LEADING THE WAY

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Congratulations to all our exceptional young leaders who were voted to their positions by their peers this week. The 2016 School Council members are:
- Captain: Jayde Andrews
- Vice: Beckie Ritchie
- Vice: Amber Andrews
- Counsellors Yr 10: Cambell Lawton-Armstrong, Lloyd Bolt, Emilia Mangalavite.
- Yr 9: Alanah Boxxall
- Yr 7: Kesia Pederick, Taaj Furniss, Ricky Linklater.
- Yr 5: Evie Stavely, Ruby Thomson.

SPORT FACTION LEADERS

Captain: Amber Andrews
Vice: Tahnee-Lee Montgomery

Captain: Kayla Smith
Vice: Bobbie-Jo Swayn
Vice: Billie-Jo Swayn

Captain: Cambell Lawton-Armstrong
Vice: Lloyd Bolt

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
CLASSROOM MEETINGS
Thank you to everyone who has attended the information sessions, run by primary teachers, over the past two and a half weeks. It was great to see so many parents and carers at these meetings and being involved in the education of their children.

SWIMMING
In-term swimming is almost finished for this year; our students have gained valuable swimming skills and water safety knowledge. Thank you to the parents and carers who have assisted with walking students to and from the pool, we greatly appreciate your time. Also extra thanks to our wonderful swimming instructors Penny Anguin, Lyn Lucas, Joseph Ellis and Virginia Ellis. We look forward to our swimming carnival on Friday, February 19 and hope to see families cheering on their children or helping out where needed.
A reminder that we will do our best to ensure Pre-Primary and Year 1 students are able to participate in swimming lessons during Term 4.

OH THE PLACES THEY GO
We are very proud of two former students Alex Carter-Regan and Jacob Ritchie who have gained university entry into their first choice. Jacob was one of 11 students selected from a pool of 67 to complete a Bachelor of Technology (Motorsports) at Edith Cowan University.
Alex has gained entry into Health, Exercise and Rehabilitation Science at Curtin University. We are very proud of Jacob and Alex and wish them the very best of luck.

NAPLAN
National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be held from Tuesday, May 10 until Thursday, May 12 for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. An information brochure is attached for families with children in those years. NAPLAN provides information to teachers, families and students about academic achievement in Literacy and Numeracy. The school uses this information as part of our data collection and to gauge our areas of literacy and numeracy strength, and those requiring improvement.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP
This year we had many students aiming high and striving to be part of our student leadership team. Being a Student Councillor or a Faction Captain is becoming a sort after role amongst our student group. Our student leaders are expected to uphold our school vision and model our motto of Aim High. Throughout the year the 20 students elected to be part of the leadership group will organise fund raising events, mentor students, represent Wagen District High School in the community and assist staff. Mr VandenBerg, Ms Rayner and Mrs Pilkington will take our 2016 student leaders on a two day camp to Albany to begin their leadership journey.
I look forward to working with our student leaders throughout the year.

ISSUES OR CONCERNS
Schools are dynamic places with hundreds of different personalities working together every day. For the majority of the time everyone does their best, follows the rules and aims high; however, occasionally problems or issues pop up. If your child comes home with a problem, please do not hesitate to contact their classroom teacher, form teacher or a member of administration. We will do our best to solve it.
To help support our children and young people to understand expected behaviours and ways in which the school can offer support, we do the following:
Display and explicitly teach our EMUS behaviours
Reward positives with EMUS cards, stickers, merit certificates, praise
Follow our Whole School Behaviour Policy
Ensure students understand the expectations in different classrooms and areas of the school
Work with families when an issue occurs
Involve our School Chaplain or AIEO
Access online counselling for secondary students (with parent permission)
Refer students to our school psychologist
Engage guest speakers or presenters such as Youth Focus or Constable Care
Work with outside agencies to support students and families.

Our school vision is to provide an empowering environment for life-long learning, if we all work together, respect each other and do our best as the adults in our children’s lives to fulfil our school vision, we will create a world class community.

Cass Harris-Moroney
With the school year well under way, it is timely to remind our community of the specific areas of focus that we will be undertaking in 2016, as we continually strive to provide positive and productive learning experiences for every student. Our Teaching staff have commenced the year energised and committed to providing the highest levels of academic and pastoral care to our students.

At Wagin DHS, our pastoral care philosophy is to create a nurturing and positive environment where each student is valued. This forms part of the curriculum where students explore their strengths and talents and investigate where these may take them in the future.

Some of the key events this term to support this include;
- Student council elections
- The Hawaiian Bike Ride – Youth Connections
- Swimming faction carnival
- Leadership camp
- Woolorama displays and entries
- OLNA assessments for year 10 students
- Year 8 Immunisations on March 9

Our goals for the year are determined by both external compliance and our desire to provide experiences and opportunities for our students that engage, inspire and challenge. Our external compliance goals include continued implementation of the Australian Curriculum so that the school will have implemented the Australian Curriculum across the Secondary School in accordance with the Schools’ Curriculum and Standards Authority timeframe. Staff will also be working on making the intentions of their lessons visible to students by articulating the knowledge, understandings and skills that will be addressed. Students will therefore be able to articulate what they are learning and why they are learning it.

As of next week there will be a timetable change to allow for a separate class for the year 8 and year 9 classes. The students will be given a new timetable on Monday.

When you next visit the school, please take the time to appreciate our carefully maintained grounds and facilities. Our gardening, cleaning and maintenance staff have worked over the holiday break to prepare our grounds and buildings for the return of staff and students to the new school year.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me any time at the school. I look forward to sharing the next part of your child’s journey in 2016.

Jolene Abbott
Swimming lessons have been going very smoothly. All students have been enjoying their lessons and learning new skills. Lessons finish on Thursday and the Faction Carnival will take place on Friday. Thank you to all of our parents who have assisted in taking the students to the pool. Your help is much appreciated.

Concerns
Please come in and see the class teacher, Cass or myself if you have any issues that you have concerns about. Sometimes if we aren’t told we can be unaware of things that may be upsetting your child. The sooner we know, the quicker the issues can be addressed and strategies put in place to prevent recurrences. We use Restorative Justice in dealing with issues with the students.

Hungry kids are irritable kids.
Also, students often find it difficult to concentrate for long periods of time.
That is why we have Crunch&Sip® break everyday to break up the lesson.
Crunch&Sip® allows students to refuel with fruit and vegetables and rehydrate with water.
Make sure you pack a small clear plastic drink bottle full of water for Crunch&Sip® each day.

Robyn Willey – Primary Deputy

Faction Swimming Carnival
Friday, February 19
Wagin Memorial Swimming Pool
FOOD AVAILABLE
The P&C will be operating a stall selling morning teas, tea & coffee as well as lunch salads.
Want to know about the OLNA?

Some students in Years 10, 11 and 12 are about to sit the OLNA. You may have heard about it, but are not sure what it means to your child.

OLNA stands for the Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment, which some students will use to demonstrate they have achieved the required standard of literacy and numeracy for their Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE). The School Curriculum and Standards Authority (Authority) awards the WACE at the end of Year 12 to students who have met all the requirements. You can find more about the requirements on the Authority website at www.scsa.wa.edu.au.

Some students prequalify for the literacy and numeracy requirement through their performance in the Year 9 NAPLAN test. We will inform you whether your child needs to sit the OLNA, which is held in March and September each year, starting in Year 10. This means students will have up to six opportunities before the end of Year 12 to demonstrate the standard.

The OLNA has three components – reading, writing and numeracy. The reading and numeracy components comprise 45 multiple-choice questions; the writing component is an extended response of up to 600 words. Students are allowed 50 minutes for the reading and numeracy components and 60 minutes for the writing. The table below provides a quick guide to each component.

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To prepare our students for the sorts of questions they can expect and to familiarise them with the online assessment software, we provide access to practice and example tests on a secure website. The link to the secure website for practice and example test is available on the Authority website at www.scsa.wa.edu.au under Senior Secondary > Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment > Students, parents and carers.

For students with disability, we have guidelines to help set the appropriate adjustments for equal access. Information about disability adjustments is available on the Authority website under Senior Secondary Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment > Disability adjustments.

If you want to know more, go to the Authority’s website and look under Senior Secondary > Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment. There you will find more information, answers to frequently asked questions and a brief video. You can also send questions to olna@scsa.wa.edu.au.
NUT AWARE School

To ensure the safety of all students at the school we urge all parents/carers to only send ‘safe’ foods to school with their children. ‘Safe’ foods are those which do not contain nuts or nut products (this includes peanut butter and Nutella sandwiches).

Your cooperation with this request is greatly appreciated.

Remember; only send ‘safe’ foods to school.

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

Secondary Assistance Scheme

You may be eligible for up to: $350 towards school expenses

Do you hold a: Centrelink Family Healthcare Card; Centrelink Pensioner Card; Veterans’ Affairs Pensioner Card?

Applications close Thursday 8th April 2016. More information is available from the front office.

UnitingCare

PANCAKE DAY

Tuesday, February 23rd
Undercover Area
Second Lunchtime Siren

GOLD COIN DONATION

WOOLORAMA SPECIAL JUNIOR SECTION P

Calling all junior bakers, artists, photographers, stamp collectors and general crafty types!
Did you know you could enter things in the Woolorama for FREE and win money prizes for 1st and 2nd places?

Go to woolorama.com.au and under the tab COMPETITIONS you will find the Show Schedule. On page 83 the lists of all the types of competitions can be found under the headings Year 2 and Under, Year 4 and Under, Year 7 and Under and Year 10 and Under. The Show Schedule booklet is also available free at the Woolorama office and at many shops around town.
Once you have decided what to enter you can fill in the entry form and take it to the Woolorama office OR just bring your items BEFORE 9am on THURSDAY MARCH 10 to the Eric Farrow Pavillion and I will enter them for you.

Specialist judges will award prizes throughout the day on Thursday, then on Friday at Woolorama you can see how successful you have been. Prizemoney can be collected on Saturday morning.
If you have any questions I can help you on 98611393.
Jessica Hamersley. Steward Section P.
## Term One Diary

### WEEK 3
- Monday - Thursday: In-Term Swimming
- Friday, Feb 19: Faction Swimming Carnival
- Sunday, Feb 21: Leadership Campers leave from school

### WEEK 4
- Monday - Tuesday: Leadership Camp
- Tuesday, Feb 23: Pancake Day

### WEEK 5
- Wednesday, March 2: Constable Care Incursion

### WEEK 6
- Monday, March 7: Labour Day holiday
- Wednesday, March 9: Year 8 Immunisation
- Friday, March 11: Woolorooma

### WEEK 7
- Monday, March 14: Whole School Assembly Year 4/5H

### WEEK 8
- Friday, March 25: Good Friday

### WEEK 9
- Monday, March 28: Easter Monday
- Wednesday, March 30: Interschool Swimming Carnival

### WEEK 10
- Monday, April 4: Whole School Assembly Year 3/4R
- Thursday, April 7: Hawaiian Bike Ride

## Term Dates for 2016

### School Development Days & Public Holidays

**Term 1:**
- Monday, February 1 - Friday, April 28
- SDD Thursday, January 28
- SDD Friday, January 29
- PH - Monday, March 3: Labour Day
- SDD - Friday, March 11: Woolorooma
- PH - Friday, March 25: Good Friday
- PH - Monday, March 28: Easter Monday

**Term 2:**
- Wednesday, April 27 - Friday, July 1
- PH - Monday, April 25: ANZAC Day
- SDD - Tuesday, April 26

## 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 1
- Thursday, February 18: Catherine Ward
- Friday, February 19: Rachel Pederick
- Monday, February 22: Carmel Leary
- Tuesday, February 23: Narelle Gibbs
- Wednesday, February 24: Shelley Hamersley
- Friday, February 26: Rachel Martin
- Thursday, February 25: Jenny Forrest
- Saturday, February 27: Sue Piesse
- Tuesday, March 1: Sue Piesse
- Wednesday, December 2: Jane Kilpatrick

## Whole School Assemblies 2015

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

### Term 1
- Week 7: March 14 - Year 4/5 Hogg
- Week 10: April 4 - Year 3/4 Rayner

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Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au
FREE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION FOR Wagin District High School STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE IN 2016

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation that is registered with all state and territory Departments of Education around Australia and with the Ministry of Education in NZ. We are the first and only secondary exchange organisation in Australia and New Zealand to be certified to ISO 9001 (Quality Management System) and we ensure the highest standards of care and support to our participants.

We would like to invite your students and families to our next FREE Live Online Session on Thursday 18th February - 7.30pm - 8.30pm. AEDT Time

The LIVE Online session gives students and families the opportunity to learn more about becoming an exchange student and the various scholarship options that are available in 2016.

FREE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION
Hear from our very experienced, National Director, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and ask questions.

Thursday, 18th February
7.30pm (AEDT)
Register now
Visit www.studentexchange.org.nz or call 1300 135 331 for more information

COMMUNITY NOTES

Upper Great Southern Hockey Association

Are your hockey skills a little rusty after the Summer - then come to the Smarter Than Smoking Hockeyroos Junior Hockey Clinic

Mariah Williams, Brooke Peris, Kate Hanna, Gabi Nance.

Saturday March 12 and Sunday March 13

Narrogin Hockey Turf

Session 1 (Saturday) 4 to 6pm Hockey Skills
Session 2 (Saturday) 6.30 to 8.30pm Evening meal with the Hockeyroos
Session 3 (Sunday) 9 to 11am Hockey skills and autographs

Cost $20 per session or all three session for $50

Enrolment forms are available from the school front office.