



WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL NEWS



TERM 2 | 26TH JUNE | WEEK 10
PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we start Term 3, it is appropriate to reflect on the 2026 NAIDOC theme – "50 Years of Deadly", which marks a major milestone by celebrating five decades of the NAIDOC movement, along with the First Nations Elders, organisers, and communities who sustained it. Our school plays an important role in providing a culturally safe and responsive environment that celebrates the diversity and strengths of First Nations learners. We have continued to participate in learning and activities that help our students build an understanding of the past and our shared history.

Many of you joined us in celebrating our achievements during SSG meetings and at the end of term 2 assembly. We are proud of the good or excellent progress students are making towards achieving their goals and I would like to congratulate all our award winners.

Launching into term 3 inquiry, students in the primary campuses will explore and investigate how they can reuse materials whilst the secondary students will explore the world around them.

Art Centre excursion

On Thursday, our performing arts team took over 100 students from our Warringa Crescent and Bethany Road campuses into the Art Centre for a theatre experience. The Arts Centre Schools Team contacted the coordinator of the excursion, Performing Arts teacher Robyn Packham afterwards to say they were delighted to welcome the largest group they have ever had from a specialist school attend and engage with the "New Owner" production.

AEU Industrial action

You may have seen in the news that there is a proposed industrial action for school staff on Thursday 23rd July. At this stage, we do not know how many of our staff are participating in this stop work action across our four campuses. Staff are due to inform the school by the morning of Tuesday 21st July, once this information is received and collated, I will provide an update to you all no later than 2pm Wednesday 22nd July.

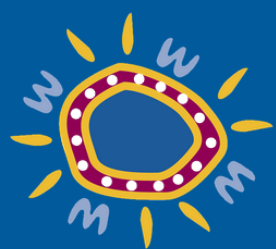
Ashwini Sharma
Principal

Wellbeing & Innovation

Throughout NAIDOC Week, students and staff across Warringa Park School came together to celebrate and recognise the rich histories, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Students had the opportunity to participate in meaningful experiences, including smoking ceremonies and engaging storytelling sessions, which provided valuable opportunities to learn about the importance of culture, connection to Country and the traditions that have been shared for generations. These experiences encouraged reflection, respect and appreciation for Australia's First Nations peoples.

A special congratulations to our students at Bethany Road Campus (BRC), who created a wonderful [NAIDOC Week video](#) showcasing their learning and celebrations. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and invite families to watch and enjoy the video, which captures the spirit of the week and the importance of coming together to celebrate culture and community.

Danielle Heckmann
Assistant Principal



Curriculum report

Welcome back to term 3!

From Prep to year 9, students will engage in a range of science based projects and inquiries.

Across primary classes are investigating the question "How can I use it again?" look at different types of waste and what we can do to change it to make something new and useful. Our learning will begin by using our senses and accepting and rejecting items then move to sorting different objects such as hard and soft plastics. We will then move through the cycle and look at how we can upcycle and make something useful such as a new toy or a pot for a plant or markers.

Bethany Road students will explore How can we explore and learn about the world around us? Students will unpack What can we notice using our 5 senses? How can we make and share our observations? What tools can help us explore and observe the world?

Students at Cayleys Road in 7-9 will unpack "How can we use our senses to explore the natural world?" Students will explore What does it smell like, look like, feel like, sound like, taste like? How can we make an observation? What scientific tools can we use?

A cohort of ASDAN students will explore how they can support students to be more independent in the community - they are creating personalised Proloquo2Go folders for specific restaurants etc so that students can order independently. They are also making visual scripts for students to practice with or utilise in the community which prompts them on the social etiquette of ordering.

The other ASDAN cohort are creating a community access guide book to go into our school buses, be shared school wide and potentially also with local day services etc. The guide will have a range of locations they have travelled to with a blurb, student ratings as well as what amenities they have to utilise during community access.

Yr 11s and 12s will be creating a picture book collection of short stories with the intention of reading of reading them to younger students. We also have the RIJI (Real Industry Job Interviews) preparation, and the year 10s are finishing off their cultural box exchange project.

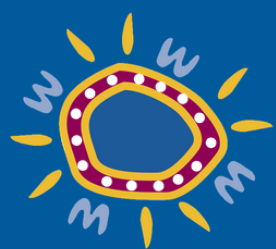
Check out our termly calendar for lots of exciting extra curricular activities and events that will take place for students across the term.

We are excited for a jumpacked term of learning ahead.

Amy Byrne
Assistant Principal

 9749 5774 WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL TERM THREE CALENDAR					
1. Student absence 2. Warringa Creek campus 3. Cayleys Road campus 4. Bethany Road campus 5. Poley Parade campus 6. Enrolments 7. School buses					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Jul 13th Students return to school. WCC Dental van NAIDOC week celebration	Jul 14th WCC Dental van	Jul 15th CRC Blackwood Camp. WCC Dental van	Jul 16th CRC Blackwood Camp. WCC Dental van	Jul 17th CRC Blackwood Camp. WCC Dental van
2	Jul 20th BRC Dental van	Jul 21st BRC Dental van	Jul 22nd CRC Dental van	Jul 23rd CRC Dental van	Jul 24th CRC Dental van
3	Jul 27th				
4	Aug 3rd CRC Blackwood Alpine Camp			Aug 6th CRC Flexible Learning Lady Northcote Camp	Aug 7th CRC Flexible Learning Lady Northcote Camp
5	Aug 10th When the world turns - theatre incursion at WCC				
6	Aug 17th Science week. Year 9 transition visits to CRC		Aug 19th NHS post-school options expo.		Aug 21st BRC 4ESS incursion. Year 9 transition visits to CRC
7	Aug 24th Book week starts. BRC book week dress up		Aug 24th WCC & PPC book week dress up		Aug 28th Wear It Purple Day
8	Aug 31st Literacy and Numeracy week. Year 9 transition visits to CRC. Parent classroom visits**.	Sep 1st Remember to book your SSOs via Compass		Sep 3rd Upper Primary Camp. W24, 25, 34, 36, 41 & 42. Father's Day Pie Night 5pm @ WCC	Sep 4th Upper Primary Camp. W24, 25, 34, 36, 41 & 42. Year 9 transition visits to CRC
9	Sep 7th			Sep 10th BRC Year 7 Blackwood Camp BUON Day. Year 6 transition parent evening 5pm @ BRC & CRC	Sep 11th BRC Year 7 Blackwood Camp
10	Sep 14th SSOs	Sep 15th SSOs	Sep 16th Early finish for students 1pm. Whole School assembly 10am @ WCC SSOs	Sep 17th Books to life incursion @ WCC	Sep 18th Footy colours Day! Last day of Term 3, 2pm dismissal

** invitations will be sent home closer to the date



Key dates for the diary

Please see the calendar that was sent home for all details

Term Three 13th July - 18th September

20th - 22nd July

WCC Dental van

23rd - 24th July

BRC Dental van

27th - 29th July

CRC Dental van

30th July

PPC Dental van

Thursday 3rd September 5pm

Father's Day Pie Night @ Warringa Crescent Campus

Monday 14th - Thursday 17th September

SSGs

Wednesday 16th September

Early finish for SSG's - 1pm finish

Friday 18th September

Last day of Term Three - 2pm finish

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=CBFCIBAA3AAABlqlqZHAZCcOTyrlHxhJwAy.TylAUdVt...>

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.