Congratulations to all students who travelled to Perth to compete during Country Week. Our Netball girls won the D Grade competition as well as the Sportsmanship Award. The mixed basketball team came in third in the A Grade competition. Thankyou to the wonderful Julie Stott and Reid Mullin for your time and dedication. Jodie Sercombe
Welcome back! Term 4 as usual is set to be very busy. I hope everyone had a relaxing break and is ready to go. The end of Term 3 was once again an exciting; rewarding and action packed one for Wagin District High:

Both Lucilee Iles and Saige Edwards came runner up at the state APEX finals in the Society & Environment and Wearable Art categories; they will be representing our school and showcasing their amazing outfits on Saturday, October 25 in Melbourne at the National Finals.

Our Country Week teams came third in A Division Mixed Basketball and first in the D Grade Netball. Our Netball team also won the Sportsmanship award (this is the second year our school has won this award)

Our NAPLAN results are continuing to improve

We can and will continue to achieve amazing sporting, social and academic outcomes for our children and young people if we all continue working together and keep our students needs our number one priority.

NAPLAN
Congratulations to the students who achieved in the top 20% across Australia. It is always very rewarding for our staff, students and families when we our students achieve excellent results.

COUNTRY WEEK
As already mentioned our Country Week team was very successful and students came back bursting with pride and tales of their adventure. I would like to thank Mrs Sercombe, Mr Mullin and Mrs Stott for being our supervising teachers, bus drivers, coaches and generally ensuring the week went smoothly. Thank you to the Wagin Shire for donating the first 600 km of bus travel, the Wagin Action group for their donation, John Parker for his trailer, and any other individuals or community groups who assisted with getting our teams to Perth.

It is amazing what we can achieve with dedicated and committed staff, students and parents. Thank you also to all the families who travelled to Perth to support our team.

YEAR 6 & 7 CAMP
This term we will be holding a Year 6 and a Year 7 camp. Year 6 students will go to Perth for the week November 17 to November 21, Ms Hogg and Mr Hall have planned an amazing itinerary. The Year 7 students will also go to Perth for the week, December 8 to December 12, Mrs Sercombe has planned an event filled itinerary. Information regarding both camps was sent home last term. Ms Hogg and Mrs Sercombe will continue to keep everyone updated.

HATS
Wagin District High School is a Sun Smart school; which means we wear our hats all year when we are outside. Please check your child has a hat, students who do not have hats they must play in the undercover area. Mrs Sercombe also requires students to wear a hat for P.E. lessons. Secondary students are expected to now be wearing our school cap. Caps are available at the Uniform shop at a cost of $12.00.

Enjoy the fortnight

Cass Harris-Moroney
Yesterday was a very busy start to the term with the students engaging in a Career Roadshow. As you are aware, the choice of a career direction is a seemingly complex issue for most young people, and their futures are often greatly influenced by the way in which they manage choices of, what we think of as a “career”. The foundation to this journey (as it may perhaps be more aptly described) may start with the opportunity for students to engage in the Careers and Training Opportunities Roadshow. Being such a great supporter of the Wheatbelt and Upper Great Southern Youth in their transition from secondary school into employment, training or further education, it was appreciated that Trevor Saunders liaised with our school to provide this great opportunity for our students. Our secondary students completed a Career Speed Dating session, which involved groups of students rotating through each industry or agency table to engage with representatives. Students had this time to gain as much information as they could from industry, training and education representatives. A further session for a Mini Careers Expo allowed students to approach any of the representatives with additional questions or matters of relevance to them. Industry representatives included; the Shire of Wagin, C Y O’Connor TAFE, the Australian College of Nursing, CBH, the Department of Agriculture and Food, Building and Construction representatives, Curtin University, and Directions WA.

Staff have been preparing for the new term with Monday spent in professional development to enhance our Teaching and Learning Programs. This term is packed full of camps, interschool athletics, NAIDOC day celebrations, the Senior Citizens dinner, Remembrance Day considerations and end of year celebrations. The days are getting longer and warmer and there is always a sense of excitement as we enter our final term for the year. We have new students in the secondary school this term and we would like to welcome them and their families to Wagin DHS.

We wish Lucilee Iles and Saige Edwards all the best for their trip to Melbourne to compete in the Australian finals for the APEX Teenage Fashion Awards next week. Also, congratulations to all the students that represented our school at Country week. What an amazing achievement for them, Mr Mullin, Mrs Sercombe and Mrs Stott.

**Interim Reports**
Last term parents would have received the student Interim Reports. These Interim Reports reflect your child’s progress to date on key behavior and learning outcomes for each subject area. Should you wish to see a teacher or an interview request was indicated, please contact the school or the appropriate teacher ASAP to arrange a suitable time.

**Uniforms**
It is a timely reminder for students to be wearing correct school uniforms. It is not appropriate for students to be wearing coloured jumpers or hoodies displaying branding. Black tights, jumpers and shorts are not part of our school uniform. There are school caps available for purchase through the uniform shop on Friday mornings.

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VOCATIONAL AND CAREER INFORMATION:
Aim for the Stars Foundation 2014 Grants
Females aged 12 to 26 years can apply for funding to help fulfil sporting, academic, community, business, environmental or cultural goals.
Applications close Friday 14th November.
P: 0422 600 733, E: info@aimforthestars.com.au

Career Hunter App
There is a smartphone app available on iPhones and iPads to help young people plan career paths and find job opportunities. The app provides up-to-date information allowing young people to make tangible links from school to the world of work and highlights the industries where skills are most needed.

Macquarie University: Six Tips for Getting the Most out of Your Study Time
http://mq.edu.au/study/undergraduate/
future_students_facebook/6_tips_to_get_the_most_out_of_your_study_time

UniOptions
UniOptions provides advice on the many pathways to university. The website aims to help students enter the university course of their choice and find out about the different options available to them.
http://www.unioptions.com/

PRIMARY NEWS

AUSTSWIM
The AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety™ course will be offered on 8th and 9th November at the Wagin Swimming Pool. If you are interested in teaching swimming, this is a great opportunity for you to do the course locally. You may enrol online on the AUSTSWIM website or obtain an enrolment from the school to submit.
The AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety™ course provides candidates with essential competencies to teach swimming and water safety™ to persons from four years of age in swimming pools and confined natural shallow water venues. Accreditation is valid for three years.
We are always looking for trained teachers to teach our in-term swimming lessons at Wagin DHS. If you would like to find out more about what this entails, please contact Leah Kellow.

Crunch & Sip
Primary classes all have Crunch & Sip each day. Please don't forget to pack Crunch & Sip in the school bag every day.
CRUNCH:
Easy-to-eat seasonal fruit such as a small apple, a container with hulled strawberries, a mandarin or banana OR Canned fruit in natural juice with a spoon OR Vegetables such as carrot or celery sticks, cherry tomatoes or snow peas.
AND SIP:
A clean, clear water bottle filled with plain water.

HATS
All Primary students require a bucket hat or a legionnaire’s cap for physical education and playtime.
School bucket hats are available from the Uniform Shop. Students who do not have a hat will be required to stay in the shade.
The following students tested in the top 20% of Australia:

**Bryce English**
- Yr 3 Numeracy
- Yr 3 Reading
- Yr 3 Spelling
- Yr 3 Grammar

**Jade Fowler**
- Yr 3 Numeracy

**Ethan Johnson**
- Yr 3 Numeracy
- Yr 3 Reading
- Yr 3 Grammar

**Edwina Kilpatrick**
- Yr 3 Numeracy
- Yr 3 Reading
- Yr 3 Writing
- Yr 3 Spelling
- Yr 3 Grammar

**Leila Pederick**
- Yr 3 Numeracy
- Yr 3 Writing
- Yr 3 Spelling
- Yr 3 Grammar

**Jayden Binsiar**
- Yr 5 Spelling

**Kezia Pederick**
- Yr 5 Numeracy
- Yr 5 Reading
- Yr 5 Grammar

**Kynan Spencer**
- Yr 5 Reading

**Alethia Wong**
- Yr 5 Numeracy
- Yr 5 Spelling

**Amber Andrews**
- Yr 7 Reading
- Yr 7 Writing

**Alanah Boxall**
- Yr 7 Reading

**Sebastiano Mangalavite**
- Yr 7 Numeracy

**Daniel Roderick**
- Yr 7 Spelling

**Sean Ward**
- Yr 7 Numeracy

**Brayden Watt**
- Yr 7 Numeracy

**Zali Spencer**
- Yr 9 Numeracy
- Yr 9 Reading
- Yr 9 Writing

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**Good luck** to Wagin students who will be travelling to Boddington on Friday, October 24, to compete in the Interschool Athletics Carnival

**Good luck** also to Saige and Lucilee who will be in Melbourne next week to participate in the APEX Teenage Fashion Awards National Finals.

Pre-paid envelopes were handed out to students yesterday, October 14. Students choosing to have individual photos must present envelopes to the photographer on the day. Parents/carers are asked to read information on the envelope. Spare envelopes and Family/Sibling envelopes are available from the front office.

Phone: 9861 1877 / Fax 9861 1835
Email: wagin.dhs@education.wa.edu.au
Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au
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.

Thursday, October 16
Sonia Nalder

Friday, October 17
Gaenor Stephens

Monday, October 20
Terri Spooner

Tuesday, October 21
Di Dohle

Wednesday, October 22
Noelene Marley

Thursday, October 23
Nicole Kirk

Friday, October 24
Londa Finlayson

Monday, October 27
(Emily Holt—2 hours)

Tuesday, October 28
Karen Thompson

Wednesday, October 29
Wendy Farrow

Term 4

Week 3: October 27- PP/Yr1
Week 5: November 10 - ECC

Term Four Diary

WEEK 2
Wednesday, October 22 - School Photo Day
Friday, October 24 - Interschool Athletics Day, Boddington
Saturday, October 25 - APEX Fashion National Final

WEEK 3
Monday, October 27 - PP/1 Assembly

WEEK 4
Monday, November 3 - P&C Meeting 1pm

WEEK 5
Monday, November 10 - ECC Assembly
Tuesday, November 11 - Remembrance Day
Thursday, November 13 - School Council Meeting, 3.30pm

WEEK 6
17/11/14 - 21/11/14: Year 6 Camp, Hillarys

WEEK 7
Wednesday, November 26 - NAIDOC celebration

WEEK 8
Tuesday, December 1 - Senior Citizens’ Christmas Dinner

WEEK 9
8/12/14 - 12/12/14: Year 7 Camp, Bickley

WEEK 10
Tuesday, December 16 - Presentation Day, Town Hall

FINAL DAY FOR STUDENTS TERM 4 - Thursday, December 18
STUDENTS RETURN 2015 - Monday, February 2

Whole School Assemblies 2014
Assemblies are held on Mondays starting at 1.50pm

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Have you thought about quitting smoking?

If you are a smoker, one of the best things that you can do for yourself and your family is to quit. Quitting can be hard, but you don't have to do it alone - there is support available in the Wheatbelt.

No matter how long you have smoked, quitting will have immediate and long term benefits on your health. It will also benefit the health of your family and friends and save you money!

Smokers in the Wheatbelt have access to a program which offers support and hope to those who want to quit.

The Wheatbelt Quit Smoking program offers:
- Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) advice;
- Motivational text or email messages; and
- The Fresh Start group quit course.

Fresh Start is a FREE comprehensive short course which offers support and hope to those who want to quit.

To register your interest in a Fresh Start course held in your area contact the Health Promotion Officer at WA Country Health Service’s Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health on 9881 0385.

To contact the Quitline call 13 78 48.

Do you live in the Wheatbelt? Do decisions about childcare impact you and your family?

RDA Wheatbelt has developed a draft Regional Children’s Services Plan for the Wheatbelt and is seeking feedback on the five key areas of focus, including the identified issues and proposed strategies.

We need you to complete this short survey!

You can either navigate to www.surveymonkey.com/s/RCSPfeedback or scan the QR code with your Smart Device.

To scan this QR code you will need a QR code scanner on your Smart Device which can be downloaded via Applestore or Andrews equivalent.

Connecting the dots... In a sustainable children’s services network

The P&C Committee would like to thank all of the families who contributed towards the Tom Quilty fundraiser. Whether you donated money, made scones, slices or lasagnes, or gave up your time during the holidays to help out, it is very much appreciated as we raised nearly $2,500!! The next P&C meeting is on Monday, 3 November, 1pm in the School Library. If you have any suggestions on how we can allocate funds, or any other ideas please come along. This is the final meeting before the AGM.

Active After School Term 4

Active After School will be held every Tuesday at the Wagin Recreation Centre, commencing in Week 2, Tuesday, October 21. This Term we will be playing basketball - 4 to 9 year olds.
LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER

Did you know?
You are more likely to come across someone who is suicidal than someone needing CPR…. No matter what your background, job, age or previous education YOU could assist someone to stay safe….

FREE safeTALK Suicide Prevention Training is being offered in Wagin on Tuesday 21st October 2014 through a Training Grant provided by the Ministerial Council for Suicide Prevention and the Mental Health Commission.

safeTALK is three hours in duration. This training prepares anyone over the age of 15 to identify persons with thoughts of suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources. Most people with thoughts of suicide invite help to stay safe. Alert helpers know how to use these opportunities to support that desire for safety.

Further information and Registrations Forms are attached.

Please note that places on all Courses are strictly limited!

To secure a place on a Course, please complete the relevant Registration Form on the Wagin DHS website and return it to either jo@wheatbelt.com.au or karenw@wheatbelt.com.au or fax to (08) 9881 3613.