Last week on Monday the Year 6s travelled to Perth on a bus to Hillary’s Recreation Camp. It was a fun-filled week, where we experienced new things, from educational excursions to physical activities. We visited Perth Zoo, AQWA, Fremantle Prison, the Maritime Museum and Scitech. At our camp site we participated in caving, beach activities and The Big Swing. The most fun was had at The Great Escape and Bounce. The food was great to, and we miss having pancakes for breakfast! Thanks to Mrs Harris-Moroney, Mr Hall, Miss Hogg & Mrs Hall & for organising such an amazing trip and great experiences for us.

Tenille Stephens, Student Councillor.

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

WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL
10 Ranford Street Wagin WA 6315
Principal: Mrs Cassandra Harris-Moroney
Primary Deputy: Mrs Robyn Willey
Secondary Deputy: Mrs Jolene Abbott
Registrar: Mrs Ann Ward
Phone: 9861 1877 / Fax 9861 1835
Email: wagin.dhs@education.wa.edu.au
Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au
Canteen: 9861 1348
PRESENTATION DAY
Our Presentation Day will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, December 16 from 9:30 a.m., we hope to finish around 12:30 p.m. We will have items from the following groups:
- Kindy/Pre-Primary
- Pre-Primary/Year 1 and Year 1
- Year 2, Year 2/3 and Year 3
- Year 4 and both Year 5/6
- Drumbeat

We look forward to our families’ renewed and continued support of our students and celebrating their achievements throughout the year.

THANK YOU
We greatly appreciate the donations we have received from community members and organisations supporting the Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner and our Presentation Day. I realise it is difficult for business owners, community members and organisations to support the large number of requests you all receive throughout the year; however, without this fantastic support we would not be able to offer the variety of opportunities we do to our students.

PARENT MEETINGS
Thank you to the parents who attended the secondary information sessions yesterday. For parents who could not attend, the sessions were to inform everyone how our Year 7 students will work on the secondary timetable next year and that for 2015 we will combine our 9-10 students.
This year our Year 7 students have had the opportunity to engage with the Australian Curriculum with specialist teachers and have enjoyed the experience of being in high school. We are combining our year 9 and 10 students next year due to small class sizes, our school budget constraints and above all to deliver an equitable education to those students.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS 2015
Our school development days for 2015 have been selected in consultation with teaching staff, comply with Department of Education gazetted dates and are approved by the School Council. The dates for 2015 are:
- Thursday January 29th
- Friday January 30th
- Friday March 6th (Woolorama)
- Monday August 24th
- Monday October 12th

Please note that our January dates are compulsory and that August 24th is not the start of term. There will be no school development day during Term 2 as we have two public holidays during that term; ANZAC Day- April 25th and WA Day June 1st.
SCHOOL TERM DATES

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2015
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 done to ensure students receive the best education we can offer. At this stage our staffing processes are still being finalised. Below is the list of class splits for 2015 (please note these are subject to change due to student numbers). 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.

Cass Harris-Moroney

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PRIMARY NEWS

NAIDOC
Today all Wagin DHS students engaged in a variety of activities to celebrate Aboriginal culture.

Super Readers
Congratulations to all of our Super Readers this week: Nathan, Kalynda, Caden, Penny, Gaige, Patrick, Trinity, Narridy, Sasha, Caleb, Luke, Holly, Maddison, Chloe, Renee, Brooklyn, La’Trell, Jax, Halle, Riley, Vincent, Kaitlyn, Kiara, Zac, Leila, Danielle, Bailey, Ruby, Natalia, Joshua and Oliver. Many of these students have read in excess of 125 books this year. This is fantastic.

Hats
Please ensure that your child has a hat to put on during PE and break times. Primary students require bucket type hats. If students do not have a hat they will be asked to stay in the shade.

Robyn Willey

Contributions & Charges and Personal Items Lists for 2015 will be sent home with youngest family members on Friday, November 28, 2014.
The Year 10 students have been given their OLNA test results this week. To help students and parents/carers understand the purpose and importance of the new Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment (OLNA), the Education Department School Curriculum and Standard Authority have developed a short video that can be viewed at: http://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/internet/Senior_Secondary/OLNA

The Year 9 & 10 students had the opportunity to participate in the mock job interviews yesterday. Many thanks to Mrs Pieterse for organising this experience for the students.

There will be an array of festive activities in the forthcoming weeks. Please check the calendar for dates and times. There will be the Family and Friends concert, the Senior Citizens dinner, Year 6 transition, the year 7 camp and the year 7 & 10 celebration events. As always, the high school is a hub of activity and I send out a huge thank you to all of the committed staff who work so tirelessly (while marking final assessments and writing reports) to make these events happen.

**VOCATIONAL AND CAREER INFORMATION:**

**International Junior Authors Poetry Contest**
Contest closes Monday 15th December.
This is a free poetry competition open to ages 9 to 21, with separate age categories.
Entrants are required to submit a poem, not more than 50 lines in length which must be in English.
http://laurathomascommunications.com/junior-authors-poetry-contest/

**WA Police Academy**
Wednesday 10th December, 6pm - 9pm @ WA Police Academy, Joondalup
Session includes a presentation from police recruiting about entry pathways followed by an opportunity to speak informally with presenters. Registration is essential.
T: (08) 9301 9607 or E: Police.recruiting@police.wa.gov.au Click here for more information

**School Holiday Science Workshops**
If you are interested in any of the following: Engineering, Sport and Health Science, Medical Science, Environmental Science, or Social Science, ECU, Curtin and UWA in conjunction with ConocoPhillips are running school holiday workshops, for more information visit, www.scienceexperience.com.au.

**Australian College of Beauty Therapy: Open Day & Information Evenings**
ACBT is based in Perth and provides education in beauty therapy, make-up artistry and salon management. It is the only beauty therapy college in WA that offers VET FEE Help.
Register now to attend an Information Evening and/or Open Day by emailing enquires@acbt.com.au acbt.com.au

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On Wednesday 19th November, the Year 2 and Year 2/3 classes attended a special excursion to the Wagin Historical Village. This was an excellent excursion for our students to conclude their History unit – The Past in the Present – and get them to see first hand a snapshot of how people lived their lives in the past. Volunteer guides shared their insights about key stations within the village and then the students were treated to playing old fashioned games, followed by a tasty afternoon snack of billy tea and damper! The old fashioned games were a real hit and children have continued to play the games back at school, with a definite favourite being ‘fly’. Many thanks go to Mrs Wendy Abbott and her team of outstanding volunteer guides. Your knowledge and insights made the experience a memorial one for all. We would also like to sincerely thank all of our wonderful volunteers who assisted us with supervision on the excursion. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated.
Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their teachers for this award in Weeks 6&7:

1/2A – Maddison, Tamzin P & Jye
Year 2H – Jaemeson, Tylah, Barny & Danielle
Year 2/3P – Rory, Stephanie, Kandra, Evie, Elaine, Caris & Caleb
Year 3M - Shanalee & Shaun
Year 4M – Cruz, Jordan & Isaac
Year 5/6RH – Abby & Taleah

School Social

December 4
5.30 - 8.30pm
Entry $5
Food & drinks on sale

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.

Karen Thomson
Friday, November 28

Londa Finlayson
Monday, December 1

Bronwyn Hegarty
Tuesday, December 2

Kelly Edwards
Wednesday, December 3

Jane Kilpatrick
Thursday, December 4

Nicole Kirk
Friday, December 5

Cath Painter
Monday, December 8

Jenny Cumming/Sue Piesse
Tuesday, December 9

Kate Becker
Wednesday, December 10

Leonie Brummelman

Term Four Diary

WEEK 7
Thursday, November 27 - Family & Friends Music Concert
Brenda O’Neill Courtyard 6pm start

WEEK 8
Tuesday, December 2 - Senior Citizens’ Christmas Dinner
Thursday, December 4 - School Social

WEEK 9
8/12/14 - 11/12/14: Year 7 Camp, Bickley
Friday, December 12 - Year 7 Celebration Lunch, 12.30-2pm

WEEK 10
Tuesday, December 16 - Presentation Day, Town Hall, 9.30am-12.30pm.
Wednesday, December 17 - Year 6 Celebration, 9.30-11am

FINAL DAY FOR STUDENTS TERM 4 - Thursday, December 18

STUDENTS RETURN 2015 - Monday, February 2

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop will open on Thursday & Friday mornings, January 29th and 30th 2015.

Phone: 9861 1877 / Fax 9861 1835
Email: wagin.dhs@education.wa.edu.au
Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au
Nicky Winmar Cup Coach Nomination Forms and PLAYER REGISTRATION FORMS are available from the school front office.

**AQUATIC SUPER SERIES**

**SUPER SERIOUS FUN**

Saturday, November 29th at the
Wagin Swimming Pool 9:30 - 11am
FREE Swimming & Water-Polo Clinics
Ages 8 - 17yrs
Featuring
Kenrick Monk - Blake Cochrane - Kate Hooper
Registrations Commence 9am
Register online now: aquaticsuperseries.com.au

Saint Matthew's School, Narrogin - presents:

*Pinocchio, The Musical*

Narrogin Town Hall on Friday, 28th November. Matinee show begins at 12:00pm, there will also be a 7pm show.

This event is open to the community, and the school is **not charging an entry fee**, although there is the opportunity to make a donation to a worthwhile charity. All funds donated will be forwarded to the Divine Cross Special School for children who have multiple disabilities.

With all 200 St Matthew’s students performing on stage it should be a fabulous show.
**The Safe Lunchbox**

Keeping food cool
In the summer it can be difficult to keep food cool. Bacteria will breed between 5°C and 60°C. Some tips to keep food cool are:

- Make sure that cold foods are really cold when packed
- Ice bricks contain a solution that will keep frozen for longer than water or other liquids. Ice bricks also stay frozen for longer than gel type ice packs
- Put an ice brick and a frozen drink inside the lunch box. If the frozen drink is consumed at recess, the frozen ice brick will remain in the lunchbox to keep food cool
- Use an insulated lunchbox or bag
- Don’t reuse food that has come home from school - chuck it out

**Keeping hot foods hot**
It is important to keep hot food hot (over 60°C). There are a number of foods that can be sent to school in a thermos. But you need to remember these tips:

- Warm the thermos before filling it and then seal quickly to prevent heat from escaping
- Do not overheat food as it can be a hazard for younger children
- Hot or warm foods should be eaten at recess rather than lunch

**Foods that can be eaten at room temperature**

- Fruits and vegetables that have been washed well
- Spreads such as vegemite, but not cream cheese
- Breads, crackers, cereals
- Dried fruits
- Canned meat, fish or poultry that are eaten immediately after opening such as tinned tuna

For more information contact the Healthy School’s Officer at the WA Country Health Service Wheatbelt Public Health Unit on 9622 4320 or wheatbelt.phu@health.wa.gov.au.

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**TOWN LOCATION PICK-UP DROP-OFF**

**ALBANY... HERE WE COME!**

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The service will run on the following dates in January 2015
- **Tuesdays:** 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
- **Thursday:** 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

**Booking & Contact information**

- If you have any questions regarding the Holiday Bus, or would like to make a booking, please do not hesitate to call or email Zee at Shire of Katanning on:
  - **Phone:** 9821 9999
  - **Email:** ydo@katanning.wa.gov.au

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**HOLIDAY BUS**

14 to 18 years of age will require a signed Holiday Bus consent form from their parent/guardian to use the bus service. Younger children are welcome, but must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

**Please note** that the Great Southern Development Commission’s responsibility rests only with transporting the participants to Albany.

If participants choose to leave their designated drop off point they are responsible for making their own way to and from their chosen activity.

The bus will NOT wait for any latecomers.

We recommend you book your seat to be sure you do not miss out! **Group bookings are essential**

**$5 per person per trip**

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**Go Health!**

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Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au