



WARRAGUL NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY

CALENDAR 2018

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	29 Nov	Musical Soiree at 6.30pm
Thur	6 Dec	Junior Sports Day Thank You Morning Tea
Fri	7 Dec	Senior Assembly
Tues	11 Dec	Year 6 to 2019 Year 7 Transition day 2019 Foundation Orientation sessions
Wed	19 Dec	Year 6 Graduation
Sat	23 Feb 2019	WNPS FETE AT LOGAN PARK

TERM FOUR ASSEMBLIES

- Friday 23 November - Foundation to Year Two
- Friday 7 December - Year Three to Six

Principal's Report

Remembrance Day Ceremony

Remembrance Day in Australia is when we honour and reflect on the noble sacrifices of armed forces and civilians who fought for Australia. Each year on this day Australians observe one minute's silence at 11.00am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.

On Sunday 11th November, Remembrance Day, our School Captains, Alice Stern and Noah Tagarelli, laid a wreath at the Warragul Cenotaph on behalf of the Warragul North Primary School Community.

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

Nurturing

What is it?

To nurture someone means to care for them and protect them. Just as a parent nurtures a baby or a gardener tends the growing seeds and plants.

The value of nurturing means that you look after each other, that you attend to the needs of another and that you support and tend to others.

In a 'nutshell' Nurturing means looking after each other and caring for each other in a safe manner.

RESPECT – Year Three – Haylee (3CO)

NUMERACY – Year Four – Marcel (4SE)

INTEGRITY – Year Five – Josh (5PS)

NURTURING – Year Six – Tyler (6PR)



School Values medals were awarded at assembly on Friday 9th November to Josh, Tyler, Haylee and Marcel. Congratulations!

Thank You Morning Tea

An invitation is extended to all our wonderful volunteers who have helped in any way during 2018 to attend a 'thank you morning tea'. The staff of Warragul North Primary School would like to thank you for your assistance during the year.

Thank you to those that have helped in the canteen, been part of the Parent Club and School Council, worked on the Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, assisted in classrooms, attended excursions and camps.

To show our appreciation we would like to invite you to a 'Morning Tea' on Thursday 6th December at 11.00am in the staffroom.

We hope you can join us on this day.



MORNING TEA INVITATION

The Staff of Warragul North Primary School would like to thank you for your assistance during 2018.

To show our appreciation we would like to invite you to a morning tea in our staffroom on:

**Thursday
6th December**

We hope you can join us on this day.

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 4 Champions

Junior



Brooklynn (0/1M)

Middle



Declan (3BC)

Senior



Shay (6BR)

Term Four - Week 5 Champions

Junior



Ava (2RA)

Middle



Lachlan (3/4M)

Canteen Roster

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

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER
Friday 16th November	9.00am to 10.15am	Angela Brown Elvira Honey
Wednesday 21st November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Julie Henshall
Thursday 22nd November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Kylie McNair
Friday 23rd November	9.00am to 10.15am	Tracey Armstrong Ricky McKerrow
Wednesday 28th November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Terri Wilks
Thursday 29th November	1.30pm to 2.15pm	Aimee Beck
Friday 30th November	9.00am to 10.15am	Elvira Honey Victoria Lee Rachel Steenholdt

YEAR SIX GRADUATION WEDNESDAY 19TH DECEMBER



Year Six Graduation preparations are in full swing. The day will commence at 9.00am with a graduation ceremony in the gymnasium, followed by morning tea in the staffroom for parents and graduating students. Year Six children are to go home following the morning tea.

A diligent band of parents have worked together to arrange a dinner and dance for the graduating children which will be held in the evening, commencing at 6.30pm and concluding at 9.00pm. Year Six students are reminded that the graduation dinner is a fairly formal occasion and the children are encouraged to dress accordingly (shirt and pants for boys) without going over the top.

A big thank you to everyone who has assisted in the planning and preparation for this very special occasion to ensure that the evening will be a great success and form fond memories for our graduating students as their final social event in their primary school years!

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!

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.**

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.

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





Hello from the *Acorn Room*



There is often much concern expressed about children's screen time and use of social media. Technology can and does play a wonderful role in enhancing our lives for the better in many ways. But excess consumption and the wrong type of screen content can have a negative impact.

Here are just a few of the dangers to be aware of. Watching violence, depicted in movies and video games, has long been established as increasing children's likelihood to engage in violent behaviour themselves. Frequently schools find themselves dealing with the fallout of their students' out-of-hour's interactions on social media. It has been found that adolescents' late-night mobile phone use was directly linked to poor quality sleep, which subsequently led to poorer mental health outcomes, reduced coping, and lowered self-esteem. Modern gaming now involves multiple online players, often interacting uncensored, some, such as Fortnite, drawing both mature gamers as well as younger players. There are some very alarming statistics emerging about children's age of exposure to pornography online becoming younger and more prevalent.

Here are some tips:

- Talk with your child about their use of technology, including the potential dangers and negotiate healthy boundaries
- Computers, tablets and smartphones should be used in common spaces in the household, not behind closed doors in bedrooms
- Take technology off children in the evenings
- Hold off on giving your child a Smartphone. The old style phones can still be used for calls and text messaging without many of the pitfalls which come with the additional features of a Smartphone
- Get familiar with social media – have your children's login details (and follow minimum age requirements)
- It is much easier to start off strict, then loosen the reigns as children mature
- Use software to filter and monitor children's use of technology e.g. Safe Surfer
- Stay engaged

We can feel great pressure from our children to permit them a greater amount of freedom with their technology than is helpful for their developing maturity. As parents, we need to be strong in setting and maintaining healthy boundaries, and as our children mature, allowing them more freedom to develop their own strategies for staying safe online. Talk with other parents and support each other through this very complex task of parenting in an increasingly digital age.

Further resources:

<https://www.theparentingplace.com/technology/a-contract-to-manage-your-familys-technology-habits-a-printable/>

<https://app.secure.griffith.edu.au/news/2017/05/30/night-phone-use-a-danger-for-adolescent-mental-health/>

<http://www.realtalkaustralia.com/blog/2015/2/13/the-pandemic-of-porn>

Mrs Sheryn Cutler
WNPS Chaplain

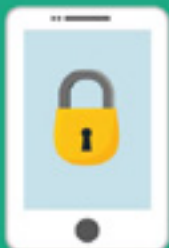
Warragul North Primary School offers chaplaincy and pastoral care to students and families in the Acorn Room on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

7 WAYS

Parental controls can keep kids safe on many screens

They can:

- ✓ Block sexually explicit sites
- ✓ Set screen time limits
- ✓ Block in-app purchases
- ✓ Block numbers and SMS
- ✓ Allow or block websites
- ✓ Restrict chat features
- ✓ Allow parental monitoring




 Office of the eSafety Commissioner



**WARRAGUL NORTH
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

FETE

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

SHOWBAGS
FACEPAINTING
OPEN AUCTION
MARKET HALL
MYSTERY JARS

**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**

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

RIPTIDE

**RIPTIDE NOT INCLUDED
WITH WRISTBAND
PURCHASE.**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE
SEPERATELY**



St John's Ambulance Incursion

St John's Ambulance officers visited Warragul North Primary School last week...

"Today we learnt first aid. In our classroom O/IM came and OHI. The lady taught us that when there is someone unconscious that there might be danger."
Blake (OPC)

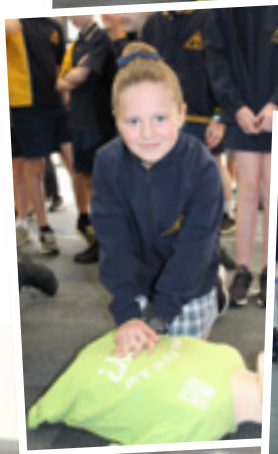
"We did first aid on Wednesday. We had two classes. It was O/IM and also OHI. We learnt first aid. It was so FUN!"
Noah (OPC)

"Someone has just passed out, what do you do? Learning first aid helps you when someone becomes unconscious. C.P.R. and mouth to mouth is the best way to help someone who is not breathing."
Lexie (4PH)

"We believe the training we received from the St Johns Ambulance Service was crucial as it taught us what to do in an emergency. Whilst we were at the lesson we learnt the DRSABCD which stands for:

- DANGER
- RESPONSE
- SEND HELP
- AIRWAY
- BREATHING
- CPR
- DEFIBULATION

We believe it is important to memorize this acronym in case of an emergency."
Noah (6PR) and Jordan (6PR)



How much school is a child missing throughout their education?

1 day a fortnight = 20 days a year = 4 weeks a year = over 1.5 years (P - 12)

1 day a week = 40 days a year = 8 weeks a year = over 2.5 years (P - 12)

2 days a week = 80 days a year = 16 weeks a year = over 5 years (P - 12)

3 days a week = 120 days a year = 24 weeks a year = nearly 8 years (P - 12)

A student who is half an hour late each day misses the equivalent of 16.6 days of learning each year. This is equivalent to over 4 weeks a year = 1.5 years (P - 12)



EVERY DAY
COUNTS

Chess Tournament 2018

Once again Warragul North Primary School has offered chess club as a lunch time activity during Terms Two and Three providing the opportunity for children from all year levels to play chess. The children played games of chess against each other, culminating in a chess tournament at the beginning of Term Four. The results of the 2018 Chess Tournament for senior students are:

Senior Champion – Alex (5WI)

Senior Runner-up – Thomas (4PH)

**Senior Finalists – Patrick (3CO)
Will (3GA)**

Trophies, medals and certificates were presented at assembly on Friday 9th November.

Mrs Sue Bond and Mrs Allison Hallyburton
Chess Co-ordinators



'Catch 'em being good' raffle

Our 'Catch 'em being good' raffle winner is **Tom (5JA)** 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!

CLASS STRUCTURES FOR 2019

Foundation x 5	Year 3 x 3	Year 5 x 3
Year 1 x 3	Year 3/4 x 1	Year 5/6 x 1
Year 1/2 x 1	Year 4 x 3	Year 6 x 3
Year 2 x 4	Year 4/5 x 1	

All students will have access to Physical Education, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Library and Digital Technologies.

JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS DAY THURSDAY 6TH DECEMBER



The Junior School Sports Day will take place on Thursday 6th December at school for Foundation to Year Two children. A note with all the details and a timetable will be sent home next week.

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 3885

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

Beleza Ballarat
22 Doveton 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) 9678 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

fete

Saturday 23rd February 2019

MYSTERY JARS

A much loved fete favourite! Families are asked to donate a jar filled with goods. The jars will then be wrapped and sold at the fete as a mystery jar.

The jars can be any type, size or shape and can be filled with your choice of items such as food, toys, craft supplies, vouchers, etc.

We ask that all items are new and if you choose to fill your jar with food it must be in the original packaging. Please ensure the 'use by date' will be current on the day of the fete.

Please drop your jars off at the office.



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.

MUSIC: Count Us In!



Over 600 voices from Warragul North Primary School united on Thursday 1st November at exactly 12.30pm to sing the 'Music: Count Us In!' song for this year, 'One Song'.

By singing the purpose written song, Warragul North Primary School joined with over 600,000 students and approximately 2,500 schools nationwide to highlight the importance of learning music at school and the unique contribution it can make to a child's development. If the enthusiasm and volume was anything to go by on the day we can definitely also add enjoyment.

Warragul North Primary School has been involved in this Federal Government initiative for eight of the ten years that 'Music: Count Us In!' has been going and we are looking forward to doing so in the future.

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

Mrs Sue Legg

Performing Arts Co-ordinator



Gippsland Regional Basketball Finals

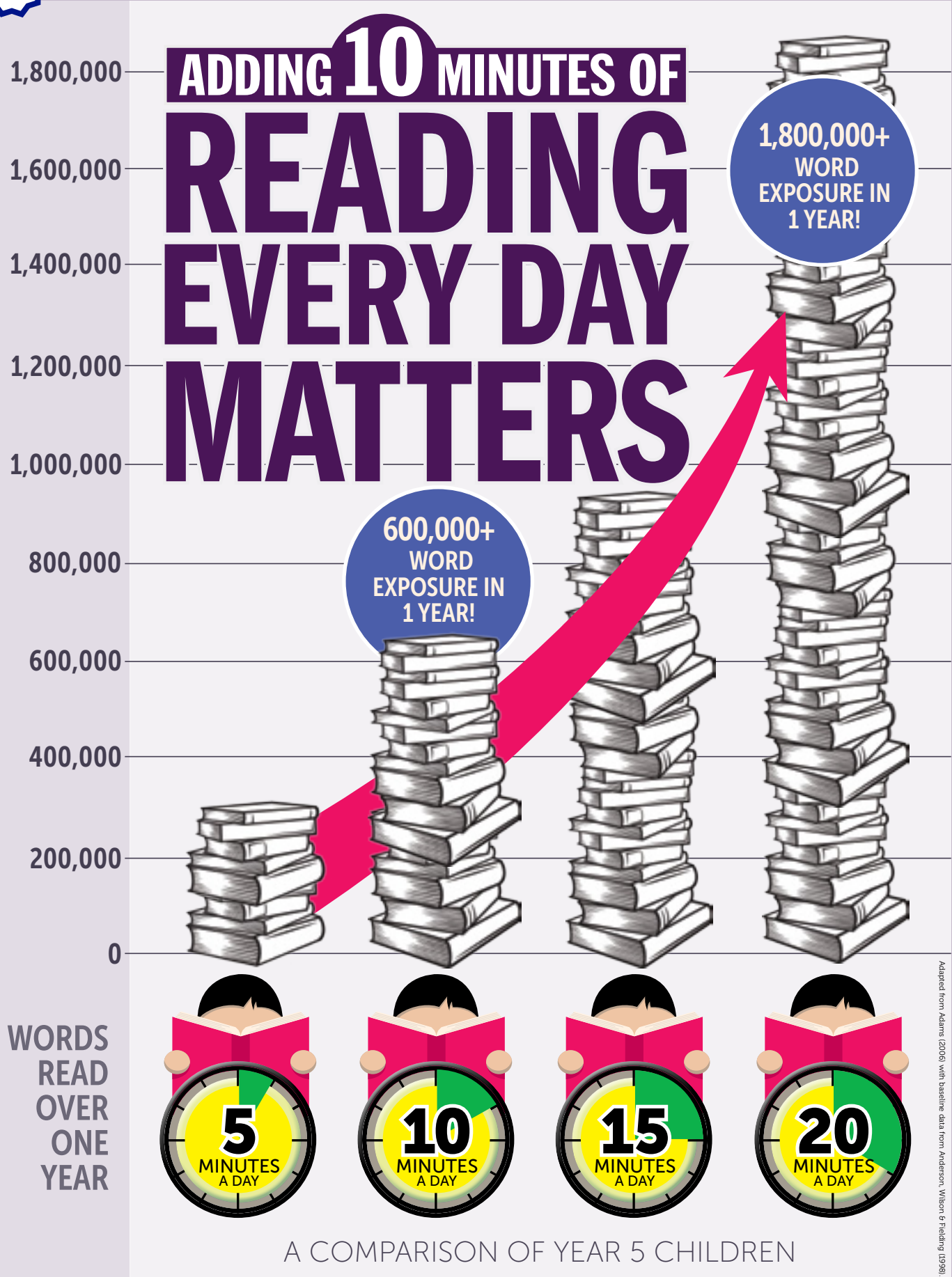
On Wednesday the 1st of November we had two teams representing our school and our ZONE in the Gippsland Regional Basketball Finals being held in Traralgon. Both teams had a very enjoyable day and gained a great deal of experience competing against high-quality opposition. Our boys' team came away without a win however our girl's team were just pipped at the post for the runner up flag.

I would like to thank the parents and grandparents who helped transport the children to and from Traralgon. I would also like to thank them for their support with coaching and scoring on the day.

Mrs Lisa Pyle

Physical Education Co-ordinator





Adapted from Adams (2006) with baseline data from Anderson, Wilson & Fielding (1998).

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)

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 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.

To enable medals to be ordered December 7th will be the day reading diaries will be audited.

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



ARTIST OF THE WEEK

Artist of the Week award was presented at the last assembly to Eliza (3/4M). Congratulations!



OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Activities at OSHC have continued around the spring theme and our OSHC house windows and walls are looking very colourful with the children's work displayed. A new board game keeps some of the older children entertained at After School Care. Our garden in the back yard has been planted with vegetables. We are looking forward to using the fruit and vegetables. The swing continues to be popular.

Forms have been handed to families to indicate what sessions they require for OSHC in 2019. These forms need to be returned as soon as possible.

Staff at OSHC have recently reviewed and updated our Policies Book and our Family Handbook.

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

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.

TERM FOUR

Musical Soiree

Thursday 29th November



As the Performing Arts Co-ordinator at Warragul North Primary School, I am fortunate to have enjoyed watching the talented students from our Private Performing Arts program perform throughout the year at soirées and assemblies. These occasions are great opportunities for our students to showcase their musical talents.

Soirées (music recitals) are a regular event at the school and both teachers and children alike look forward to the evening, where families and friends make up the audience. We encourage all the children who take part in private music lessons at school, to present an item at a soirée during the year. For some children it will be their first real performance.

If you are interested in your child being part of the Private Performing Arts program in 2019 I would like to invite you to our last soirée for 2018 on **Thursday, 29th November** in the BER building at Warragul North Primary School from 6.30pm. This is a great opportunity for you to see how the program works while being entertained by our current students. The teachers will also be happy to have a quick chat with you afterwards.

Looking forward to seeing you at the soiree!

Mrs Sue Legg

Performing Arts Co-ordinator

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.



University of N.S.W.

English & Mathematics Competition

Warragul North Primary School is committed to providing opportunities for all students to be challenged and extended in their learning. In 2018, students in Years Three to Six had the opportunity to compete in the highly regarded ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) competitions through the University of New South Wales. The results for the English and Mathematics competitions are:

English

<i>DISTINCTION</i>	<i>CREDIT</i>	<i>MERIT</i>	<i>PARTICIPATION</i>
Zara (5JA)	Josh (5PS)	Kaely (3GA)	Georgia (5PS)
Angus (4/5T)	Hannah (5JA)		Ella (5PS)
	Abi (4CU)		Alex (5WI)
	Josie (3GA)		Mia (5WI)
			Emily (4SE)
			Brylie (4CU)
			Ella (3BC)
			Vhairi (3GA)

Mathematics

<i>DISTINCTION</i>	<i>CREDIT</i>	<i>MERIT</i>	<i>PARTICIPATION</i>
Angus (4/5T)	Ashlyn (6BR)	Thomas (4PH)	Jordan (6PR)
Abi (4CU)	Izzy (6BR)	Riley (4/5T)	Haley (6PR)
Emileon (4PH)	Ella (5PS)	Josh (4SE)	Alice (6BA)
	Alex (5WI)	Lachlan (3/4M)	Georgia (5PS)
	Brandon (5JA)		Thomas (5JA)
	Noah (5WI)		Josh (5PS)
	Zara (5JA)		Hannah (5JA)
	Ava (3/4M)		Henry (4PH)
	Alex (3/4M)		Locki (4/5T)
	Ghani (3GA)		Emily (4SE)
	Vhairi (3GA)		Brylie (4CU)
	Luke (3GA)		Thomas (4SE)
			Mitchell (4PH)
			Veronica (4PH)
			Ryan (3CO)
			Emmy (3/4M)
			Ella (3BC)
			Mitch (3BC)
			William (3GA)
			Kaely (3GA)
			Bailey (3CO)

Congratulations to all children who participated in the English and Mathematics competitions. Top Effort!





The latest Scholastic Book Club catalogue was sent home this week. As always there are some great books available. Orders may be placed online using the LOOP system and payment with a credit card. Any other orders may be returned to the school. The closing date for all orders is Monday 26th November.

Book Club LOOP

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the **LOOP**, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

Head to **[scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)**

or



Follow these **easy** steps!

- 1 Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either **SIGN-IN** or **REGISTER** your account.
- 2 Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your **SCHOOL** and your **CHILD'S CLASS**.
Note: You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school.

Looking for **MORE** product information? Additional content such as videos and downloads are available for select titles. Select your issue and enter the item number to view information on titles and some great resources, such as videos and reviews.

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- 3 Click on **ORDER** and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.
- 4 All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

That's it! There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

School Council Report



Hello, my name is Brett Kersten and I serve on the Warragul North Primary School Council as a parent representative, also as the Buildings and Grounds Convenor. This is my fifth year serving the school in this position.

I have two children at the school. Ben who is in Year Six and his last year at the school before heading off to secondary school. Claire is in Year Four and doing well. It has been a pleasure

to watch my two children blossom at such a wonderful school as the Warragul North Primary School. It is a credit to all the teachers, staff and the amazing team in their various roles that have produced such a happy, nurturing learning environment for our children.

When I joined the team on School Council as the Buildings and Grounds Convenor in 2013, I did not really know what the role entailed. Fortunately for me, I was given much support from the school Principal, Ms Corinne Collins, and the Business Manager, Stuart Konstanty. As a result of their support, and patience, I was able to learn the role and to evolve with it as the school evolved.

As a result we have been able to achieve much in the way of maintenance and upkeep of the school, while at the same time improving and upgrading the various areas within the school boundaries, as well, and in liaison with the Baw Baw Shire, around the outside of the school, i.e. footpaths, parking, nature strips, road markings, signs and much more.

This year began with the completion of the footpaths along Princess Street, Edinburgh Street and Dundee Street. This provided a safer route to the school during drop off and pick up times, but also improved the parking situation around the school.

Hard surfaces have also been completed between the footpaths and the roadside curve, and raised and lifted footpaths have been cut back and levelled for safer and easier pedestrian usage. A landscaping engineer was engaged resulting in the oval regeneration and the pruning and upkeep of the gardens. This has relieved pressure on Working Bee volunteers while at the same time has uplifted the school appearance. I have been informed by independent sources that our school is the showcase school of the area. Artificial grass has been extended all the way to the South East corner of the school, lowering maintenance and beautifying this area while opening this area up for children to sit, play and study in the open.

In partnership with the Baw Baw Shire, we were able to have a 'No Parking' zone marked out and signed in Edinburgh Street to allow for the safe crossing of the children exiting from Marble Alley. These are a sample of the works conducted around the school during these past twelve months.

I would like to acknowledge the incredible work that our WNPS Parent Club have done over this year. In particular with the installation of our new state of the art playground facilities. Our Parent Club have provided much for our school by way of hard work, long hours and commitment. They truly are our quiet achievers and deserve much recognition for their tireless efforts.

Many of you may not be aware of the behind the scenes work performed by our School Council members. Our School Council members comprise a team of dedicated education staff and parents working together in their various roles to provide the best safe, caring, learning environment for our children.

I bring to your attention our School Councillor for Grants and Sponsorships, Terri Wilks, who has been working incredibly long hours, tirelessly submitting applications and attending meetings throughout the year to secure funding for the various projects around the school. Terri secured several grants for the school this year. Recently, Terri's efforts have secured a \$60k grant for the upgrading of Marble Alley.

Another of our School Councillors, Kylie McNair, has taken up the challenge of organising the upgrade of the Marble Alley Project. Kylie has been given only a limited amount of time to organise this project in the hope that it be completed during the January school holidays. No pressure Kylie! Thus far, Kylie has visited several schools in the West Gippsland area to look at their play spaces, and has spent many days and nights searching the web and looking at images for suitable designs for the Marble Alley Project. She has sent out surveys requesting input from the student's, parent's and the greater WNPS community for feedback of what could be done with the area. She spent last week interviewing and involving the teaching staff for their ideas of how this space can be used.

Kylie has initiated and liaised with during the past two weeks an eminent local Landscape Designer, and has submitted a detailed Marble Alley Redevelopment Plan for approval. This is an exciting time for the WNPS, and if all goes to plan, the children will return to the school in 2019 with an upgraded Marble Alley which would be the envy of any school.

On Friday the 26th October, the school held its second twilight working bee. The working bee was a success, and on behalf of the WNPS Council, I thank all those families who volunteered their time in maintaining the upkeep of our school. I especially thank School Councillor and Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee member Craig Black for stepping up and coordinating the Working Bee during my absence.

As the school year nears its completion, I would like to wish all the families of our Warragul North Primary School Community the very best for 2019.

Brett Kersten,
School Councillor and Buildings and Grounds Convenor



Warragul North Primary School

To coincide with one of the orientation days for 2019 Foundation children, we will be holding a second hand uniform sale on

Wednesday 5th December

in the conference room near
the office between

11.30am and 1.30pm

All items \$5.00 each

Payment may be made by cash,
cheque, eftpos and credit card.



Environmental & Sustainability Group



National Recycling Week

This week is Planet Ark's National Recycling Week.

During our Waste Audit, we noted a great deal of waste in our bins that didn't need to be there in the first place – lots of chip packets, food waste, etc.

Waste Audit photo taken Friday 26th October. These are the piles created from our rubbish bins over a two day period - all destined to go into landfill.

Our school community is committed to improving the future lives of children. Like us, future generations have a right to a healthy planet too. We all have a responsibility towards this goal, and can achieve this in the following ways:

- Start seeing 'waste' as a 'resource' that can be kept out of landfill
- Decrease the demands for timber, oil and mined products and decreasing our pollution of the environment in the process.
- Achieve this with the 8Rs

What can you do at home to be part of the solution?

Recycle your e-waste (i.e. mobile phones)? Look into buying some compost bins? There are many things you can do!



Nude Food Day - Tuesday 20th November

Warragul North Primary School will hold a 'Nude Food' day on **TUESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER**.

This is a good time to put some of the 8Rs into practice. Let's work together to reduce our school's waste.

Nude Food lunches should ideally be:

- Nutritious
- In reusable containers or wrapped in beeswax paper;
- 'The right amount of food' - encourage your children to bring home uneaten food to eat after school – these can be eaten as a snack at home.
- Food and drinks bought in bulk packaging (i.e. large bags of chips versus convenience packaging) and reduce the amount of packaging thrown out.

Any soft, flexible packaging waste you do have can be recycled at Coles (i.e. chip packets, plastic wraps, etc.). This is recycled into many different products, including outdoor furniture for schools and councils.

Why just do these things on Nude Food day, when every day could be a Nude Food day?

What We Need is Worm Farms!

One of the dirtier jobs during the Waste Audit was collecting the food scraps – gloves definitely required!

Our school produces over 80kg of food scraps every week, or 3.2 tonnes every year. When this goes to landfill, it produces 'methane', said to be one of the most significant causes of global warming.

Consequently the Environment and Sustainability Group have set up our new worm farms. Eight 440L compost bins, modified to become worm farms.

A big thankyou to Bunnings, Warragul for their very generous donation of the compost bin, 1000 worms and associated equipment to set up the worm farms. Cherrie Hall from Bunnings came to WNPS and assisted us to establish the worm farms.

We are also grateful for a donation of \$1000 from the Drouin & District Community Bank Branch towards the worm farm project. It would not have been possible without their generous support.

We hope in the future, our worm farm reduces our waste significantly.



Community News



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TOMORROWS

It is that time of the year again: Avoiding skin cancer means covering up while we are outside in the sun. This video shows some great tips for using sunscreen correctly.

Remember sunscreen on its own is never enough and always check the use by date on the bottle. It is recommended that you apply a teaspoon of sunscreen to your face, front torso, and back and to each arm and leg.

[Hints on applying sunscreen](#) and remember skin cancer can affect young people too.

[Wes and Melanoma](#)



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