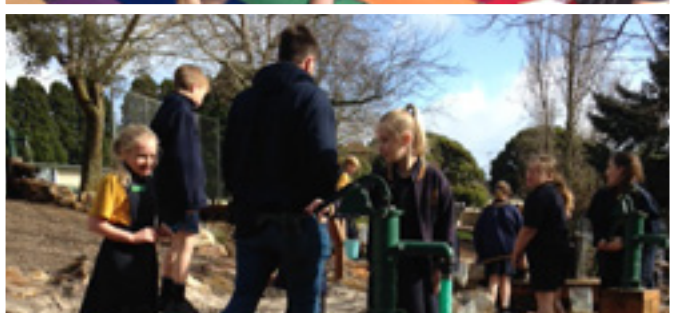
N.B. As a follow up to this incursion, the school has been invited to send a number of representatives to attend a summit at Yinnar South Primary School on Tuesday 10th September. This will be attended by Year Five and Six Environment and Sustainability members.

Student reflections...

"Ceres was a really fun activity, it was hard and challenging, but really interesting. My favourite activity would probably be upcycling the old t-shirt to make cool bags that I'm already using! I also liked the time line where I learnt that cigarette butts take fifteen years to break down. Thanks to Tom from CERES!"

By Hamish (5PS)

"CERES encourage making the environment a better, non-contaminated place. At Warragul North PS, we are trying to get E-waste bins (phone and computer interiors), recycling bins, compost bins and soft plastic recycling bins for each classroom. We also need to remember the five Rs; Refuse, Rethink, Reuse, Reduce and Recycle." *By Sam (3GA)*



Old Gippstown *Excursion*

On Wednesday 21st August the Year One children visited Old Gippstown in Moe. Old Gippstown is a historic town with a collection of authentic buildings dating back from the 1840s through to the 1930s. The site covers 8 acres and features several National Trust classified buildings and one of the best collections of horse-drawn vehicles and farm equipment in Australia. It also includes the Dr Andrew's (the 'father' of Yallourn) collection and the Narracan Mechanics' Institute library.

The children were able to browse through the main street shops and soak up the atmosphere of Gippsland's past. They visited original relocated buildings and their collections such as pioneer Angus McMillan's 'Bushy Park' homestead and 'Rhoden's Halfway House' one of the few remaining Cobb & Co. inns in existence.

Old Gippstown's aim is to present the history of Gippsland, for the benefit of the present and future generations by preserving, researching, recording and presenting the unique collections in its care.

Ms Karen Dellar
Year One Teacher





Tournament of Minds is a competition for students who love the challenge of thinking outside the box. This year we were able to enter two teams, one in the ARTS challenge and another in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) challenge. Students worked for six weeks, mostly during lunch-times, to find a solution to their respective challenges. After all their hard work, students presented their ten minute long-term challenge at the Regional Competition. The following are some student reflections from the two challenges:

On Saturday 24th August, we competed in the Tournament of Minds ARTS Challenge. Once our team arrived at Kurnai College, University Campus, we registered for the competition. The ARTS challenge was *The Wizard of Australia*. Pippa was Olivia (Dorothy), Katie-Ann was the Wicked Witch and the PM (W. of Oz), Zoe was Kaylee the Kangaroo (Lion), Jasmine was the mother of Olivia and Eve (the good witch), Nina was Scarecrow and Sienna was our own Tinned Spaghetti (Tin Man).

Ms Simone Gray and Mr Michael Jessep
Tournament of Minds Co-ordinators

Student Reflections...

"Practising was very stressful for us because we had to come up with our own script! On the day of the competition all the girls were extremely nervous, mainly because we only had ten minutes to perform the entire thing. Besides any mess-ups and forgetting lines, we feel we did an excellent job on the day."

By Pippa and Katie-Ann.

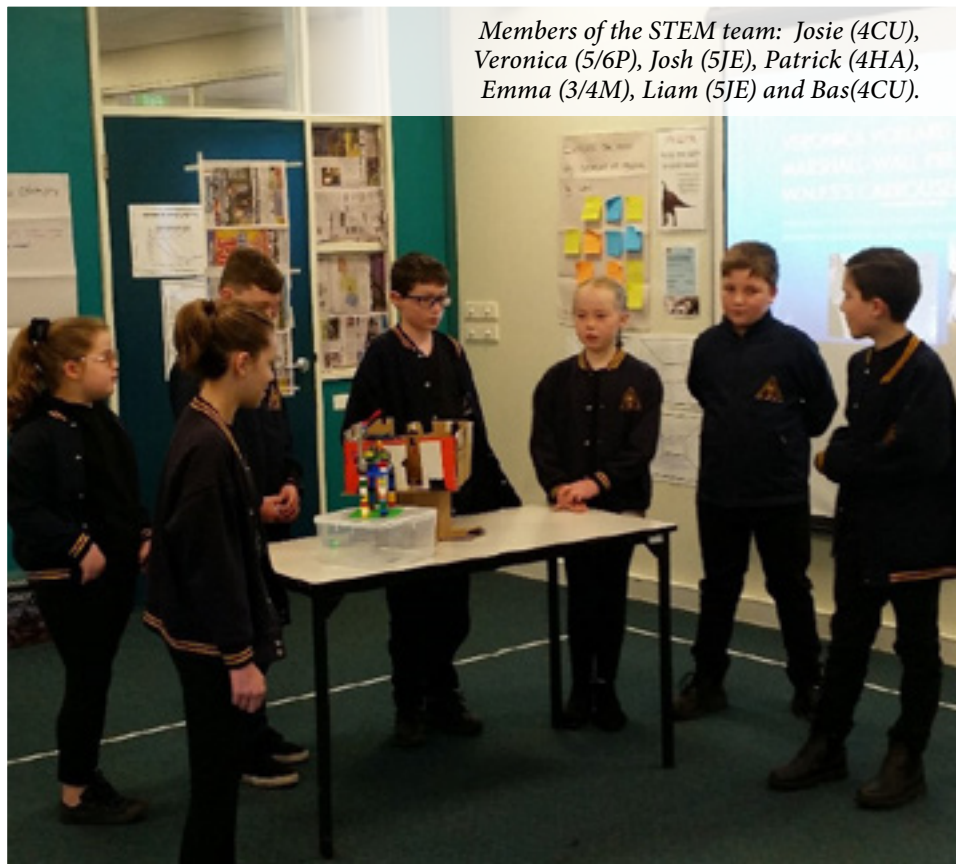
"On the day of the competition, we were sent to the room where the STEM long-term challenge was held. We set up in the room where the two judges were. We felt really nervous and scared. When we finished setting up, we started our presentation. But the carousel decided it didn't want to work. We lost some points for using our hands to spin it. Later we worked out that a LEGO piece was jammed, stopping the carousel from spinning. After that we had to wait for ages for the spontaneous challenge. This challenge involved talking about a party and what happened during the party. We worked together really well and felt good about our performance."

By Josh and Liam.

Members of the ARTS team: Katie-Ann (5WI), Pippa (5WI), Jasmine (6HI), Sienna (3CO), Zoe (3/4M), Nina (3CO), and Abi (5/6P).



Members of the STEM team: Josie (4CU), Veronica (5/6P), Josh (5JE), Patrick (4HA), Emma (3/4M), Liam (5JE) and Bas(4CU).



Community News



TRIPLE CROWN
13-15 SEPTEMBER 2019

MELBOURNE BOOMERS **V** **SPIRIT**

SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2019
1PM TIP OFF TRARALGON SPORTS STADIUM

BASKETBALL
ROYALTY ON YOUR DOORSTEP

11.00am Free coaching session with Greg Molloy	TICKETS Adults \$10 Child (under 15) \$5 Family (ad 4) \$25
11.45am Certain roller game with Larnock City Energy	Friday 13 September TRARALGON SPORTS STADIUM See the Boomers in an open training session at 1.30pm Watch the Boomers scrimmage with Energy Uites at 5.30pm
Saturday 14 September PLAY IN THE TRIPLE CROWN BUT NOT IN THE TRIPLE CROWN PRIZES UP FOR GRABS	

ACD Connect

Peer support for parents of children with disability



Association for Children with a Disability



Are you the parent of a child with disability?

ACD Connect peer support groups give you an opportunity to connect with other parents in a welcoming environment, where everyone has lived experience of raising a child with disability.

Joining an ACD Connect group is a great way to:

- Meet other parents
- Share ideas and information
- Feel more confident supporting your child and family
- Connect with support in your local community

"Finding out about a lot of things I did not know about – the meetings were great and I hope there will be more." - Parent

"Just knowing that others understand what our life can be like is so good." - Parent

ACD Connect groups are organised by the Association for Children with a Disability (ACD) and run by an ACD facilitator who is also the parent of a child or young person with disability.

The groups meet about once a month during school terms. We would love to see you there!

WHEN

Tuesdays 10am on August 20th, September 10th and October 15th.
Includes tea/coffee

WHERE

SCOPE - 12 George Street Warragul 3820

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information contact Kylee or Jenny at ACD educate@acd.org.au

HOSTED BY

Scope - Ph: 5623 1033

WARRAGUL CRICKET CLUB

- Seeking under 12 age group kids
- 18 overs per side (we still call it T20)
- Wednesday nights from 5.00pm to 6.45pm
- White cricket ball
- Maximum 9 players on the field
- All players get equal numbers of balls and overs (everyone gets a good go)
- If they all go out the team can re-bat to finish off the allotted overs
- No LBW! No ladder – just lots of fun.
- Contact Daniel Best 0439 729 629 or come along to the registration day



Warragul Little Athletics Club

Celebrating 51 years of Family, Fun and Fitness



Open Day – 10.00am, Saturday September the 14th

Where – Geoff Watt Track, Burke Street Warragul

**When you take that first step, you will
never want to stop**

Fitness
Health
Social
Personal development

www.warragullac.org.au

warragul@iavic.com.au

Facebook – Warragul Little Athletics Club

Children and Caffeine

Little research has been done on the effects of caffeine and children however

Caffeine is a stimulant that speeds up messages to and from the brain.

Preliminary research has shown increased side effects at levels as low as 50mg per day. Side effects reported include:

- Fatigue
- Anxiety
- Increased blood pressure
- Sleep disturbances
- Headaches
- Irritability
- Bed wetting

How much caffeine is in drinks?

- Can of Cola 8mg
- Cup instant Coffee 20-80mg
- Can Red Bull 80mg

As limited evidence is available; it is recommended that children avoid drinks that contain caffeine (such as energy drinks) until the full effect of caffeine in children is known.

<http://www.healthykids.com.au/category/32/caffeine>

Angela Greenall Health Promotion Officer



REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday 8th September

EASTERN PARK

Free BBQ lunch 12pm

- Junior training U14's 9.30am – 10.30am

- Senior training 10.30am – 12pm

ALL PLAYERS RECEIVE (FREE) A NEW ONE DAY SHIRT

SUBS 2019/20

SENIOR \$270

STUDENT \$180

JUNIOR \$135

NEW SCOREBOARD WILL BE ON SHOW

*EFTPOS and payment plans available



SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

Monday 23rd - Thursday 26th September 2019

Warragul (Burke Street) Tennis Club 9.00 am – 10.30 am

or Drouin Tennis Club 11.00 am – 12.30 pm

Cost: \$100.00 for 4 days (or \$25.00 per day)

Come and have some fun in the holidays!

Lessons also available during the school term

For further information or enrolments contact Gippsland Tennis Coaching
Mark Stevens email: mstennis@dcsl.net.au Jamie Dunn 0449 257 569