On Friday 30th October, the Year 2 and 3 students all woke up bright and early to start their adventure to Perth Zoo. The buses departed school just after 7am and after a long bus ride, students were all pleased to have arrived and enjoyed their morning tea. Throughout the day children took part in an educational session about feathers, fur, scales and skin looking at the different types of animal coverings and how they can be classified into groups. It was in this session that they were able to get really close to the animals, seeing them up close and being able to touch them in a safe environment. They also had the opportunity to view other animals on display at the zoo within their small groups. Everyone had an awesome day at the zoo and we would like to sincerely thank all of our wonderful volunteer supervisors. We had an amazing response for this excursion and this allowed us to create 19 small groups with only 2 or 3 children in each one. All of our supervisors did an amazing job looking after their group and they also helped them select an animal to take notes on ready for report writing when we returned back to school. A couple of sample reports from our students have been included for your enjoyment.

Saltwater Crocodile by Guy Thomson
The salt water crocodile is a large reptile. Its scientific name is Crocodylus Porosus. It is also called a ‘Saltie’.
The salt water crocodile has scales and very sharp teeth. It is a grey, muddy colour. It can be from 3 to 7 metres long and it weighs from 400 to 1000 kilograms. It is a long, log shape. It eats birds, fish, kangaroos, dingoes and water buffalo. It lays about 40 to 62 eggs.
You can find them in Australia, in the northern rivers and creeks.
The saltie swallows stones to help grind their food. Crocodiles can not chew. When big prey approaches, they perform a death roll.
One final word of advice – DON’T SWIM WITH SALTIES!

Painted Dog by Danielle Brummelman
The painted dog is an African mammal. Its scientific name is Lycaon Pictus.
It has a body shaped like a normal dog. It is a black, white and brown colour. It is 76 to 110 centimetres long. It weighs about 17 to 56 kilograms. It has a tail and four long legs. They also have round ears and ferocious jaws. It eats meat like wilder beasts, birds and sometimes zebras.
They are found in hot places such as Africa. They live there because they know how to hunt in that place. They hunt together and when one is hurt, the others help. They live in big packs.
They are endangered and there are not much of them left. We have to try and keep them safe.

See Zoo photos on page 2 ………..
Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their teachers and received this award in Week 4:

Year 2/3H – Chloe Behlau, Tabitha Pederick, Angus Whiteford & J-Jay Kapene
Year 2/3P – Narridy Edwards, Emmerson Nottle & Danielle Brummelman

EMUS AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who have received Canteen Vouchers for their efforts to “Aim High”

ENGAGED: Ryan Johnson & Jack Holt
MANNERS: Bryn Hamersley x 2
UNDERSTANDING: Cruz Roberts & Willey-Errol Kapene
STRIVE: Marcie Smith & Olivia Manuel

Super Readers

Congratulations to the following students who have reached milestones in their home reading:
Tylah, Riley, Devon, Nirvanah, Yorick, Lucas, Vincent, Kalynda, Taylor J, Bronte, Cole, Deizel, Tamzin, Emmerson, Sara, La'trell, Chad, Miller, Sam and Blaze. Fantastic effort!! It is wonderful to see you enjoying your reading so much.
From the Principal

SCHOOL DECISION MAKING PROCESSES
Many decisions made at school are done so in a collaborative manner, with the focus being on improving student achievement, morale, behaviour and attitude. Our student council, school council, staff and students are involved in many of the decisions that are made. These groups are asked to review and give feedback on a range of issues including; uniform, mobile phone use, behaviour and rewards. Parents and the broader community play a vital role in supporting successful learning outcomes for our children. I would like to assure everyone that all decisions made at Wagin District High School are done so to ensure our students are able to succeed and continue to aim high.

Providing opportunities for relevant consultation ensure decisions reflect our needs – whether for an individual student or the school as a whole. We are aiming for greater community ownership and trust of school directions and decisions through open and authentic consultation. We encourage all families to be involved in our school; together we can continue to ensure our children and young people are given the very best education we can deliver.

If you would like to be part of our decision making processes please join the P&C as they have a representative who attends each School Council Meeting and speak to our School Council Members. The AGM for the P&C is at 7pm on Wednesday November 25th.

P&C Committee Members
- Mandy Harrington- President
- Martina Pascoe- Vice President
- Caroline Tulley- Treasurer
- Karen Thomson- School Council Rep
- Melanie English- Secretary

School Council
- Emily Holt- Chairperson
- Lindsay Johnson
- Karen Thomson- P&C Rep
- Bryan Kilpatrick
- Melanie English
- Cath Painter

Sarah Whiteford
Shaun vandenBerg
Jolene Abbott
Robyn Willey
Cassandra Harris-Moroney
Terri Spooner

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Kennedy Taylor who has been selected to represent the Upper Great Southern Tennis Association in the D’Arcy Slater Cup. Kennedy has been competing in the Cup in Geraldton this week. Kennedy has been commended for his dedication and the high level of sportsmanship he has displayed both on and off the court. He is certainly a worthy ambassador for our school.

Also to our Interschool Athletics Team for your wonderful behaviour and great sportsmanship while you were representing our school in Gnowangerup last Friday.
Thank you to all the families who travelled to Gnowangerup to support your children and our school.
Thank you also to Miss Rayner and Mrs Eckersley for being the attending staff members and ensuring everything ran smoothly on the day for our school.

WAGIN ZOO EXCURSION
What a wonderful day the year 2 and Year 3’s and their families were provided with for their trip to visit the Perth Zoo last Friday. There were many fun activities for children to participate in throughout the day. Events such as this take an immense amount of planning and we thank Mrs Pangler and Miss Hamer for organising the trip. It was great to see so many children with their families interacting, talking, learning and having fun together. I think the bus trip home will be remembered for some time yet!

APEX
Congratulations to Shakira Buck on your amazing achievement on Saturday 24th October in Melbourne, representing Wagin DHS at the Australian Final for the 2015 AFFTA awards. We are immensely proud of her effort and achievement whilst representing Wagin so admirably.

HATS
Wagin District High School is a Sun smart school; which means we wear our hats when we are outside. Please check your child has a hat as when students do not have hats they must play in the undercover area. A hat is also required for P.E. lessons.
From the Principal Continued……

CHAPLAIN NEWS
We would like to thank and wish farewell to Kuzie Tuhura. Kuzie has been a valued member of our team supporting the well being of our students. Kuzie will be finishing work at Wagin DHS on Friday 6th so please take the time and wish him farewell.
Jill Pilkington will then be our fulltime Chaplain from this date.

2016
Some of our teaching staff are being asked about class structures, teachers and classroom allocations for next year. I am sure every one of you would appreciate that all decisions made are made to ensure students receive the best education we can offer. At this stage our staffing processes are still being finalised. The Class Allocation Policy is also available on our website http://www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au/ this is the document used when splitting classes; please do not ask teaching staff if your child can be with a particular teacher next year as the ultimate decision lies with myself and the administration team.

Career Development News
Australian Apprenticeships & Traineeships Information Service Career Resources
This website includes a range of career resources for people interested in a variety of industries. Included are charts which can give students an indication of pathways they can take in a selected industry, practice aptitude quizzes for a range of jobs, occupational videos, and much more.

Cybersafety: Creep Quiz
A cybersafety website and interactive quiz has been launched to help educate school students and their parents about online scams, social media pitfalls and cyberbullying.
http://creepquiz.eq.edu.au/

SAE Creative Media Institute
‘Every day is an OPEN DAY’ at SAE. Potential students, family & friends can book a tour online and find out about courses and careers in the creative industries while checking out the facilities on campus.

The Job I Love Guide
‘The Job I Love’ allows students and jobseekers to find out about occupations and careers within the service industries. It has information about qualifications, how to find training, and what course goes with what job.

The Somerset National Novella Writing Competition & Poetry Prize
This is a national competition for high school students, with prizes available for each state. All entrants must be under the age of 19 years as at the date of close of entries.
Enteries are now being accepted and close Friday 11th December. For terms and conditions of entry visit: http://www.somerset.qld.edu.au/celebration-of-literature/competitions/

The Questiko Solution Game
The Institute of Chartered Accountants has developed a short game where High School students must use their problem solving skills and ability to think on their feet to find the missing money.

Country Education Foundation of Australia: 2016 Tertiary Scholarships Guide
A comprehensive list of tertiary scholarships developed for rural and regional students. The CEF Guide includes a wide variety of scholarships which range from a $500 textbook or accommodation grant up to $50,000 per year for education and living costs.
https://cef.org.au/students/scholarships/
Well we are already in week four and it sure has been a busy and exciting term. All of the High School students have adjusted well to our staffing changes and are continuing to engage with the learning opportunities and activities being provided.

It has been a fortnight of school based and community based achievements and accolades for several of our secondary students. Year 8 student Shakira Buck wowed the audience when she travelled with her family across to participate in the 2015 APEX Teenage Fashion Award National Final. Shakira returned to school exhausted after her whirlwind three day trip, which was her prize for coming 1st at the Perth State Finals. We are incredibly proud of Shakira who looked amazing in her hand crafted garment. The experience gained at the National competition is something that I am sure Shakira will remember for ever. Well done Shakira.

All of the students involved in the APEX Wearable Art option will be parading their garments for the whole school at the next assembly, scheduled for Monday 16th November. The students will also be displaying the associated work and designs that they have completed during the year.

Huge congratulations to Year 7 student, Kennedy Taylor for being invited to represent the Upper Great Southern Tennis Association at the D’Arcy Slater Cup held in Geraldton this week. Kennedy was selected for his high level of dedication, skill and sportsmanship. He was identified by the foundation as a wonderful ambassador for not only the school, but the local Wagin community. Awesome effort Kennedy.

Today will see 14 of our secondary girls participate in the annual Warwick Senior High School Netball tournaments. The girls will engage in some “friendly” competition at the Wagin recreation centre and I am sure there will be lots of sportsmanship displayed. Good luck to our girls and big thanks to Miss Pip Rayner for organising and co-ordinating the afternoon.

Continuing the sporting topic. Congratulations to all of the Interschool Athletics competitors for their participation and representation of our school in Gnowangerup. Miss Rayner and Mrs Eckersley both returned from the carnival tired and slightly sun burnt, but praising your efforts and behaviour. Great job athletes!

Congratulations also to Year 10 student, William Toms for attending an Army Field Exercise Camp in Northam and Bindoon during the past holidays. His completion of Tier 2B Catering has resulted in him achieving accreditation points towards his Year 12 WA Certificate of Education. Great achievement William.

Please remember that if you would like to discuss your child’s progress, attitude or behaviour, we are available for meetings which can be made through the front office.
OUTDOOR CINEMA
YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER

Please join us on Friday 6 November, for an outdoor, evening screening of the Australian film “Paper Planes”.

Gates open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start on the sloping lawn of the Arts Centre.

Tickets are $10- each and include a voucher for a Sausage Sizzle. Drinks, ice-creams, popcorn, lolly bags and cupcakes will be available to purchase on the night and the Bouncy Castle will also be in place.

Canteen Notes

Orders:
Parents/Carers
Please make sure that envelopes containing money are properly sealed as some are arriving at the Canteen empty.

Lunches From Home:
Please remember to pack utensils with lunches as the Canteen can not keep supplying them.

Positive Parenting Program

The Triple P - Positive Parenting Program is being offered by the Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health Service Wagin

The course is for parents of children aged between 2 to 5 year olds and covers the following topics:

- Effective parenting strategies
- Ways to encourage behaviour you like
- How to promote your child’s development
- How to prevent or manage common child behaviour problems

Remember, you don’t have to be experiencing difficulties – Triple P is for every parent!

Venue: Community Resource Centre
Wagin

Dates: Thursday 5th November
Thursday 12th November
Thursday 19th November
Thursday 26th November

Time: 9.30am until 11.30am

After the four group sessions there will be four follow-up telephone consultations if you require this. If you would like to register or have any queries, phone Linda West (Child Health Nurse) on 96611224.

Limited funded spaces may be available at Wagin Daycare, for those parents who are unable to make alternative child care arrangements. Ph 96611609

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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, November 5
Jenny Forrest
Friday, November 6
Sarah Whiteford
Monday, November 9
Martina Pascoe
Tuesday, November 10
Bronwyn Hegarty
Wednesday, November 11
Lea Storer
Thursday, November 12
Kate Becker
Friday, November 13
Cath Painter
Monday, November 16
Julie Mangalavite
Tuesday, November 17
Mandy Harrington
Wednesday, November 18
Calista Van Schalkwyk

Whole School Assemblies 2015

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

Term 4
Week 3: October 26 - K/PP Barley
Week 6: Monday, November 16 - APEX
COMMUNITY NOTES

To give is to receive: true service learning
Service-learning Conference
Hosted by The University of Notre Dame Australia, 27-28 November 2015

Staff and students are invited to attend this ground-breaking conference on service-learning. The conference will showcase student projects and explore how these experiences impact students’ personal development and the lives of others. Featuring special guests “How Ridiculous” on overcoming childhood poverty.
Register now: nd.edu.au/slcn2015

Sunsmart Narrogin Triathlon
Sunday 29th November, 9am start, 12.30pm presentations
Organised by the Narrogin Primary School P & C
Categories for juniors, open and vets as individuals and teams
Swim/bike/run over a choice of 4 distances;
- Mini 50m/0.8km/0.4km
- Intro 100m/2.4km/0.8km
- Short 200m/8km/2.4km
- Long 400m/16km/4.8km
Entry forms available from Narrogin Primary School office and website
www.narroginprimaryschool.wa.edu.au
For more information contact Sarah Wiese ph 9885 9050, mobile 0407 474 587, email wiese@activ8.net.au

Entry Forms available from the School Front Office

Car safety with kids
Community Safety Month in October reminded us to take action to create safer places to live, work and play. Let’s keep the message in mind for the whole year!
Children should be properly restrained every car trip. It can be hard to remember the child car restraint laws – so here is a reminder to keep our loved ones safe when travelling in the car.

Children under 6 months of age should be in a rearward facing approved child restraint.
Children aged 6 months to 4 years should be in either an approved rearward facing restraint, or a forward facing restraint with a 5 point in-built harness.
Children aged 4-7 years must be in an approved forward facing restraint, with either a lap sash or an internal harness.
Children aged 7 years or over must be in either an adult seatbelt or booster seat with a lap sash or H-harness.

Correctly fitted child car restraints can reduce harm from injury and death in a car crash.
For further information on child car restraints see www.childcarrestraints.com.au or call your local Health Promotion Officer at Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health Service on 9881 0385 to organise a free check of your restraint.
Please View

P&C Minutes
October 25, 2015

School Uniform
Order Booklet
2016

On the Website
Parents & Citizens Tab
At the top of the Home Page