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Learning Centre's Newsletter

Term 3 | 9th August 2024 | Week 4

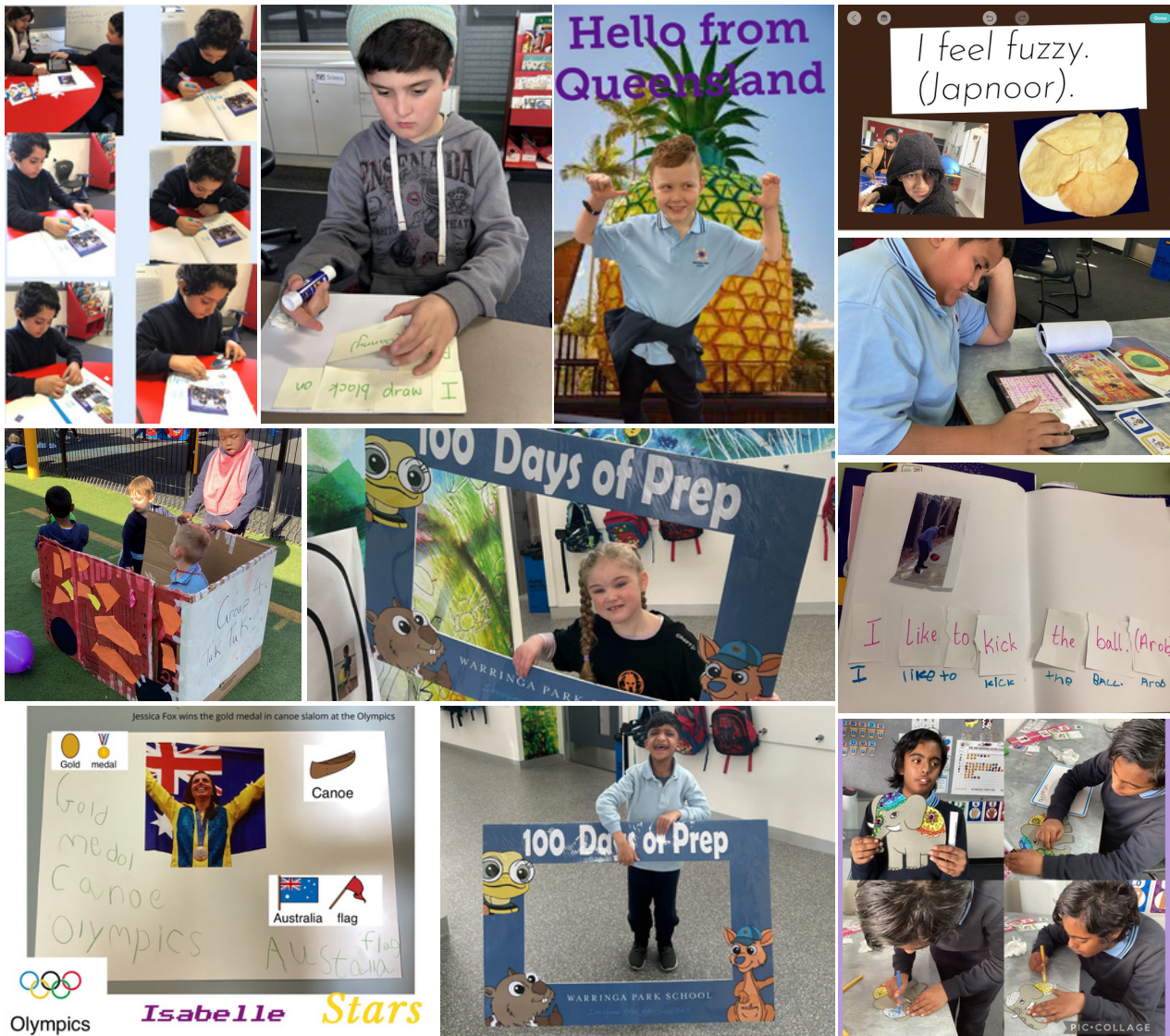
Warringa Crescent Update

Warringa primary campus has had a wonderful past 2 weeks. In inquiry, last fortnight students travelled to Australia and got to explore and investigate all things Australia. Students made fairy bread, lamingtons and learnt how to say 'G'day'. This fortnight students will be travelling to India to explore different Indian landmarks, food and culture. Some classes have tried naan bread, tea building tuk tuks and even creating a market. We can't wait to see where our adventures take us!

This week we celebrate our prep students! They have reached a wonderful milestone of 100 days of school! Congratulations to all of our amazing learners.

Amy Byrne, Tamara Collett & Stacey Hilder

Lower, Middle & Upper Primary Leading Teachers





Polly Parade Update

This term, students are exploring the inquiry question, "What is special about this place?" Every fortnight, our students will embark on an exciting journey of hands-on exploration and discovery as they delve into the rich cultures of Australia, America, India, Ethiopia, and France. Through interactive activities, they will investigate the languages, landmarks, foods, and animals unique to each country. This immersive experience will not only broaden their understanding of the world but also foster a deep appreciation for diversity and global connections.

To begin this journey, students explored the features of Australia, inspired by the text *Home Amongst the Gumtrees*. During this activity, they made Vegemite sandwiches, counted collections of Australian animals, watched 3D videos of iconic landmarks such as the Great Barrier Reef, and read Australian nursery rhymes. To conclude their investigations of Australian culture, students enjoyed a Didgeridoo performance by Ganga Giri, followed by a hands-on arts class where they used charcoal paint, Aboriginal symbols, and bark painting to create an eagle banner.

In addition to our explorations of Australia our students have been preparing for the WPS Olympic Games! To do this, students have been practicing our school value of Working Together modelling skills such as sharing and turn taking during Olympic related activities such as our PPC torch relay.

In preparation for our PPC mosaic, our PPC students have been busy designing and drawing their contributions to the garden bed mosaic, including features such as local fauna and flora, as suggested by our SRC team. Once all students have completed their designs, they will have the opportunity to mosaic their artworks in collaboration with the art teachers and mosaic artist Libby Mackinnon.

Alex Stewart

Leading Teacher





Bethany Road Update

Spotlight on B04

B04 have had a wonderful few weeks since we have returned to school for term 3. We are so proud of B04 for all the hard work and effort they have been putting in. All the students in B04 have made a collective effort to implement amazing efforts and hard work into all their school activities.

We have enjoyed learning about the Olympics and countries around the world. We enjoyed cooking flapjacks and fairy bread when focusing on the countries Canada and Australia. Each day we love learning about new places and writing about the things we have learned.

Some of our students have taken leadership initiative in running various programmes for our whole school community. In B04, our students have been running a cooking programme, a coffee programme, and a beauty programme for students in our Campus. Well done everyone, this has been fantastic work.

Keep up the amazing work everyone. I am so proud of all your hard work, support and kindness. You are all amazing!

Niamh Craven

B04 teacher





Cayleys Road update

Two weeks at CRC saw two camps go ahead and what a successful time both were! First up was our senior flexible learners as they headed out to Camp Manyung down the Mornington Peninsula for one night. Here we engaged in programs such as the giant swing, treetop walk, bush cooking and orienteering course. The students all engaged in activities and spent the whole time laughing and singing along, especially once we saw kookaburras sitting in the old gum tree....

Then to kick off this week, our Year 7-10 PLC made their way towards Bacchus Marsh and Lady Northcote Camp. A similar group of activities saw us partake in a giant swing, low ropes, bush cooking and this one added some hut building and inflatable archery as well. Apart from a Campus Principal starting to show his age and that he can't run like he used to, it was once again an incredibly successful camp.

A gigantic shout out to all staff involved in the planning and support of these camps, with a special mention to Rachael White, Anthony Hein and Rachael Whitehead for their leadership and coordination.

Tim Hilton

Assistant Principal - CRC





Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Survey

Dear Parents,

We want our Parents/Caregivers/Guardians to tell us what they think!

Our school is again conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of family's perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion survey will be conducted from Monday 29th July – Friday August 30th.

The survey will be conducted online, it only takes 20 minutes to complete. The survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek. Survey links will be shared by teachers on Seesaw and Compass.

Survey results will be shared with the parent community later this year through our annual reporting communication and newsletters. Last year we used the survey results to plan inform our communication protocols between school and home, improve school climate and improve student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning.

Please keep an eye out for further information and links to participate.

We have 10 x \$50 Coles vouchers up for grabs for families who complete this survey. To be eligible, you will need to take a screenshot of your completed survey and email it to adrienne.bennie@education.vic.edu.au to go into the draw.

Yours sincerely,

Ashwini Sharma

Principal



This survey is individualised by campus, separate links and codes has been sent to families via Seesaw.



Physical Education update

It has been a fantastic start to P.E this term across all four campuses. Students have started their kicking unit this term, we are focusing on kicking in soccer to start the term and will incorporate kicking skills in Australian Rules Football throughout the term. To be successful over the first three weeks of term 3 students have been focusing on keeping their eye on the ball and kicking the ball with the inside of their foot. Students have also been learning about the Olympic games as part of the school's inquiry this term. The P.E team has created some Olympic game practice kits providing activities and equipment for students to engage in with their classmates. It has been great to see students learning and exploring all the different Olympic sporting events. "Breaking" (Break Dancing) has been a hit and surprised many staff and students with its inclusion as an Olympic sport this year at the Paris games. Great work everyone!

*Dion, Tom, Bryce,
Ethan, Tanya & Mike*
The Physical Education team





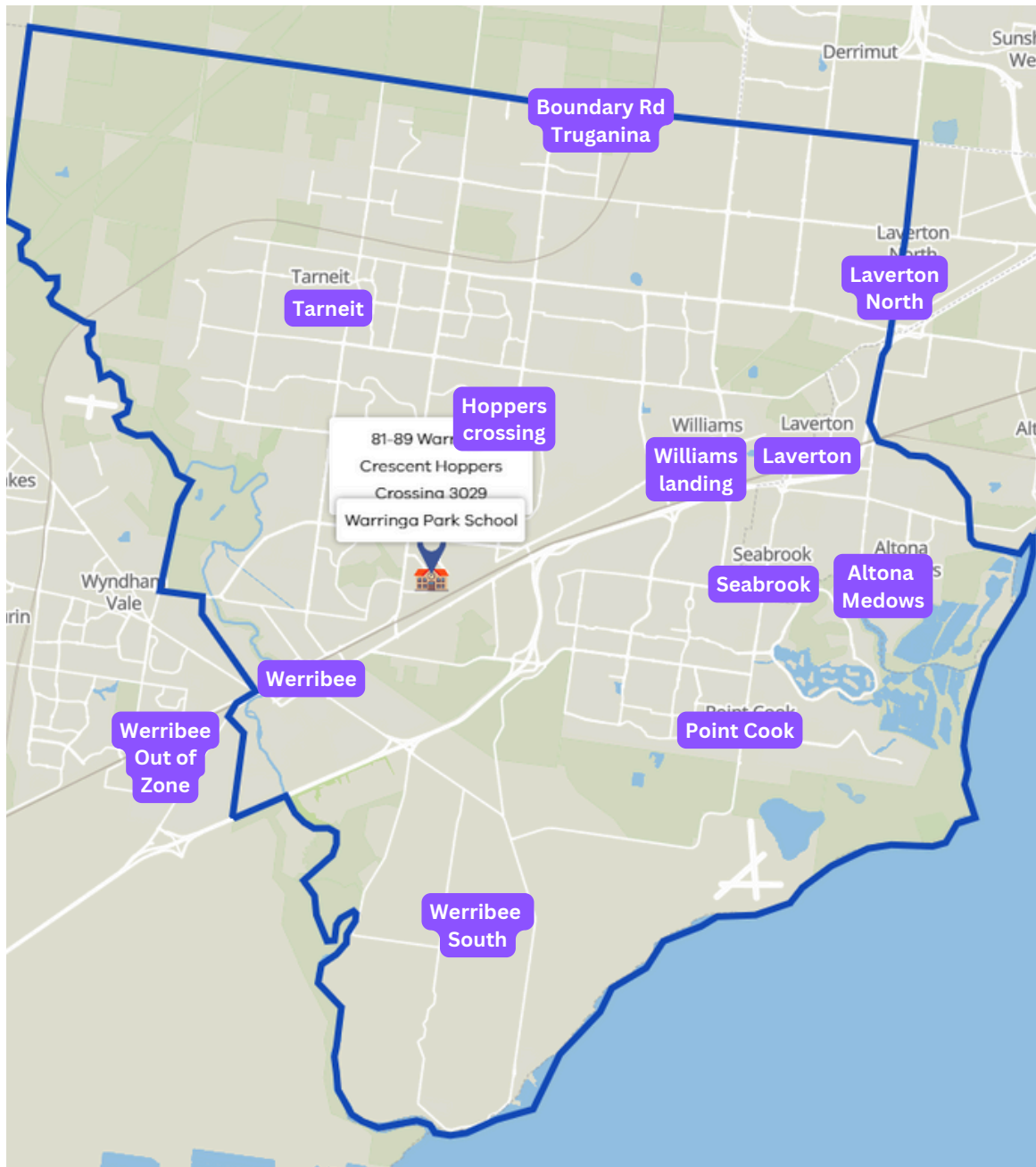
Important Information - Bus Transportation - Moving Houses

As our transport zone has been updated in 2024, we want to ensure you're aware of how any future address changes might impact bus access for your child.

Here's what you need to know:

- We've attached a map of Warringa Park's new designated transport zone (DTA).
- If you're planning to move, please use the [link](#) provided to check if your new address will fall within our updated transport zone.
- Important: Changing your address may affect your child's eligibility for bus access. However, if your child is currently using the bus service, there will be no changes to their arrangements.

For any questions or assistance, please contact Wendy Harrison at transport@warringapark.vic.edu.au.





Focus on Ability Film Festival

Our school's entry to the Focus on Ability Film Festival has just gone live, focusing on the making of Warringa Connect and the impact it has had on our students' learning and confidence. It's a great story, we really hope you enjoy watching!

The voting process is quick and easy, requiring individuals to add their name and email, then they have to click on a link in their email inbox to verify the vote.

We'd love our families to support our students in this competition. Voting is only open for one week.



#focusonability

Remember to vote for our film
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Warringa Connect

School Entrant

Official Selection - Documentary

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Dates for the diary

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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

Friday 6th December

Year 12 Graduation Night

Tuesday 20th December

Last day of Term Four

School tours

WPS 2025 Prep Tours

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

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

Week 8 Friday 29th November @ 9:30am

State School Relief

Warringa Park School are partnered with State School Relief to support families experiencing financial disadvantage with school uniform and essential resources. Applications are considered for school uniform shop vouchers and/ or direct supplies from the SSR store. Please see fact sheet <https://stateschoolsrelief.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/SSR-Voucher-FAQs-sheet.pdf> for more information.

If you have a current concession card and/ or are requiring support with school uniform, please contact us on 9749 5774 or email Shenol.Ross@education.vic.gov.au to apply.

WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL

Father's Day Pie Night



**Thursday 29th August
5.30 - 6.30pm**

**BETHANY ROAD CAMPUS
55-85 BETHANY ROAD, HOPPERS CROSSING**

TO CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY, STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE NIGHT WITH THEIR DAD OR ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT ADULT IN THEIR LIFE. GRANDFATHERS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO ATTEND AS ADDITIONAL GUESTS.

**JOIN US FOR FUN AND GAMES, ARTS AND CRAFTS
AND AN AFL HANDBALL COMPETITION.**

TO RECEIVE YOUR TICKET, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS [GOOGLE FORM](#) BY THURSDAY 22ND AUGUST. TO RECEIVE CATERING ON THE NIGHT, PLEASE ENSURE YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM.



READING IS MAGIC BOOK WEEK

21st August

Free Dress Day at Warringa Park to dress up as something magical from a book! We look forward to seeing all the dress ups on the 21st of August.

We will give a prize to the best dress up at the end of the day!