### WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL

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### Upcoming dates...

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# **Principal's Newsletter**

Term 1 | 1st March 2024 | Week 5

We are now past the halfway point of Term 1, and what a great term it has been so far!

### Child Safe

We continue to protect our students from any type of abuse. If you have any concerns regarding a student, please talk to someone about your concerns. Lindsey Delooze, our wellbeing AP is the key contact for children, parents and employees/volunteers to seek advice and support regarding the safety and wellbeing of children at Warringa Park School. The campus principals/leaders and I can also be contacted in this regard.

#### School Breakfast Club

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, particularly for growing children. While the main aim of the School Breakfast Program is to make sure that no child starts their school day hungry, the benefits extend beyond simply filling hungry tummies. Evaluation over the past 15 years demonstrates positive impacts across a range health, social and educational outcomes. School Breakfast Club operates at all four of our campuses.

### AGM and School Council

Warringa Park School Council AGM is on the 18th of March 2024, to be followed by a school council meeting. You are invited to attend the AGM which will be held at the Warringa Crescent Campus starting at 6:00 pm. The 2023 annual report will be available on our school website later this month.

On behalf of the school community, we would like to thank the 2023 School Council president, Sean O'Mahoney, treasurer, Nicole Rosen, school council parent representatives; Bev Emmet, Emily Kiefel, Andrea Ryan, Inderjit Kaur and Maricel Soriano, and Department of Education representatives, Toni Bohannan, Tim Hilton, Ritu Sharma and Danielle Heckmann.

> We have received four nominations for the four 2024 School Council parent vacancies, Sean O'Mahoney, Emily Kiefel, Duminda Wijethilaka and Warren Hulstaert. These parents will become members of our 2024/2025 School Council.

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We received three nominations for two staff vacancies, these will be confirmed after our AGM.

Our students at VET Cert 1 Bakery





# **Principal's Newsletter**

#### School Wide Positive Behaviour (SWPBS)

SWPBS is a framework aimed at teaching our school community to develop positive, safe and supportive learning culture. We hold three school values, Learning, Working Together and Respect which clearly defines asset of expected behaviours. The matrix of expected behaviour supports students and teachers to use a common language to discuss behaviours.

Students are regularly rewarded for positive behaviour in classrooms with tokens that can be exchanged for products they wish to get from our PBIS shop. Each fortnight, we nominate a student from each learning area who has consistently demonstrated our school values.



#### School Communication and the Use of Compass

Warringa Park School has communicated with the school community for several years through the Compass online portal which can be accessed via either a web browser or phone app. Daily communication between the teacher/school and parent/carer occurs through see saw but can occur through email within Compass as well.

Compass email is simple to use. When you open your portal, click on 'Send email to (my child's name) teachers'. Other staff are then listed and can also be added.

Compass is used to:

- give permission and make payments for incursions, excursions and camps
- indicate and explain absences
- receive school newsletters
- book Parent-Teacher interviews
- access student reports
- order school photos

Compass is used to:

• communicate information between the teacher/school (academic and extra-curricular) and parent/carers

It is important that you use Compass and See Saw and check your emails regularly. If you have any questions regarding Compass or See Saw including assistance with logging on, please contact Luke Bilston on Luke.Bilston@education.vic.gov.au or 97495774.

### Individual Education Plans (IEP) and eCAPS

Teachers are in the process of drafting IEP and eCAP goals for your child in key curriculum areas including personal and social capabilities. These are not the only goals your child will be working towards but would be a priority goal/s for each curriculum area. Your input into finalizing these goals is really important and the Student Support Group (SSG) Meeting have been scheduled to take place in the last week of this term. The SSG will be an opportunity for you to discuss this with your child's teacher. These meetings are scheduled to take place in the last week of school. If you would like your input into your child's draft goals, please discuss this with your child's teacher. Bookings for SSGs are now open through Compass. Please note that it is expected that all families meet with their child's teacher so if you are unable to attend in that week or in person, please arrange an alternate time and/or virtual meeting with your child's teacher. Translators and child minding will be available on request.

Ashwini Sharma

Principal



# School Wide Positive Behaviour Supports (SWPBS)

The SWPBS core team, met for a day of professional development this week. The team has an SWPBS champion from each campus to ensure that as we continue developing the implementation of SWPBS, this is done with consistency across all campuses. The day was a great chance for us to work through our next steps to ensure that we continue to deepen SWPBS practice throughout school. One item that was discussed was the use of SWPBS vs PBIS. Historically Warringa Park used PBIS (Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports) as the acronym as this was the original framework developed by George Sugai. SWPBS is the acronym that the Department of Education use. The two terms are interchangeable, but we have made a conscious decision to move to using SWPBS more consistently to be in line with the Department.

During learning walks over the last two weeks, we have seen lots of classes using the SWPBS whole class reward system. Students are given tokens for showing one of the three school values and these are placed on a whole class display. The tokens can be used to redeem prizes from the shop, which are currently being set up on each campus.

The SRC are going to spend some time next week developing some new options of names for the shop which will then be voted on by the whole school.

### Student Representative Council (SRC)

We have some very exciting news! Polly Parade now has their own SRC. We are so excited to be able to develop this initiative with some of our younger learners. The team at Polly Parade are: Jay, Tony, Sarah, Kiaan, Simon, Joel and Christian.

The first SRC meetings for the year will begin next week. On Monday Lindsey and Kerstin will work with the Warringa Crescent SRC, Tuesday will be Lindsey and Tim G with CRC and BRC, Wednesday will be Lindsey and Kerstin with Polly Parade. The first meeting will be used to set up the structure of the meetings, get to know the students and the first task will be to create some potential names for the SWPBS shop. We can't wait to see what these amazing students come up with!

Congratulations to the following students who have received an SWPBS award this week.

Early Primary - Esther Lower Primary - Brahm Upper Primary - Vishnuu Polly Parade - Shivaay BRC - Joshua CRC VPC - Lachlan CRC Flexible Learning - Stanley

Lindsey Delooze

Assistant Principal

















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SCHOOL CAPTAIN



OLIVER CRC SRC

RITWICK **BRC VICE CAPTAIN** 

RAVEN THORPE SRC

ARHAM THORPE HOUSE CAPTAIN

JAY

TONY



SCHOOL CAPTAIN



LOKI CRC SRC



CALLUM SCHOOL VICE CAPTAIN



MARYAM CRC SRC







ALICIA BRC VICE CAPTAIN



MIA GAZE SRC



ZEKE GAZE HOUSE CAPTAIN

SARAH

KIAAN





STEVE FREEMAN SRC



MICHAEL FREEMAN HOUSE CAPTAIN









ADITYA CRC SRC



**BRC CAMPUS CAPTAIN** 



PETUELI BRC SRC



XANDER SAUVAGE SRC



DAMON SAUVAGE HOUSE CAPTAIN



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# Wellbeing update

I cannot believe we are in Week 5 already! The students have settled well and there is lots of learning and events we are looking forward to.

In Week 8, WPS are celebrating 'Harmony Day' which is about diversity and inclusiveness. I would also like to formally introduce:



Mental Health & Wellbeing leader Kerstin Barter

Kerstin has joined Warringa Park School community as the Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader. She will be working across the Warringa Cres and Polly Parade Campuses. Kerstin has a wealth of experience and has previously worked at Warringa Park school as a classroom teacher for 7 years.

We are very excited she is re-joining the school and is part of the Wellbeing team. The MHWL role is to support the mental health and wellbeing of all students. She will support the teaching and learning staff to embed evidence based mental health strategies, interventions, and programs within their classroom and across the school. Kerstin will work directly with students to facilitate student voice through the Student Representative Council and will be running targeted groups focused on building social and emotional skills.

### Safety Crossing the Roads

The School Crossing Supervisor has raised some safety concerns around the school crossing. Examples of safety concerns include:

- Children and adults not waiting at the crossing for supervisor to display flags before walking.
- Children walking into and out of school grounds not supervised.
- Children walking out from in between cars.
- Dangerous U-turns, reversing, illegal parking (including double parking)
- Speeding



It is very important that parents and carers support the safety messages and safety programs undertaken in the school. Please take some additional time to reinforce road safety especially with regard to crossing the road.

Reminder for Adults: many issues such as speeding during 40Km per hour times and not stopping at the crossings whilst flags are displayed involve parents/carers of children currently enrolled at our school. It is important that everyone in our school community works together to ensure the safety of our students.

**Jo Kelly** Acting Assistant Principal



# **Curriculum update**

Teachers have been working on drawing up students' Individual Learning Plans (ILP's) and Career Action Plans (ECAP's). These will be shared with families on Friday 22 March. The week after is Student Support Group Meeting (SSG) week. SSG Week will be held from the 25th to the 27th of March with meetings available until 5:40pm on Tuesday the 26th. During these meetings families have the opportunity to discuss the goals that teachers have chosen, we welcome family input into what students are learning at school especially in the area of personal and social capabilities. ILP's and ECAP's are essential documents which guide educational planning and monitoring of a student's unique learning needs. Along with the goals that students are working towards these documents also describes the adjustments and strategies designed to meet the educational need of individual student to enable them to reach their potential.

Teachers do the following before drawing up the ILP's and ECAP's to ensure that the goals are appropriate and that the strategies and adjustments are effective;

They begin by learning about the student and their learning differences using a strengthsbased approach that focuses on positive aspects of their capabilities, rather than what they cannot do. They will ask the student what helps them to learn. They identify the student's strengths and interests and any challenges and barriers to They consider learning. the student's current entry levels skills what the student \_ already knows. They use information provided about the student to support their education needs, including results of any formal/informal assessments in literacy. numeracy or social emotional assessments,

recommendations from allied health professionals, data or classroom observations. Consulting with families and seeking input into the goals, strategies and adjustments is a very import part of the process and it is for this reason that we would really like to encourage families to attend SSG's. If you cannot attend onsite teachers will be happy to arrange an online or telephonic meeting.

Kelly Botha Assistant Principal

# SSG WEEK 25TH - 27TH OF MARCH BOOKINGS NOW OPEN ON COMPASS

SSG Week will take place from 25th to 27th March SSG evening is <u>TUESDAY</u> 26th March

Specialist teachers (PE, Visual Arts, STEAM, Performing Arts and Digital Tech) will be available for parents to meet with at each campus without a booking

# CHILD MINDING IS AVAILABLE

Please let your child's teacher know if you require an online or telephonic meeting



# Dates for the diary

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### Term Two 16th April - 28th June

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### **Term Three** 15th July - 20th September

Monday 15th July First day of Term Three

Friday 20th September Last day of Term Three

### **Term Four** 7th October - 20th December

Monday 7th October First day of Term Four

Monday 4th November Curriculum Day - Pupil free day

**Tuesday 5th November** Melbourne Cup Public holiday

**Tuesday 20th December** Last day of Term Four

## School tours



Term 1 - Week 8 Wednesday March 20th @ 10am Term 2 – Week 4 Wednesday May 8th @ 10am. Week 8 Wednesday 5th June @ 10am Term 3 – Week 4 Wednesday August 7th @ 10am. Week 8 Wednesday September 4th @ 10am Term 4 – Week 4 Wednesday October 30th @ 10am. Week 8 Wednesday November 27th @ 10am

### WPS Early, Middle & Upper primary Tours

Term 1 – Week 8 Tuesday March 19th @ 9:30am Term 2 – Week 4 Tuesday May 7th @ 9:30am. Week 8 Tuesday 4th June @ 9:30am Term 3 – Week 4 Tuesday August 6th @ 9:30am. Week 8 Tuesday 3rd September @ 9:30am Term 4 – Week 4 Tuesday October 29th @ 9:30am. Week 8 Tuesday 26th November @ 9:30am

#### **BRC Tours**

Term 1 - Week 8 Thursday March 21st @ 9:30am Term 2 – Week 4 Thursday May 16th @ 9:30am. Week 8 Thursday 4th June @ 9:30am Term 3 – Week 4 Thursday August 8th @ 9:30am. Week 8 Thursday 5th September @ 9:30am Term 4 – Week 4 Thursday October 31st @ 9:30am. Week 8 Thursday 28th November @ 9:30am

#### **CRC** Tours

Term 1 - Week 8 Friday March 22nd @ 9:30am Term 2 – Week 4 Friday May 10th @ 9:30am. Week 9 Friday 14th June @ 9:30am (Changed to week 9 due to Curriculum Dav)

Term 3 – Week 4 Friday August 9th @ 9:30am. Week 8 Friday 6th September @ 9:30am

Term 4 – Week 4 Friday November 1st @ 9:30am. Week 8 Friday 29th November @ 9:30am

### Bus Transport - Moving House -Important information

RE: Changes in our DTA this year (Designated Transport Zone)

If you are moving house and require Student transport to school, please contact

transport@warringapark.vic.edu.au to see if the new address is in our transport zone or follow this link to check your address.

- Are you moving house, have a new phone number or email address?
- Please advise the administration team of any changes
- Any bus changes for new addresses will take time to check seat availability





TheirCare support team is available between 6.30am - 9pm weekdays (Eastern Standard Time) on 1300 072 410 or info@theircare.com.au



# Information Session:

For parents, carers or teachers of 12–25 year old's

# WANT TO LEARN HOW TO TUNE INTO YOUR TEEN?

Sign up to an 8-week program where you will learn how to:

- · Help your teen develop their emotional intelligence
- Support them to learn how to manage their emotions, behaviours and deal with challenges more effectively
- Improve your understanding, connection, and ability to talk to your teen

WHERE: Youth Resource Centre 86 Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing WHEN: Wednesday 13 March | 6:30pm – 8pm



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Sign up via www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/ youth-services/services-programs/tuning-teens Enquiry at tuningintoteens@wyndham.vic.gov.au