Wagin District High School



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Term 3 Diary WEEK 3

Monday, July 31 P&C Meeting 12.30pm <u>Whole School Assembly Yr 4/5</u>

WEEK 5 Monday, August 18 Whole School Assembly Pre-Primary

Friday, August 18 Yrs 9 & 10 Skills West Expo - Perth

WEEK 6 Monday, August 21 Staff Development Day - Students do not attend

WEEK 7 Tuesday - Thursday, 29/8 - 31/8 Years 4/5M and 5R School Camp

Wednesday, August 30 Musica Viva PP-Yr 6

Thursday, August 31 Secondary Questacon Visit

WEEK 8 Friday, September 8 Athletics Carnival

WEEK 9 Wednesday, September 13 School Council Meeting

Thursday, September 14 *R U Ok Day*

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There was a lot of smiles and laughter last week as classmates reunited and students and staff settled back into routine following the two week Winter break. Welcome back everyone, we hope you all enjoy Term 3 at Wagin DHS.

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

From the Principal

WELCOME BACK

Term 3 is in full swing, it was wonderful to have everyone return refreshed and ready to start the term. Mrs Emma Kirk has settled in very well and is a very welcome member of our team. As always we have a busy schedule this term including:

Whole School Assemblies Yr 9-10 Skills West Expo Our School Development Day Yr 4/5 & Yr 5 Camp Staff attending Professional Learning Musica Viva performance for PP-Yr 6 Questacon for Yr 7-10 APEX Regional & State Heats Athletics Carnival Country Week

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 21. Primary staff will attend a regional professional learning session with Dr Paul Swan on mathematics. Secondary staff will conduct data analysis. Students do not attend school on this day.

UNIFORMS

Many students are out of uniform, many believe wearing their school shirt under their own choice of clothing constitutes wearing our school uniform. While I appreciate it is cold, our students still need to be wearing our full Wagin District High School Uniform. Having a school uniform:

Allows for easy identification and better care for our students when on excursions Builds school identity and spirit Allows for our school to be recognised in the community Keeps costs of clothing reasonable for families

It is a requirement for all students to meet the dress code; school council have endorsed our current school dress code policy which can be found on our website under the policies tab. Jeans are not part of school uniform, a requirement of the Education Department is that students nor staff wear jeans. If you wish to change elements of our school uniform please either join P&C, School Council or give your feedback to these groups or school. Our P&C operated uniform shop is open every Friday; they also sell labels to ensure your child's uniform is easily identified.

FAREWELL

Our wonderful Mrs Ball is leaving us tomorrow to move to Broome. We will greatly miss her passion for our school, her willingness to help out with all manner of library and office related tasks and her smiling face. We greatly appreciate the many years of service she has given to Wagin District High School. While this is a sad time for us, it is a very exciting time for Mrs Ball and her family, we wish her the very best of luck and trust she will enjoy being warm (all year).

Cass Harris-Moroney

Secondary News

The students braved the cold weather to return to school for the third time this year to start a new term. This will be another busy term with the Athletics and Jumps carnivals, the second round of OLNA, Questacon, Skills West Expo, APEX regional and state heats and the Country Week Camp already planned.

Semester 1 Reports

Last term student and parents would have received the Formal Semester 1 Reports. These School Reports reflect 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.

Uniform Reminder

The Western Australian Department of Education Dress code policy states:

Dress codes are tangible evidence of the standards expected of students. A school's dress code plays an important role in promoting a positive image of the school and creating a sense of identity among students.

The benefits of dress codes include:

- promoting safety of students through easier identification;
- keeping costs of clothing within reasonable limits for parents; and
- assisting students to learn the importance of appropriate presentation.

Being suitably groomed is part of the process by which students learn to engage with employers and the community. In this context clothing made from denim is not appropriate in a school's dress codes.

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. Denim is not allowed at Wagin DHS.

Vocational and Career Information:

Year 11 at Narrogin SHS 2018

The enrolment and subject selection forms for 2015 are now due. If you have not made an appointment to discuss these please do so ASAP.

WA College of Agriculture - Narrogin

WACoA Narrogin invites you to its OPEN DAY on Friday 15th September 2017 from 9am -3pm. Be escorted by students through the facilities. Watch students as they impress with their Farm and Trade skills. Learn about the education and training opportunities available to students studying at the College. Enjoy refreshments and a light lunch in the beautiful gardens.

Contact 9881 9700 AC@education.wa.edu.au www.narroginag.wa.edu.au

Jolene Abbott

Primary News



Let Semester 2 begin!

It is with great excitement that I write my first newsletter article as Deputy Principal. It has been lovely to see so many familiar faces and meet lots of new students and families; thank you for such a warm welcome. I am thrilled to be working at Wagin District High School and very much look forward to working alongside you to ensure every student is successful. Please feel free to come and speak with me at any time or email me at Emma.Lemon@education.wa.edu.au should you wish to discuss anything.

Whilst popping into classes over the past fortnight, Primary school students have been eagerly engaged and enjoying learning experiences. The PP/1 class had a vet clinic set up where students' imaginations were running free as they cared for animals by looking at x-rays and bandaging up the wounds. Miss Bennett's Kindergarten class were learning the 'p' sound and enjoyed a nice cup of warm porridge, while in Mrs Spooner's class; students were busy practicing rhyming words. I also had the pleasure of 9 Year 2 students visiting my office to share their writing. It was very impressive!

The Home reading program continues on from last term, so please encourage your child to read each night. Not only will they be rewarded by visiting my office every 25 nights for a prize, but by reading at home regularly; the reading and comprehension skills learnt in class will be practiced. This will enable them to then use reading as a tool for learning - the ultimate goal.

In our efforts to ensure every student displays positive behaviour so they can Aim High, the challenge has been set for us to work together to collect 3000 Engaged EMU's. I look forward to seeing how quickly we can rise to our challenge! Enjoy your fortnight,

Emma Kirk

Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their teachers and received this award in Week 2

> Year 2P - Ronald Williams & Lacy Horne Year 3/4M - Penny Scott & Oliver Quinn



vriter of the Week

The following students have had their literary efforts displayed in the front foyer

Congratulations:

Logan Finlayson, Callum Roche, Jack Holt, Maddison Kelly, Hayley Wilson, Charlie Ritchie,Kaitlyn Berry, Clair Spooner & Kezia Pederick



EMUS AWARDS

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 assembly last week was: Engaged 643 Manners 627 Understanding 495 Strive 589



Congratulations to these students who have received some wonderful prizes for their efforts to "Aim High" at the Mega Draw conducted in Week 10 of T2 ENGAGED: Callum Roche & Sara Quartermaine MANNERS: Cassie Cooper & Louise Quartermaine UNDERSTANDING: Tamzin Pederick & Jack Green STRIVE: Gaige Kapene & Michael Nalder



5 of our 8 lucky recipients

Looking for employment?

All vacancies within the Department of Education are now advertised on line through the below link.

http://www.jobs.wa.gov.au/



P&C Meeting

A reminder to all interested parents that our next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 31st July at 12:30pm in **Room 6**. Agenda items include Nature Play, School Blazers, Pop Up Shop Fundraiser, Youthcare funding request and Interschool Athletics Carnival. Come along and have your input on how you would like to see P&C funds allocated to our school to benefit the students. We would love to see new members and previous members in attendance.

2017 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Dear Parents/Carer,

Wagin District High School Faction Athletics Carnival will be held in Week 8 on Friday 8th September. Jumps and Throws Day will be on Tuesday 5th 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 contact the school on 9861 1877 and leave your name, day/s available to help and a contact number. We look forward to see you there and thankyou for your support.

Claire Bennison Physical Education and Health Education



Term Dates for 2017 School Development Days & Public Holidays

Term 2: Wednesday April 26 - Friday June 30 SDD Monday April 24 PH Tuesday April 25 ANZAC Day PH Monday June 5 WA Day

Term 3: Monday July 17 - Friday Sept 22 SDD Monday August 21

Term 4: Monday October 9 - Thursday Dec 14 There is NO School Development Day In Term 4

Whole School Assemblies 2017

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

Term 3

Week 3: July 31 - Year 4/5 Mullin Week 5: August 14 - Pre-Primary Week 10: September 18 - Year 6 Reder

Country Week Fundraising

Reminder to parents of the Country Week teams. We have a number of fundraising events happening this term. You should have received a letter by now stating what you have volunteered to help with. If you are unsure please contact the school office.

<u>Football Dinner</u> – 30th July (this Sunday starting at 5.15pm)

<u>**Cake Stall**</u> – Thursday, 10^{th} August (produce can be dropped off to the school on Wednesday, 9^{th} August or directly to the stall outside the newsagency by 8am on the day)

<u>Wood Raffle</u> – Saturday, 19^{th} August (outside the newsagency)

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 2

Thursday, July 27 Narelle Gibbs

Friday, July 28 Sarah Whiteford

Monday, July 31 Martina Pascoe

Tuesday, August 1 Mandy Harrington

Wednesday, August 2 Jane Kilpatrick

Thursday, August 3 Jerri Lee Dickson

Friday, August 4 Emily Holt

Monday, August 7 Sandra Moffatt

Tuesday, August 8 Anette Quartermaine

Wednesday, August 9 Kate Becker