

# Jumbunna



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## School Captains



*Congratulations!*

Congratulations to our newly elected WCS Captains for 2025. Leading our student body with enthusiasm and dedication are Maddie Marks and Ryan Stanley.

for 2025

# Farewell Year 12

### Farewell to Year 12 2024

On behalf of myself as year patron and the rest of the staff, I would like to wish the Year 12 class of 2024 all the best in the HSC examinations starting on 15 October. It is a time for focus and preparation but it will soon be over and a new phase begins. I wish you all success and happiness in the future on whatever paths you choose or wherever life leads you.

Mrs Robson





## WHAT'S ON at WCS

- 23 September Year 11 exit exams  
The Wild Robot Movie
- 24 September Year 5 buddies to  
Pre school
- 25 September Secondary PBL day
- 26 September Education and Training  
Out West  
Aquaponics with RFDS
- 27 September Year 12 Farewell  
Assembly  
The Beanies  
Performance  
Sport
- Term 4
- 14 October Students return  
Polyglot Totems K-6
- 15 October HSC Exams  
Polyglot Totems K-6

Farewell  
**Year 12**  
Assembly  
27 September 2024  
at JB Renshaw Hall  
10.00am

**Term 4**  
**SCHOOL**  
**RETURNS**  
**14 OCTOBER**

# A Digital Intervention for Kids with Reading Difficulties and Anxiety

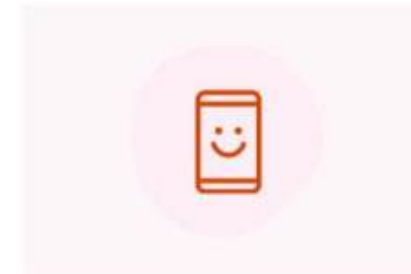


Researchers at The Black Dog Institute are investigating the effectiveness of a digital anxiety intervention for children with reading difficulties and anxiety.

Children 7-12 and their parents are invited to be a part of the study to help test this digital program. The goal? To provide an anxiety intervention that is accessible to children with reading difficulties.

## What's involved?

If your child is eligible and you choose to participate, the study involves:



**An online program for childhood anxiety**  
Children will be guided through the 10-week online program with a psychologist via telehealth.



**Parental support**  
Parents of participating children will have sessions with the clinician to help support their child.



**Closing questionnaires**  
Questionnaires to be completed immediately throughout and after the program, and again 12 weeks after the program.

### Who can participate?

Your child is likely eligible for this study if they:

- are aged 7-12 years
- experience reading difficulties and anxiety
- have normal vision and hearing abilities

### Are there benefits?

All participants receive evidence-based therapy for their child's anxiety.

Participants receive a gift card at each timepoint: \$30 mid-intervention, \$60 post-intervention, \$60 at follow-up and \$20 for end of study interview.

<https://www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/research-studies/a-digital-intervention-for-kids-with-reading-difficulties-and-anxiety/>



**School To Work**  
for Secondary Students  
with Disability

**resourcing inclusive communities**  
An initiative of Family Solutions

**ONLINE** **Date and Time:**  
**Thursday 26 September**  
**6.30pm - 8.00pm AEST**  
**VIA ZOOM**

### NDIS Plans: Making the most of a Person's Employment Supports' Webinar

**Maximise NDIS employment supports so your family member can make the most of their employment goals.**

What employment supports does NDIS fund for people with disability?  
How do I build in flexibility to make an NDIS plan work for the person?  
What's the difference between self managing and plan managing?

**What is School To Work?**  
School to Work aims to inspire and equip students with disability, through the support of families, to seek meaningful, paid employment in the community.

**Who is this webinar for?**  
Parents, family members and allies of people with disability and those who have employment as part of their NDIS goals.

**Bookings essential**  
This webinar is free with limited places. Register at: [www.ric.org.au/events/](http://www.ric.org.au/events/)

**Interactive webinar covering:**

- How to use NDIS employment supports creatively
- Match a person's vision and goals to the right supports
- How to use the planning meeting to discuss and include employment options

CONTACT US: 1800 774 764 or email [info@ric.org.au](mailto:info@ric.org.au)



### Free workshop

### 2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Dubbo, NSW



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.

**Tuesday & Wednesday**  
22 & 23 October, 2024  
9:30am - 2:30pm

Dubbo RSL Events Centre  
Cnr Brisbane & Wingewarra Streets  
DUBBO NSW 2830

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

**Interpreters available upon request**

#### During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:  
<https://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC>  
[tnicol@positivepartnerships.com.au](mailto:tnicol@positivepartnerships.com.au)

0424 254 861

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## Parent survey

We are seeking your feedback **Have your say**

Parents, guardians and caregivers are invited to take 10 to 15 minutes to participate in the Tell Them From Me parent survey. The survey will help us understand your perspectives on your child's school experience and will be used to make practical improvements to our school.

Survey is open until **Friday 8 November 2024**

Scan the QR code with your smart phone to complete the survey. It is completely confidential and is available in 23 languages.

The Learning Bar NSW GOVERNMENT

**FIRE + RESCUE**

## WE'RE LOOKING FOR ON-CALL FIREFIGHTERS IN WARREN

Information Session @ **Uncle Claries**  
**Saturday Sept 28th**  
**8am - 12 Midday**  
Contact - Ryan Mackintosh - **0447 904 111**

**Join the team who are prepared for anything**

Comprehensive training is provided for all on-call firefighters, covering all aspects of the work involved to keep your community safe. You'll need to:

- Hold a current NSW driver's licence.
- Be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or a permanent resident of Australia.
- Live or work within a reasonable distance from your local fire station.
- Have daytime availability to respond to emergencies.

For more information or to apply, visit [fire.nsw.gov.au/on-call](http://fire.nsw.gov.au/on-call) or call **1800 347 437**

# Principal's Message



Dear parents, carers and community

The past few weeks at Warren Central School have been action packed! From student achievements in academics, sports, and performances - how amazing was the K - 6 Concert and those synchronised swimmers!, and community events, we have much to celebrate. I want to extend my thanks to the community members who have taken the time to express their heartfelt acknowledgements of the collective efforts of our school. These events have highlighted the value of public education and the incredible work of our students and dedicated staff.

At Warren Central School, we are proud of the many students who consistently show positive behaviour and meet expectations. We encourage this through actions - whether it's showing kindness, following school rules, or giving best efforts - positive actions make a real difference and help create a supportive learning environment for everyone. We are committed to working closely with students to ensure they understand the impact of their words and behaviours and to support them to always make better choices.

We look forward to celebrating our Year 12 students at the graduation ceremony next Friday, 27 September. Mrs Robson has been working tirelessly to make this event truly special and I look forward to sharing this momentous occasion with their families and friends. I want to congratulate our Year 12 students for being reaching this milestone in their education journey.

Please take a moment to enjoy reading this bumper edition of Jumbunna and join us in celebrating the incredible past few weeks at Warren Central School. I'm sure you'll feel just as proud as I do.

As we approach the upcoming school holidays, I encourage everyone to take some well-deserved rest, stay safe and enjoy some time with family and friends.

Kind regards

Ms R. Taylor  
Acting Principal



Abigail Mauger and Natasha Wilde were recently invited to participate in the DOVES Minister's Council online student forum for the Rural South & West directorate. The DOVES also known as the Department of Student Voice in Education and Schools is a council created to allow for better access and understanding of student voice. In preparation for the forum, the girls developed a 2-minute speech about our school, what is working well, what maybe isn't working so well, and other major issues in students' lives that aren't school related, for example, vaping and bullying. Abigail and Natasha presented some very valid and honest opinions about our school. It was a privilege to hear their thoughts. They were great ambassadors for WCS and student voice.

# PRIMARY News

The end of Term 3 is fast approaching, and we are gearing up for a very busy Term 4. Please remember to keep an eye out for notes coming home and check the school electronic sign, parent portal and the website for updates.

### Head Lice

Head lice are often present in schools. It is possible to eradicate this pest by checking your child's hair and treating if nits or lice are found. If you require further information or assistance, please contact the school. School holidays are a great time to get on top of this little pest.

### 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.

### Stage 3 excursion

The stage 3 excursion is on this week and students are having a busy time. We look forward to hearing about their adventures when they return.

### Western athletics carnival

Congratulations to Kiara-Ann, Hayley, Hannah, Lukas, Chloe, Dusty and Hugh who have qualified to compete at this Friday's Western athletics trials at Dubbo. We wish them all the very best of luck.

### WHAT IS ON OUR CALENDAR

These activities are already on our school calendar, there may be activities added as the term goes on or dates may change, so keep an eye out for notices.

23 September - Year 5 The Wild Robot excursion

24 September - Year 5 buddy visit to Warren preschool

27 September - K-2 The Beanies excursion

### Tissues

Please send in a box of tissues for your child's classroom.



# PBL

# Respectful Responsible Learners

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

### Week 7



### Week 8



### Assistant Principal





# Year 1

Year 1 has been quite busy with our writing in class, and we overlooked sharing our progress with you for Father's Day.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A mansion because dad wants a huge house. It would have 9 bedrooms and 2 swimming pools and a pool table.

A Bugatti car so he can travel faster and faster with a Bugatti engine. It would have LED lights and a booster to make the Bugatti go even faster.

A million dollars so he will not have to worry about money ever again. Dad would buy vegetables and some drinks and some fruits.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's Day.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A caravan because he would really like that. It would have a TV that has vines over it and the doors would open by a sensor.

A boat, because the one that we have right now is gross. It would have a mansion below it. The mansion would have 3 bedrooms and 4 toilets.

A fishing rod because his one is broken. It would have a thing that makes it always catch a fish.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's Day.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A mansion because he wants to live in a big house. It would have a lot of rooms. It would have 10 bedrooms and two kitchens.

A new car because he wants to go pigging. It would have an iPad to see if the battery goes down.

A private aeroplane because he wants to go on holiday with his friends.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A phone because his has a crack in it. It would have volume and games on it.

A truck, because he LOVES trucks! It would have magic tyres that can fly anywhere.

A TV because our TV is a bit dirty. It would have magic movies on it where characters come out of the TV.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....A lolly truck because my dad likes lollies. It would have chocolates and strawberry lollies and lollypops.

A fishing rod because my dad likes fishing and he likes to put the fish in the tank.

A new car because his other car is broken. It would have a special seat to spin around so he can drive backwards.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A candy truck because my dad loves candy and chocolate and jellybeans and lollypops.

A yellowish, gold mansion because my dad loves the colour yellow. It would have 5 bedrooms and a really, long lounge.

A camping van because my dad always wants to go camping.

It would have 2 toilets, 1 sink and 2 kitchens in case visitors come.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's Day.

If I could grant Pa 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A giraffe because he loves giraffes because his favourite animal is a giraffe. It would have light brown circles and it would have the colour, dark yellow.

A zoo because he loves animals so he should have a zoo. It would have a shop inside and it will have a café where you can drink and eat.

A mansion because he wants a big place, and the mansion will have 9 rooms and it will have a bingo room.

# R U OK? day at WCS

For R U OK? day a game of volley ball with students and teachers while primary students watched the game.



Ask  
**R U OK?**  
ANY DAY

The 4 steps of an  
**R U OK? conversation**



**Ask R U OK?**

How are you travelling?



**Listen**

I'm here to listen if you want to talk more.



**Encourage action**

Have you spoken to your doctor about this?



**Check in**

Just wanted to check in and see how you're doing?

Learn more at [ruok.org.au](http://ruok.org.au)

# SPORT

## CENTRAL SCHOOLS' LAWN BOWLS

Monday, 2 September, Harry, Joey, and Danny travelled with Mrs Hamilton to Dubbo to compete in the Central Schools' Lawn Bowls Competition. The boys performed exceptionally well, winning five out of the six matches they played. They finished a close second, missing first place by just one point. Throughout the day, they displayed outstanding sportsmanship and represented Warren Central School with pride.

Mrs R Hamilton|Sports coordinator



On Tuesday, 17 September, the NRL Newcastle Knights held their presentation night, where former WCS student Fletcher Hunt was honored with the Jersey Flegg Players' Players Award. Congratulations Fletch!



# Year 1 Writing

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A fishing rod because he loves fishing. It would have 10 fishing hooks and it would automatically replace a hook if the fishing rod ran out.

A mansion and it would have 6 bedrooms and 8 sinks and 4 workout rooms. It would have a portal to take him to any golf club in the world.

A Lamborghini that can go underwater. It will have doors that can open and fly.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's Day.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A giant dog because he likes dogs. It would have a blue body, yellow ears, a dark blue tail and a black tongue. It would be as tall as our school and fluffy.

A car that can turn into a helicopter.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's Day.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A big bag of chocolate because he likes it. It would have 900 blocks of chocolate in it.

A plane because he likes to go to Newcastle. It would have 4 people driving the plane and 3 bathrooms and 2 sinks.

Two maids and 2 cooks. They would cook him dinner and bring him drinks,.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's



If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A mansion because he wants a big bed and a big couch. It would have 6 bedrooms and a big TV. The TV would have the Tigers playing the Eels and the Tigers are going to win.

A Bugatti because he likes to drive, and he thinks the car is flash! It would have a cool thing that holds the headlights.

A private aeroplane because he doesn't want anyone annoying him when he is asleep. It would have a big wall because he doesn't like it when he is on a plane and people are talking.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's Day.

If I could grant dad 3 wishes, I know he would wish for.....

A sea-car because he wants to drive on water. It would have a chair that can turn into a bed and a button that can autopilot. He will just have to say where he wants to go, and it will take him wherever he wants to go.

A car that can fly in the air because he wants to fly over the seas. It would have a chair that could spin around so he could walk to the toilet. It would also have an automatic seatbelt.

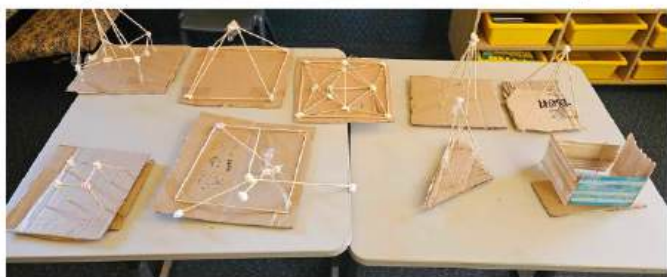
A car that can turn into a submarine so he can see the sea creatures. It would have a thruster so it can go ZOOM..... and run away from the sharks.

I hope all your wishes come true this Father's Day.



# Year 5 News

Term 3 has been a very busy term for Year 5 with lots of learning and two performances. They performed 'Reading is Magic' for book week. This short play explained why reading is magical. For the 'Warren News' concert they were the construction workers who were still standing after an earthquake. This fit in with science this term as they have been learning about natural disasters and their effects on the Earth. As part of this they had to build earthquake-proof buildings and put them to the test.  
Mrs Laws



# COMMERCE



The Commerce class participated in a workshop run by the Australian National University, on taxes and young people. The workshop was run by Professor Sonali Walpola and Xinyi Xiong from ANU's Tax Clinic. The session covered how to obtain a Tax File Number, filing taxes and deductions. The session was very interesting and informative, and the students gained valuable insights into how the tax system works.

Mr Armstrong

# YEAR 7 GEOGRAPHY

Year 7 Geography has been learning about "Water in the World", which covers why water is so important to life on earth and the water cycle. One key thing students learned was people without access to safe and clean water can be infected by waterborne illnesses such as Cholera. One treatment for Cholera is rehydration therapy where a special drink made of clean water, sugar and salt is consumed. Students were given a sample of this special drink, which apparently tastes like tears, however the students disagreed saying it tasted "disgusting" and "like playdough".





The Secondary department has been very busy this term. Year 12 have completed their trial HSC exams and students in Industrial Technology and Music 1 have submitted their major works for marking. We wish all year 12 all the best in the HSC exams and future endeavours such as TAFE, employment and university.

Year 11 are currently completing their Exit exams and will start Year 12 early next term.

Students have been involved in a variety of extra curricular opportunities such as Bourke for Football/Netball and Lawn Bowls and NAIDOC activities.

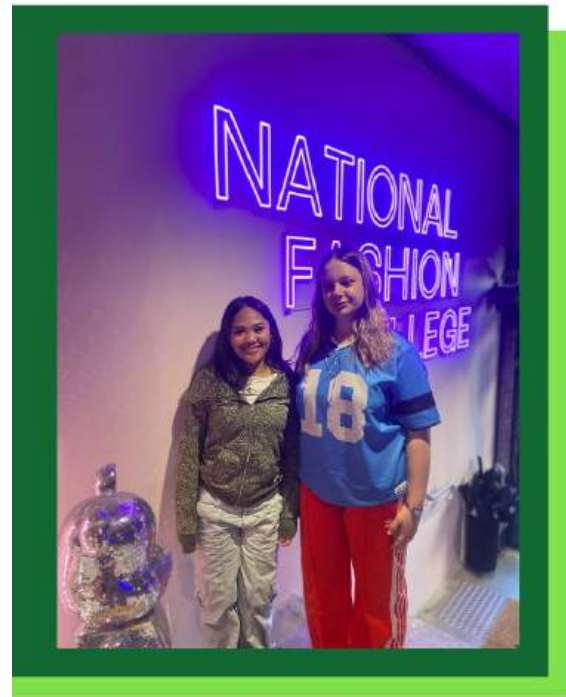
Wishing everyone a happy holiday and see all the students back next term well prepared for class.

# SECONDARY NEWS

## UNIVERSITY EARLY ENTRY OFFERS

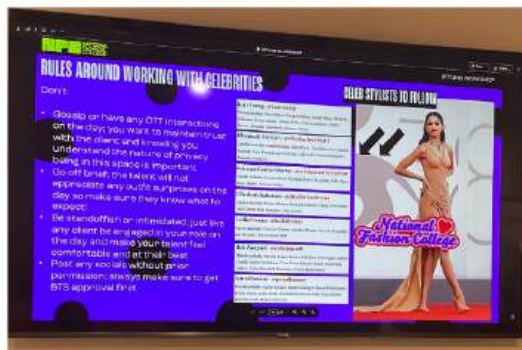
Congratulations to Duncan Harrison, Zoey Daley and Shamika Kentwell on receiving your early entry offers to university! Securing early offers is no small feat, and you should be incredibly proud of this remarkable achievement. Warren Central School wishes you all the best as you step into this new chapter of your academic and personal growth!

- Duncan Harrison- Bachelor of Zoology at the University of New England
- Zoey Daley- Bachelor of Primary Education and a Bachelor of Education- The Early Years at the University of Wollongong
- Shamika Kentwell- Bachelor of Speech Pathology



## NATIONAL FASHION COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

Year 10 students Gracie Stubbs and Chloe Deguit completed a five week High School Fashion Masterclass run by the National Fashion College. The first four weeks of the course were delivered online and for the final week the girls attended a hands-on Styling Masterclass at their Sydney Campus. Both Gracie and Chloe thoroughly enjoyed this experience and said it was a "real thrill" meeting and learning from industry fashion leaders.



# K-6 Performance

Warren Central School Presents ...



Rehearsing, designing, learning, dancing, teamwork and collaboration!

It was fantastic to see all of our students being apart of Warren News Concert.

Students performed two fabulous shows; A matinee performance on Wednesday, 11 September and an evening performance on Thursday, 12 September. Each performance entertained the audience and we could not be more proud of our student's effort.

Producing and coordinating a concert is a team effort. I am privileged to work with such dedicated, committed and professional staff who always do their best for our students. A special thank you to all involved to make the concert go ahead.

Finally, thank you to all of our students who participated and performed on stage. You have amazed all of us with your talent, willingness to step out of your comfort zone and perform with confidence and enthusiasm. You are all awesome!

Koda Mackay and Xavier Robinson Reporters



