

Wagin District High School Newsletter



Issue 4 - 21 March 2018

CHAPPY TAKES THE PLUNGE

I did it! It was great fun and I am so glad I did it at an assembly, it was a really special day. I must admit to a few last minute nerves but overall it was something that was easy to do. My very brave mum came and sat through the whole assembly and it was so good to have her there.

I was able to start the Shave by talking about what I was doing and why. The clippers were initially taken up by Mrs Gannaway who had very generously given the largest personal donation (she actually gave extra to make sure she was the winner). She then passed them onto my husband, Gary, who cut the rest of my hair and it was great to have him involved as well. There was lots of laughter and a few tears as well as people connected with my reasons for participating in the World's Greatest Shave.

So far we have raised \$4,229 and I say 'we' because it is not something I have done alone. Yes, I am the one who cut off my hair but the donations have come from friends, family, students, parents and staff and for that I am extremely grateful. Our 3/4 class raised \$102.65 so I will be spending a whole day with them before Easter and they have lots of fun things planned. I would still love to reach my goal of \$5,000 so if you would like to help please do so.

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/jillpilkington>

Jill Pilkington (Chappy)



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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

WOOLORAMA

Thank you to our staff and students for creating an engaging display for Woolorama. Congratulations also to the many students who entered your work and to those of you who won prizes.

INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to our Interschool Swimming team. They did an excellent job representing Wagin District High School in Lake Grace last Friday. Thank you to Ms Bennison, Mrs Pilkington and the many parents who travelled for your support on the day.

BEHAVIOUR

Student behaviour is an area that gains a lot of attention in the community, in media, in homes and at school. Behaviour management in today's world is very different to when we, as the adults, were students. There has been media coverage about children's behaviour in society in general and experts claiming that younger children are demonstrating more violent behaviours, which is alarming in itself. Schools are a reflection of society; we are governed by legislation, the Education Act, and Department policies about what we can and cannot do when student's behaviour is not acceptable.

Sadly for Wagin District High when one or two students misbehave our community believes all student behaviour is unacceptable or that teachers are doing nothing. This is not the truth, many hours of time, support, programming and implementing whole school programs is given to improving social outcomes for all students. Please be reassured that we always do something about unacceptable behaviour; however, it may not occur in a public forum. We work with students, families and teachers to ensure desired behaviours are demonstrated more often than not. Our Positive Behaviour Support EMUS are a major driver in this change. We put a huge emphasis on positives and supporting all students to achieve them, this is done largely by ensuring adults change our behaviour when dealing with children and young people.

A copy of our whole school Pastoral Care and Behaviour Management in Schools Policy is available at page 37 of the Parent Booklet, under the Information tab on our school website.

An important point to consider:

If a child doesn't know how to read we teach

If a child doesn't know how to spell we teach

If a child doesn't know how to count we teach

If a child doesn't know how to behave we...teach? punish?

Cass Harris-Moroney

Principal

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Primary News

On my class visits this fortnight, I have seen Primary classes engaged in all forms of learning experiences. The Year 3/4 and Year 4 classes have been learning greetings in Indonesian. I have learnt that Good morning is “selamat pagi”. Mr Mullin’s class has been working on persuasive debates and Mrs Gannaway’s class has started to create a friendship tree where students are making leaves that have nice comments about their peers on them. The Pre-Primary to Year 2 students have now completed On Entry testing and back to their usual classroom routines.

INTERSCHOOL CARNIVAL

A huge congratulations to the team that travelled to Lake Grace with Ms Bennison and Chappy last Friday for the Interschool Swimming Carnival. We have received so many positive comments about how our students conducted themselves and showed outstanding sportsmanship, which we are very proud of. Our Upper Primary students in particular are to be commended as they rose to the challenge to compete in multiple additional races above their age range for our school. Huge well done!

ATTENDANCE

Lately, it has been noticed that some Primary student’s attendance is slipping below the expected 90% rate. Each day students are absent, they are missing out on valuable teaching and learning experiences that cannot easily be gained back. Of course, if your child is unwell, home is the best place for them, but otherwise we ask that you send your child every day. The below table shows how much of an impact regular absences have on a child’s overall schooling from Kindy to Year 12.

Educational Risk Through Non- Attendance			
Period of Absence from Year 1-10	Rate of Absence	Equivalent Schooling Missed	Level of Educational Risk
Average of 5 days per term	90%	1 year	Regular attendance
1 day per week	80%	2 years	Indicated Risk
1 ½ days per week	70%	3 years	Moderate Risk
2 days per week	60%	4 years	Moderate Risk
3 days per week	40%	5 years	Severe Risk
5 weeks a term	50%	6 years	Severe Risk

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDARS

30 March Good Friday – no school

2 April Easter Monday – no school

3 April Easter Tuesday – no school

13 April Last day of Term 1

1 May First day of Term 2

Enjoy your fortnight.

Emma Kirk

Deputy Principal

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Secondary News

Congratulations to all the students who won prizes at the 2018 Woolorama. It was pleasing to see so many students enter the categories and support our community event.

We are enormously proud of all members of our swimming team that participated in the interschool carnival at Lake Grace. Our students represented our school valiantly, cheered on by Ms Bennison, Mrs Pilkington and parents.

The High School will once again have the opportunity to host the riders of the Hawaiian Ride for Youth. The Hawaiian Ride for Youth is held annually over 5 days and the 48 bike riders and support staff travel from Albany to Perth covering a distance of over 700kms to raise money for Youth Focus. The riders visit high schools along the way to engage the students in the issues of youth suicide, depression and self-harm and inform students of the services that Youth Focus provide. The Youth Focus program is endorsed by the Department of Education.

Students today will be involved in Harmony Day. We organised activities for students to be aware of the importance of celebrating Australia's cultural diversity. It is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

The safety of our students is of paramount importance to us all. We have become increasingly concerned by the number of students leaving the school grounds after school and riding their bikes dangerously on the roads and footpaths. Please ensure your child stays safe and follows the school and road safety rules.

As well as all the normal school activity, students have been working hard completing required expectations in all learning areas. Students should be finishing any class work that is incomplete as homework. Every student has additional homework that is expected to be completed and handed in on the due date. This homework is given to the students in class by the teacher to assist with learning opportunities and to expand knowledge of topics. The course outlines for each year group and learning area have been given to all students and will assist parents in knowing when homework is due.

Jolene Abbott

Deputy Principal

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What's Happening

Week 8	18/3	19/3	20/3	21/3	22/3	23/3	24/3
					Hawaiian Ride for Youth		
Week 9	25/3	26/3	27/3	28/3	29/3	30/3	31/3
						Good Friday	
Week 10	1/4	2/4	3/4	4/4	5/4	6/4	7/4
		Easter Monday	Easter Tuesday		FLURO/NEON School Social		
Week 11	8/4	9/4	10/4	11/4	12/4	13/4	14/4
		P & C Meeting 12.30pm ~~~~~ Year 1/2 Assembly	School Council 3.45pm			Last day of Term 1	

Canteen Roster

Please attend by 9am.

Please note that children are not allowed in the canteen due to insurance requirements.

Any queries, please ring the canteen on 9861 1348.

Thursday, 22 March

Sonia Nalder

Friday, 23 March

Cath Painter

Monday, 26 March

Rachel Pederick

Tuesday, 27 March

Karen Thomson

Wednesday, 28 March

Debbie Thompson

Thursday, 29 March

Jerri Lee Dickson

Friday, 30 March

Good Friday

Monday, 2 April

Easter Monday

Tuesday, 3 April

Easter Tuesday

Wednesday, 4 April

Anna Scott

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations go to the following students who were nominated by their teacher and received an award on:

Monday, 12 March 2018

PP C - Aariah Clarke & Bella Hassett

PP/Yr 1 - The entire PP & Yr 1 class of Rm 18, Warren Boyce & Chaise Cook

Year 1/2L - Spencer Hansen & Miranda Kelly

Year 3 M - Luke Brockwell & Tom Pascoe

Year 3/4P - Hunter Finlayson, Vincent Brummelman & Luke Price

Monday, 19 March 2018

Year 3 M - Rylan Atkins & Ash-Rose Hope

Year 3/4P - Latika Baxter, Sara Ward & Ruby Clifton

WRITER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations go to the following students who have had their literacy efforts displayed in the front foyer.

Maddison Kelly, Renee Cole, Guy Thomson and Patrick Quartermaine

EMUS AWARDS

The EMUS card count at the assembly this week was:

ENGAGED - 502

MANNERS - 188

UNDERSTANDING - 90

STRIVE - 51

Congratulations to these students who have received prizes for their efforts to "Aim High".

ENGAGED: Angel Zis & Ella Piesse

MANNERS: Luke Brockwell & Talegan Baxter

UNDERSTANDING: Taleah Conway & Hunter Finlayson

STRIVE: Tyson Zis & Chad Howell

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.



INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to the following students who made it into the Interschool Swimming Team and made the trek over to Lake Grace on Friday, 16 March.

Zoe Smith, Deizel Barlow, Kalynda Davidson, Narridy Edwards, Emmerson Nottle, Caleb Kellow, Jack Holt, Willey-Errol Kapene, Devon Barlow, Gaige Kapene, Khesara Aird, Chloe Howell, Ebony West, Ruby Clifton, Halle Painter, Michael Nalder, Vincent Brummelman, Rory Hamersley and Claire Spooner.

Well done to ALL of the students who competed and swam their absolute best all day, you did Wagin proud.

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Runner-Up Champion for their age groups.

- Ruby Clifton: 9 year old girl's runner up
- Devon Barlow: 9 year old boy's runner up
- Deizel Barlow: 12 year old boy's runner up

These following students need a special recognition.

- Zoe Smith and Rory Hamersley swam up an age group all day and did exceptionally well.
- The following boys competed in their age group relay and then went on and swam in the 14 years plus relays straight after, Michael Nalder, Rory Hamersley, Deizel Barlow and Jack Holt.



FLURO/NEON SCHOOL SOCIAL

Come dressed in your most fluro or neon outfit, the brighter the better!

Thursday, 5 April 2018 5:30pm - 7:30pm

\$5 entry fee

Hotdogs, drinks, lolly bags, chips and more will all be available.

All profits will go towards the High School Canberra Camp.

WOULD YOU LIKE \$350?

IS YOUR CHILD IN HIGH SCHOOL?

IF YOU HOLD A CURRENT HEALTHCARE CARD, PENSION CARD OR VETERAN AFFAIRS CARD YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO **\$350** TO GO TOWARDS SCHOOL EXPENSES.

IF YOU FIT THE ABOVE CRITERIA, PLEASE CONTACT THE FRONT OFFICE.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE **FRIDAY, 13 APRIL 2018.**

CANTEEN

Please ensure that if your child has bought food in their lunch box that requires cutlery, that you have supplied the cutlery from home. The canteen cannot supply cutlery for people who have not ordered their lunch.



WAGIN JUNIOR BASKETBALL DATES TO REMEMBER

Darkan Scratch Match – Date & Time to be advised (played in Wagin)
Tuesday, 10 April 2018 - Windup | Kids & Parents Match | Sausage Sizzle | Finals

For more information contact:

Stuart Pederick – President | Londa Finlayson – Secretary
Facebook: Wagin Junior Basketball Group



Registrations for Wagin Auskick are now open for boys and girls aged 5 - 10 (must be 5yrs old before 30 June 2018). Please visit www.aflauskick.com.au and click on Register. All registrations and payments must be done online.

Auskick sessions will be held at Matera Oval on Saturdays
9.30 - 10.30am starting **Saturday, 5 May 2018.**

Any queries please contact Anthony Rowell on 0437 480 312 or email: krrowell@wn.com.au



Previous and new participants in the Wagin Hockey Club's Hook in 2 Hockey program are now invited to register via www.hookin2hockey.com.au

Hook in 2 Hockey is available to all boys and girls from Pre Primary - Year 3.

COMMENCEMENT DATE: Tuesday, 8 May 2018 (the program will run for 8 weeks)

TIME: 3:45pm (each session will run for approximately 30 minutes)

VENUE: Wagin Sportsground Hockey Fields

COST: \$85, which includes a participant pack. \$30 will be reimbursed to participants once the program commences.

CONTACT: Nicole Ward 0429 651 602

P&C MEETING

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on **Monday, 9 April 2018** at 12:30pm in the meeting room. Agenda items to date include Picture Products fundraiser, staff wishlist funding and nature play. Please forward agenda items and apologies to paulnicole@activ8.net.au

P&C Picture Products Fundraiser

As you may already be aware, the P & C are currently running a Picture Products fundraiser. All funds raised will be put directly back into our school. This fundraiser gives you the opportunity to turn your child's artwork into a melamine plate of their own, or create a clock, mug, water bottle, table mat, phone case or 2019 calendar to use/display at home or give as a gift. Your child can use photos, markers, hand and footprints and paints to create their artwork.

An information letter, products brochure and order form has been sent home with your youngest school aged child. Otherwise, you can collect an information/order package from the front office or contact me and I can email one to you. Other friends and family are welcome to place orders too, so please spread the word.

Prices for the table mat and phone covers were accidentally omitted from the order form price list. For those interested in these products, they are both \$25 each. Sorry for any inconvenience caused by not having these product prices previously listed.

Just a reminder that all templates with completed artworks need to be returned to Pippa Bennett's classroom (Kindergarten Room 26) by **Wednesday, 11 April 2018**.

Thanks to those families who have already placed orders. Your support is greatly appreciated

Anna Scott
Picture Products Fundraiser Coordinator
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WOOLORAMA SECTION P - SPECIAL JUNIOR SECTION

Thank you very much to all those students who entered Craft, Art, Stamps, Cookery, Lego, Photography, Woodwork and Metalwork in this year's Woolorama. The display created was much admired by many people. The 6 judges had a very difficult job deciding who should be awarded first and second places in all the competitions, but the winners were always the ones the judges felt had stuck to the rules, were the own work of the exhibitor and were pleasing to look at (and taste, in the cookery).

Most Points Awards in our new age groups went to: Year 1 & U - Archie Ward, Year 3 & U - Sara Ward, Year 6 & U - Jax Moffatt, and Year 10 & U - Chesney Dawson.

Most points in Stamps was awarded to Louise Quartermaine and in Photography to Tia McGuffie. These girls both won these awards last year!

Special Prizes for various exhibits went to: Decorated Cake - Taaj Furniss, Metalwork - Harry Harris and Craft - Renison Belbin.

Congratulations to all winners and also to everyone who entered. If you have not collected your prize money, please make sure to go to the Woolorama Office at the end of the Rec Centre to collect it.

Jessica Hamersley
Steward, Section P - Special Junior Section

FLX it CAFÉ

CHANGING A BIKE TYRE

Time: 3.45pm

Date: Friday 23rd of March

Location: Wagin CRC

FREE with CRC Membership
Cost: \$5 for Non-Members

Booking Required Please RSVP
For Bookings Contact:
08 9861 1644



OPEN: MON-FRI | 9AM - 4PM

FLX it CAFÉ

KIDS CROCHET CLASSES



TIME: 4-5 PM

DATE: WEDNESDAY 10TH OF APRIL

LOCATION: WAGIN CRC IN MEETING ROOM

FREE FOR ALL MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS

PLEASE BRING YARN & CROCHET HOOKS

BOOKING REQUIRED PLEASE RSVP
FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT: 08 9861 1644

