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Thursday 20th March 2025 **Issue 4**

Two of our Millgrove's Gardening Elective Group were excited to harvest a delicious, big, red capsicum, which we cut up and shared.

Principal's Report

We are now nearing the end of Term One and I have to say how impressed I have been with our amazing school community and the wonderful work our students have been completing.

As you may be aware, the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2025 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students, was completed last week, with some students doing make up sessions throughout this week, if they had been away during NAPLAN testing. Overall, our Year 3 and 5 students were awesome during the tests, showing great resilience and completing them to the best of their ability.

NAPLAN tests are only one aspect of Millwarra Primary School's assessment and reporting process; they do not replace the extensive ongoing assessments made by our teachers about each student's performance. In future years, you can help your child prepare by reassuring them that the NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and by reminding them on the day, to simply try their best. The teachers have ensured that the children are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and they will continue to provide support and guidance. Individual student results will be provided to parents and students later in the year. Results are expected to be sent home late next term or early term 3.

The Junior students have been enjoying their cross-campus visits and I was lucky enough to get to visit while they were all at Millgrove this week. It was wonderful to see all of our Juniors, interacting and working together to complete their Inquiry tasks.

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We are nearly at the end of term, however we will have a lot of events happening at school, so please remember to check ***Compass*** regularly. Let the office know if you are having issues accessing it. Upcoming events include:

- Senior Athletics – Friday, 28th March
- Grade 6 Leadership Conference – Wednesday, 2nd April (Redwood Centre - Warburton)
- Last Day of Term Celebration Day – Friday, 4th April

All the details for these events are on ***Compass***, except the Grade 6 Leadership Conference which will be posted on ***Compass*** tomorrow. There is also information about optional lunch orders for the last day, with notes being sent home this week and due back on Friday, 28th March.

You will notice in the calendar dates, that day one of next term (Tuesday April 22) is a Curriculum Day. Students will not attend school on this day and will instead return for Term Two on Wednesday April 23. This Curriculum Day will be used by staff to participate in the Berry Street Education Model (BSEM). There are 4 modules to complete in the BSEM, with us completing two this year and two next year. *'The BSEM offers a whole-school approach to pedagogy and behavioural management that can be used consistently in the classroom and throughout the whole-school. It provides a way to teach the content of any subject area while addressing the social and emotional learning needs of the students in the process.'*

As always if you have any questions, concerns or positive feedback please let me know.

Melanie Hancock
Principal
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Millwarra Primary School

CELEBRATION DAY

Date: Friday 4th April 2025

Time: 12 - 2:30pm
Whole School Assembly at 2pm

Location: Warburton East Campus
397 Woods Point Rd,
Warburton East 3799

Special Term Awards

House Group Game Rotations

Dress in House Colours
Gold coin donation for the
Good Friday Appeal

Music Performances with Aleesha

Bakery Lunch Order (optional)

Easter Egg Hunt and Photobooth

DATES TO REMEMBER

Day	Date	What Is Happening
Term 1		
March		
Fri	**28th**	**Athletics Day for Seniors – Parent/Guardian helpers requested via note on *Compass***
Mon	**31st**	**Assembly 9am Warby East & 2:40pm at Millgrove**
April		
Wed	**2nd**	**Grade 6 Leadership Conference – Redwood Centre**
Fri	**4th**	**Last Day of Term 1** **Whole School, Celebration Day & Assembly at our Warby East Campus beginning after recess** • **Millgrove students will be transported up to Warby East during the morning.** • **House Games and Rotations.** • **Easter Egg Hunt.** • **Lunch orders will be available to purchase.** • **Whole School Assembly and Special Term Awards will be presented at 2:00pm.** • **All students are to be collected from Warby East at 2:30pm. If you require transport back to our Millgrove Campus at end-of-day, please let the Office know.** • **More details will be on *Compass* getting closer to the day.**
Term 2		
April		
Tues	**22nd**	**First Day of Term 2** **Student Free Day** **Professional Development from Berry Street Educational Model for all staff**

Breakfast Clubs between 8:15am and 8:45am

Warburton East Campus: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Millgrove Campus: Tuesday and Friday

Have you received these notices? They have been sent home via ***Compass***

Friday, 28th March, G3 – 6 Athletics Sports at UYSC. $11 – payment and permission due by Wednesday 26th March.
Friday, 4th April, Lunch Order Form for Celebration Day – due back 28th March – no late orders

Shining Stars

Congratulations to:

Mac, Junior/WE, for striving to achieve his learning goals. Mac is currently working to order numbers to 120 and is demonstrating great resilience when faced with challenges. Go Mac!

Monique, Junior/MG, for consistently demonstrating excellence and exceeding expectations in all areas of the classroom.

Billy, Senior/WE, for always trying his best. Billy is a polite and generous friend to everybody in the class.

Katie, Senior/MG, for showing leadership in the classroom, independently helping others and leading by example with good work habits.

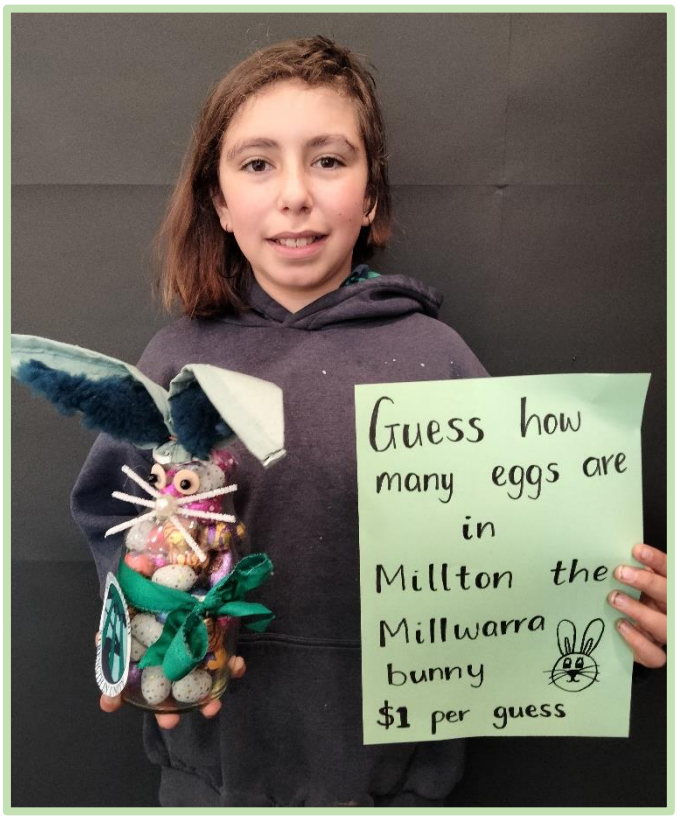
Congratulations

Starting next week, students can guess how many eggs are in the bunny for $1 per guess.

We also have a colouring competition.

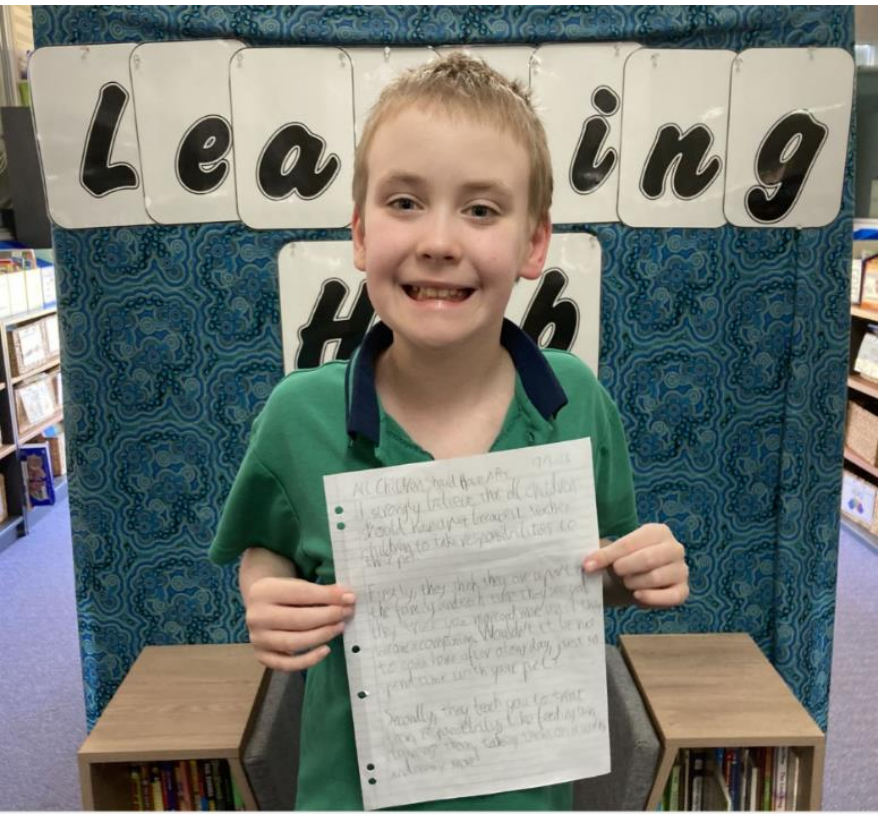
Please ask your classroom teacher to enter.

Winners will be announced at the End of Term Celebration.



All Children Should Have a Pet!

Persuasive Report by Steven



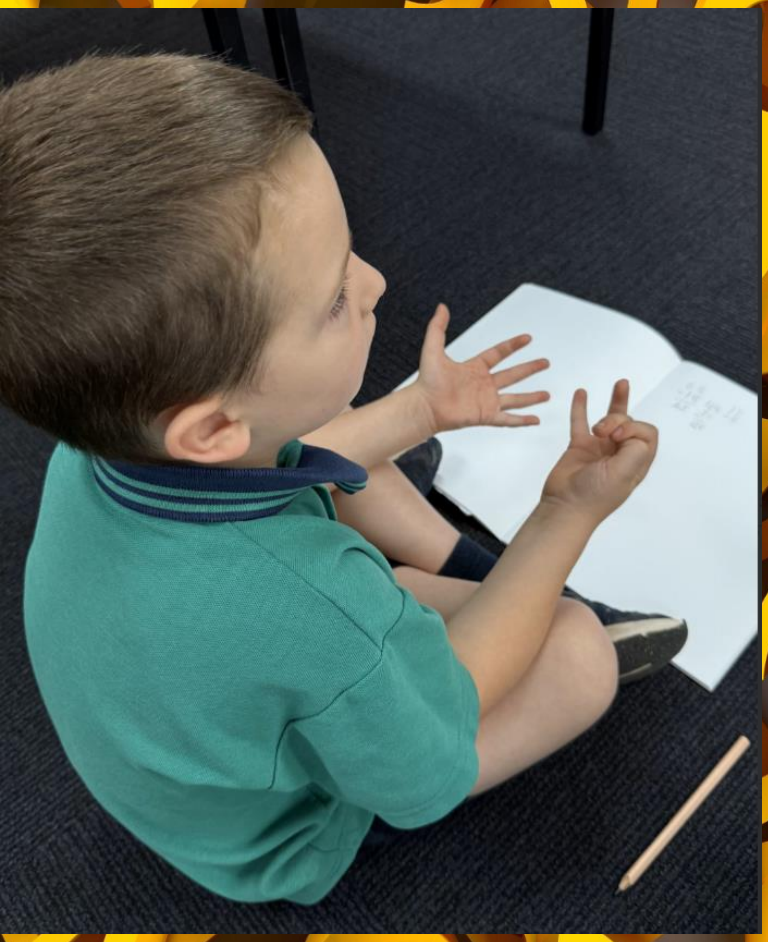
I strongly believe that all children should have a pet because it teaches children to take responsibilities to their pet.

Firstly, they think they are a part of the family, and each time they see you, they trust you more and more until they become a companion. Wouldn't it be nice to come home after a long day, just to spend time with your pet?

Secondly, they teach you, to treat them responsibly, like feeding them, cleaning them, taking them on a walk, and many more!

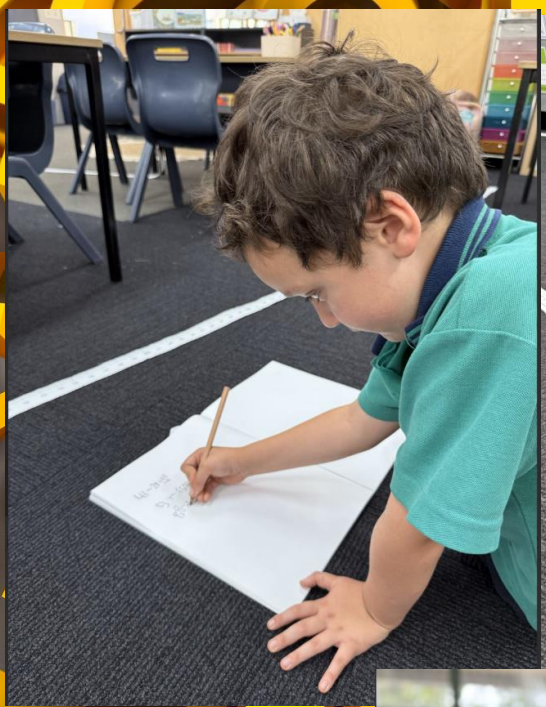
Lastly, when they become a companion, they will become a friend and they will trust you more and if they trust you a lot you could hold them! Wash your hands before and after holding some animals.

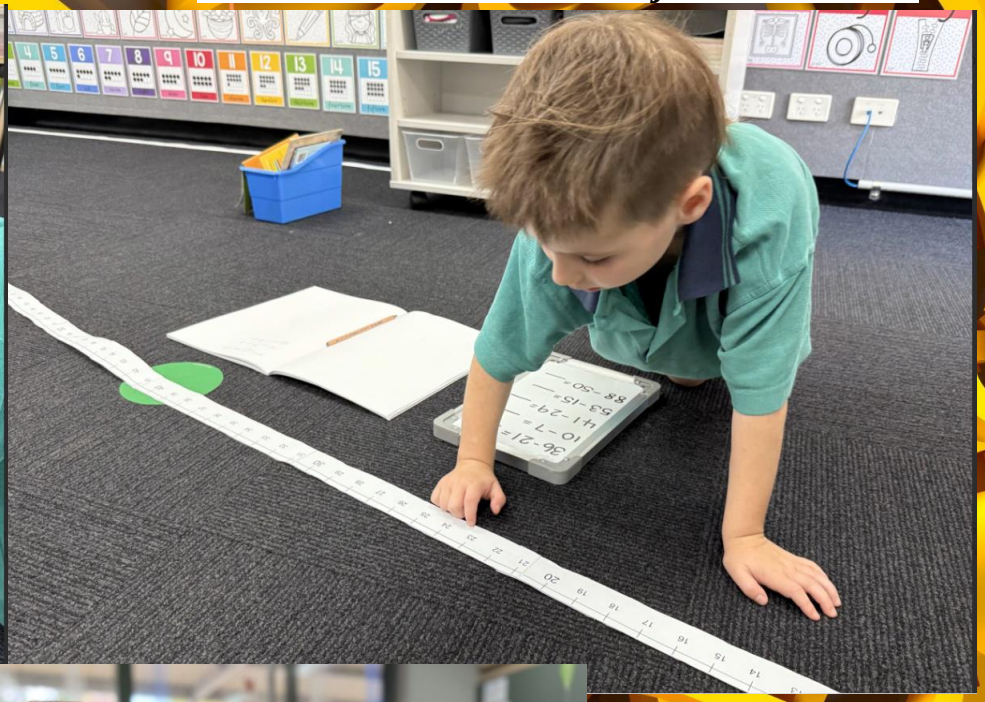
In conclusion, these reasons are why you should have a pet. **Steven, Senior/MG**



MATHS Strategies

The Warburton East Juniors have been learning to use counting back strategies to solve simple subtraction problems. A resource we created to support our learning was a number line. Mac and Kyrro enjoyed using this manipulative to assist them when counting back - they used the number line to count back by ones or Jump Strategy. As you can see in the photos, other students found it more beneficial to use an Abacus, Hundreds Chart, Split strategy or their fingers when counting backwards; and we encourage children to use a strategy that works best for them. ***Miss Nicole Hajder***





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Stay in your PJ's all day and watch movies
Read
Make a blanket fort
Play board games
Play hide and seek
Play sardines
Visit the library
Make a treasure hunt
Make up a dance
Build a city with Lego
Picnic by the river
Family bike ride
Visit the Redwood Forest
Go fishing

Finger knitting (YouTube/Google instructions)
Make play dough
Make a card for a friend
Make a bug hotel
Make a homemade book
Scrapbooking
Chalk drawings on concrete
Paint a picture
Make a collage
Make puppets
Make your own board game
Play tennis
Climb trees
Cook a meal for a neighbour

TO TRY AT HOME

PODCAST FOR PARENTS

Emerging Minds Families: Supporting children with big feelings.

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Silverbeet & Zucchini Fritters with Greek Salad

Cooking with Julie. Warburton East Campus Electives

Yesterday we made Zucchini Fritters and a Greek salad. I liked chopping up the ham. I also liked cooking and flipping the fritters. I enjoyed making the Greek salad. The Greek Salad had everything home grown here at school (cucumbers, tomatoes, parsley) except for the red onion and the feta cheese. My favourite part of the Greek Salad was the feta cheese. We sat down at the table and ate it as a meal. We also had cups of milk to go with our meal. ***Ruby, S/WE***

While we were cooking, I liked how we got to taste some of the ingredients such as ham, feta and parmesan cheese. The ingredients that went into the fritters were eggs, grated zucchini, silverbeet, cheese, pepper, salt, chopped parsley and a cup of flour. I enjoyed mixing the ingredients. We got to flip the fritters. I liked helping to cook them. We got to sit down and drink some milk with our meal. I rated it about a 7 out of 10. I liked the salad and the milk best. ***Tori, S/WE***

Yesterday during cooking, I liked grating the zucchini for the fritters. The ingredients that went into fritters were cheese, zucchini, ham, parsley, eggs and silverbeet. I enjoyed mixing the ingredients together. I also liked chopping the tomatoes in half for the Greek Salad. I helped to set the table. I liked sitting down and eating the fritters with the salad. They were good with a bit of sweet chilli sauce. I added some lemon juice and olive oil to my salad. ***Isaac, S/WE***

During cooking this week, we made Zucchini and Silverbeet Fritters and Greek Salad. I got to do some measuring and I also liked flipping over the fritters. I loved tasting some of the ingredients, especially the feta cheese! We sat down and ate it as a meal this time. I really liked sitting down and talking about our long weekends while we ate the food we had made. ***George, S/WE***

After School Clubs & Kinder Gym

Only a few places left in the 18m-3y Kinder Gym group!!

Kinder Gym & Clubs are well under way. Kinder Gym groups are all full, except the 18m-3y group on a Friday. Our Craft Clubs are full too. There's room in the Games Club & the Mindfulness Club. We can fit a couple more in the Developmental Gymnastics Club – Millwarra students only.

Afterschool Clubs are still just $5 each session, per student, per week.
All afternoons are 3.45-4.45. All Millwarra students get one free session each term.
So, that's like $5 Afterschool Care for Millwarra students 4 days a week.
Some Clubs are booked out already, so get in quick. A note has been sent home, with more information & you can tick to book your place. Or send Ms Clarke an email or a message to the School Messenger.

Gymnastics & Craft Clubs are currently FULL – Millwarra students may enquire to join still.

Kinder Gym is $14 per session, prepaid in half term blocks, so $56 for 4wks.
2nd payments are due now.

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MILLGROVE LIGHT TRAIL 2025

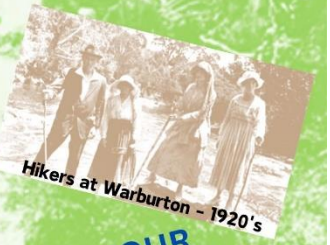
Saturday 12th of April

Platts Falls 2024

Reflecting Light on Locals

Experience a virtual walk to Platts Falls, meet local legends along the way, with spectacular lighting, music and discover unique stories

6:00pm–9:00pm: 7 Sessions, each one runs for about one hour, starting at 30 minute intervals from the Millwarra Community Building



Hikers at Warburton ~ 1920's

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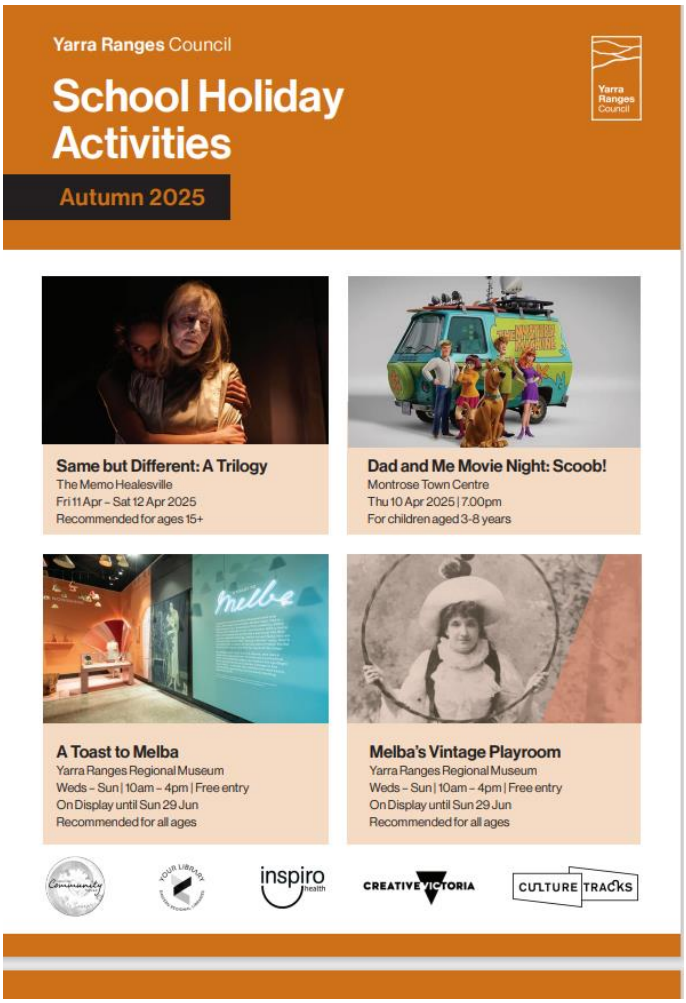

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Hello and welcome to our school community.

If you would like further information about our school, please call me at either Campus or send me an email. I would be thrilled to take you on a personalised tour of one or both of our Campuses, at a time that suits you or if you prefer, we can have a chat over the phone about your children and what we have to offer them.

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