



WARBY NEWS

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Week 11 Term 1

Principal's Report

Dear Parents, Carers, and Community Members,

What a fantastic start to the year we have had during Term 1 at John Warby Public School. It has been heartwarming to see **student engagement** and **happy learners** thriving in all classrooms. Our students are showing remarkable enthusiasm for their learning, and it truly sets a positive tone for the year ahead.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our **wonderful P&C** for coordinating a very successful Easter Raffle. Your efforts not only raised important funds but also fostered a strong sense of community. A big thank you to all our families for your generous support and creativity in making such amazing hats for our Easter Hat and Crazy Hair Parade this week. The joy and excitement in our students' faces were absolutely priceless! Our **next P&C meeting will be held on 21st May at 9:15am** in the Community Room and our next night meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th June.

I would also like to take a moment to acknowledge our amazing preschool and the dedicated educators who work tirelessly to support our youngest learners. Our preschool recently underwent an Assessment and Rating evaluation, and we are looking forward to receiving official recognition for the great work that happens there every day.

It has been wonderful to see our new school uniform polo shirts looking so sharp on our students. They represent our school pride beautifully. As a reminder, school photos will be held on **Tuesday, 6th May, and Friday, 9th May**, during week 2 of next term. Please mark these dates on your calendars. Our old style polo shirts will be accepted for school photos but **our preference** for those days, for those families that have already bought them, is for the **new style polo shirt to be worn**.

I would also like to take a moment to re-emphasise the **importance of student attendance**. Regular attendance is not only vital for academic success but also plays a crucial role in social development. Being present in class allows students to engage fully with their peers and teachers, fostering a sense of belonging and community. We understand that sometimes circumstances arise that may lead to absences; however, **it is essential that all absences are explained by parents no later than a day after they occur**. This communication helps us maintain accurate attendance records and ensures that we can support your child in catching up on any missed work. We encourage you to make attendance a priority, as every school day is an opportunity for learning and growth. Thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us achieve this goal. There is more information regarding student attendance later in this newsletter.

I am proud to share that we have received **wonderful feedback** from members of the public regarding our students who participated in the swimming scheme. They were outstanding representatives of our school, showcasing the values we hold dear. Congratulations to all students who participated so wonderfully and demonstrated improving water confidence and swimming ability.

Congratulations to Malakai U, who has been selected for the Sydney South West Boys Softball team! We wish him all the best as he competes in the upcoming State Championships. Your hard work and dedication have truly paid off, Malakai!

Please note that our **school assemblies** will now be held on Fridays for the rest of the year, specifically during even weeks. Our first assembly will be a **Principal's Award Assembly on Friday, 2nd May**, with our next assembly occurring in week 4 on Friday, 23rd May. We look forward to celebrating our students' achievements together.

Please keep checking School Bytes calendar for our upcoming school events.

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community. Together, we are creating an environment where **every child can flourish**. As we approach the holiday break, I wish all of our families a safe and happy time together. This is a wonderful opportunity to relax, recharge, and create lasting memories with loved ones. We look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Wednesday, 30th April, refreshed and ready for more exciting learning experiences. Enjoy your holidays!

Troy King

Proud Principal

John Warby PS Bell Times

8:57am	Line up for class
9:00am	Class time
11:00am	Lunch break
11:40am	Line up for class
1:40pm	Recess break
2:15pm	Line up for class
3:00pm	End of day



Please make sure your child/ren is at school on time and remains for the whole day.

School Attendance – Every Day Matters.

As part of our commitment to ensuring that every student is ready to learn, we would like to emphasise the importance of **school attendance**. Regular attendance is crucial for academic success, and we aim to improve the number of students arriving at school ready to learn by 9 am. It is important that your children attend school every day. It may not seem like much, but valuable learning time is lost when they are absent. This graphic highlights just how much time is lost. If your child is having 1 day away from school every fortnight it will equal 4 weeks absent in just one school year and 1 whole school year over the length of their school life.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



If your child(ren) are absent for any reason it is your responsibility to inform the school. If we don't receive an explanation your child's teacher or a member of staff will be in contact with you. We will be vigilant in our approach to improving student attendance at John Warby PS.

We kindly remind parents that if you need to collect your children from school, please avoid doing so during our break times, which are from 11:00 am to 11:45 am and from 1:45 pm to 2:15 pm. Collecting students during these times can be challenging as they are on the playground, and we want to ensure a smooth transition for everyone.

The Resilience Project – Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness & Emotional Literacy

Our student learning in these areas will continue to grow during 2025 with a major focus on having Empathy and Kindness for each other. I have had many conversations with our students who are demonstrating knowledge and understanding of these crucial concepts. I love it when our students are able to explain to me examples of how they utilise these mindsets in their everyday life. I encourage all families to make these concepts regular discussion points at home. Please talk to your children and reinforce these positive mindsets with them. To assist your understanding of these crucial concepts and how you can play a part in developing these in your children I invite you to join me and members of our school staff to the after hours webinar/workshop "Building Resilience at Home" on Thursday 13th March 2025. This workshop is designed to empower parents and carers by equipping you with practical strategies that can be used at home to develop the GEM principles. You can register for the webinar via this link https://forms.theresilienceproject.com.au/single-event-confirmation/?event_id=418212 or alternatively you can join us in the school library from 6:15am.



Come along to a Parent & Carer Presentation!

Building Resilience at Home Webinar

WHO'S INVITED?
Parents & Carers

DURATION
60 minutes

WHERE?
Online Webinar

ABOUT THIS WORKSHOP

A whole school approach is key to supporting student wellbeing. This session is designed to **connect the classroom to home**, providing a consistency and common language for your child and family.

This presentation will promote positive wellbeing and will provide you with:

-  A knowledge of the TRP program and how it is run in your child's school.
-  Tips and strategies to support your child's wellbeing at home through the GEM principles.
-  Ideas on how to support your own personal wellbeing.

SCAN FOR MORE ABOUT
RESILIENCE PROJECT.



Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is a valuable service that we provide to our students everyday. Please be aware that we are slightly altering the times in which the Breakfast Club will be serving food, starting on Monday 24th February. The new food service times are: Breakfast Club starting at 8:30am and finishing at 8:50am. Food service will not be available after 8:50am each morning. If your children would like to take advantage of Breakfast Club they will need to see Mrs Morrison and staff before it closes.

P & C

Our P&C is a dedicated and hard working team who are determined to increase its size and family involvement this year. To facilitate this, we will be trialling a combination of day and night meetings. Our first night meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19th March (time to be confirmed). At the Annual General Meeting held this week, the following people were elected as P&C Office Bearers for 2025: President - Georgie Dawes, Vice President - Megan Clarke, Treasurer - Melissa Chin, Secretary - Stacey Robinson. We look forward to working closely with our families this year.

I would like to take the opportunity to highlight the **School Community Charter** which was emailed to all families recently. It is essential that families are familiar with its contents as it outlines our values and expectations for a positive, collaborative and respectful school culture.

Lastly, please ensure that you have downloaded the **School Bytes app**, our primary communication tool. This allows us to send out notifications via SMS, push notifications to the parent app and emails. It is imperative that at least one parent from the main family has downloaded the app. It is important that it is set up to receive notifications from our school. The app features an easy-to-follow calendar of school events and is used for making payments, making it a vital resource for staying informed and engaged with school activities. Our student academic progress reports will also be available through the Parent Portal this year. If you need assistance with the setup, please pop into our office where our staff will be able to assist you.

Thank you for your continued support. Here's to a successful 2025 filled with learning, growth, a whole lot of empathy and kindness and a big helping of community spirit!

Troy King

Principal

Proud to be Public

Sing & Grow



Dancing, singing, playing percussion instruments, and relaxing to music is great for stimulating your child's development. And the benefits are even greater when you share these activities together!

You don't need to be musical to take part or benefit from attending this group!

Why is music beneficial?

- Music motivates children.
- Music is fun and non-threatening.
- Music can provide structure and predictability.
- Music can be used to alter mood.
- Music is great for child development.

If you are a parent or carer with child/ren 0-5 years old, we hope you can join us.

Morning Tea and resources provided.

Please use the QR code or call to express your interest. Contact: Romy 0408 418 102



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Participants MUST live in a CAMPBELLTOWN LGA suburb.

When:

Wednesdays for 8 weeks

30th April 2025

7th May 2025

14th May 2025

21st May 2025

28th May 2025

4th June 2025

11th June 2025

18th June 2025

Where:

Creative Parenting Spaces

8 Allman Street,

Campbelltown

Time: 10am -11.30am

Cost: **FREE**

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Bringing Up Great Kids



Overview

Bringing Up Great Kids is a reflective, mindful, respectful program that provides parents with an opportunity to reflect on their parenting journey.

Bringing Up Great Kids provides a friendly and safe environment for parents to learn from each other as they continue their parenting journey.

Program Content

The Bringing Up Great Kids' program supports parents and carers to:

- learn more about the origins of their own parenting style and how it can be more effective;
- identify the important messages they want to convey to their children and how to achieve this;
- learn more about brain development in children and its influence on their thoughts, feelings and behaviour;
- understand the meaning behind children's behaviours, and how to respond to children's underlying feelings and needs;
- explore new ways of communicating with children;
- discover ways for parents to take care of themselves and to find support when they need it.

Participants must live in the Campbelltown LGA

Where: 8 Allman St, Campbelltown

When: Thursdays for 6 weeks

8th May 2025

15th May 2025

22nd May 2025

29th May 2025

5th June 2025

12th June 2025

Time: 9.45am-11.45am

Contact: Please use the QR code or email cpsenquiries@uniting.org to express your interest.



Cost: FREE

Morning tea and free childcare is provided during the program

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Tuning in to Kids

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting



Tuning in to Kids is a program for parents and caregivers of children aged 0-12 years.

Exploring how to help your child develop *emotional intelligence* (understanding and regulating one's own emotions and understanding other people's emotions).

The goal of this program is to help parents and caregivers teach and support their children to understand and express emotions in appropriate ways and better manage when feeling upset, angry or overwhelmed.

Where: Creative Parenting Spaces

8 Allman St, Campbelltown.

Creative Parenting Spaces parenting programs aim to help parents learn new skills and behaviours to improve family functioning and support mental health, self-care, and wellbeing.

To express your interest please scan the QR code



Or call/SMS- Debbie 0439 404 023 or Peggy 0441 181 672



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Participants must live in Campbelltown LGA suburbs

When:

Tuesdays for 6 weeks

6th May 2025

13th May 2025

20th May 2025

27th May 2025

3rd June 2025

10th June 2025

Time: 9:45am -11.45am

Cost: FREE

Morning tea and free childcare is provided during the program.



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HOLIDAY ADVENTURE

School Holiday Programs

Fully supervised, safe and **FUN** activities for ages 8-14

**waterslide, obstacle course,
giant swing, high ropes,
flying fox, campfire cooking**

Each day has a unique selection of activities - attend multiple days and experience something new!

challenge yourself for an
action-packed adventure
these school holidays!

learn
more



Scouts

Cataract Activity Centre

HOLIDAY ADVENTURE

School Holiday Programs

Fully supervised, safe and fun activities for ages 8-11 and 11-14. Each day has a unique selection of activities - attend multiple days and experience something new*!

\$85
PER DAY

	Mon 14 April	Tue 15 April	Wed 16 April
8-11 years	Challenge Valley, flying fox, waterslide	Challenge Valley, giant swing, campfire cooking	Waterslide, giant swing, Challenge Valley
11-14 years		Challenge Valley, waterslide, high ropes	

Challenge yourself for an action-packed adventure these school holidays!

Daily Program

8.30-9am: arrival and games

9am-5pm: activities

5-5.30pm: pickup



More info and to book:

Visit scoutsnsww.au/school-holidays

or scan the QR code

*activities vary per day, and are subject to change based on weather and operational requirements
participants grouped 8-11 and 11-14 years

Cataract Activity Centre | Baden Powell Drive, Appin | 02 4631 6697

NOMINATE NOW



Macarthur 2025 for Under 19s

Recognise the achievements of our young people under 19 and the valuable contribution they make to the local community. It only takes 5 minutes!
20+ categories, individual, group & special needs.

Organised by Rainbow Crossing Inc.

ENTRIES CLOSE ON Sun 11th May 2025

GALA AWARDS NIGHT: Fri 30th May at Wests Leagues Club, 7pm

Scan here to
nominate



Or go online:
youngchampionsawards.com

Details: ☎ 4626 7777 | rainbowcrossing@outlook.com





MACARTHUR YOUNG CHAMPIONS AWARDS 2025 NOMINATION FORM

Macarthur Young Champions Awards recognise the achievements of our young people and the valuable contribution they make to the local community. Organised by Rainbow Crossing Incorporated, an ACNC registered not-for-profit organisation, these awards seek to motivate young people to chase their dreams.

Macarthur Young Champions Awards Gala Night 2025 will be held on Friday 30th May 2025, 7pm at Wests Leagues Club, Leumeah.

Thank you for taking the time to nominate a young achiever. We wish you good luck with your submission.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominees must be under 19 years old as of 30/4/2025 and be living, studying or working in Campbelltown, Camden or Wollondilly LGA.

Nominees' achievements are for the 2023 to 2025 period only.

Young people could be nominated or self-nominate for any of the categories.

Multiple category nominations are permitted but must be submitted on separate forms.

Past years' winners cannot nominate in the same category that they won, but can nominate in another category. Finalists can nominate in their previous years' categories again.

CLOSING DATE for entries: 5:00pm on Sunday 11th May 2025.

AWARDS

Finalists in each category will receive certificates of merit and medals at the Awards Night. There will be one Grand Winner's Trophy in each category. These will only be available for collection by the recipients at the event and not before or after.

NOMINEE'S DETAILS

Select One Category:

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| ☐ Academic (Junior – 12yrs & under) | ☐ Outstanding Employee, Apprentice or Trainee |
| ☐ Academic (Senior – 13 to 18yrs) | ☐ Outstanding Young Carer |
| ☐ Academic (Special Needs) | ☐ Performing Arts (Individual Junior – 12yrs & under) |
| ☐ Community Service (Junior – 12yrs & under) | ☐ Performing Arts (Individual Senior – 13 to 18yrs) |
| ☐ Community Service (Senior – 13 to 18yrs) | ☐ Performing Arts (Special Needs) |
| ☐ Environmental | ☐ Performing Arts (Group) |
| ☐ Fine Arts (Junior – 12yrs & under) | ☐ Sports (Junior – 12yrs & under) |
| ☐ Fine Arts (Senior – 13 to 18yrs) | ☐ Sports (Senior – 13 to 18yrs) |
| ☐ Fine Arts (Special Needs) | ☐ Sports (Team) |
| ☐ Leadership (Junior – 12yrs & under) | ☐ Sports (Special Needs) |
| ☐ Leadership (Senior – 13 to 18yrs) | ☐ Technology & Innovation |

Mr / Miss

First Name..... Last Name.....

Age

School / Educational Institution

Address

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City Postcode

Full name of Parent / Guardian

Phone

Email

IMPORTANT INFORMATION WHEN WRITING YOUR NOMINATION

- Clearly highlight the nominee's key achievements in the specific category for the 2023 to 2025 period only, including any exceptional contributions.
- Mention the nominee's personal interests and involvement in the wider community where applicable.
- Document as much as possible with certificates, photographs & a short video.
- You can even upload a short video in which Nominees highlight their own achievements!
- Submit proof of age could be asked for during the judging process.

Nomination Submission:

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Nominee's Awards & Recognition:

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NOMINATOR'S DETAILS

Mr / Miss / Mrs

First Name..... Last Name.....

Phone

Email

I, as the nominator, upon submission of this form, hereby declare that all the information contained in this nomination is true and correct to my knowledge.

I acknowledge that the judges' decision is final and incontestable.

PLEASE NOTE:

For confidentiality, all information provided and collected will be used solely for the purpose of these awards by the organisers and judging panel.

All nomination forms will be kept in confidence until the completion of the Awards Night at which time all forms will be disposed of in the appropriate manner.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION FORM

Mail: 2/11 Hollyea Road, Leumeah NSW 2560 | Email: rainbowcrossing@outlook.com

Fill in online: <https://youngchampionsawards.com/macarthur-nominations/> or use the QR code

For further details phone (02) 4626 7777



Macarthur's Young Champions Awards Gala Night 2025 will be held on Friday 30th May 2025, 7pm at Wests Leagues Club, Leumeah.

Tickets include food & entertainment, bookings open soon online.

All Individual Finalists are FREE. All Group Finalists receive 2 FREE tickets.



**Campbelltown Ghost in Conjunction with
East Campbelltown Eagles JRLFC
Presents**



CAMPBELLTOWN GHOST CLINIC



AGES 5-12 YEARS

**THURSDAY 17TH
APRIL 10AM-3PM
\$80**



ACTIVITIES:

**Traditional
Indigenous game
Skills & Drills
Art
Oztag**

**Shirt, water
bottle, bag,
and lunch
included in
registration**



Campbelltown Ghost
Sport and Cultural Development Committee



**Waminda oval, Waminda
Ave, Campbelltown**



**CampbelltownghostSCAC@
outlook.com**

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OWN
HERO



**LEAGUE
STARS**

LEAGUESTARS.COM



The League Stars program appeals to the true nature of kids, in all their messy, high energy, love of fun and play. Each week, your child will participate in specially designed games that get them smiling and sweating.

League Stars kids have loads of fun with their friends, old and new, but the program delivers so much more. Each week they'll unlock more of their unique strengths, building physical, cognitive, social and emotional skills that will help them take on challenges big and small, now and in the future.

REGISTER FOR LEAGUE STARS
LEAGUESTARS.COM

WHEN: 17/4/2025 - 17/4/2025
TIME: Thursday 10.00am - 12.00pm
LENGTH: 1 session
AGE: 5-12s
COST: \$49

WHERE:
Wood Park
Wagtail Cres
Ingleburn
NSW 2565

YOUR LEAGUE STARS COACH IS:

Claudia Bush
cbush@nrl.com.au
0461 450 111



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