

Learning Centre's Newsletter

Term 4 | 13th December 2024 | Week 10

Warringa Crescent Update

Can you believe it- we are at the end of 2024!

Last week we had our end of year celebration afternoon. It was so lovely to see so many of our families join us for the afternoon.

Students participated in a transition session last Friday where they had an opportunity to visit their 2025 classes and classrooms.

Student semester 2 reports and 2025 class placement letters will be available this Friday 13th December. Reports will be available via COMPASS and placement letters will be sent home in school bags.

Classes will have small class parties throughout next week (last week of term) and a Wellbeing celebration day on Tuesday.

We are so incredibly proud of all our students and the learning that has occurred throughout 2024. We want to extend a huge thank you to all our families and community members who have collaborated with us throughout the year to support students' engagement and success at school.

We wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday break and look forward to a jam packed 2025!

Amy Byrne, Tamara Collett & Stacey Hilder

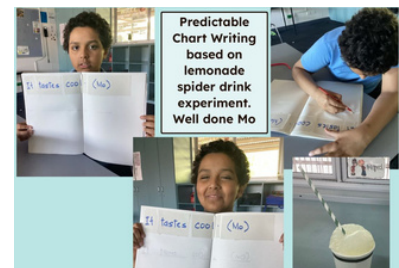
Lower, Middle & Upper Primary Leading Teachers



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We did art and crafts avtwt wit spssp btte.

We did arts and crafts activity with spray bottles.



Upcoming dates...

Thursday 19th December
Last day of Term Four - 1.30pm finish

Thursday 30th January, 2025
First day of Term One





Polly Parade Update

As we approach the end of the school year, we'd like to take a moment to reflect on the past few weeks and celebrate all the incredible achievements at Polly Parade Campus!

This week, students participated in our Whole School Transition Day, an exciting opportunity to meet their 2025 classmates and staff. During the session, students explored their new classrooms and engaged in hands-on activities, helping them feel confident and excited for the year ahead.

To celebrate International Day of Persons with Disabilities, we welcomed families to a special event featuring a showcase of Science inquiry projects, face painting, circus performers, and an art exhibition displaying students' creative work from throughout the year. It was a fantastic celebration of inclusivity and talent!

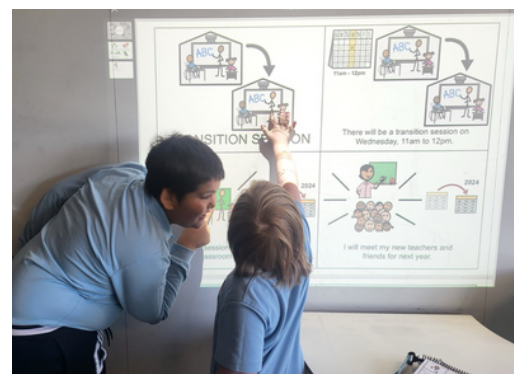
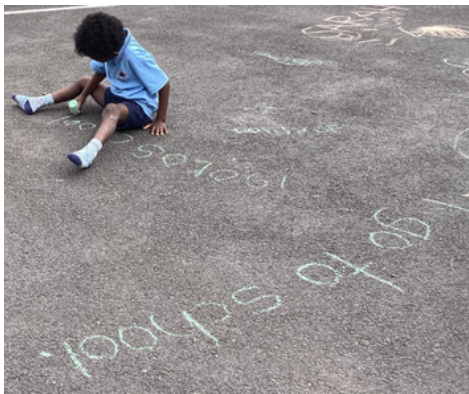
Next week, our campus will host a Wellbeing Day, packed with fun activities like balloon artistry and face painting, all organized by our Wellbeing Team. Additionally, our final Polly Parade Assembly for the year will celebrate student learning journeys through class reflection videos and recognise students who have exemplified our school values of Learning, Working Together, and Respect with SWPBS awards.

This year has been filled with exciting learning experiences and special moments. From hands-on Science experiments and Creative Dance workshops to memorable celebrations like Diwali, Harmony Week, Book Week and Remembrance Day, our students have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and curiosity. They've worked hard in the classroom, thrived during swimming sessions, and contributed to campus projects like the gardening led by our SRC team and Mosaic Project. These achievements highlight the incredible growth and sense of community we've built together in 2024.

Thank you for your continued support this year. We wish you a wonderful holiday season and look forward to an exciting 2025!

Alex Stewart

Leading Teacher





Bethany Road Update

Over the past two weeks at BRC, we continued our inquiry into Edible Science, with students engaging in different experiments each week using the "predict, observe, explain" model.

In the first week, students explored the melting points of two types of chocolate—dark chocolate and milk chocolate. They tested how long it took each chocolate to melt under different conditions: in the sun, in their hands, in their mouths, in a microwave, and on the stove. Students were surprised to find that dark chocolate melted faster than milk chocolate. After researching, they discovered that milk chocolate took longer to melt because it contains more milk, whereas dark chocolate has a higher cocoa content and thus melts more quickly.

In the second week, students had the chance to make their own ice cream. They combined cream, sugar, and vanilla essence in a small Ziploc bag, placed it in a larger bag filled with ice, and shook it for 10 to 15 minutes. They were amazed by how simple the process was and thoroughly enjoyed the sensory experience of making their own ice cream. Next week, they will try making ice cream again with a slight variation to investigate how the changes affect the outcome.

Finally, students had a fun and engaging transition day on Friday, 6th December, where they spent time getting to know their new classmates, ES staff and teachers for 2025.

This week, BRC will be hosting our Science Extravaganza, where students will showcase the edible science experiments they've worked on throughout the term. The event will take place on Thursday, 12th December, in the Multipurpose Room from 11:30 to 12:00. Parents of all BRC students are all invited to attend!

Kim Zammit

Assistant Principal - BRC





Cayleys Road Update

Dear Cayleys Road Community,

We have had a successful term here at Cayleys Road. We are sad that the year is ending, and we are about to bid farewell to our graduating cohort of students. We are so proud of what they have achieved during their time at Warringa Park School and are excited for what the future brings them. For all other families, class packs will be sent home this Friday informing you of your child's leadership team, teacher, education support staff, Marrung Champion, and class list.



Graduation

Year 12 graduation was a huge success. We are very proud of our graduating students and their achievements throughout their time at school. Thank-you to the graduation team that worked so hard to ensure the night came together.



Night Market

A big thank-you to all families that came to our Cayleys Road night market and made it such a huge success. The art auction and our singing choir were huge highlights, along with the large variety of items for sale. Thank-you to all staff involved that made the night possible. Let's continue to band together as a community and make next year's night market even bigger than this one.



Activity Weeks

As we are winding up the year many groups are engaging in fun excursions and activities to finish the year on a high note. Thank-you to staff for their organisation of these events.



To all our Cayleys Road families, please have a safe and Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Tim Gibbs

Learning Specialist - CRC





Dates for the diary

Term Four

7th October - 19th December

Thursday 19th December

Last day of Term Four - 1.30pm finish

Term One

30th January - 4th April

Thursday 30th January

First Day of Term One



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.

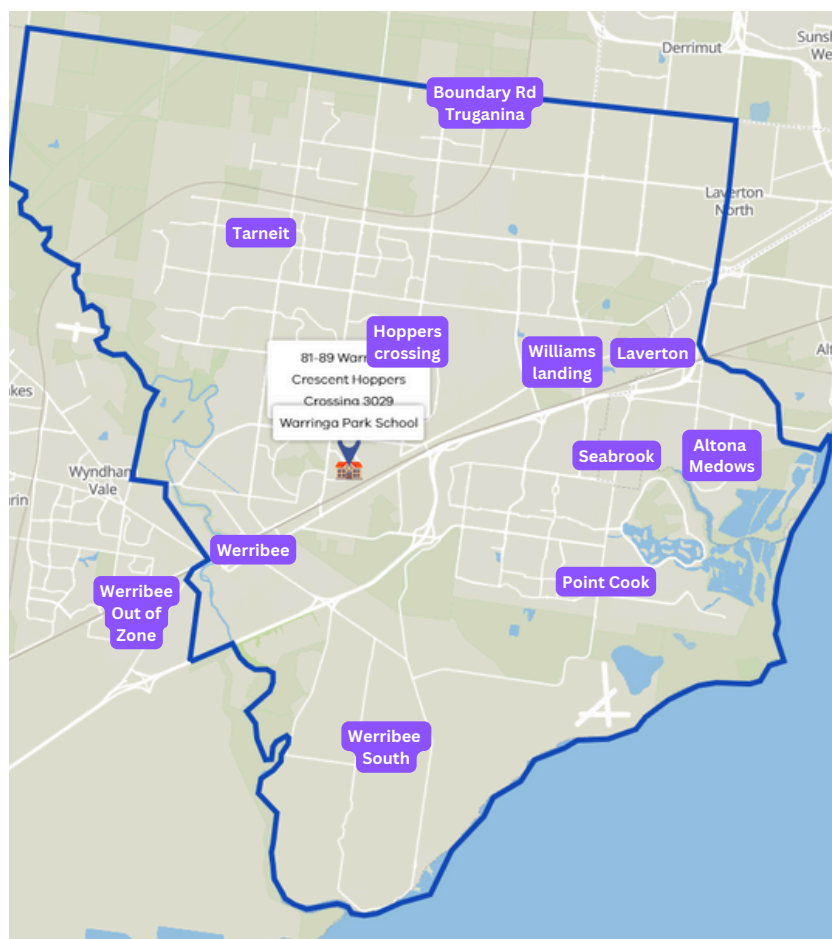
Important Information - Bus Transportation - Moving Houses

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.





Local Summer School Holiday Programs



Warringa Park School TheirCare Holiday Program
Time: 9.00-5.00pm
Age Groups: Primary Years
81-85 Warringa Cres, Hoppers Crossing
0499 530 034

[Website](#)
[Program](#)



Gateways Support Services Recreation, Camps & Activities
Time: Varied dependent on activity
Age Groups: 7-11 years, 12-17 years & 16-20s.
Werribee, Footscray, North Geelong
5221 2954

[Website](#)
If you need help with your choices, you can contact:
RecreationWM@gateways.com.au
Camps@gateways.com.au



Yooralla Holiday Program
Time: 9:30am-4:30pm
Age Groups: 6-12 & 13-17 years
St Albans or Laverton
1800 966 725

[Website](#)
yooralconnect@yooral.com.au



Felicity Holistic Care Superheroes School Holiday Program
Time: 10am-4pm
Age Groups: 6-12 & 13-17 years
Wyndham Park Community Centre, 55-57 Kookaburra Avenue, Werribee.
0493 689 167

[Website](#)
programs@felicitycare.com.au



The Grange Community Centre School Holiday Program
Time: 6.45am-6.30pm
Age Groups: Primary Years
260-280 Hogans Rd, Hoppers Crossing.
8742 8000

[Website](#)
[How to enrol](#)
enquiries@grangecommunity.org.au



YMCA Truganina South Primary School Holiday Program
Time: 6.30am-6.30pm
Age Groups: Primary Years
51-71 Federation Boulevard, Truganina South.
0438 938 327

[Website](#)
truganinaoshc@ymca.org.au



Optimum Support Services
Time: Varied/Day excursions
Age Groups: 13-17 years
Werribee.
0432 604 873

[Website](#)
info@optimumservices.com.au



Wyndham City Council Weekly Activities
Time: Varied dependent on activity
Age Groups: 5-10, 10-16 and 16-25
Manor Lakes, Werribee, Hoppers Crossing, Point Cook, Tarneit.

[All abilities basketball](#)
[Karate](#)
[Youth services](#)

Wyndham Local Foodbanks



Manor Lakes (Open to all)	Tarneit (Open to all)	Hoppers crossing (Young people 12 -25 years)	Werribee (Open to all)
<p>Where: Manor Lakes Community Learning Centre, 86-100 Manor Lakes Blvd, Wyndham Vale</p> <p>When: Wednesday 9.00am - 11.30am</p> <p>Ph: 8734 8934</p>	<p>Where: Penrose Promenade Community Centre, 83 Penrose Promenade, Tarneit</p> <p>When: Tuesday 10.30am-12pm</p> <p>Ph: 03 8734 4500</p>	<p>Where: Youth Resource Centre 86 Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing</p> <p>When: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm</p> <p>Ph: 03 8734 1355</p>	<p>Where: Wyndham Park Community Centre 55/57 Kookaburra Avenue, Werribee</p> <p>When: Thursday 9:30am – 12pm</p> <p>Ph: 03 8742 3975</p>





Holiday Support Services

Warringa Park School are dedicated to the wellbeing of our school community.

We understand that holiday periods, while although enjoyable, can be challenging at times for families. We would like to share this resource list to help connect you to supports during school closure periods.

SERVICE DIRECTORIES

[Ask Izzy](#)
[Department of Social Services](#)
[Disability Information Hotline](#) 1800 643 787

BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

[Carer Advisory Line](#) 1800 514 845
[Child First parent assistance](#) 1800 271 045
[Parentline phone support](#) 1300 301 300

RESPIRE

[Gateway Emergency Respite](#) 1800 422 737
[Wyndham Home Support](#) (03) 8734 4514
[NDIS Respite](#) 1800 800 110

PARENT GROUPS

[Mackillop Family Services](#) (03) 9680 8444
[Gateways Parent Support](#) (03) 5221 2984
[Tweedle MyTime Support](#) (03) 9689 1577

COUNSELLING

[Lifeline](#) 131114
[Beyond Blue](#) 1300 224 636
[Carer Gateway](#) 1800 422 737

FAMILY VIOLENCE

[1800RESPECT](#) 1800 737 732
[Orange Door](#) 1800 271 045
[Safe Steps](#) 1800 015 188

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

[Financial Crisis and Material Aid](#)
[Personal Hardship](#) 1800 226 226
[NDIS, Carer Card and Companion Card](#)

NEXT TERM READY

[Term Dates and School Uniform](#)
[How to use Compass](#)
[How to use Seesaw](#)

Mental Health Services and Support

Beyond Blue

24/7 mental health support service

1300 22 4636
beyondblue.org.au

headspace

Online support and counselling to young people aged 12 to 25

1800 650 890
(9am to 1am daily)
headspace.org.au

Kids Helpline

24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people aged 5 to 25

1800 55 1800
kidshelpline.com.au

Lifeline

24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services

13 11 14
lifeline.org.au

Suicide Call Back

24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide

1300 659 467
suicidecallbackservice.org.au

13YARN

24/7 crisis support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

13 92 76
13yarn.org.au

Mensline

24/7 counselling service for men

1300 78 99 78
mensline.org.au

1800 RESPECT

24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse

1800 737 732
1800respect.org.au

QLife

LGBTIQ+ peer support and referral

1800 184 527
qlife.org.au

If you are concerned about someone at risk of immediate harm, call 000 or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.



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1800 422 737 Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

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The holiday season can be especially stressful for many carers and your wellbeing is just as important as your child's. If you need support, Carer Gateway offers free tailored support and services to help you in your caring role, not only during this busy time but year-round. These services may include counselling, emergency respite, in-person peer support, coaching and tailored support packages. Scan the QR code to receive a callback or visit carergateway.gov.au for more information. You can also call 1800 422 737, Monday to Friday, between 8 am and 5 pm