

Tuning Into Kids 2025

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A six-session parenting program for parents of children aged 3 to 8

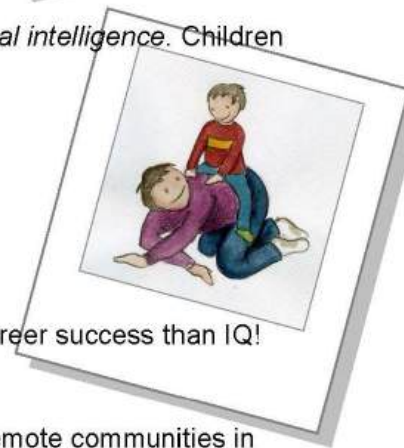
Would you like to learn how to:

- be better at talking with your child?
- be better at understanding your child?
- help your child learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- teach your child to deal with conflict?



Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop *emotional intelligence*. Children with higher emotional intelligence:

- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- have better concentration at school
- are more able to calm down when upset or angry
- tend to have fewer childhood illnesses



Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Who is it for: Parents (both very welcome) who live in Rural and Remote communities in Western NSW Local Health District. If too many people are interested, we will create a wait list for our next program.

Where: Via interactive live video link with psychologists from the Rural Psychology Service based in Western NSW Local Health District. You can join in from home with a computer or tablet with camera and microphone.

When: 6 weekly sessions during each of the 4 school terms in 2025. It will likely be on a Tuesday or a Thursday morning (10am to 12 noon) and one term may have an evening group instead of the morning group.

Contact: WNSWLHD-RuralPsychology@health.nsw.gov.au and give your name, phone number and message that you are interested in Tuning In To Kids.

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Young Leaders of the West

Recently, we had the great pleasure of hosting Moorambilla Voices for a music workshop as part of their 2025 Skills Development Tour. This nationally-awarded program provides Years 3-12 students with an extraordinary opportunity to sing, dance and create incredible performances with Artistic Director Michelle Leonard OAM. During April, some students will receive invitations to attend Baradine residency camps in August/September this year.



Our primary leaders Hugh, Olivia and Savannah are enjoying a couple of days at Warrumbungles for the Young Leaders of the West. There has been team building activities, exploring different leadership skills and making lots of new friends, they enjoyed dinner and a chat with Roy Butler MP. Thank you Miss Squires for accompanying our students.



What's On at WCS

4 April

Gobondery/NARRAF cricket gala day - Primary

Future Student Engagement - Secondary

8 April

NRL League Stars Gala Day - Primary

2025 NSW Schools Cup - netball - Primary

9 April

Rewards Day - Secondary

WSSA CHS Swimming

10 April

Easter Hat Parade - Primary

Rugby League 7's and League Tag 7's - Secondary

NSW PSSA swimming championship

11 April

ANZAC Ceremony at 10am

NSW PSSA swimming championship

End of Term 1 - 11 April 2025

School will return for Term 2 on

Wednesday 30 April 2025

WCS K-6

EASTER HAT PARADE

Thursday 10 April 2025

Bring a picnic lunch to share with your children or order lunch from the canteen

Easter Hat Parade - 12:30pm followed by an Easter Egg Hunt and Lunch

EGGS! Create an Easter Hat for the parade. All family and friends are welcome

\$8 each

EASTER HAT PARADE SPECIAL LUNCH

Thursday 10 April

HOT DOG & POPPER \$8.00

Order your special lunch on the Spriggy App before Monday 7 April

ANZAC DAY

WARREN CENTRAL SCHOOL

Invites you to join us for the

ANZAC SERVICE

on

Friday 11 April 2025

at 10am

Moormabilla Voices

For students not at the workshop

If you believe your student/s were not able to participate to their full capacity or were not in attendance, please [click here](#) to be provided with all instructions required for a Singing Selfie submission.

We want all children from the region to have the opportunity to be involved in Mooramabilla Voices' programs.

Letter of Offers

In April, we will contact you with letters of offer for you to distribute to students on our behalf. Throughout our workshops, these students have demonstrated an enthusiasm, intellect, talent and capacity to thrive in Mooramabilla's August and September Residency Camps (dates below).

Program Dates

August Residency Camp Dates in Baradine

10 - 12 Aug	Birralii (Year 3-4) Residency Camp in Baradine
13 - 17 Aug	MAXed OUT Company (Year 7-12) Residency Camp in Baradine
18 - 21 Aug	Birray (Year 4-6 Boys) Residency Camp in Baradine
21 - 24 Aug	Mirray (Year 4-6 Girls) Residency Camp in Baradine

September Residency Camp Dates in Baradine

23 - 26 Sept	MAXed OUT Company Residency Camp in Baradine
24 - 26 Sept	Birray / Mirray Residency Camp in Baradine
25 - 26 Sept	Birralii Residency Camp in Baradine

September Gala Performances - location TBC

27 Sept	Concert - location TBC
28 Sept	Concert - location TBC

Program Fee

Moorambilla subsidise all children's participation by 80%, reducing the program registration fee to \$880 per candidate. We appreciate that not all children/families will be able to afford the \$880 registration fee so we will work with families, schools and communities to ensure that your students can access the program.

We look forward to working with you and your students in 2025!

For more information about Mooramabilla Voices, visit moorambillavoices.com



WCS students, if you received a voucher at the 2024 Presentation Night, please be sure to use it. Remember, vouchers will expire at the end of April.

DON'T MISS OUT!

Students who have won a voucher, please use your presentation voucher.

Valid until the end of April 2025.

STEWART HOUSE CHARITY DRIVE

Stewart House provides essential medical care, confidence-building activities, and a supportive environment where public school children in need can reset, thrive, and embrace a brighter future.



Envelopes must be returned to enter the draw!

Draw: Friday, 23 May 2025

Important:

Online payments ARE NOT an automatic entry into the draw.

Please return your envelope(s) to your school with a receipt number (if paying online) for entry in the draw.



Youth Week 2025 | Creative Arts Competition

To celebrate Youth Week, ACYP are running a creative arts competition for NSW young people aged 12-24. You can submit any type of visual or written piece that represents or speaks to this year's theme, which is about:

- Celebrating every young person's unique strengths
- Recognising your individual and collective power as our current and future influencers, leaders and decision makers

There are three age categories: 12-15 years, 16-19 years and 20-24 years. First, second and third prizes are available for each age category.

1st Place: iPad 10 | 2nd Place: \$300 voucher
3rd Place: \$200 voucher
(vouchers may be for Eckersley's or Officeworks)

All winners will receive a 6 month membership to Skill Share. Upload your entry here:



Submissions close Sunday 13 April at 11:59pm.

acyp.nsw.gov.au/youth-week-art-competition-2025



ARE YOU AN ARTIST AGED 12 - 30 YEARS?

9TH APRIL

Youth Express

2025 YOUTH WEEK ART EXHIBITION

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A FEATURED ARTIST?

REGISTER NOW

painting - drawing - sculpture - digital - photography - ceramics & more



Leading through culture

headspace Dubbo and ORISCON (Orana Residents of Indian Sub-continental Heritage) have teamed up to develop a 10-week program designed to support young people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

we will be working with young people aged 12 to 18 to design a program with a focus on leadership, personal growth and wellbeing and to provide a safe and supportive space to build confidence, resilience and community connections.

the weekly program will start in Term 2 and there will be a certificate to recognise your involvement on completion.

who
Young people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds aged 12 to 18 are welcome to be involved.

contact
To register your interest, or be involved in planning the program, talk to Taylor.

Email: Taylor.ryan@marathonhealth.com.au
Phone: 02 6941 9023



*The program is funded through the NSW Government's Community Development Fund. Marathon Health operates through our agency, Health & Wellbeing, and is a specialist leader in the community care space.

Principal's Message



Dear parents, carers and community

As Term 1 draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on what has been a fantastic start to the school year.

Our Kindergarten students have well and truly embraced their first term of school, thriving and surviving as they navigate the early days of their education journey. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm for learning and the friendships they are already forming.

Student leadership has been a strong focus, with initiatives such as exploring career and university options, Harmony Day celebrations, leadership camps, and preparations for our ANZAC Day commemoration. These student-led activities highlight the leadership and teamwork skills that will serve them well in the future. Additionally, our students have actively participated in community events, reinforcing the important connection between our school and the wider community. These experiences enrich learning beyond the classroom and demonstrate the value of giving back.

This term has also been a big one for sport, with many students proudly representing our school at events beyond the school gates. Whether on a sports court, in a swimming pool, or a sporting field, their commitment and sportsmanship have been pleasing. Congratulations to all who have participated you continue to do us proud! An extra "shout out" to the students competing in Sydney in Week 11 at the Western School Sports Association's CHS and PSSA State Championships. Good luck to the teams and individuals!

A special thank you to our dedicated staff for their hard work and contributions, particularly in our new school planning cycle. It is an exciting time as we look ahead and plan for future school excellence. Your passion and commitment to ensuring the best outcomes for our students are truly appreciated.

As we head into the Easter break, I wish all our students, staff, and families a safe, happy, and well-deserved holiday. Enjoy the time with loved ones, and we look forward to another wonderful term ahead.

Kind regards

Ms Taylor
Principal



HARMONY WEEK



Primary News

Start and supervision

A reminder that students in K-6 should not be arriving at school before 8:25am, this is when teacher supervision starts. Students that arrive before this time must sit quietly and wait before play. Classes begin at 8:55am.

It has been a very busy start to 2025. Please keep an eye out for notes in your child's bag, also check the parent portal, website, Facebook and the school sign for updates and handy information.

Easter hat parade

K-6 are looking forward to welcoming family and friends to their Easter hat parade on Thursday 10 April commencing at 12:30pm and followed by an easter egg hunt and lunch.

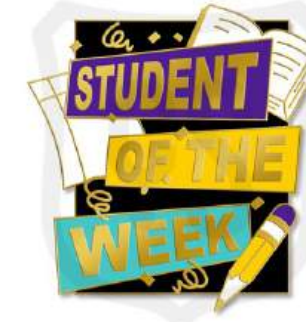
Anzac ceremony

The annual ANZAC ceremony at school will be held at 10am on Friday 11 April 2025. Please remember that ANZAC day, 25 April, is during the school holidays this year. It is always wonderful to see our students dressed in uniform and proudly representing Warren Central School at the community marches.

NSW PSSA swimming trials

The Western region PSSA swimming carnival was held on 7 March and our swimmers were awesome. It is with great pride that we have George Denston qualifying to participate at the NSW PSSA swimming trials in Sydney next week. Good luck George!

Respectful Responsible Learners



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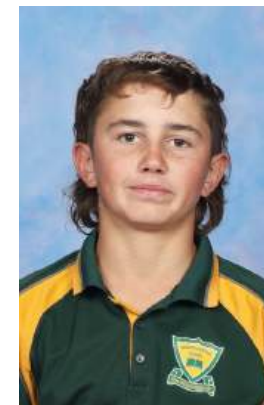
Congratulations to all of these students for being Respectful, Responsible Learners.

Week 7

Assistant Principal Award



Week 8



Week 9



COMMERCE

NEWS

Vandalism Infographic

Cases

During 2021, a popular trend arose known as "devious licks". This viral trend influenced a number of young teenagers to damage and destroy school property including, bathroom mirrors, sinks and soap dispensers.

Issues

Vandalism has been a recognised problem in society since the late 1960s mainly starting in urban cities like New York. Since then major problems have emerged into today's world such as financial costs due to property damage and safety concerns.

Effectiveness of laws

1. Criminal law as a deterrent
Punishing vandals through criminal law is a reactive measure that aims to prevent future offenses.
2. Sanctions and reparations
Sanctions and punishment, including fines and community service, can be effective in preventing the recurrence of vandalism.

Resolving Vandalism

1. Using materials that are harder to scratch or mark
2. Use CCTV or security patrols
3. Install fencing that doesn't attract graffiti
4. Apply graphics in high-risk areas
5. Report vandalism to the authorities

two-thirds of 13-16 year olds have admitted to vandalism

Stage 5 Commerce has been learning about the "Law in Action" a topic about how our laws and legal system work on a practical day to day level. To further their understanding of the law students researched an issue that interested them and created an infographic about their issue. An infographic is information presented in a graphic format designed to make the data easily understandable at a glance. Students covered issues from vandalism to young drivers. Have a look at their amazing work.
Mr Armstrong

Drugs in Soccer

What is Drugs in sport

Drugs in soccer give an advantage, using drugs is a serious offense. Athletes use different kinds of drugs for example blood doping it's a process where athletes take their blood and inject it back to their self. Blood doping helps them improve their stamina, strength, and the ability to have maximum endurance. For example another names for drugs is steroids, or blood doping.

Impact

An impact of drugs in sport is people losing games because of the advantages.

Drugs had major impact in soccer some clubs can get banned for a player using them. Drugs impacts your health and career. 5-10 of athletes uses drugs in soccer. It includes College athletes, and professional athletes.

Laws

You can get up to 3-5 years ban in soccer or go in jail for using it, drugs has been banned unless you have doctor's prescriptions.

A case study

An example of drug use is a French soccer star named Paul Pogba he was banned due to him testing positive in an enhancing performance drugs. It had affected his career and almost ended his football run.

Statistics

Performance Enhancing Drugs Used in Soccer

Comment

The Government has a severe punishment on drug uses in soccer. A punishment of a ban of 3-5 years and a fine of 500,000 Euros and may get to 5-10 years of jail.

Young Drivers

-Pola Villegas

Young drivers

A young driver is usually someone who is new to driving and under the age of 21 years old. They likely to take risks on the road.

Inexperienced drivers often hesitate, drive at inconsistent speeds or sudden brake posing a hazard to the new driver and others on the road. This may frustrate the other drivers, provoking them into risky overtaking increasing the likelihood of accidents.

Young drivers have four demerit points, while unrestricted licenses have 13. Losing all points can mean losing your licenses. Driving without a licence can lead to heavy fines or jail.

One effective way the law helps young drivers is through graduated licensing, which introduces driving in stages. Starting with learner permits that have restrictions, like no night driving or limited passengers. It allows young drivers to gain experience gradually, reducing accidents and promoting responsible habits.

Changes are coming for LPP

Driver Laws are important because they ensure road safety, reduce accidents, and promote responsible driving behavior.

Young Leaders of the West

Our primary school captains have headed off to the Warrumbungle NPEEC for the annual Young Leaders of the West event. They will return on Thursday 3 April and we look forward to hearing about their adventures.

Sports

Rugby League trials we have Hugh, Harlem, George, Dusty, Jack have been selected to trial at the Western trials on 7 April in Parkes.
Rugby Union trials: Harlem, Harvey, George, Jack and Hugh selected to trial at the Western trials on 2 May at Dubbo.

Term 1 is a very busy time for sporting events. At this stage, we will have - G/N cricket gala day on 4 April at Peak Hill, NSW Schools cup (netball) at Coonamble on 8 April, NRL League Stars gala day at Coonamble on 8 April and Stage 3 touch footy mini gala day at St Marys on 9 April.
Gobondery/NARRAF football trials will be held in Term 2 week 3 with the Western trials being held on 19 May at Dubbo.

Head lice

We have had reports of head lice in the primary school. Please check your child's head regularly and treat if any nits or lice are found. School holidays are the perfect time to try and break the cycle of nits/lice in the school environment, so please do your part to help get on top of this annoying pest. If you need help or further information, please contact the school or speak to someone at the chemist.



Western Plains Science and Engineering Challenge

Last week, Stage 3 students travelled to Dubbo to participate in the Science and Engineering Challenge organised by the University of Newcastle. Students were in small teams and were given tasks/challenges to compete against the other 10 schools. These included creating a house that could withstand an earthquake, building the strongest bridge, making a plane that could fly long distances with accuracy, powering cities, designing fish traps and so much more. While we did not come away with a podium place, we most certainly left having tried lots of new things, put our teamwork skills and problem-solving thinking to the test and we had lots of fun. All students were excellent representatives of our school and our teachers are incredibly proud! Well done stage 3.
Miss Squires



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.



World Health Day is 7 April and is a day dedicated to improving global health and wellbeing. The theme for 2025 is "Healthy Beginnings. Hopeful Futures", for further information go to the World Health Day webpage.

YEAR 1/2 LASERS

This term 1/2 Lasers have been taking part in a kindness challenge. They have been working on different ways to show kindness to others, themselves and the environment we learn in. The students have really enjoyed completing these activities. In art they have been learning different techniques to create art. Making an umbrella colour wheel was really fun. In science they have been learning about how living things change as they grow. The class has been tracking the growth of a bean plant to see how fast and tall it will grow.



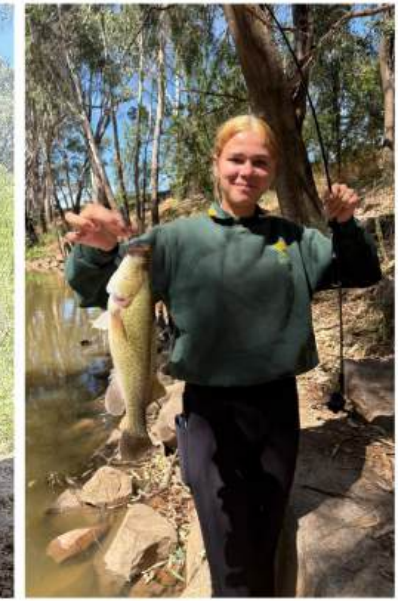
every child is an
ARTIST

Our Class Photo



MARINE

UPDATE – TERM 1 SUCCESS!



Il WCS Marine classes have had a fantastic start to the year, with great success in their Term 1 practical lessons! Students have been actively engaged, developing their skills, and increasing the total fish tally for the year. Looking forward to even more achievements in the coming terms!
Miss Seymour



VISUAL DESIGN

Year 11 Visual Design students are looking at Interior Design this term. The design brief was to design a piece of wall art for a specific interior space. Gracie designed her wall art for the foyer/lolly bar area of a cinema. Miriam's design is for a local gift shop. Miss Maxwell



YEAR 11 BIOLOGY

Our Year 11 Biology class recently took a break from their books and traditional practical activities to create a Fluid Mosaic Plasma Membrane using a variety of edible materials. The students ended up with a delicious, educational cake. Mrs Harrison

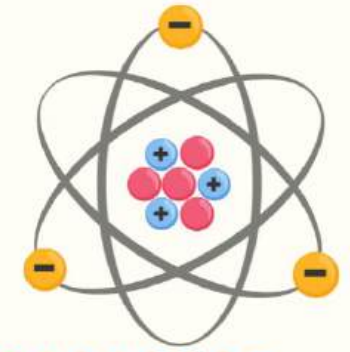


What do you call an acid with an attitude?



A-mean-oh-acid!

YEAR 3/4 PROTONS



What We Learned

The Year 3/4 Protons have made a fantastic start to the year. Protons are 'positively charged' so our theme for the year is "The Power of Positivity". Mrs Bruce



Students playing some maths games and doing a project in class.



HARMONY *day*

EVERYONE BELONGS

21 March 2025



HOSPITALITY

AND YEAR 9/10 FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Year 11 Hospitality made Pad Thai.

Year 9/10 Food Technology
The students did their assessment tasks based around Australia. Students researched and prepared dishes that showcased the unique blend of traditional and contemporary elements found in Australian food.
Miss Lefebvre



Year 12 Hospitality students prepared roast vegetable fettuccine alongside Mrs Robertson in the kitchen.





SECONDARY

NEWS

MESSAGE FROM MRS HAMILTON

All students have their assessment booklets for 2025 and most years have their final assessments for term 1 due before the end of term. Year 12 will be receiving their semester one report by the end of next week and there will be a parent teacher meeting early next term. Please ensure that all stationery items such as pens, glue etc are restocked by the start of term 2. Year 11, Miss Seymour and Mrs Robertson are fundraising for the Year 12 graduation dinner. They are selling tickets in Easter Eggs raffles and 100 club. Please support this worthy cause. Please encourage your child to march in the town ANZAC march wearing school uniform to represent the School. Enjoy the school holidays!

Mrs D Hamilton
Head Teacher SMAP

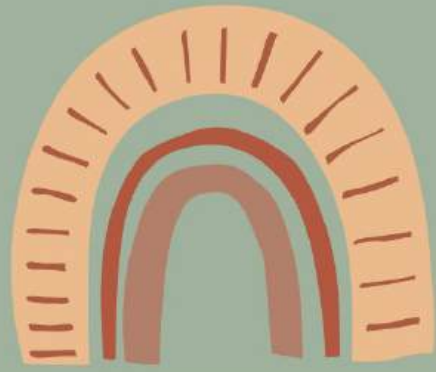
YEAR 7 FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Year 7 cooking in the kitchen with Mr Jenkins. The students made caramel slice that turned out looking absolutely scrumptious.



Different
Individuals
Valuing
Each other
Respectful
Schools
Intellect
Talents or
Years.





Aboriginal Learning & Educations Centre



Gamba ngindu (thank you)

Warraan Widji Arts for supporting our Wayilwan language reawakening programs in our school! It was great having Aunty Beth Wright and Graham Burns visit us this term!!

Gamba ngindu Window on the Wetlands (RiverSmart) for providing such great access and information on our local wetlands on Wayilwan Country!

Gamba ngindu Warren Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) for your continued guidance to ensure our students are supported in their school journey.

Mrs Irving, Ms Oates and Mr Mackay

