

Upcoming dates...

# Learning Centre's Newsletter

Term 3 | 23rd August 2024 | Week 6

## Warringa Crescent Update

Last week our Primary students participated in the Warringa Park Olympics! Over two days, students competed in their house groups to participate in range of activities including races, javelin, basketball, gymnastics, dancing and more! Students earned tokens which were converted to points for their house.

This week we have celebrated Literacy and Numeracy week by having open classrooms and inviting in our families. During the open sessions, students and families have engaged in shared reading. Reading is such a special joint activity and it was so lovely to see students sharing their love of reading with their favourite people.

Next Monday we have an incursion taking place. There will be a performance incursion of the book "That bird has arms!" which is one of the shortlisted books from Book Week.

Our inquiry is continuing to take shape! Students are now in France! Students have explored French food, built the Eiffel tower and celebrated the red, white and blue flag.

*Amy Byrne, Tamara Collett & Stacey Hilder*

Lower, Middle & Upper Primary Leading Teachers







# Polly Parade Update

Continuing our exploration of different countries, last week our students explored Ethiopia! During this time, students learned about Ethiopian customs, traditional clothing, celebrations, and food. Highlights included tasting popcorn and injera, creating the Ethiopian flag, exploring mud painting, and experiencing traditional Ethiopian dress, dance, and music.

Additionally, we held our PPC Olympics last week! Students proudly wore their house colours, participated in a school-wide Olympic torch relay, and competed in a variety of Olympic events organised by our specialist team. Events ranged from athletics, basketball, and soccer to Artistic Gymnastics and break dancing. Students earned medals for their houses, with Gaze House taking the win!

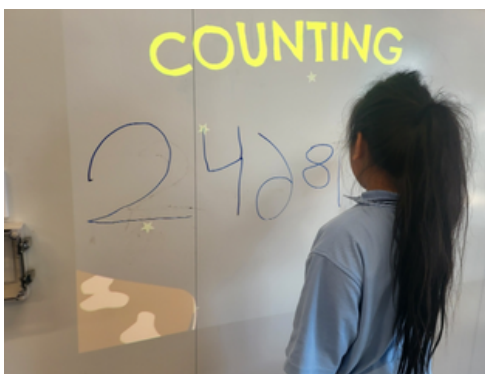
Our PPC mosaic is well underway! We are currently in the design phase, with students creating their chosen animal or plant to feature on the mosaic. With the making stage fast approaching, the tiles have arrived, and soon students, parents, and staff will have the opportunity to help create the mosaic ready for installation!

To celebrate the important role of dads and special people in our students' lives, we hosted our WPS Father's Day Pie Night at the BRC campus this year! It was a wonderful opportunity for students and their special guests to enjoy pies and fun activities together. Additionally, our PPC classrooms created gifts for students to take home, acknowledging how much these special people are valued.

Finally, this week is Literacy and Numeracy Week! To celebrate, families were invited to join their child's classroom for a Shared Reading session in our PPC Library. Shared Reading provides a wonderful opportunity for students to engage with a text, discuss the story, and learn how books work.

**Alex Stewart**

Leading Teacher







# Bethany Road Update

Students in Year 9 have been attending transition days to the Cayleys Road Campus on Wednesdays. Students have enjoyed having a tour of the campus and meeting new staff and students, while engaging in learning experiences.

Some feedback from students:

Logan M "I loved it, I got to see all my friends from last year and I got to see what next year will be like."

Natasha "I liked the tour around everywhere. The teachers were nice too."

Caitlyn "It was good. I'm excited to go there next year. The campus is so big."

**Kim Zammit**

Assistant Principal - BRC







# Cayleys Road update

We celebrated Olympic and Paralympic fever at Cayleys Road this fortnight, as all of our students had the chance to get involved in a range of sports. A huge thank you to Dion and the PE team for setting this up across the school.

Last week we also encouraged staff and students to wear purple for Wear it Purple Day. This is an important day in the calendar to celebrate inclusiveness and remind everyone that we are a school that welcomes you and celebrates everyone's differences! We also had some highlights from across our campus in each PLC.

7-10 Flexible Learning had a great time last week building a Taj Mahal diorama. They followed an instructional text and used a variety of materials to complete their project.

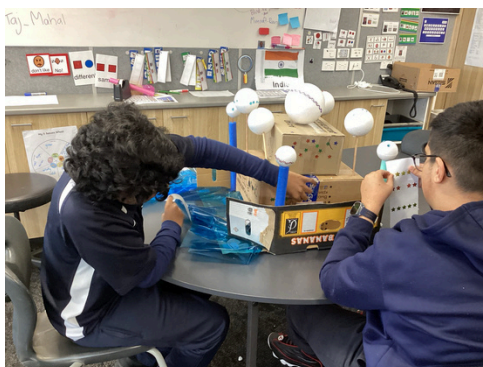
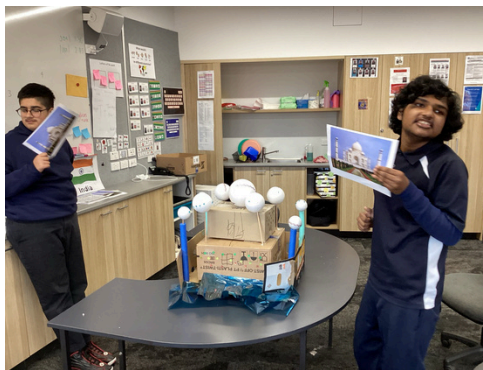
ASDAN students enjoyed taking part in Warringa's Olympic games day. Students showed great determination as they completed different Olympic sports.

VPC have been focusing in on defining a Career Pathway in classrooms this fortnight. Some students were interviewed about their lessons and some students were interviewed about their lessons and they felt as though the work they were doing was really important for their future, so that was positive feedback from them.

We are excited about our VPC group heading to camp in a couple of weeks time to finish of our Term!

*Tim Hilton*

Assistant Principal – CRC







# Performing Arts update

This Term in Performing Arts has been amazing!

Firstly, we are pleased to welcome two teachers to the Performing Arts team this Term, Sheila and Jay – they are both teaching Performing Arts at the Warringa Crescent Campus (WCC) campus.

Students from WCC have been rehearsing and filming for the Wakakirri National Story-Telling and Dance Festival. This year's theme was 'Belonging', our school's entry is called, 'Team Warringa Comes Together'. It is a video entry to the festival and is centred around the Olympics and the importance of learning to overcome adversity and working together as a team.

Students from C01 at the Cayleys Road Campus have created a video entry for next week's Dream Big Youth Music Festival. Airport Holiday is an original song written about Tyson's holidays to the Gold Coast. Students developed their own lyrics, rehearsed the song before recording it in a studio environment. The Dream Big Youth Music Festival streams next Thursday 11th September. If you miss the festival, we will soon put the video on the WPS YouTube channel. Stay tuned!

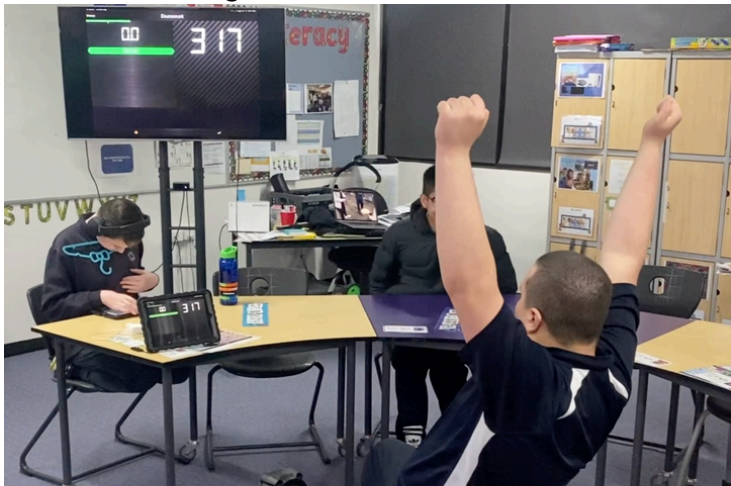
Students and staff across BRC and CRC campuses have been getting into the Olympic spirit through 2 musical events! Gavin held a speed drumming competition, while Ben held a singing contest to see who could sing the longest in 1 breath.

## End of Term Assembly

The end of Term Assembly will be hosted in the Hall at our Warringa Crescent Campus on the last day of Term (Friday 20th September) at 10am. Due to recent changes in how photo permissions work at the school and to ensure the privacy of all our students, we will not be live-streaming the assembly moving forward. If you are attending the assembly in person, please arrive a few minutes early to ensure you get a seat.

## *Brian, Robyn, Gavin, Tanya, Ben, Sheila & Jay*

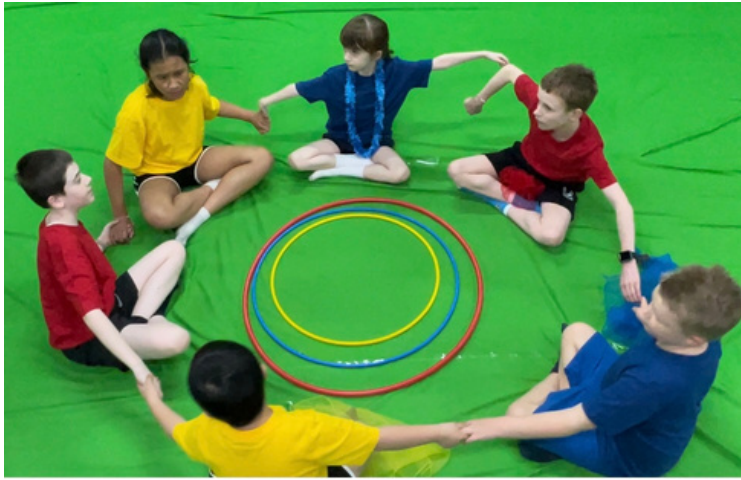
The Performing Arts team







# Performing Arts update



# Media update

Our new school TV Warringa Connect has been a huge success. The Warringa Connect Team, entered a behind the scenes video into the Focus on Ability Film Festival this year. We are very proud to announce that they have won the Victorian Nova Employments School Choice Award. Results for the National Judges Choice and Public vote awards for School Documentaries are still to come - but keep an eye out on SBS, the videos are due to be screened on TV later this year.

Here is a link to our award winning entry:  
<https://youtu.be/PMDQEJR3pME?si=74cH0na6xbENUKmw>

You can see our episodes of Warringa Connect here on YouTube:  
<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkHZNncwkriYQfcnZQaAWGRW3rlfNdmhE&si=-kSBxaZWcOAqXrLX>



*Brian, Greg, Aris, Filiz, Ben & Laura*  
The Media team





# Dates for the diary

## Term Three

15th July – 20th September

Thursday 12th September  
RUOK Day

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

Friday 6th December  
Year 12 Graduation Night

Tuesday 20th December  
Last day of Term Four

## 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](mailto:Shenol.Ross@education.vic.gov.au) to apply.

## School tours

### WPS 2025 Prep Tours

Term 4 – Week 4 Wednesday October 30th @ 10am. Week 8 Wednesday November 27th @ 10am

### WPS Early, Middle & Upper primary Tours

Term 4 – Week 4 Tuesday October 29th @ 9:30am. Week 8 Tuesday 26th November @ 9:30am

### BRC Tours

Term 4 – Week 4 Thursday October 31st @ 9:30am. Week 8 Thursday 28th November @ 9:30am

### CRC Tours

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

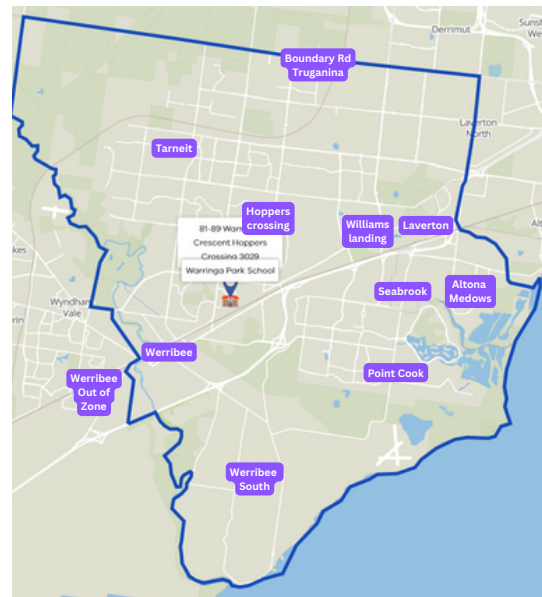
## Important Information – Bus Transportation – Moving Houses

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](mailto:transport@warringapark.vic.edu.au).





# NDIS Navigators service evaluation – invitation to participate

The Department of Education has introduced National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Navigators in Victorian Government specialist schools.

NDIS Navigators help you to:

- navigate and understand the NDIS,
- apply for and access NDIS funded supports for your child,
- understand activities like a plan reassessment,
- find out how to raise issues about your child's plan.

Deloitte Access Economics is reviewing the NDIS Navigator service to provide the department with information about what is working well and any areas that need improvement.

## Why we need your help

As a parent or carer who has accessed the NDIS Navigator at your child's school, your feedback is important to help improve the service and ensure it remains useful and appropriate for families.

There are two ways to help. You can choose to do one or both of these options to share your feedback.

### Complete a short 10-15 minute survey.

The survey is open for completion from 2/09/24 to 7/10/2024.

You can access the survey via the link: [https://surveyapac.deloitte.com/jfe/form/SV\\_3z9A2tbNx238G5a](https://surveyapac.deloitte.com/jfe/form/SV_3z9A2tbNx238G5a) or QR code:



Join in a short 30 minute consultation.

The consultation can be online or face to face.

If you take part your personal information will not be shared with the department or your school.

Your participation will not impact your access to the NDIS Navigators service.

If you would like more information, please contact the evaluation team via email at [alhutchison@deloitte.com.au](mailto:alhutchison@deloitte.com.au) or on 0435 795 363

If you would like to speak to the Department of Education please contact [ndisnavigators@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:ndisnavigators@education.vic.gov.au)