

Issue 33- 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

## PRINCIPAL REPORT

Hello everyone,

We're excited to announce that our school is one of 110 childcare centres, schools, Scouts and Girl Guides groups, and youth groups to receive a 2022 Victorian Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grant.

Delivered through Landcare Australia's Junior Landcare program, the grants provide young people with the opportunity to engage in outdoor, hands-on biodiversity focused projects or learning activities that encourage them to value and actively care for Victoria's biodiversity and natural environment.

We are using our \$4,900 grant for our excursion to CERES. CERES is an environmental education centre, community garden, urban farm and social enterprise hub spread across four locations, linked by the Merri and Darebin Creeks on Wurundjeri Country, Melbourne.

The visit aligns perfectly with our school's inquiry learning that aims to foster authentic learning experiences for our students. Across Foundation, Years 1 & 2, our students inquire into sustainability and the needs of living things including people, plants, and animals. They build on their understandings of the physical world and learn about how to care for the natural environment. Through these inquiry units, students develop a deeper understanding of their role as citizens in maintaining a healthy environment. CERES and its education programs provide the ideal educational setting, with opportunities for learning that align closely to our school curriculum and build on the rich experiences our students have already relished.

The Victorian Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grants are funded by the Victorian Government through the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning. They contribute to the targets of *Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037*, the Victorian Government's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment.



A big thank you to the staff and students for an amazing camping experience last week. I had a great time on the 5/6 City Camp and enjoyed seeing our children get so much out of the amazing experiences on offer.

Enjoy the long weekend. Remember that Monday is 'Student Free' and Tuesday is a public holiday. We look forward to welcoming all students back on Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Ty Hoggins  
Principal

## CALENDAR

October 31	Curriculum Day <b>Student Free Day</b>
November 1	<b>Public Holiday</b> Melbourne Cup
November 4	Colour Run- TBA

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wishing the following children a very Happy Birthday!

**28<sup>th</sup> October**  
Tyler OOM

**29<sup>th</sup> October**  
Jessie OOP  
Eva 3/4DM  
Shelby 3/4MW  
Tahlia 5/6RM

**1<sup>st</sup> November**  
Isobel 3/4C

**2<sup>nd</sup> November**  
Koby 1/2JA  
Toby 5/6V

**3<sup>rd</sup> November**  
Emma 3/4MW  
Holly 5/6RM



## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

Hello everyone

This week we held our long awaited and much anticipated pre-loved book sale. I am pleased to report it was a resounding success, raising **\$950.00**. Thank you to our SRC students who supported me during the breaks and again to our dedicated group of parents, Rena, Annette, Amber, and Abbie, who collected, sorted, and set up the books for the sale.



I have purchased two outdoor libraries with the money raised from Jolly Socks and they have arrived!! We hope to have the two libraries built, painted, and installed by the end of the school year. Thank you again to everyone that supported these fundraisers. It was heart-warming to see so many children excited about their new books.



## IMPORTANT UPDATE REGARDING THE COLOUR RUN

Next weeks weather is not looking promising for our Colour Run. The forecast is for rain all next week with temperatures ranging between 12°C - 16°C. With this in mind, it is highly likely that Kaboom Sports and the Colour Run will be postponed until later this term. I am working closely with both the School Fundraising group and Kaboom Sports to secure another date, and we will confirm the arrangements next Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

In the meantime, the online fundraising will remain open, and the prize ordering window will be adjusted to align with our event from next Wednesday.

We understand that this may be disappointing in the short term, but it is my hope that securing a date in late November or early December will ensure a successful event, with warmer weather, and time for the top oval to dry out!

We have raised \$11,900.00 so far...AMAZING!

T-shirts sales will remain open on Compass through **Events**.

*All proceeds from this event will be used to purchase additional softfall rubber for the new inclusive playground due to be installed later this term.*

If you haven't created an online profile yet, here is what to do;

Step 1 🖱️ Click this link: [https://app.schoolfundraising.com.au/users/sign\\_up](https://app.schoolfundraising.com.au/users/sign_up)

Step 2 🖱️ Complete the registration and select "Whittlesea Primary School" as your school

Step 3 🖱️ Share your unique link with family & friends to receive donations and earn awesome prizes!

Step 4 🖱️ Participate in the Big Show + Colour Day on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November and have a fantastic time!

Step 5 🖱️ Receive your awesome prizes for your fundraising efforts! Click [here](#) to see what you can earn

A reminder that all transactions and prize ordering must be completed **online**. If you have any questions, please contact the *School Fun Run* team on 1800 FUN RUN and they will gladly assist. The school office can also assist with general questions.

Best wishes for a wonderful weekend with your family 😊

Rae Gittos

Assistant Principal

# ★ Star of the Week ★

Foundation P Black	Awarded to: <b>Jack Morgan</b> For: completing a tricky maths task to his amazing best, even when he was a little nervous to start. Awesome!
Foundation P Black	Awarded to: <b>Hudson Gresham</b> For: his outstanding improvements in his handwriting and identifying the letters that match the sounds.
Foundation M Merritt	Awarded to: <b>Sebastian Gouskos</b> For: writing a persuasive letter about what class pet we should get. Well done!  Awarded to: <b>Harrison Moreland</b> For: presenting his inquiry action confidently and getting over his nerves. Fantastic!
Foundation G Gordan	Awarded to: <b>Kit Cummins</b> For: being a positive new member of Foundation G. Welcome Kit!
Year 1/2JA Fontana/Kaur	Awarded to: <b>Verity Cain</b> For: demonstrating excellence by managing her time and staying on task during inquiry action.
Year 1/2P Powell	Awarded to: <b>Mackenley Perry</b> For: demonstrating persistence when using the language of chance to determine the probability of events.
Year 1/2M Maxfield	Awarded to: <b>Lucas Hutchinson</b> For: completing his classwork and having a great week at school.
Year 1/2E Barker	Awarded to: <b>Samantha Fisher</b> For: working towards her writing goals to create and publish an excellent narrative.
Year 1/2B Burgess	Awarded to: <b>Ava Argote</b> For: showing consistent improvement in her writing and working hard to achieve her writing goals.
Year 3/4WM Walsh/McCormick	Awarded to: <b>Willow McCormick</b> For: showing determination to do her best while writing her narrative
Year 3/4D Di Mauro	Awarded to: <b>Ethan Rowe</b> For: being a respectful and friendly new member of 34D! Welcome Ethan :)
Year 3/4L De Luca	Awarded to: <b>Ellie-Mae Willoughby</b> For: adapting Andy Griffiths' text 'Learn to Read with Andy, to create her own version titled 'Read with Ellie-Mae'!
Year 3/4W Wright	Awarded to: <b>Giovita Goci</b> For: her excellent effort during writing sessions.
Year 5/6G Gorski	Awarded to: <b>Tahlia Redpath</b> For: confidently taking notes during Book Club and sharing valuable insights with her group.
Year 5/6RM Reid/McAlley	Awarded to: <b>Kaven McKechnie</b> For: demonstrating the WPS expectations and taking on a leaders mindset at camp.
Year 5/6V Vitale	Awarded to: <b>Savanah Georgiou</b> For: doing her best when creating a persuasive brochure about the O'Brien Icehouse. Well done, Savanah! 😊
Year 5/6T Tuppen	Awarded to: <b>Brody Critsilis</b> For: for his excellent and in-depth comprehension of texts through note taking.
Year 5/6P Panahinejad	Awarded to: <b>Damian Brown</b> For: his outstanding attentive listening skills during learning time. Well done! 😊





COME JOIN US FOR THEIRCARE'S

# PUPIL FREE DAY SPORTS CARNIVAL

Join us for a fun filled day of sport, games, and competition. Breakfast and afternoon tea supplied, parents are to provide morning tea and lunch as per normal school day.

31ST OCTOBER 2022

7AM - 6:30PM

THEIRCARE ROOM

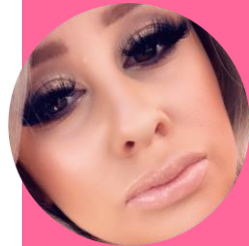
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OR [whittleseaetheircare.com.au](http://whittleseaetheircare.com.au)

### TheirCare Philosophy:

Wominjeka. Our service philosophy at Whittlesea Primary school is to make the students the centre of everything we do. We facilitate lifelong development and growth of children so that they achieve their full potential as individuals. We strive to develop and support the emotional, social, and physical wellbeing of the child. We create positive environments for their learning and curiosity, and we also encourage the children to be important members of the local and wider communities. Parents students and staff are strongly encouraged to work together in partnership recognising our shared values of community, confidence, honesty, excellence, and respect. We also include our key values which are Safety, Education, Nurturing, Stimulating and Empathy within the service.

Wow has it been super busy here. We have spoken to the children about ideas on how we can change the room around and areas they would like to change regarding themes and how we can display them in the room. This week we have been super excited on our theme which is Halloween and been doing fun craft activities also the children have been super excited in decorating the room and trying to make it look spooky. This Thursday we will have our Halloween party so we have encouraged as much of the children to bring there spooky costumes and dress up in the afternoon. Photos to come in the upcoming newsletters. If there is any parent suggestion on ideas and themes please feel free to chat to us as we would love feedback 😊

### Our Team



Sarah



Brayden

## What's Been Happening at TheirCare?

This week the theme is:

**Halloween**

**Please also remember during term 4, hats are mandatory to play outside**



# Program & Menu

## UPCOMING EVENTS at Whittlesea TheirCare:

Our program is designed to cater to each child's interests and needs, ensuring all children are engaged and enjoying their time here as much as possible! We have weekly discussions which gives children an opportunity to put forward their ideas and suggestions to create something super fun!

Over the next few weeks, the activities have been based off student, staff, and excited to meet out parents to get some more suggestions.

This Term we have some great ideas planned! This includes Halloween Theme week and party where the children will be able to come dressed in their best Halloween costume.



Our weekly menu follows Nutrition Australia's guidelines and is created with the children and families. All cultural needs are considered, and any dietary requirements are to be discussed with the program.

Before school care meals include a selection of cereals, wholemeal bread, spreads, fruit, milk and water. We offer special days such as pancakes and toasties once a term.

After school care meals include fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, and a variety of hot and cold foods, including Sandwiches, wraps, dips, crackers, noodles, pasta, soups, yoghurt and many more nutritious and yummy snacks.

## Booking your child into the program!

### Follow these 3 simple steps:

**1:** Create an account through [www.theircare.com.au](http://www.theircare.com.au) Bookings and cancellations can be managed through your account.

**2:** Provide CRN Centrelink details, any medical conditions, and contact details.

**3:** Select booking dates through your calendar. Casual bookings and regular bookings available. Bookings made within 48 hours / changes to bookings will incur a small fee.

For any emergencies or questions please contact the service on 0447 542 696.

Lastly, we please ask that family's book in their child/ren 24-48 hours prior to the designated session to ensure correct staffing and not missing out as we may reach capacity.

HAVE FUN  
AND STAY  
SAFE!!

## Important Contacts

Whittlesea Primary TheirCare Team: 0447 542 696

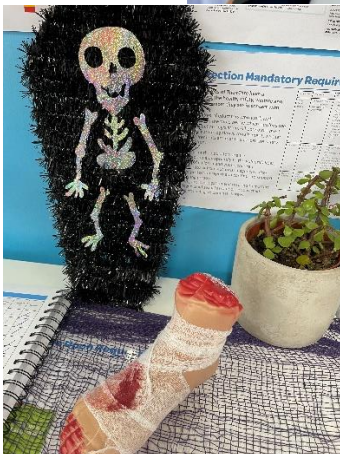
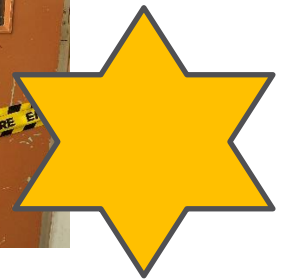
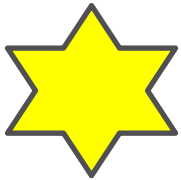
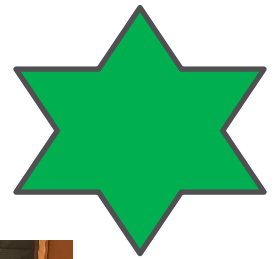
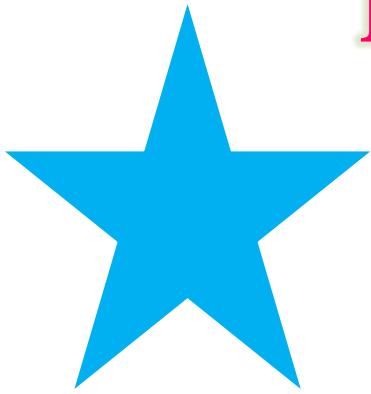
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# Happy Snaps





## SWPBS at Whittlesea Primary School

### School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)

At our school we have clearly identified Major and Minor behaviours. Minor behaviour forms our core business and students are supported to turn their behaviour around and return to learning. Staff explicitly teach the expected behaviours through a series of class meetings, role play, discussions, and modelling. SWPBS artefacts are on display in all areas across the school and staff refer to these to help pre correct behaviours and remind students of the expectations.

A behaviour flowchart ensures consistency with how minor and major behaviours are addressed. Staff use the following strategies to help students be ready for learning and re engage in the task. These can include:

- Restating the expected behaviour
- Referring to the behaviour matrix
- Allowing time for a behaviour change
- Offering an alternative solution, relocation, make up lost time
- Provide an opportunity for self regulation
- Suggest a 3min calm down time

Major behaviours are considered as being of a more severe nature and may require support from our leadership team. Major behaviours may include a logical consequence, working in another area, family contact or a more serious consequence dependent on the situation.

#### Major and Minor Behaviour

The Chart provides a common interpretation of all Major and Minor behaviours. Staff refer to behaviours as being as either major or minor when first redirecting a student and supporting them to make an informed choice to correct their actions.

# Understanding Behaviour

Whittlesea Primary School

*Respect Your School  
Do Your Best  
Help Others Succeed*



## MAJOR

- **Defiance** – excessive disruption and/or refusal to follow directions where learning has stopped for the students and/or others.
- **Theft** – taking personal belongings of others or school materials and equipment.
- **Bullying** – repeated, targeted behaviour where there is an imbalance of power.
- **Vandalism** – intentional and malicious destruction of property.
- **Physical Fighting/Aggression** – serious physical contact where injury may occur.
- **Out of School Grounds** – leaving school grounds.
- **Risking Harm** – Significantly endangering the health and well being of any individual.
- **Repetitive Minor Behaviours**



## MINOR

- **Noncompliance** – refusal to follow a request, leaving classroom space without permission.
- **Disruption** – Calling out, back chatting, inappropriate language, continuous minor interruptions, lateness.
- **Dishonesty** – an act of not telling the truth or cheating.
- **Accessing materials without permission** – misusing materials, equipment and personal belongings of others.
- **Put Downs/Teasing/Excluding** – Using words/actions that make others feel bad.
- **Disrespecting school property** – Misuse of school, personal or others' property.
- **Invading Personal Space** – rough play, not keeping hands and feet to themselves.
- **Out of Bounds** – being in designated 'Out of Bounds' areas across the school.



Have a wonderful extra-long weekend.

Betty Tzelepis  
Wellbeing Leader

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# WHITTLESEA SHOW



# SAVE THE DATE

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2022

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