

WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL NEWS



TERM 2 | 2ND MAY | WEEK 2

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM NEWS

School Wide Positive Behaviour Supports (SWPBS), SRC & awards

This term our focus is on the school value Respect, represented by our mascot Ricki the Roo.

The first expectation we are exploring is 'We keep our hands and feet to ourselves'. Staff are supporting students to understand the importance of keeping their hands and feet to ourselves at school to help keep ourselves and our classmates safe. Classes are exploring what positive actions they can complete with their hands and feet such as kicking a ball, jumping, giving a hi-five, or waving hello. As a family you can support school by also exploring what positive actions we can do with our hands and feet.



SRC Report

This term in our Primary SRC teams, students have decided they would like to start fundraising as an SRC. Over the coming weeks, they will meet in their teams and dive deeper into what they can do to raise money and also decided what they will be raising money for.

At CRC, there will be campaigning done to help put an end to bullying. Our senior SRC believe in our school values of Respect, Learning and Working Together and they will be drafting ways to inspire their classmates to work on always being respectful of each other.

Our Later Years SRC teams from CRC and BRC met at Bethany Road this week, where they started to work on a project to promote positive cultural identity at our school. To start this process, the students began an Engoori, which is an approach that belongs to the Mithaka people of South-West Queensland. We began this by diving into the first phase of this process, where we honoured our strengths. This involved art works that celebrated each individual and what makes us strong and happy. Lots of common themes such as family, friends and love came through in this phase and we look forward to moving through into the next phase of visioning our futures a little later in the term!

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

Lower Primary – TJ H
Middle Primary – Derjarhn Z
Upper Primary – Manraj G
PPC – Farhan A
BRC – Noah P
CRC VPC – Blake S
CRC Flexible Learning – Tyson P



UPCOMING DATES

Monday 12th May
CRC School photos

Thursday 15th May
PPC School photos

Friday 16th May
WCC & BRC School photos

Wednesday 21st May
Curriculum Day – Pupil free day

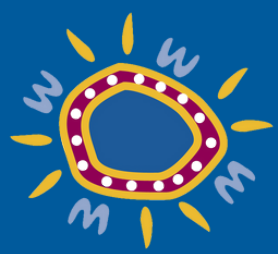
Friday 6th June
Curriculum Day – Pupil free day

Monday 9th June
King's Birthday Public holiday

Friday 4th July
School assembly & Last day of Term – 2pm finish

PROTECT
Protecting children & young people from abuse is our responsibility





Performing Arts update

ANZAC Day Ceremony

For our ANZAC Day Ceremony, the Performing Arts Team put together some meaningful performances to reflect on our ANZACS. Robyn worked with students to produce a drama that would depict the story of Simpson and his Donkey and how they helped others who were in need. We also had a tremendous contribution from Group 24 who learnt the song "Lest We Forget" and performed it together wholeheartedly for the ceremony. Damon, Riley and Lien read a poem and the whole class marched in the flag procession. Thanks to everyone who helped make this event such a success.

Wakakirri

The Wakakirri Team is coming together for 2025!

Wakakirri is an Australian wide Performing Arts Event for Schools that promotes student engagement and well-being through a creative combination of dance, music, and drama to tell a story.

This year, the theme is 'Tales of Inner Strength'. Our story will be filmed and presented in the short film festival section.

A group of students from our Warringa Crescent Campus have begun to develop a story called 'Warringa Rangers Village' that explores the effect that bush fires can have on our native wildlife, and the importance of resilience in the face of adversity.

Brian, Robyn, Tanya & Gavin

The Performing Arts team





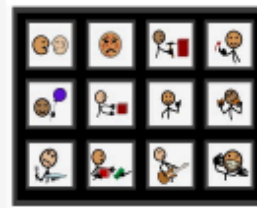
Allied Health update

AAC SYSTEMS: PODD COMMUNICATION BOOKS



WHAT IS PODD?

- Symbol based, communication system
- Can be electronic or non-electronic
- Customisable to the needs of the individual

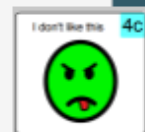


WHO USES PODD?

- Non-speaking children and adults
- People who cannot always rely on their spoken language to communicate
- Communication partners of people who are non-speaking

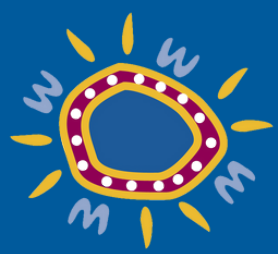
GETTING STARTED WITH PODD

- Ensure the system is always available, everywhere
- Practise using the system to become more familiar with the set up
- Model language kids are likely to use: pages 1a and 1b, 4a-b like it words and 4c-d don't like it words are great for this!
- Acknowledge all communication attempts even if it is not immediately obvious how the selection relates to the interaction



MORE QUESTIONS?

Talk to your child's classroom teacher or school speech pathologist about how communication systems are used at WPS to support student communication.



Dates for the diary

Term Two 22nd April - 4th July

Monday 12th May
CRC School photos

Thursday 15th May
PPC School photos

Friday 16th May
WCC & BRC School photos

Wednesday 21st May
Curriculum Day – Pupil free day

Friday 6th June
Curriculum Day – Pupil free day

Monday 9th June
King's Birthday Public holiday

Friday 4th July
School assembly & Last day of Term – 2pm finish

Term Three 21st July - 19th September

Monday 21st July
First day of Term Three

Friday 19th September
School assembly & Last day of Term
Three – 2pm finish

Term Four 6th October - 18th December

Monday 6th October
First day of Term Four

Monday 3rd November
Curriculum Day – Pupil free day

Tuesday 4th November
Melbourne Cup Public holiday

Thursday 18th December
School assembly & Last day of Term Four –
finish time TBC

Moving houses - Important Information

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:

- If you're planning to move, please visit www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/dta_search 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 (BRC and CRC) or Taara Boyles (WCC and PPC) at transport@warringapark.vic.edu.au

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](#) 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.