

The West Express

Warrnambool West Primary School
'WWPS is a Child Safe school'



We are learners in 5/6H

Year 5/6H have returned to school with energy, focus and personal goals they hope to achieve. Already I have had the pleasure of observing examples of collaboration, cooperation, kindness and calmness. I'm very excited to see what the term brings us all!
Mrs. Hopkins



When I sit back on the carpet I have to settle down and start listening to the teacher – Christine

I need to stop overthinking and zoning out in class – Lilly



Get more involved – Zay

Get to work quicker – Clayton

Be more inclusive and to go up and share ideas – Scarlett

My goal is to not talk when I do my work – Lillian

To put my hand up more and to stop talking in class – Sophie

Stop bringing toys or objects down to the mat while its learning time – Taj



I need to talk more in the classroom – Tyler

My goal is to put my hand up more in class – Tyneisha

I should talk to my classmates more often – Abou



Improve on my working skills like paying a little more attention – Austin

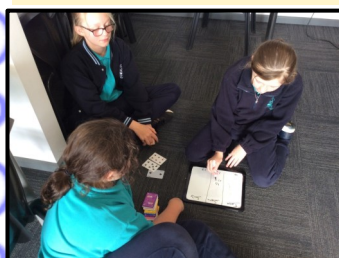
Ask for help more often – Patience



To be in my own little spot. Ask for help when I need it. Be inclusive more. – Ellah

Ask for help more often – Patience

I need to understand when I need to ask for help and not get angry, and to ask when I need something – Jordan



Try to be more inclusive in and out of school – Maddi

My goal is to be more talkative during class discussions – Andie



Talk more to people, make more little friends and do the right things around the school. Be kind, talk more to Mrs Hopkins and learn more. Talk more about my problems and be happy more often – Nadia





From the Principal

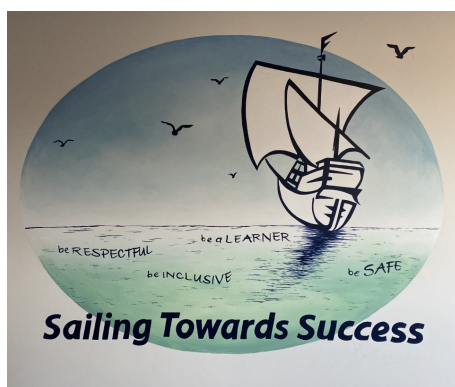
Dear Families,

Welcome back to what promises to be a very busy term 2. I trust that everyone has had a happy and safe holiday break and that the children have returned well rested and prepared for a term full of activity and learning. A special welcome to Mrs Renae Blake who has returned to the Warrnambool West staff this term, on a part time basis in the Prep/One classroom. Renae's days of work will be predominately Thursday and Friday each week. I also welcome Ms Geraldine Mitchell to year 1/2 G. Geraldine is replacing Stephen Griffin who is taking some personal leave.

School Works

Over the holiday break we have had new LED globes and covers installed in many of our learning areas. The new lighting will reduce our energy consumption as well as offer an environment for both staff and students that is conducive to learning.

Fiona Ludeman also completed our mural in the main corridor. Our mural captures our mission statement and what we value as a community. Our values - Be Respectful, Be Inclusive, Be Safe and Be A Learner are referenced throughout our daily interactions with students and are explicitly taught as part of our student wellbeing program. Fiona's next project will be to restore our murals on the exterior of our buildings, with the assistance of our 3-6 students. Next time you visit the school, make sure you take the time to admire Fiona's talented art piece.



Prep Students

A friendly reminder that from the beginning of this term, our prep students attend school on a Wednesday. I am positive there will be some very tired children by home time on Friday.

New Arrival

Congratulations to year one student, Kevin Nguyen and his parents Eric and Anna on the birth of 'Christina'. Another additional to the Warrnambool West family.

Loins Eye Testing

At West, we are fortunate to have strong links with numerous local service clubs. Next Tuesday, 27th April, the Warrnambool Lions Club will conduct individual, comprehensive screening tests for students in year prep, one and six. This initiative is provided by the Loins Eye Health Program- Australia with the aim of identifying children who require further eye testing, as it is estimated that 1:5 children in Australia have undetected vision problems. **Information and permission notes were sent home yesterday and I ask that these be returned to school by next Tuesday to allow screenings to occur.** On behalf of Warrnambool West, I wish to thank members of the Lions Club for the support offered to our students.

Big Life Focus Term 2

In each class this term students will focus on the theme 'Calm and Clear'. Over the course of the term, students in each year level will learn about their emotions, expanding on their vocabulary. The focus will build students capacity to;

- Identify how different emotions feel in their bodies
- Understand the causes and consequences of different emotions
- Express emotions appropriately
- Develop a toolkit of strategies they can use to regulate their emotions
- Practice mindfulness

This week all classes have focused on, 'Getting in touch with their emotions', with reference to build students' ability to recognise and label emotions accurately.

I strongly encourage families to talk to their children about their feelings, as teaching your child about emotions will help them become mentally strong. Evidence tells us that those

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who understand their emotions and have the coping skills to deal with them, will be confident that they can handle whatever life throws their way.

Pre-Service Teachers

This week we welcome Helena Thomas to Year 5/6. Helena is a fourth year Masters student from Federation University. Helena is completing her teaching placement under the guidance of Liz Hopkins.

Arriving At School

It is very important that our students arrive at school ready to start the day at 9.00am. Towards the end of term one, late arrivals were becoming more numerous with many students arriving between 9.05 and 9.30am. The education and wellbeing of students arriving late is being compromised and these students are disadvantaged in their learning.

Please do not assume that important learning only begins after 9.30am. Children need to feel a sense of belonging within their class and need a few minutes to prepare for learning, settle in with their friends and classmates and prepare for the day.

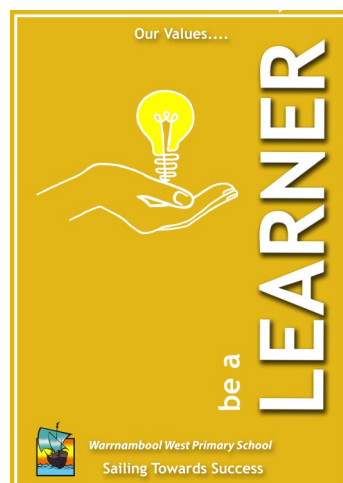
The first 15 minutes in the classroom each morning are crucial for setting the scene for the day.

ANZAC Day

Due to Covid restrictions, our students are not able to attend local ANZAC Day services.

We will hold a student led, commemoration Service at school, commencing at 9:10 am on Monday 26th April in the multipurpose room. Unfortunately Covid restrictions are still in place and therefore families will not be able to attend this event. Liz Hopkins and our school leaders will lay a wreath at the Warrnambool War Memorial, on Sunday on behalf of our school community.

Clare E. Monk





*From the
Assistant Principal*

Shaping our tomorrow today.

Welcome back to Term Two! It was a warming and great feeling to see our students walk through the gates and smile, wave and get excited to see everyone again. You could see the eagerness in their eyes and the happiness in their chatter. This demonstrates the willingness to be ready to learn and get on with things. This readiness is integral to how our term is shaped.

Before the term commences, our teachers shape the learning to cater for their students, they shape the experiences and shape the expectations so that our learners are prepared for their tomorrow, today. In addition to this, the students also come through the gates shaping their own day, their own experiences and expectations. Preparing themselves for their tomorrow.

In the back of our minds, we need to think; what sort of future will we shape for them, and how will we teach them to handle such a future?

Our daily school life encompasses the experiences that shape our students for their future. Whether it is in the classroom, in the Hands on Learning program, our Buddies program or the Accelerated Music Program, the students are always at the centre of what we offer and why we offer these programs.

With the 'Sailing towards Success' motto as part of our vision, shaping our students' tomorrow in today's context, we live and teach our school values and our positive behaviour expectations with authenticity and purpose. Our term is shaped so we ensure our students can learn how to think, understand, communicate, express emotions and apply their social skills.

Again, welcome back and we look forward to the exciting term ahead!

Miss Karen Holdsworth

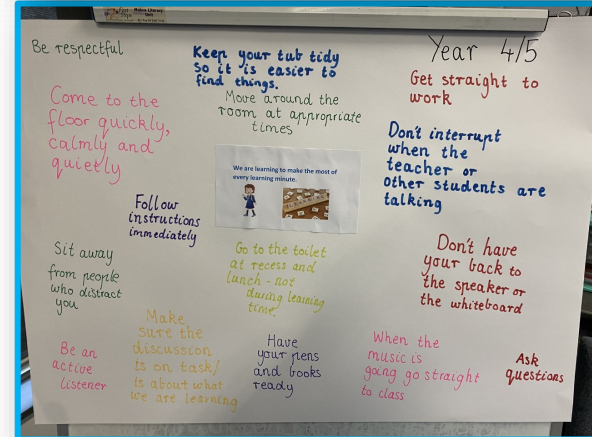
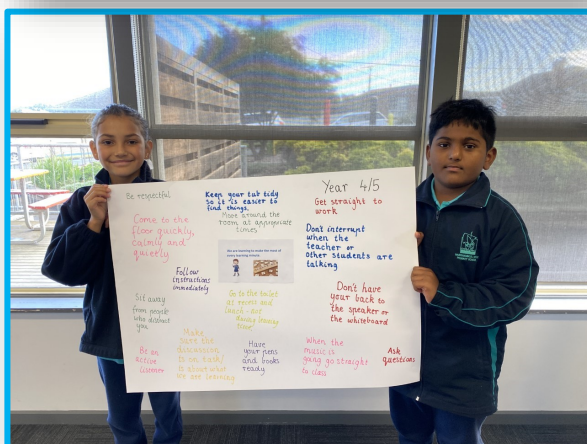
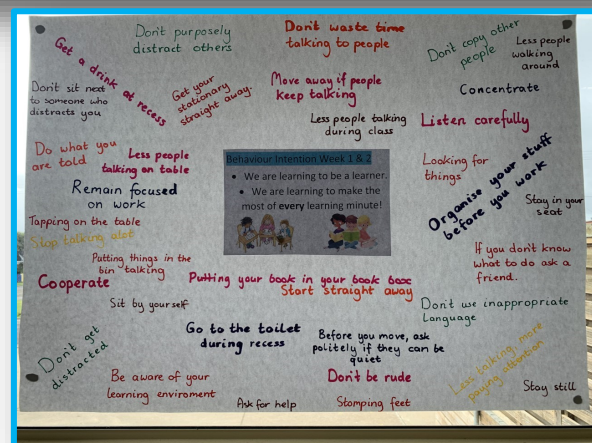
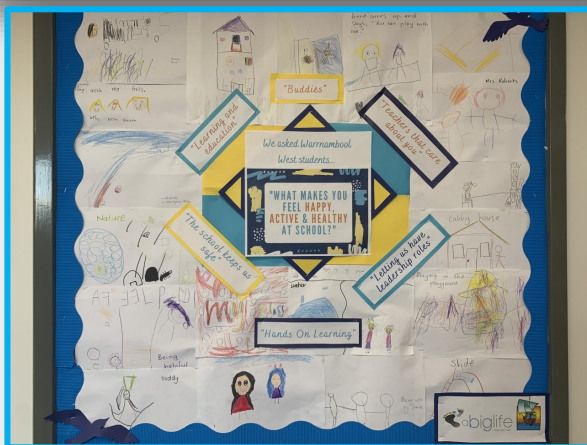
Welcome Helena!

Hi my name is Miss Helena Thomas. I am a pre-service teacher completing my Master of Teaching (Primary) at Federation University. Originally from Ballarat, I moved to Warrnambool at the start of 2021. I am training to become a teacher because I have a passion for working with children and want to help make a difference. I am really enjoying working with the students and staff at Warrnambool West PS, and look forward to spending the next 5 weeks in 5/6H.





This week's behaviour intention aligns with our Big Life focus of Calm and Clear. Using our learning minutes to the best we can ensures that our minds are ready and clear for learning.





Lunch Orders



The non-contactless orders from Chitticks Bakery will continue each Friday throughout the term. Orders will need to be placed in a brown paper bag with the correct money into your classrooms lunch order basket by 9:05am. Siblings will require their own individual orders and bags.

This Week's Special

Hedgehog - \$2.50

Iced Donut (choc/pink) - \$2.00



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LUNCH ORDER LIST

Meat Pies	\$3.50
Pastie	\$3.50
Potato Pie	\$3.50
Sausage Roll	\$2.50
Nibble Pie	\$1.50
Plain Salad Roll	\$4.20
Chicken/Ham Salad Roll	\$4.50

PLEASE NOTE:

*Lunch orders are **ONLY** available on a **FRIDAY**


*LUNCH ORDERS **MUST** BE WRITTEN ON A **CLEAN PAPER BAG** THAT IS BIG ENOUGH TO FIT THE STUDENTS ORDER IN IT.

*THE **CORRECT MONEY** MUST BE INCLUDED. **NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN.**

*PLEASE **DO NOT** SEND LUNCH ORDERS IN AN ENVELOPE.



Important Dates: Term 2, 2021

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 19th - 23rd April	19th First Day of Term 2	20th	21st	22nd	23rd
Week 2 26th-30th April	26th Attitudes to School Survey commences Years 4-6	27th	28th	29th	30th school Cross Country 
Week 3 3rd-7th May	3rd	4th	5th	6th Public Holiday	7th



Cross Country

Friday 30th April

The annual Warrnambool West School Cross Country will be held at
Victoria/ Friendly Societies Park next Friday.

Junior Race (P-2) approx. start at 12pm (<1km)

Senior Race 1 (3-4) approx. start at 12:15pm (2km)

Senior Race 2 (5-6) approx start at 12:45pm (3km)

Presentations to be held during assembly beginning at 3pm after lunch at
school.

Bring a water bottle, runners and dress in your house colours



Community News

BRAUER COLLEGE 2022 YEAR 7



**SPECIALIST PROGRAM
INFORMATION NIGHT**
TUESDAY 27th APRIL