

WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL NEWS



TERM 1 | 27TH FEBRUARY | WEEK 5

CLASSROOM AND BEYOND NEWS

School Wide Positive Behaviour Supports (SWPBS) awards and SRC

It has been a busy time across the senior campuses working with the SRC. It was wonderful to invite the student representatives to the recent opening of the Yarning Circle at the main campus, and a special shout out to Logan Miller for her welcome to country message. We as a school community value having a student like Logan who is so willing to take on this responsibility.

At Bethany Road, the students have begun working together across the campus on positive engagement and interactions with each other. The purpose is to promote respect in all of the interactions among students. At the core of this respectfulness campaign has been encouraging practices such as High 5s, handshakes, and fist bump greetings, helping to foster a culture of positivity, connection, and mutual respect. The SRC students are on the lookout for their peers to see who is modelling this positive behaviour.

Finally, please keep an eye out for your SRC representatives in upcoming Warringa Connect Episodes. As each member will make an appearance over the course of the year and give you a bit of a 'get to know you' about who they are.

Tim Fegan

Leading Teacher

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

- Lower Primary - Adam H
- Upper Primary - Leon S
- PPC - Amen T
- BRC - Samrat M
- CRC VPC - Jemaine G
- CRC ASDAN - Nelson H
- CRC Flexible Learning - Nahum A



UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday 1st April
SSG night - students finish at 1pm

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Last day of Term One - students finish at 2pm

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First day of Term Two

Tuesday 12th May
Warringa Cres Campus - School Photos

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Cayleys Road Campus - School Photos

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Protecting children & young people from abuse is our responsibility





STEAM update

Our STEAM learners successfully immersed and participated with all the activities this term showing readiness to learn, respectful collaboration and working together to complete their tasks. We are exploring how to make garden designs for primary years. We created colourful and vibrant story gardens by making the characters of our chosen stories come to life in our garden beds. Students made a rock garden which is a collection of individually designed rocks showcasing their favourite cartoon characters, fruits, vegetables and kind words to show how they care for all living creatures around the environment.

Through the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, our young learners begin to understand how to grow, harvest, prepare and share the fruits and vegetables they planted in the school garden. Gradually, the garden is flourishing with the growth of new herbs, citrus fruits and green leafy vegetables. Cooking and gardening lessons increased our students' knowledge on how to safely use tools, equipment and appliances in both learning spaces. We are witnessing how they positively develop life skills that will surely benefit them for the future.

Later years students are busy learning about forces. BRC and CRC learners are creating lots of projects that test how objects move using various recycled materials. They are learning how gravitational force affects physical safety, motor development, and sensory regulation. Through experiments and play based activities, students understand gravity in building a sense of balance, security and trust in their familiar environments.

As an Apple Distinguished School, our STEAM students are fully engaged in navigating iPad applications, which includes Pic Collage, Book Creator, Keynote and Clips to tell how they learn. Through photos and videos, students show evidence how they successfully achieve their learning objectives. We share these on Seesaw, and we hope parents and families admire our students' creations.

We are all excited to share with you all our next learning journeys and successes next term!

Joan, Dara, Halid, Krish & Sharon

The STEAM team





Allied health update

Beyond the Classroom: Coregulation

What is Coregulation?

Coregulation is when a regulated person supports a dysregulated person with emotions that cause distress.

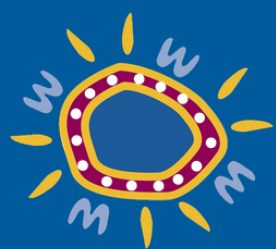
It is allowing a child to 'borrow' your nervous system to support and encourage regulation while their nervous system is still developing.

How to Encourage Regulation?

1. Help the child name the feeling
 - This can help build emotional awareness. eg: 'it looks like you're frustrated because we can't go outside right now'
2. Validate them and model
 - Let the child know their feelings are valid and model a way to cope. eg: 'That is hard, I understand. When things feel hard for me I take deep breaths like this' (note: this is not an attempt to make the child engage in any strategy, only to encourage them that they exist)
3. Offer choices for redirection
 - Support the child's autonomy by offering activities to engage in. eg: presenting them with blocks or stickers and letting them lead.
4. Encourage strengths
 - Highlight all efforts and creativity in these moments!



Note: Your regulated presence matters the most! Holding space for the child you care for sometimes is more than enough.



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Term Three 13th July - 18th September

Monday 13th July

First day of Term Three

Friday 18th September

Last day of Term Three

Term Four 5th October - 18th December

Monday 5th October

First day of Term Four

Tuesday 3rd November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Thursday 17th December

Last day of Term Four

2026 School Bus information

To help our bus runs operate smoothly, please ensure a parent or carer is at the bus stop on time for pick-up and drop-off. If a student is not collected by the end of the route, they will be returned to the main campus in line with our Transport Policy.

If your child will not be catching the afternoon bus, please let your Campus Admin know as soon as possible.

Please be aware that a change of address may affect your child's eligibility for bus access if the new address is outside the Warringa Park School zone.

For new bus requests or if you are moving house, please complete the form here:
<https://secure.aul.adobesign.com/public/esignWidget?wid=CBFCIBAA3AAABlqZhAZCcOTyrIHxhJwAYTyIAUdvt...>

For other transport questions please contact 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.