

Jumbunna



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Year 12 Graduation Dinner



The Year 12 Formal at the RSL on Monday, 11 November was a resounding success as family, friends and school staff celebrated the Year 12 class of 2024. The space was beautifully decorated with native foliage, hessian and candles in harmony with the rustic theme. The students looked like the young adults they have become, the girls elegant in their finery and the boys looking spruced and smart.

The evening was hosted by our captains for 2025, Maddie and Ryan, who conducted the proceedings like polished professionals. Speeches were varied, ranging from the serious to the light-hearted. Mrs Robson, Year Advisor, focused on change, and presented students with humorous gifts as tokens of their future plans. Ms Taylor, Acting Principal, expressed appreciation to our school captains of 2024, and to the students' teachers and families as well as giving the students some wise words on the importance of kindness, gratitude and resilience. Mrs Linda O'Brien spoke on behalf of the parents, outlining the daily activities that are involved in getting children through 13 years of schooling, providing us with some mind-boggling statistics. Lloyd O'Brien speaking on behalf of Year 12, tugged at our collective heart strings when he expressed heartfelt gratitude for parental love and support.

All the Year 12 students participated in events, whether it was cutting the cake, saying a few words or presenting gifts. A highlight for the students was the beautifully decorated photo booth, especially for the boys who revelled in the opportunity to take as many novelty photos as possible.

Thank you to Year 11 and Mr Armstrong for organising the event and to the many people who assisted them, especially Ms Mayger and Mrs Fisk who have been with them every step of the way. Thank you to Mrs Leach, who helped Ms Mayger and Mrs Fisk decorate, to Mrs Fisk and Miss Duncan for the slide show and music, to Belinda Bell for so generously volunteering once again to be photographer, to Mrs Robertson for her amazing cake and to the Warren Services Club for the delicious food and efficient staff.

All the work that goes into this event is a credit to the team effort and goodwill of WCS staff who are willing to go the extra mile for our students. Thank you to all involved. Mrs Robson|Year 12 Advisor

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WHAT'S ON AT WCS WEEK 6 & 7

- 21 NOVEMBER** Year 6-7 Transition Day 2
Polyglot Totems K-6
Aquaponics with RFDS
- 22 NOVEMBER** Polyglot Totems K-6
- 25 NOVEMBER** Year 10 Work Experience
Polyglot Totems K-6
- 26 NOVEMBER** Year 10 Work Experience
Polyglot Totems K-6
2025 Kinder Transition 4
- 27 NOVEMBER** Year 10 Work Experience
Polyglot Totems K-6
Barnardos playgroup with Year 1
- 28 NOVEMBER** Year 10 Work Experience
Polyglot Totems K-6
Aquaponics with RFDS
- 29 NOVEMBER** Year 10 Work Experience
Polyglot Community Celebration
Primary Christmas Craft Rotations

SAVE THE DATE →

You're invited!
Totems Community Performance
A Polyglot Theatre Kids Collaboration with Warren Central School & Warraan Widji Arts

Friday 29 November, 10am
Warren Central School Oval

Join us to celebrate the children's stories about the Dhigarrbila
Followed by morning tea

Totems is assisted by the Australian Government through Creative Australia, its principal arts investment and advisory body, and the Malcolm Robertson Foundation.



PRESENTATION NIGHT

Warren Central School
Annual Presentation
Night for K-12
will be held on
12 December 2024
at 6:00 pm
in the JB Renshaw hall.
All Welcome

Principal	Ms Taylor (Acting)
Deputy Principal	Mrs Robertson (Relieving)
Head Teachers	Mrs Hamilton Mrs Steele (Relieving)
Assistant Principal	Miss Squires (Relieving) Mrs Malone Mrs McCormack
Assistant Principal - Curriculum & Instruction	Mrs Kater Mrs Noonan (Relieving)



Commonwealth Psychosocial Support Program (CPS)



CPS provides free non-clinical, community-based supports that aim to facilitate recovery in the community for people experiencing severe and persistent mental illness.

Recovery coaches help people manage daily activities, rebuild and maintain connections, build social skills and participate in education and employment. **This is not a clinical service.**

How does the program work?

CPS offers one-to-one coaching with a psychosocial recovery coach who can support recovery for people with enduring mental illness. In partnership with the participant's family and carers (where possible), we provide a range of non-clinical community-based support to help them achieve their goals.

Each session with our psychosocial recovery coach, delivered face-to-face or over the phone, will be goal-oriented in focus and designed as a person-centred recovery plan.

You will learn strategies and develop skills that help you:

- Identify your strengths
- Connect to a social network that will improve your wellbeing
- Build capacity to live independently in the community
- Build resilience to achieve your goals
- Enjoy a full and vibrant life
- Connect with family or your community

Your psychosocial coach will also support you to:

- Look after your mental and physical health
- Develop vocational skills and goals
- Manage substance use concerns
- Find and maintain a home
- Reduce your need for hospital services
- Test for NDIS eligibility
- Reach out to the people in your life who can support your recovery, such as:
 - Carers or family members
 - Your GP
 - Services in the community
 - Health professionals

Eligibility criteria

To access CPS, you must:

- Have a severe and persistent mental illness
- Have needs that can be appropriately met through short-term, low intensity support to live independently in the community, as determined through a capacity and strengths-based assessment
- Not be restricted in their ability to fully and actively participate in the community because of their residential setting (for example, prison or psychiatric facility)
- Not be receiving similar psychosocial supports through a state or territory government program or the NDIS, where there is potential for duplication of service offerings
- Be aged 16 years and over

CPS is available in the areas below



Referral pathways

Referrals can be made via the form on the website below.

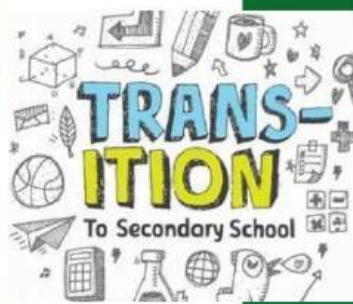
You can self-refer into the program or be referred in by your GP or community support. Once a referral is received, a member of the team will be in contact with the participant.

More information

📞 1300 402 585 ✉️ psychosocialsupports@marathonhealth.com.au
🌐 marathonhealth.com.au/psychosocial

Marathon Health is a not-for-profit, registered charity delivering high quality health and wellbeing services to people wherever they choose to live. This service is supported by funding from Western NSW Primary Health Network through the Australian Government's PHN Program.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO YEAR 7



Year 6 Transition Days

Year 6 students participated in two days of activities focused on experiencing secondary school and preparing for their transition to Year 7 in 2025. This initiative aims to help our students feel safe, secure, and happy within the school environment. The early induction process is designed to prepare students for the upcoming year, ensuring they receive full support throughout their educational journey at Warren Central School.

A special thank you goes to Mrs Steele for organising the transition days, as well as to the secondary teachers for welcoming the students.

We wish all Year 6 students the best as they move from Primary to Secondary and trust that their first year in Year 7 will be a rewarding experience throughout 2025.



Principal's Message



Dear parents, carers and community

As we approach the second half of term 4, our school continues to thrive with exciting programs, important milestones, and collaborative efforts that highlight the strength of our community.

Firstly, I'd like to acknowledge the significant work of our executive team in leading the submission for External Validation (EV). This is an intensive process that showcases our school's achievements and areas of growth, and it would not be possible without the dedication and expertise of all involved. The EV panel members were able to validate our school as "sustaining and growing" in the elements of student growth and performance, learning and development, school resources and management practices. Thank you to every staff member who contributed to this critical work.

Our Kindergarten transition program is well underway, ensuring a smooth start for our youngest learners in 2025. Year 6 to Year 7 transition days will provide an invaluable opportunity for our senior primary students to experience high school life, preparing them for the next stage of their education journey.

This past week, we were privileged to host a visiting paediatrician alongside various agencies to support students with challenging behaviours and diagnoses. The collaboration and collective expertise were overwhelming and reaffirmed our commitment to ensuring all students thrive with the tailored support they need.

As the end of the year draws closer, our calendar is filling quickly with events and activities. I urge parents and carers to regularly check the school sign and newsletter to stay updated. Your prompt return of permission notes helps us manage these busy weeks efficiently. If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

A special congratulations to those who organised the Year 12 Formal Dinner. The evening was a wonderful celebration of this milestone, and we wish our Year 12 students every success as they move beyond their school years.

Thank you all for your ongoing support as we make the most of these final weeks of the school year. Together, we are achieving great things!

Kind regards

Ms R. Taylor
Acting Principal

PRIMARY NEWS

Term 4 is moving along quickly and we have now passed half way of this very busy term.

What is on our calendar already

2025 Kindergarten transition days

26 November & 3 December

Barnardos playgroup visits to Year 1

27 November & 11 December

Swimming scheme (10 days) starts

2 December

Kinder visit the Warren library

4 December

K-6 special assembly 10 December

K-12 presentation night 12 December

Year 6 graduation assembly, morning tea and celebration 17 December.



Primary students have kicked off their jolly Christmas craft groups.

Attendance

At WCS we recognise and celebrate regular school attendance. However, we also realise that children sometimes can't come to school due to illness or other reasons beyond their control. If your child is absent, please send a note or phone the school to provide the reason so your child does not have an unexplained absence on their records.

If your child is sick, they should be kept at home to try and reduce the spread of illness in the community and school.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

School swimming & water safety scheme

We still have a few places available for the swim scheme this term. This program is for students in Years 2 to 6 and involves a 45 minute lesson each day for ten days. There is no cost for the lessons, the only cost to families is pool entry, which is free if you have a season pool pass. Notes have been sent home, please return as soon as possible if you would like your child to be involved.

Semester 2 reports

Student reports are being compiled and will be sent home later in the term. Please keep an eye out for this and if you would like to discuss any details of your child's learning contact the school to make an appointment with their classroom teacher.

Year 6 graduation assembly and fun day

During this week, parents/caregivers of Year 6 students will receive an invitation to the Year 6 graduation assembly and morning tea. Please let us know if you are joining us by 9 December. After the morning tea, students will be heading off to the pool with their teacher for a fun afternoon. A permission note will be sent home this week.



PBL

Respectful Responsible Learners

Congratulations to all of these students for being Respectful, Responsible Learners.

Week 3



Week 4



Kindergarten won the eagle for attendance

Week 5

Assistant Principal Award





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- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- Be studying yourself, have a child in school or starting school next year
- Get regular income (can be you or your partner)*
- Agree to join free online financial education workshops

Income, eligibility and participation criteria apply.

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KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten transition/orientation

It has been wonderful to welcome our 2025 Kindergarten students into the school. They have been in the classroom, meeting their teacher and buddies and learning a bit about what 'big school' entails.



SENIOR SHIRTS

PRE ORDER YOUR SHIRT FOR 2025

\$30 EACH



Contact Amy Hall (President P & C) or see her at Tafe.

Kindergarten Transition

Warren Central School



Welcome to Kindergarten!

Transition to Warren Central School

We are delighted to welcome you to Warren Central School. We want to introduce you to our fantastic school and support your child's transition into Kindergarten. Once your child's enrolment has been confirmed, they will be welcome to attend five Kindergarten Orientation sessions. Please pack lunch for week 7 and week 8 days.

Term 4 - Tuesdays

Week 4 - 5 November	11:30am-1:30pm
Week 5 - 12 November	11:30am-1:30pm
Week 6 - 19 November	11:30am-1:30pm
Week 7 - 26 November	11:30am-2:30pm
Week 8 - 3 December	11:30am -2:30pm

Enrolment forms **MUST** be returned to WCS to attend orientation day. Contact the School Office 6847 4438

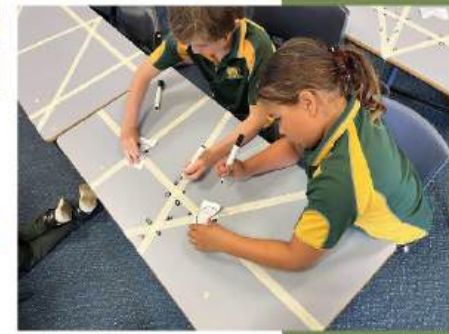
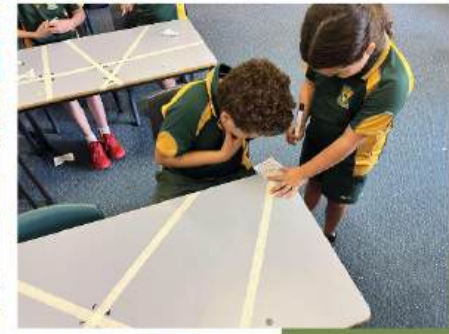
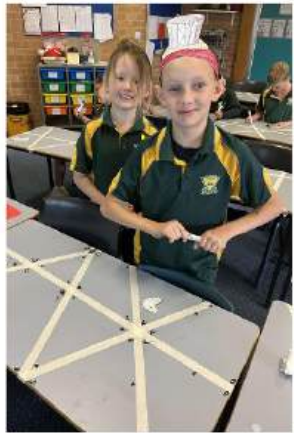
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YEAR 4



Year 4 students have been busy becoming enthusiastic mathematicians, challenging themselves to identify and classify angles in their environment. With keen eyes and sharpened knowledge, they have been exploring and spotting angles all around them—from classroom corners to playground structures. Why not ask a Year 4 student how many acute angles they can find in the playground? You might be surprised by their answers!
Miss Vincent



Year 4 has shown great commitment to being safe and respectful learners both in the playground and classroom. This positive behavior earned them a well-deserved reward. A trip to the splash park!



The Wayilwan Choir and Dancers with Warraan Widji Arts also performed at the Warren Museum and Art Gallery on 4 November and represented the school with pride.

Secondary students have composed a rap song with Wayilwan language. They are currently learning it on Thursdays with the support of Warraan Widji Arts.

It is great to see Primary students so engaged with the Polyglot Theatre program!

All students who participate in Wayilwan language activities are contributing to preserving our Wayilwan cultural heritage! Well done everyone!

Reach out if you need any support from the AL&EC!

Mrs Irving, Mr Mackay and Ms Oates

Polyglot



RFDS

Thank you to RFDS for attending our school every Thursday to deliver hands on aquaponics lessons to our students!

AL & EC NEWS

Yaama everyone
 Congratulations to Zoey Daley, Shamika Kentwell, Gracie Leonard and Chevy Eldridge who have completed their HSC!
 All our Year 12 students are on a pathway to either university, TAFE or work to pursue their chosen careers and we are so proud of them.
 Gamba ngindu (thank you) Kerry and Cathy of Education and Training Out West (ETOW) for following up on our Year 12 students to ensure a smooth transition to university.



Congratulations to Charlie Gale and Indi Gale who represented our school as lead dancers with Warraan Widji Arts for NSW Aboriginal Languages Week (21-27 October).

Our school partnered with Warraan Widji Arts, Outback Arts and Gidgee Media during NSW Aboriginal Languages Week (21-27 October) to record and film an original song in Wayilwan language - well done to all students who participated!



POLYGLOT

This is what the primary students at Warren Central School, and Warraan Widji Arts, have been exploring through a Kids Collaboration project with internationally renowned Melbourne/Naarm based company, Polyglot Theatre.

Families and the community are invited to attend the performance created with K-6 over term 4. Join us to celebrate the children's stories about the Dhigarrbila on Friday 29 November at 10am on the school oval.

Polyglot have partnered with Warraan Widji Arts to create Totems. They have been supportive with connecting us with local artists to work on the project, facilitating extra workshops at WWA after school on Tuesdays, and guiding us with local cultural knowledge. Thank you to Warraan Widji Arts for contributing in this program.



Secondary News



GRIP Leadership Conference

On Wednesday 6 November, five SRC members from secondary attended the GRIP Leadership Conference in Dubbo. It was a highly productive day, with everyone gaining valuable insights into becoming better leaders and enhancing their leadership skills. Students participated in two elective sessions: Making Our School a Great Place for Leaders and Creating School Events That Everybody Can Connect To. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience and learned a range of skills that they are excited to apply in future events.



Jade Lefebvre
SRC Coordinator

Food Technology

Year 7 students have made some tasty dishes in the kitchen. They have been preparing one-pot beef pasta and homemade meat pies.



Industrial Technology - Wood

The workshop buzzes with excitement as they design and build their projects, each piece reflecting their growing skills and creativity. This hands-on experience not only hones their craftsmanship but also instills a deeper appreciation for the art of woodworking.
Mr Corby



Industrial Technology - Metal



Noah created a metal flower.



Brian has constructed a fireplace.

Hospitality - Catering



On Friday, 15 November, our Year 12 Hospitality class (2025) hosted an event for the RFDS to welcome a new paediatrician town. The students collaborated to prepare food such as mini quiches and chocolate caramel slices, as well as making coffees for the attendees. Their catering efforts received plenty of positive feedback, and the students thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Big News for Warren a Paediatrician

Community members came to WCS on Friday 15 November to meet Dr Mary Iskander - Paediatrician. Warren families will have access to a monthly paediatric service in 2025 thanks to a partnership between the Western NSW Local Health District and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.



Orana Youth Forum



The inaugural Orana Youth Forum took place at Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre on Wednesday 6 November. The forum provided a unique opportunity for students to explore potential career paths, engage with industry leaders, and consider their futures. In the Dubbo Regional Theatre, our year 10 and year 11 students attended sessions featuring inspiring keynote speakers from diverse fields, including mining, agriculture, health, and education. With the flexibility to come and go throughout the day, students could attend presentations tailored to their interests and explore specific fields in depth. Meanwhile, in the Convention Centre's exhibition area, over 25 booths were set up, giving students the chance to connect one-on-one with business owners, university representatives, and TAFE providers. This setting allowed for personalised conversations, where students could ask questions and learn about career paths and training opportunities. The Orana Youth Forum provided students with a unique opportunity to make connections, gain valuable career insights and leave inspired about the paths they can pursue. Mrs Lovelock | Careers Adviser

Agriculture



In the Ag plot, students have been harvesting zucchini. They had a discussion about the different dishes they could cook, from savoury zucchini slices to grilled zucchini with herbs.



Charles Sturt University (CSU) Rural Positive Health Workshop

On Wednesday 13 November 15 students from Charles Sturt University (CSU) visited WCS. The students from CSU's Rural Health Club delivered a 1 hour hands-on interactive workshop to our Year 9-11 students, focusing on careers in rural community health. Our students had the chance to explore fields like paramedicine, pharmacy, nursing, physiotherapy, dentistry, and occupational therapy.

Thank you to the CSU students for providing an engaging and impactful session to our students.

