Term 3 Diary

WEEK 4
Monday, August 8
Whole School Assembly
Year 2P
Tuesday, August 9
School Council Meeting 4pm

WEEK 6
Monday, August 22
Staff Development Day
Students do not attend
Friday, August 26
APEX Regional Heat

WEEK 7
OLNA Writing
Whole School Assembly PP
Tuesday, August 30
Super Starters

WEEK 8
OLNA Numeracy & Reading
Tuesday, September 6
Super Starters
Jumps & Throws Day
Friday, September 9
Faction Athletics Carnival

Students, Staff & Parents
Brave the COLD at the
Katanning Winter Carnival

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AUSTRALIA! COUNTRY STORY
Book Fair
Coming to the Library In Week 7
From the Principal

We have had a smooth start to the term with several new enrolments and three new teachers. I hope everyone had a relaxing break and are ready for another busy term.

Welcome to all of our new families, we look forward to working with you and your family and hope you have settled into the Wagin community. We also welcome Mr Cervoj who will be taking secondary maths and Year 5/6 science for the semester while Ms Pense is on long service leave and Ms Bickers is working four days per week. Ms Roche has taken over the Year 4/5 class and has settled in very well with her three children. We also welcome Ms Vowles into our Year 3/4 class. All of our new teachers have been very positive and willing to take on our school vision of providing an empowering environment for life-long learning.

This term will see our Year 4 students involved in PEAC testing, this will take place Wednesday, August 3. Our Athletics Carnival will take place on Friday, September 9 (weather permitting), with Jumps and Throws taking place on Tuesday, September 6. Our Mixed Basketball and Netball Country Week teams will be competing in the last week of term. Our APEX Youth Fashion students will participate in our regional heat on Friday, August 26 and hopefully some of them will continue on to the state heat. We will also hold a social and other fundraising activities for Country Week and Year 6 camp. Primary staff will continue to work with the North East Metropolitan Language Development Centre to improve writing; all staff will continue our Behaviour Management professional learning with Jenny MacKay. All of these events and the learning activities teachers plan and deliver, ensure our students are given a wide range of experiences and opportunities and that our teachers are providing an excellent education for all. Please stay tuned as more information will come out over the term and there will be opportunities for parent and community involvement.

Report Interviews

If your child's teachers have indicated they would like to meet with you to discuss your child’s report, please make an appointment with the teachers concerned. We are always keen to work with you to support your child to make progress at school.

School Development Day

Please note we will be holding our Term 3 School Development Day on Monday August 22. Students do not attend school on this day.

Attendance

Every day of school is important, regular attendance ensures your child is able to make and maintain friendships, feel a valued part of their class and make progress with their learning. We aim for every child to have an attendance rate of 90% or above, if your child’s attendance drops below this we will send letters home and work with you to increase it. The table below highlights the impact of attendance on lost learning time from Year 1-10. You can see the days add up to a huge amount of lost time, for example by Year 10 a student who attends 50% of the time is working at a level five years below their classmates with regular attendance. How is that child going to catch up and feel confident they are able to complete class work and assessments in preparation for Year 11? Are they being given the best start to their future?

We are here to help, if your child has an attendance concern, please do not hesitate to contact school on 9861 1877 to discuss the situation and work with us to find a solution.

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Cass Harris-Moroney
**Secondary News**

Welcome to Term 3! The students braved the cold weather to return to school for the third time this year to start a new term. Term 3 will be another busy term with the Year 10 OLNA assessments, Athletics and Jumps carnivals, the APEX heats, and the Country Week Camp already planned.

This term in the high school we welcome Mr Rrahim Cervoj back to Wagin. Mr Cervoj will be replacing Mrs Pense for the semester while she is on long service leave.

Last term students and parents received the Formal Semester 1 Reports. The Student Achievement Report reflects your child’s progress to date on key learning outcomes for each subject area. Parent interviews have been requested for some students, and these should be arranged very early in the term to assist students to get off to a good start for Semester 2. If you wish to see a teacher, please contact the school to arrange a suitable time for a meeting.

It is a timely reminder for students to be wearing warm clothes and school jackets as the cold weather will be here for sometime yet. It is not appropriate for students to be wearing coloured jumpers or hoodies displaying branding. There are also navy school scarves available for purchase through the uniform shop eliminating the need for brightly coloured scarves.

In a recent KidsMatter publication, there was an interesting article on ‘Sleep and Kids’ Mental Health.’ It articulates that approximately 40% of children have a problem sleeping. It is now well established by experts that excess screen time – the use of TV, computers and mobile devices, can disrupt a child’s sleep. So whilst it is important to ensure that our students are capable users of modern technology, it is also important for their physical and emotional health that a balance between the two is ensured.

**Year 11 at Narrogin SHS 2017**

The enrolment and subject selection forms for 2017 are due. If you need assistance to complete the subject selection forms please make an appointment with me to discuss ASAP.

_Jolene Abbott_

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**Primary News**

Welcome back to Term 3. All students have quickly settled back into the routines of school.

**Uniform**

It is great to see the majority of students dressed in school uniform. If you require any items of uniform for your children, the P&C Uniform Shop is open on Friday mornings each week from 8:30am until about 10:30am. All students require a hat, as we have a “No hat, No play” Policy here at Wagin DHS that runs all year. Hats are also available for purchase from the Uniform Shop.

**Crunch & Sip**

The Crunch & Sip break is not only a time to introduce children to fresh vegies and fruit, it is also an opportunity to encourage the habit of drinking water. Research indicates that children rarely drink enough water and often forget to drink unless reminded. Don't forget to pack Crunch & Sip in your child’s school bag every day.

_Robyn Willey_
5 handy tips to improve your writing
http://www.acj.edu.au/blog/acj-news/5-handy-tips-to-improve-your-writing-skills

Code Like a Girl
Code Like a Girl brings together girls who are passionate about coding and technology to learn from each other and connect with each other. You can also check out their blog for tips and inspiration.

Education HQ: Student Guide 2016
Student Guide 2016 is a definitive study and career guide available for Australian students. The Guide will include all the vital information for school leavers pursuing further study to find their perfect career path. Student Guide 2016 is available to pre-order now, with distribution scheduled for mid-July.
http://student.educationhq.com/magazines/student-guide/

Four Skills You Need to Know for the Future

FlickerUp
FLiCKERFEST 26th INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL will be held on 6th-15th January 2017 @ Bondi Beach, Sydney.
An Australian School Students Competition – open to films from students enrolled in primary or secondary schools in Australia, or individuals under 18 is part of the festival.
Entries close: 30 September 2016

My Big Idea
My Big Idea is a nationwide ideas competition that is attempting to make positive changes for the future of Australia. There are ten different topics on which you can submit your innovation, and the ten winning ideas will be made into a reality.
http://www.mybigidea.org.au/

National History Challenge
Entries close 26th August 2016
The National History Challenge encourages students to use research and inquiry based learning to discover more about the past. The theme for 2016 is “Triumph or Tragedy?”
http://historychallenge.org.au/

University Scholarships
Find scholarships at
Curtin
https://scholarships.curtin.edu.au/search#/
ECU
http://www.ecu.edu.au/scholarships/find-a-
Murdoch
http://our.murdoch.edu.au/Student-life/Finances/
Notre Dame
http://www.nd.edu.au/nav-future-students/
UWA
www.scholarships.uwa.edu.au
EMUS at WAGIN DHS

At Wagin DHS we use a positive behaviour matrix known as the EMUS – Engaged, Manners, Understanding and Strive. These positive behaviours are a guide for us to know how we can Aim High. Students receive EMUS cards when showing these behaviours and then put these cards in for the prize draw at Assemblies.

The EMUS card count at the last assembly of Term 2 was:

- Engaged 644
- Manners 657
- Understanding 739
- Strive 694

EMUS Focus

Every fortnight staff and students will pay extra attention to teaching and learning one of the EMUS. Don’t worry, that does not mean that the other three EMUS will not be recognised. We will still hand out EMUS cards for those behaviours. For weeks 3 and 4 of Term 3, we will start with Engaged!

One of the times and places we are Engaged is “Before and After School”. So we:

- Listen to staff
- Get organised for the day
- Return all equipment to appropriate areas
- Move safely when arriving and leaving school

Which of these Engaged behaviours are also used at home?

Congratulations to the following students who have been reading regularly at home: Ethan Julius, Ava Ward, Isla Staveley, Tabitha Pederick, Sarah Quartermaine, Tamsin Pederick, Charlotte Rowell, Cole Hamersley and Katie Manuel. It is wonderful to see these students developing a love for reading.

Super Starters

Preparing your Child for Kindy

Parents along with their children are invited to “Super Starters” a 4 week group that works with families to help them prepare for kindy and the years beyond.

Super Starters provides an opportunity to:

- Get used to the school setting.
- Enhance development of fine, gross, language, social and attention skills needed for Kindy.
- Learn strategies and activities that can be used at home to prepare your child further for starting school.
- Have fun and learn with your child.

Where: Wagen District High School Kindergarten Room Rainbow St, Wagen

When: 9:00 – 10:30am with fruit time provided

Dates: Tuesday 30th August Tuesday 6th September Tuesday 13th September Tuesday 20th September

Who: Parents along with children who are due to be starting Kindy in 2017

Parents are requested to contact Reception at the Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health Service on 8881 0388 if they are interested in registering their child for the program.
On Friday 24th of June, Wagin attended the Winter Carnival; we played at Braeside primary school, Katanning primary school and the Katanning Rec Centre. I played in the netball team.

My team played against Wagin 2, Katanning Primary School, Saint Patricks, Kojonup and Braeside Primary schools. In one of our games Cruiz and Shaun had a crash when they both went for the ball and Cruiz’s head went into Shaun’s stomach they both fell back, so we didn’t get to finish our last quarter. After one of our games we went to watch soccer, we were so caught up on supporting Wagin we were late for our next game. Everyone had an awesome time, so did I.

By Zahlee

At the winter carnival I played football and we didn’t win any games until the fourth game. When they tried to kick a goal but it didn’t make the distance. Before it hit the ground I booted off to the middle then Patrick got it but two year sixes from the other team got the ball and kicked a goal then it was half time and Lloyd said “don’t give up and get sad” after that they got one more goal and then when the sport teacher came that is when we started catching up and then we beat them. Then we had one more game but we lost. It was all fun in the end.  

By Marcus

On Friday 24th of June, our Years 3-6 attended the Katanning Winter carnival with other schools. Wagin started with two soccer teams but in the end one got dropped because there weren’t enough students participating in the team.

After our seven tiring games we raced to go see the Netballers, they looked like they have had a good day too!

At the end of the day Miss Bennison put us on our correct buses to depart from Katanning and arrive back safely at Wagin.

We got back to school at about 3:00pm and we all had a ripper of a day! Thanks Miss Bennison!

By Marli

On Friday June 24th, we went to the Winter Carnival. We got to pick a sport that we would like to play and I picked hockey.

In our first game we lost to Braeside Primary.

In our second game we lost again because I had the ball but as I went to hit it into the goals the other team hit the ball from me. We won our third game!

Then we had a break, I was puffed out so much. We scored three goals during our fourth game. I had a lot of fun!!

By Teegan

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**Factional Carnival Helpers Wanted!**

SEE ATTACHMENT
Congratulations

Kennedy

Tennis West invited 8 athletes living in regional Western Australia the opportunity to travel to Darwin as part of the, Regional Talent Development (RTD) program, supported by the Department of Sport & Recreation.

Our very own Kennedy Taylor was amongst five athletes, aged between 12 and 13 years old, accepted the invitation on the subsidised tour.

All athletes competed in both, singles and doubles events, across two AR tournaments; 2016 NT Age Championships and 2016 Darwin Age Titles from the 24th June – 4th July, 2016.

Kennedy’s awesome achievements are testament to his love of the game and a lot of hard work.

Highlights:
2016 NT Age Championships - 14&U Doubles Semi-Final and 16&U Singles Quarter-Final
2016 Darwin Age Titles - 16&U Finalist Consolation, 16&U Doubles Semi-Final

Mark it on the CALENDAR

Term Dates for 2016
School Development Days & Public Holidays

Term 3: Monday July 18 - Friday Sept 23
  SDD Monday August 22

Term 4: Tuesday October 11 - Thursday Dec 15
  SDD Monday October 10

Whole School Assemblies 2016
Assemblies are held on Mondays
  starting at 1.50pm
  Family & Friends Welcome!

Canteen Roster
Please attend by 9am. Children are not allowed
in the canteen, due to insurance requirements.
Any queries: ring the canteen on 9861 1348.
Thankyou for your time and support.

Term 3
  Thursday, July 28
    Narelle Gibbs
  Friday, July 29
    Melanie English
  Monday, August 1
    Martina Pascoe
  Tuesday, August 2
    Mandy Harrington
  Wednesday, August 3
    Jane Kilpatrick
  Thursday, August 4
    Catherine Ward
  Friday, August 5
    Sonia Nalder
  Monday, August 8
    Carmel Leary
  Tuesday, August 9
    Leonie Tulley
  Wednesday, August 10
    Rachel Martin

Week 4: August 8 - Year 2P
Week 7: August 29 - K/PP
Week 9: September 12 - PP
A Successful Season for Hook in2 Hockey

Hook in2 Hockey is a program designed by Hockey Australia for children under 10 to develop their hockey skills in a fun game environment. In Wagin this program is run each year by dedicated volunteers at the Wagin Hockey Club. This year we had a very enthusiastic group of 29 children ranging from Kindy to Year 2. Our 2016 season was run on six Saturday mornings from 8:45am and culminated in a carnival for our older participants held in Narrogin on 2nd July. Our Year 2 group was very keen to join in the fun.

The team played in 5 games against various teams from around the zone. As beginners of the sport we play under modified rules with the basics of proper stick usage, correct tackling and no feet being the focus. Our team had a brilliant morning of hockey, and although the focus is on FUN and not the final scores, we did come away with 3 draws, 1 loss and 1 victory.

The Wagin Hockey club is immensely proud of this small group of 7 year olds, as it was their first time playing "competitive" hockey as a whole team on the turf and they showed some fantastic skills and great sportsmanship. We look forward to their hockey journey and hope to see them and all the other children back next season for more hockey action.

Blue Light Disco
DATE & TIME
FRIDAY 12th AUGUST 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
LOCATION
KATANNING TOWN HALL
TICKET INFO
0-4 FREE 5-17 $3.00 EACH
(PARENTS MUST STAY WITH THEIR KIDS)
Fully supervised fun
- CRIPS, LOLLI'S & COOL BEVERAGE FOR SALE.
SPECIAL DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE FOR GROUPS.

Starz Dance Company
Classes begin **Wednesday 20th July** in Katanning
Classes for Kindy and up
Please Contact Tara to register
0439 841410
startarz@westnet.com.au

COMMUNITY NOTES
BANK DETAILS TO PAY FEES
You may prefer to pay school accounts through Direct Debit. The school bank account details are as follows:

Account Name: Wagin District High School
BSB Number: 036 153
Account Number: 139315
(Westpac - Katanning)

Please ensure that the student’s name is used as the reference for all Direct Deposits

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Building resilience

Resilient kids cope with difficult situations and can ‘bounce back’. This is important to get through life’s ups and downs, and keep going when things go wrong. Parents can help children build resilience by providing opportunities to learn and practise new skills:

- **Children need regular positive experiences** (e.g. go to the park; play with friends; read bedtime stories). This helps to build up a ‘bank’ of positive emotions which protects against tough times.

- **Help your kids think positively.** If your child is frustrated by their homework, say, "I know your homework was hard today, but yesterday it was hard too. You kept trying until you worked it out."

- **Reconnect after a fight.** Let your little one cool down then offer a hug or words of support. This is good for your child’s mental health and helps them deal with relationship problems as they get older.

For more information about raising a resilient child, go to [www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/), [www.raisingchildren.net.au](http://www.raisingchildren.net.au) or contact your local Community Health Nurse.

LiveLighter tip #1 –
Meal times provide a great opportunity to role model healthy eating behaviours. Children are more likely to try and/or like foods they see parents or carers eating. For ideas of how to support your children develop healthy eating habits visit: [https://livelighter.com.au/LiveLighter-for-Families/At-Home/Family-Time/Developing-Healthy-Eating](https://livelighter.com.au/LiveLighter-for-Families/At-Home/Family-Time/Developing-Healthy-Eating)

LiveLighter Recipe

**LAMB & BARLEY SOUP**

**Method**

1. Cut any visible pieces of fat off the meat and discard.
2. Place all ingredients in a medium saucepan.
3. Add 1.5 litres of water to completely cover the ingredients. Add more if needed.
4. With a lid on, place the pan on a high heat until boiling.
5. Reduce the heat to low and cook for 1 hour or until the meat is easily pulled from the bone.
6. Take off the heat and allow pot to cool for 20 minutes.
7. Place the covered pot in the fridge to cool overnight. Remove the visible fat from the top with a spoon and discard.
8. Remove the meat from the bones and discard the bones.
9. To serve, warm the soup over medium heat for 10-15 minutes until heated through.
Faction Athletics Carnival 2016 - Helpers

Dear Parents/Carer,

Wagin District High School Faction Athletics Carnival will be held in Week 9 on Friday 9th September. Jumps and Throws Day will be on Tuesday 6th September. As you are aware, we need parents to help on these days with recording, judging and timekeeping. If you are available to help on either or both days please put your details below and return the note to school or contact Miss Bennison on 9861 1877.

Yours sincerely
Claire Bennison
Physical Education and Health Education

Faction Athletics Carnival 2016 - Helpers

I am available to help in the following way/s:

☐ Jumps and Throws on Tuesday 6th Sept
☐ Faction Athletics Carnival on Friday 9th Sept

Please provide any other details below (e.g. available to help for half a day)

Name: _______________________________

Contact Number: _______________________________