WARRINGA PARK SCHOOL NEWS

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CAMPUS NEWS

Warringa Crescent News

This term has started with great excitement at Warringa Park Campus as students have been engaging in our cooking inquiry through hands-on learning experiences! Upper Primary students have been busy preparing for their upcoming graduation by creating their graduation 'I like' pages and participating in transition sessions, which have been very successful. Alongside these preparations, students have continued to work hard on their cooking inquiry, with classes exploring how to safely prepare fruit for cooking, practising their chopping skills and learning about the importance of good food hygiene when handling and preparing food. A majority of classes have already practised making fruit skewers, smoothies and salads to hone their skills and learn about safe hand-washing practises.

In Middle Primary, students have been focusing on understanding the different food groups and recognising a variety of fruits. They have enjoyed tasting fruits such as bananas, apples and pears while learning that fruits contain seeds. Many students have also explored engaging texts, including The Very Hungry Caterpillar, making connections between literacy, food and different food groups.

Meanwhile, Lower Primary students have been exploring fruits through mathematics. They have participated in statistics lessons by investigating which fruits they like and dislike, learning to collect data using tally marks and respond to yes/no questions before representing their findings in graphs. These activities have provided fun and meaningful opportunities to develop their early mathematical skills while learning about familiar foods.

Throughout the school, students have enthusiastically embraced our cooking inquiry, developing new skills, exploring different foods and learning together through practical experiences. It has been wonderful to see everyone getting involved, building confidence and having fun as they discover more about food, cooking and healthy habits. We look forward to continuing this exciting learning journey together!

Tamara, Sasha & Meagan
Leading teachers



Polly Parade News

This term, students are exploring food and healthy eating through our Inquiry, “How Do We Choose, Prepare and Enjoy Different Foods?” Through hands-on experiences, students are learning about different food groups, exploring foods using their senses and developing safe food preparation skills. Students are also strengthening their literacy and numeracy skills by reading and creating recipes, measuring ingredients and exploring food preferences. Our Inquiry will conclude with the creation of “What's Cooking at Warringa Park!”, a collaborative cookbook featuring student recipes and cooking demonstration videos, which will be shared with families.

Our special programs continue to provide students with exciting opportunities to develop communication, teamwork, confidence and important life skills. Students are enjoying weekly DrumBEAT and Creative Dance sessions, while our OzHarvest program is supporting practical cooking and healthy eating skills. Our Mosaic Project is also nearing completion, with the beautiful designs soon to be installed in our garden beds. We are looking forward to our upcoming swimming program, which will focus on water confidence and safety. We are also excited to confirm that Howard’s popular Creative Dance program will continue in 2027!

Our SRC students are taking on an exciting leadership role this term, helping to plan and organise our End of Year Assembly. With the support of Zuzana, students will contribute their ideas, allocate responsibilities and practise presentations. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to strengthen their communication, teamwork and leadership skills while having a voice in our school celebrations.

We recently welcomed Books to Life Productions to Polly Parade for a wonderful interactive performance inspired by the 2026 CBCA Picture Book Being Indy. Through music, puppetry, visuals and storytelling, students enjoyed an engaging experience that brought the story to life and celebrated the joy of reading.

We are excited to welcome six new Prep students to Polly Parade in 2027! Our newest students have begun their four transition sessions this term, providing opportunities to become familiar with their new learning environment, meet staff and begin building connections. We look forward to welcoming our new students and families into the Polly Parade community.

A big thank you to the Polly Parade families who completed this year's Parent/Carer Opinion Survey! We are delighted to share the overwhelmingly positive feedback received, including 100% positive endorsement for overall satisfaction, school pride, student wellbeing and support, family involvement and school connectedness. We also received 99% positive endorsement for school communication and our stimulating learning environment.

These wonderful results reflect the strong partnerships between our families and staff. We sincerely appreciate your ongoing support and feedback as we continue working together to provide the best possible learning experiences for our students.

Alex Stewart

Campus Principal






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Bethany Road News

It has been another busy and exciting few weeks at Bethany Road Campus, with our students continuing to learn, explore and develop new skills across a range of engaging experiences!

A major highlight has been our Year 9 Urban Camp, where students had a fantastic time exploring Melbourne and experiencing all that the city has to offer. From visiting the zoo and discovering a range of amazing animals, to enjoying a fun game of bowling and exploring the interactive exhibits at Scienceworks, students embraced every opportunity. The camp provided a wonderful opportunity to build independence, strengthen friendships, develop confidence and create lasting memories together.

Our Year 9 students have also been enjoying their Vocational Programs, participating in a range of practical learning experiences across Agritech, Canteen, Arts and Crafts, and Music. These programs provide valuable opportunities for students to develop new skills, explore their interests and build confidence through hands-on learning.

Across our classrooms, students have continued to enjoy a variety of hands-on learning experiences. In Inquiry, students have been using their senses to explore different foods and create fun recipes featuring native Australian ingredients. In Numeracy, students have been developing their number skills and practising addition and subtraction through engaging activities. Students have also been learning about the important people who support them at school and in the wider community, building their understanding of the roles these people play in keeping us safe and supported.

In Careers, students have been exploring different jobs and participating in activities designed to spark curiosity about future pathways and possibilities. These experiences encourage students to discover their interests, develop new skills and begin thinking about their futures.

With the warmer, sunnier weather, students have also been making the most of opportunities to learn and play outdoors. Alongside enjoying the sunshine, we continue to reinforce the importance of being sun safe while spending time outside.

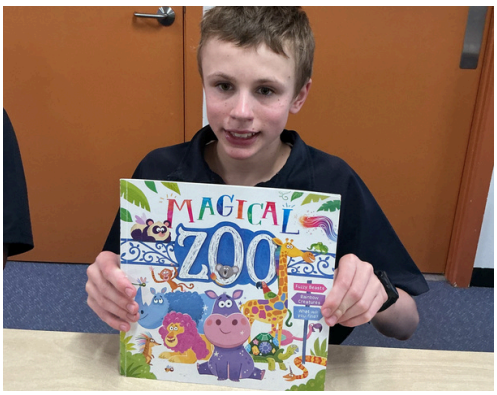
Across all of these experiences, our students continue to demonstrate our school values of Learning, Working Together and Respect. It has been wonderful to see students challenging themselves, trying new things and celebrating their achievements along the way.

We look forward to another exciting few weeks of learning, growth and shared experiences at Bethany Road Campus!











Olivia Galizi
Learning specialist

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Cayleys Road News

I just want to acknowledge the work of our VPC Year 10 group on their latest project, where they have been working towards planning and organising the bake sale that took place last week, with the goal of raising $500 for the RSPCA. Students researched recipes, voted for their preferred item to make, created ordering forms, tallied and collated the data from orders, followed recipes and packed order boxes.

On Wednesday they all went down to RSPCA to present them with their earnings from the event, which skyrocketed to be over $1,000!

My hat goes off to Bianca, Nicole, Shabnam, Emily, Sandra, Laura and everyone else who has supported this to be a possibility. It is a true demonstration of students leading their own learning in an authentic and passionate way!

On Wednesday Ashwini joined a group of students at Cayleys Road for a pizza party. Students who had received SWPBS awards were invited to join Ashwini and Kerstin for some pizza to celebrate their amazing work in following the school values of Learning, Respect and Working Together.

Students in ASDAN, Flexible Learning and VPC are all working hard on creating items to be sold at our famous Night Market at Cayleys Road. It will be held on Tuesday the 17th of November from 4.30pm – 6.30pm.

Students in ASDAN progression have been seeking donations for a raffle during their community access days. They are exciting to start selling the raffle tickets in two weeks as well as on the night of the market.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Night Market to celebrate the amazing work of our students and the learning they have completed across 2026!

Kerstin Barter
Leading teacher







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Key dates for the diary

Please see the calendar that was sent home for all details

Term Four
5th October - 18th December

Monday 2nd November
Pupil free day - No school

Tuesday 3rd November
Melbourne Cup Public Holiday - No school

Wednesday 4th November
Staff professional practice day - No school

Tuesday 17th November
CRC Night Market 4.30-6.30pm

Tuesday 24th November
Students finish at 1pm

Thursday 26th November
Grade 6 Graduation 5-6pm

Tuesday 1st December (time TBC)
End of year celebration at Warringa Crescent

Friday 4th December
Year 12 Graduation

Monday 7th December
BRC end of year celebration 3.30-4.30pm

Tuesday 8th December
Transition day for 2027 classes

Monday 14th - Wednesday 16th December
SSGs - by request

Thursday 17th December
Last day of Term Four - 1pm finish

2027 Dates for the calendar

Tuesday 11th May
Warringa Crescent - school photos

Wednesday 12th May
Cayleys Road - school photos

Thursday 13th May
Polly Parade - school photos

Friday 14th May
Bethany Road- school photos

2026 School Bus information

School Bus Safety Reminders
To help keep all students safe, please remember:

- If your child is not an independent traveller, a parent or authorised carer must be waiting at the bus door to collect them at their bus stop.
- Bus staff cannot leave the bus to walk a student across the road or to another location. Parents and carers must collect their child directly from the bus.
- Food and drinks are not allowed on school buses. This helps keep all students safe by reducing the risk of choking and allergic reactions.

Thank you for helping us keep our students safe while travelling to and from school.

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 this form.
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.