

Wattle Glen Primary School provides a learning for life environment where engagement, achievement, resilience and wellbeing are prioritised.

OCTOBER 3, 2023

NEWSLETTER NO.16

Term 4 Dates

OCTOBER

6th ISS away at St Andrews

13th ISS at home

14th Referendum BBQ

18th Review Day 1

20th Soccer Spectacular-
grade 5/6

23rd Review Day 2

School Council meeting

25th Review Day 3

26th Grade 6 Leadership
Day

27th ISS away

28th Trivia Night

30th Full Dress Rehearsal

NOVEMBER

3rd Curriculum Day

6th Student free day

7th Cup Day

9th Prep 2024 Information
Night and welcome BBQ
Metro incursion

10th Prep 2024 Transition

15th School Production
-Also full day dress
rehearsal

17th Prep 2024 Transition

24th Prep 2024 Transition

27th School council meeting

DECEMBER

5th UP Day for all students

7th Up Day 2 for all
students

School end of year Concert

8th Whole School Fun Day

12th Year 7 Transition for
Grade 6

13th Grade 6 Graduation

15th Last Assembly for the
year

Reports go home

20th Last day of school,
1:20 finish

Principal's Report

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are all feeling very well rested after the term break. Welcome to the new families joining us in term four, we now have 120 enrolled students. This term is already shaping up to be very busy. Interschool Sport (ISS) returns for our upper school students, we have our school production (can't wait for this event, there have been many hours spent rehearsing!), PTFA have organised a Trivia Night to build our WGPS community connections, we have the Referendum BBQ, and on top of all of this, we have our school review. Our last review was in 2019, and our goals were to have clearer defined school values, a whole school approach to behaviour management (SWPBS) and academic goals that were measured against NAPLAN- before it was modified (and its cancellation in 2020!). I am very proud of everything we have achieved over the past four years and I look forward to sharing it with our reviewer, school council and our challenge partners (two Principal's from other schools).

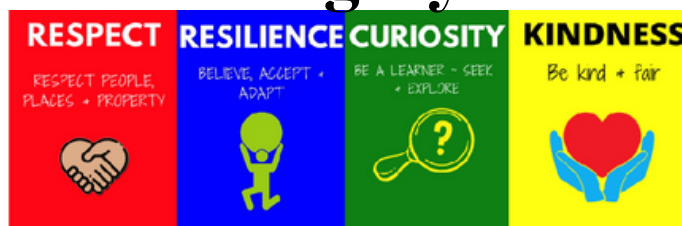
At the end of term three we held face to face parent teacher interviews. During the pandemic we used WebEx as our online platform for parent teacher interviews. We would like to know the delivery method of parent teacher interviews you preferred- face to face or online. Please take a moment to cast your vote [here](#). This will help to decide the approach we use in the future.

While parent teacher interviews were taking place with the classroom teachers, the students and remaining adults walked down to Pepper's Paddock, using the safe route and crossing at the designated crossing. We would like to start up our "Walking School Bus" again. We will operate it each Friday morning to begin with, starting this week (October 6), and if it gains enough momentum we can offer it on other days. This will also reduce traffic around the school in the morning. We will depart from Pepper's Paddock at 8:45, everyone is welcome, and I'd love to have some parent volunteers. Let me know if you are interested.

Have a great week,

Mel

Term 4- Don't forget your hat!



School Council 2023: President: BJ McNeilly Vice President: Andrew Spence
Treasurer: Jayde Sheffield Secretary: Alison Wylie PTFA: Sarah Suban
General Members: Simon Braham, Rebecca Beasley, Megan Staley, Kylie D'Amico DET: Meredith Fell, Michelle de Haan Executive Officer: Mel McLennan

Stars of the Week

Week 9

P/1 Leila
1/2 Darcy
2/3 Isaac
5/6 Hunter



Week 10

P/1 Patrick
1/2 Charlie
2/3 Bailey
4/5 Avery
5/6 Deakin

Learning Showcase

In week nine, grade 4/5 showcased their understanding of information reports and presenting information in a triorama.



In week ten, grade 2/3 showcased their understanding of persuasive writing, R U OK? Day Friendship activities and making 3D shapes .





CROAK!

**15TH
NOVEMBER
2023**

Presented by the
Junior School
Wattle Glen PS

**A RIGHT RIBBITTING
MUSICAL
BY SARAH BAKER**

I speak for the trees!

PRESENTED BY THE SENIOR SCHOOL
WATTLE GLEN PS



15th
November
2023



RENAMING OUR SCHOOL HOUSES

At Wattle Glen PS, we are changing our school house names this term. This change has come about as we would like our students to have a deeper connection to our local area. The names will be based on native animals, and we need your help to find our final four. [Click here](#) to vote for your favourite names.

Options:

Crimson Rosella

Common Ringtail Possum

Kangaroo

Koala

Eastern long-necked turtle

Echidna

Kookaburra

Wallaby

Platypus

Green Tree Frog

Bandicoot

Wombat

Sulphur-crested Cockatoo

Eastern Banjo Frog

Fruit Bat

Dingo



WGPS PTFA FUNDRAISING AND COMMUNITY EVENTS



*Term 4 Events- Save The Dates
and let us know if you can help*

October 14- Referendum BBQ

Link [here](#) to put your name down to help

October 28- Trivia Night

<https://www.trybooking.com/CMCTQ>

November 15 - School Production

We will be organising pre-ordered pizza for dinner and food at intermission

December 7 - End of year School Concert

We will be selling drinks and ice-creams/ icy-poles

If you would like to help with any of these events please email the office or phone 9438 1259



TRIVIA

Night



Who was Australia's first Prime Minister? Who holds the record for the most streamed song for the longest period of time?

These are the types of questions you can expect at our WGPS Trivia Night. Get a group of friends together (tables of 8), buy your tickets, bring along some snacks, drinks, gold coins for games and access to your bank account (for the silent auction items), oh, and your sense of humour! Alternatively, if you'd like to meet some new people, we can put you on a table with other adults from WGPS and you can make new friends. All money raised will go directly towards playground improvements for our wonderful students.

Saturday, October 28

07:00pm - 10:00pm

\$25 per ticket, tables of 8

Hurstbridge Hall

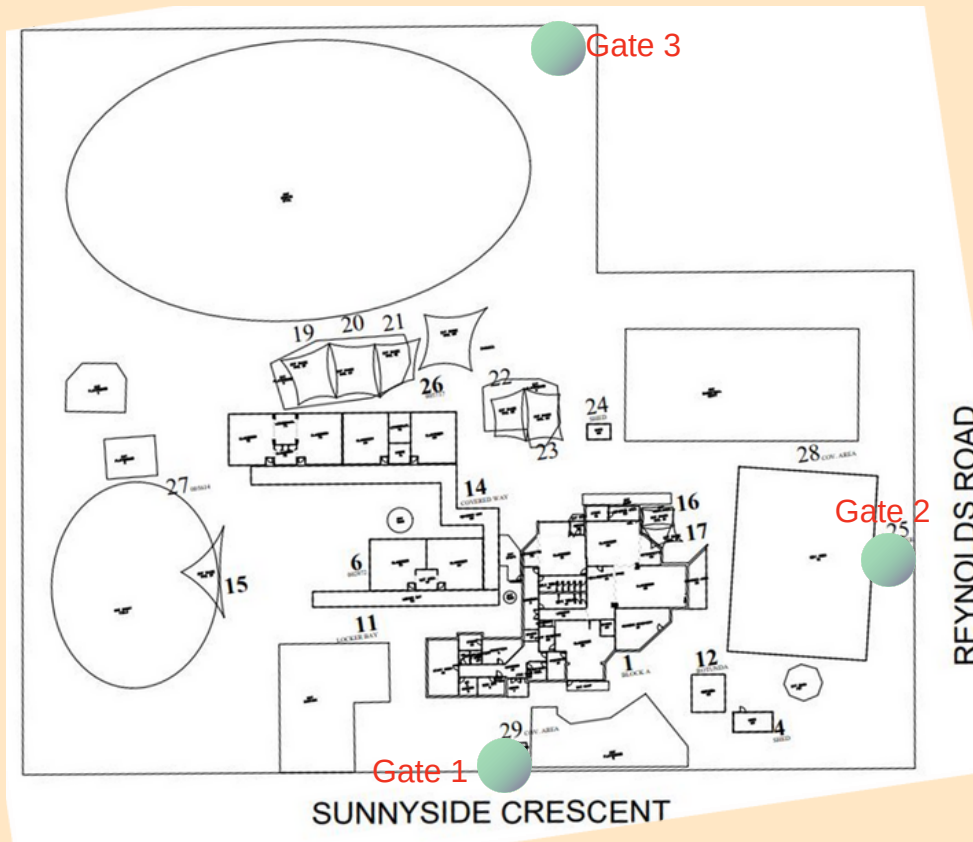
974 Heidleberg-Kinglake Road,
Hurstbridge VIC 3099

[Book your tickets here](#)



Parking around our school

Warrington Crescent is the best place for parking if your child exits through gate 3.



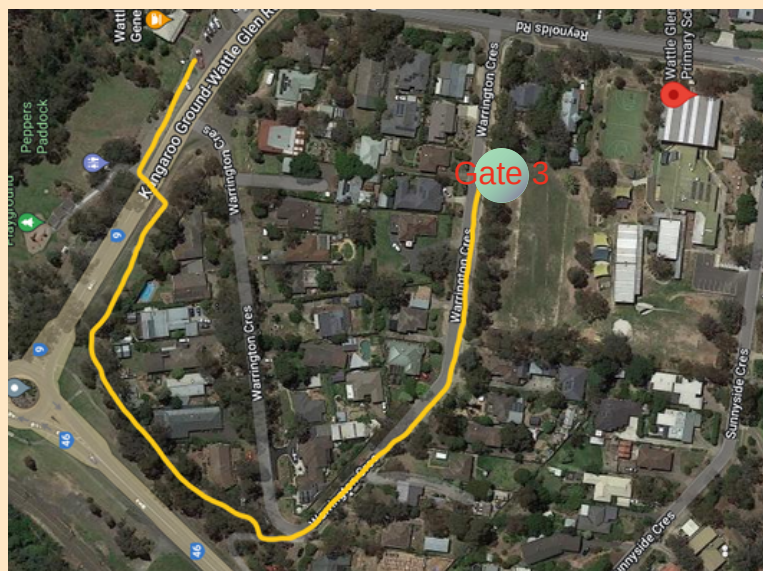
Reynolds Road is the best place for parking if your child exits through gate 2. This is **2 minute parking**, essentially dropping children off and quickly picking up. We ask that if you are parking on the opposite side of the road, please exit your car and assist your child crossing the road. Their peripheral vision may not be fully developed until they reach 10 years of age, and this can be a very busy road.

Sunnyside Crescent is the best place for parking if your child exits through gate 1.

We ask that if you are parking opposite the school or further up Sunnyside Crescent, please exit your car and assist your child crossing the road. Their peripheral vision may not be fully developed until they reach 10 years of age.

Other options include;

Pairing your child up with a buddy they will meet at gate 3, and they walk down to Pepper's Paddock. Following the route in yellow below ensures they do not have to cross any roads, and there is a paved pathway. Alison, the crossing supervisor will get them safely across Kangaroo Ground-Wattle Glen Road.



Outside School Hours Care Newsletter



3/10/2023

Your
OSHC.



A message from your Coordinator

Dear Parents, teachers, students and community members.

Wow where has this term gone- term 4 already. We have an exciting final term ahead.

Camp Australia has partnered with Lego on the 12th of October is the World of Play Day this is where children can explore the world of Lego. Built around FUN, anchored on FRIENDSHIP and steeped in CREATIVITY.

Term 4 is a SunSmart term so please provide a spare hat for your child when they attend afterschool care.

Once again parents I welcome your feedback and suggestions.

Its going to a fun final term of 2023.

Thank you

Elizabeth Brook OSHC Coordinator.

Activities coming up

- World of Play Lego Edition
- Summer Theme
- Mystical theme

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

[Book now](#)

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Find out more and book now at www.campastralia.com.au



CAFE 4060

Café 4060 will be operating again in
Term 4, on the following dates;

October 10

October 23

November 20

December 4



CAFE 4060 MENU

HOT FOOD

Patties Party Pie	\$0.50 each
Patties Sausage Roll	\$0.50 each
Cheese Toastie	\$3.00
Hot Dog	\$4.00
McCain Lil' Pizza	\$3.00 each
• Ham and pineapple	
• Margherita	

*tomato sauce available

DRINKS

Juice Boxes- all flavours	\$1.00
Water 600ml	\$1.00
Milk 200ml	Free

SNACKS

Apple, Orange, Pear	Free
Messy Monkeys-BBQ flavour only	Free



WATTLE PLAYGROUP



COME AND JOIN US AT WATTLE GLEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
FOR A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL PLAYGROUP.
PLAYGROUP IS DESIGNED TO HELP CHILDREN
SOCIALISE AND LEARN SOME FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS
BEFORE ENTERING PRIMARY SCHOOL.

WHO CAN JOIN US?

We invite all children under the age of 6!

Our playgroup caters for all ages as we have created a space that encourages free play, while also providing the children with opportunities to learn new skills and concepts. (We do kindly ask that children under the age of 2 to be supervised by a carer at all times.)

WHAT TO BRING?

Please bring along your child's drink bottle and their hat for outside play.

We encourage personal toys to stay at home as we have a large variety of activities and toys for children to play with.

WHEN?

Every Friday
during the school
term.
10-11am
Fruit will be
provided.

WHERE?

Wattle Glen Primary School
16-24 Reynolds Road, Wattle Glen.
Enter the school via gate 1 on
Sunnyside Crescent

CONTACT US...

16-24 Reynolds Road, Wattle Glen Vic 3096

Phone: 9438 1259

Email: wattle.glen.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Website: wattlegps.vic.edu.au





Community Announcements

**EXHIBITION
2023**

**ELTHAM
& DISTRICT
WOODWORKERS**

11TH & 12TH NOVEMBER 2023 9AM - 5PM
ELTHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
CNR PITT STREET & MAIN ROAD

FREE ENTRY
DEMONSTRATIONS & SALES

FREE HANDS-ON WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN
RAFFLE DRAWN SUNDAY 12TH AT 4:30PM

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THE GREEN MOUNTAINS

event

Briggs gets ready to rock Now and Forever

By PAUL CONNELLY



A STELLAR line-up of some of Australia's top musicians will be rocking country Victoria on Friday in support of those voting Yes in the upcoming referendum.

First Nations artists include A.B Original, Baker Boy, Barkaa, Emma Donovan, Mo'ju, along with allies Jimmy Barnes, Hilltop Hoods and Paul Kelly.

The event is a collaboration between Bad Apples Music and the Dungala Kaiela Foundation, with Australian music industry leaders Frontier Touring, Live Nation Australia, and TEF Live.

It will take place on Friday, October 6 at the Shepparton Showgrounds.

An Artist and First Nations led initiative, Now & Forever is a celebration and invitation to stand in solidarity with community, to amplify choosing yes for the 2023 Referendum.

Bad Apples Music founder, rapper and author Briggs said the idea for Now & Forever 2023 was born in Shepparton, Yorta Yorta Woka and had gathered widespread support and enthusiasm across First Nations leaders, the live music industry, the local community and broader region.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail* Briggs said his father had the idea



Rapper Briggs and A.B. Original are hoping for a big turnout on Friday.

for the event.

"It was an idea I had while talking to my old man who said, 'would you do a show in Shepparton around the referendum to galvanise and bring attention to what we are trying to do here?'"

"I said of course but I am not going to do it by myself. So I asked Paul Kelly if he would come and he immediately said yes, of course.

"Then I asked the Hilltop Hoods and they said yes, and it kind of just steamrolled from there and came together very organically. As we tried to fill out the bill, and everyone came on board we ended up with a mix of genres appealing to a wide age demographic."

In speaking of his views of the Voice campaign Briggs said:

"I really thought it was going to be a no-brainer, it was why I put

my voice into it. I then noticed that it was all becoming a bit complicated, so I thought I would add my voice to it and try and un-complicate it."

"I had to bring this home because this is where I grew up. We have a once in a generation opportunity to write our future together, and the artists on the bill have signed up for that. This is about celebration, inclusivity, solidarity, positivity and

listening, as much as it is about a Voice. In that spirit, everyone is welcome to the show - even the undecided voters. If you don't know, then come to the show."

Tickets are \$21.50 for this star studded event with kids under 12 free, and all proceeds will be donated to not-for-profits and charities doing good work for the region, and across Victoria.

For details, head to ticketmaster.com.au/howandforever

FREE hearing and vision screenings for children!

One day only - Saturday, 7th October 2023

Diamond Valley Lions Club and the Departments of Audiology and Speech Pathology, Optometry and Vision Sciences of **Melbourne University** are pleased to offer free hearing and vision screenings for children aged from 3.5 to 6 years of age.

Bookings are essential and we request only one adult accompany each child to their appointment. If you have more than one child to test, and only one guardian, choose following appointment times with the same tester (eg 10am & 10:30am with Amy)

On the day, audiology and optometry students will screen your child's hearing and vision. Results and advice will be provided. Students are supervised by qualified health professionals.

Please allow up to 40 minutes to complete all activities.

Screenings will be held at:
Wattle Glen Primary School
16 Reynolds Rd
Wattle Glen 3096

To book - please follow the link

<https://diamondvalleylionsclub.setmore.com>



Book Your Appointment with
Diamond Valley Lions Club

Book an appointment with Diamond Valley
Lions Club using Setmore

diamondvalleylionsclub.setmore.com

Contact Lions member **Fiona Kates 0404 180 772 / kateschiro@icloud.com** if you require further information or assistance with booking an appointment.

Nillumbik Pet Expo

**FREE
Family
Event**

Sunday 22 October, 10am – 4pm
Marngrook Oval, Diamond Creek

A fun and free local event for the whole family, with highlights including:

- A range of pet competitions, sponsored by Petstock Eltham
- The Snake Hunter
- Cat Protection Society
- Leading the Hounds dog trainer
- MC: Craig Huggins from Gold 104.3
- Microchip checks
- Free pet registration
- Face painting, pony rides and kids activities
- Food and more!



**Scan the QR
code to find
out more**

**25
Years**
of the Nillumbik
Pet Expo



nillumbik.vic.gov.au/pet-expo

**COMMUNITY
SAFETY**



Nillumbik
The Green Wedge Shire

Fear Less Triple P Seminar and Self-Care Caregiver Workshop

A free face-to-face workshop open to caregivers who reside in the cities of Darebin, Yarra, Banyule, Nillumbik and Whittlesea.

The workshop will focus on parenting children with anxiety with a hands-on self-care element to support carers to take a moment for themselves.

The seminar topics covered include:

- Understanding how anxiety works,
- Role modelling effective ways of managing anxiety.
- Becoming effective emotion coaches,
- Understanding and teaching the value of flexible thinking,
- Using constructive coping

The SELF CARE component facilitated by a qualified Art Therapist includes:

- Why taking time to care for you is important.
- A fun, interactive task creating artwork.
- Creative reminders to take moments in your day for you!

Carers who attend will receive a family resource pack!!

Date: Wednesday 25th October 2023

Location:
Berry Street
677 The Boulevard,
Eaglemont 3084

Time: 10:00am –2:00pm
The time includes a 90min seminar and a 90min self-care activity.

*** For catering purposes, you must enrol.**

How to book:

Email your name and phone number to:

triplekinship@berrystreet.org.au

Alternatively, call (03) 9450 4700 and request to speak with Triple P Kinship.

Enquiries will be accepted until 20th October 2023.

