

2021 GWPS PRODUCTION – A JOURNEY OF VALUES



The 2021 GWPS Production narrative is the story of two Glen Waverley students, a boy, Ari, and a girl, Anya, who go on an adventure around the world, learning about the school's four values – Respect, Integrity, Initiative and Global Empathy. On their journey, they travel to different countries such as Japan, China, Nigeria and India, meeting characters from different cultural folktales and joining them in their stories.

The story begins on a normal school day when Ari and Anya ask Mr Catalano what the school values are. He tells them he can show them the new values flag that has just been added to the school flagpole. They run off and foolishly decide to climb the flagpole to find the words, but a sudden gust of wind sends them sailing off like a kite. They travel on the wind for a great distance, over the ocean and an active Pacific volcano, all the way to Japan, where they are rescued by a boy on a fishing boat named Hiroshi. Hiroshi teaches them what Initiative means. He offers to help them get home and they leave on a lifeboat, but a great storm occurs. They wash up on a Chinese shore and find Mei, a woodcutter in the forest. Mei teaches them Integrity. She helps them purchase a half pink/half blue hot air balloon to get home though they end up floating way, way off course and landing between two Nigerian farms, Musa's cassava farm and Ibrahim's yam farm. Musa and Ibrahim teach them Respect. Musa and Ibrahim offer an old car, which they all use to drive back home. When the car breaks down, they travel on foot through the desert. They reach a busy town in India and meet a poor shoemaker name Nidra, who teaches them Global Empathy. Their journey ends and they all travel back to their home nations. Ari and Anya share artefacts from their journey with Mr Catalano and an exciting new school values flag is created!

