

LINK CENTRE COMMUNITY HUB NEWS

RECONCILATION WEEK 2023

National Reconciliation Week 2023 is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

The dates for NRW are the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— The 1967 Referendum and The Maho Case Decision.

The theme for National Reconciliation Week 2023, Be a Voice for Generations, encourages all Australians to be a voice for reconciliation in tangible ways in our everyday lives – where we live, work and socialise.

Be a Voice for Generations, urges all Australians to use their power, their words and their actions to create a better, more just Australia for all of us.

We have been working closely with Young Mob, to build their connection and leadership. Our Yarning Circle is almost complete with the addition of Bunjil, hand carved by our very own Mr Palatsides and our totem pole featuring the cheeky Waa and artwork designed by Young Mob.





ENGLISH LANGUAGE GRADUATION

Our English Language Learners graduated this month. We are very proud of their efforts in the class, and we are impressed by their continual determination to practice English at every opportunity. The classes widens the participants employment opportunities, increases cognitive ability, supports living in our English-speaking country and improves communication skills. The biggest highlight for me has been the increase in their confidence.

This could not have been possible without our partnership with Wyndham Community and Education Centre. Teacher Claudette has been incredible at fostering relationships with our families and providing a safe environment for them to learn in.

Thanks to the support of our Multicultural Support staff Paw Ner Moo and Mili throughout the year.

Our school is lucky to be able to provide these opportunities to such wonderful people.



MULTICULTURAL WEEK

Wyndham Central College celebrated Multicultural Week. There was so much magic, I couldn't fit it into one video so look out for other posts!

The vibrant spectacle showcased the diverse community and connected their young people to the cultures that makes up the school's DNA.

Wyndham Central College has over 1400 students, 40 percent of whom come from families with have English as their second language.

Multicultural week kicked off with a whole school assembly where Wathaurong Elder Aunty Judith Dalton-Walsh delivered an Acknowledgement to Country alongside the schools Young Mob students. After a mentoring session with Alumni student Samuel M Deng Malual, a smoking ceremony was performed by Troy West, the schools Marrung Leader alongside other Young Mob students.

Throughout the week there were student led dance groups.

Indian, Karen, Burmese, Samoan, Tongan, Māori, Pacific Islands, K-Pop, Somalian, Ethiopian and Main African dancing told traditional stories, demonstrated their connection to ancestors and taught the practice of ceremonies across the globe.

Thank you to Chris Walter Photography for capturing our incredible community.













ROTARY INTERACT WORKING BEE

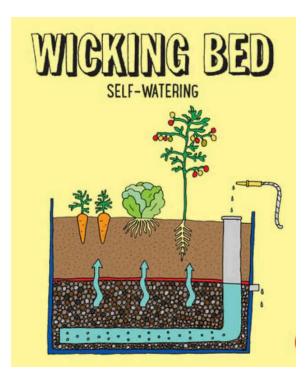
Our Rotary Club of Werribee Interact team started our school community garden! We used the expertise of our Project Based Learning team with Mr Pala to build the wicking beds and create a beautiful space for our school community to start using. Our long term vision is to create a space where our families can grow and eat the produce. Well done to our very hard working team of volunteers!

Wicking beds water plants from below rather than above. They're basically containers with water reservoirs at the base - like a giant self-watering pot. Moisture is drawn up through the soil via a process called capillary action or wicking. This allows moisture to be more evenly distributed through the soil, creating better growing conditions for the plants.









HELPING PEOPLE WITH CITIZENSHIP

We partnered with Victoria Legal Aid and WEstjustice to deliver the Community Legal Program to help our families access their citizenship more easily. This can be a complicated process and we are happy to support our families through our Community Hub on-site at school.



JOBS EXPO

Our careers team put on a huge show for the Jobs Expo! Year 7 and 8 students were treated to a scavenger hunt to find out interesting facts about different industries and explore the amazing different roles and opportunities that exist at the local organisations. Thanks to our partners Youth Resource Centre, Wyndham Chartered Accountants, Forsyth Training Academy, West Justice, UVet, headspace Werribee, Wyndham City Libraries and our Alumni- Brad, Nevada, Emma, Shaggy, Abby, Tanya and Tatiana! Our partnerships with people and organisations keep us connected as a community.





SECONDHAND UNIFORM

DO YOU HAVE OLD UNIFORM THAT DOESN'T FIT YOU ANYMORE? PLEASE DONATE TO OUR SCHOOL!

EVERY CONTRIBUTION MATTERS

WHAT DO WE NEED?

- SHIRTS AND TIES
- PANTS AND SHORTS
- DRESSES AND SKIRTS

PLEASE DROP OFF ITEMS AT STUDENT SERVICES OR THE COMMUNITY HUB.
PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO DROP OFF AT THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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