This year ANZAC Day fell during the school break and we therefore chose to honour the ANZAC tradition with a whole school service on Friday, April 30.

RSL President, Mr Greg Brockway, was unable to attend this year and we would like to thank Mr Dave Hill for kindly stepping in and for his contribution to our service.

The spirit of Anzac, with its qualities of courage, mateship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity.
From the Principal

Welcome back to Term Two, I hope everyone had a safe, relaxing break. We have started the term with a positive attitude and an action packed schedule. Please keep your newsletter handy or check the website regularly as there are many events this term.

ATTENDANCE
Term 1 regular attendance for the whole school was 64%. Regular Primary attendance was 70% and Secondary was 53%. Our Year 5 students had the best attendance rate during Term 1, 95.2%, a fantastic effort. Pleasingly the number of students attending 80% of the time or more has increased compared to our results from Semester 2 last year.

Attendance is a major factor in student achievement, it is very important that we work together to ensure students have 90% or greater attendance. I understand children get sick and families have emergencies that cause absences from school which impact on attendance.

The summary below gives you a snap shot of how attendance impacts on student learning. Please give this careful thought if you are planning family holidays, or any activities that may cause your child’s attendance to drop. If they attend 80% for their entire school life they will graduate with 3 years less learning than their peers who attend above 90%, is this fair?

If a child attends 80% of the time they are in the lowest risk category, but they will miss:
- 1 day a week
- 2 weeks a term
- 8 weeks a year
- 1 year by the end of Year 4
- 2 years by the end of Year 8
- 3 years by the end of Year 12

Last term attendance letters were sent to all parents of students who had less than 90% attendance. We appreciate the effort families have made to improve our attendance results and in informing us when your child is absent from school.

ANZAC CEREMONY
Our student councilors conducted our Whole School ANZAC ceremony on Friday April 29. They were praised by Mr Hill from the RSL for their public speaking abilities and the manner in which they conducted our service. Several of our Student Councilors also represented Wagin District High School at the community ANZAC service on April 25.

INTERIM REPORTS Year 7-10
Families should have received your child’s interim report. The purpose of these is to inform you of your child’s progress and the grade they are on track to receive on their semester report later this term. If classroom teachers have requested an interview please make an appointment at your earliest convenience.

NAPLAN
All students in Year 3, 5, 7 & 9 across Australia are participating in NAPLAN testing from Tuesday, May 10 to Thursday, May 12. The results from these assessments along with the data teachers collect over the year is used to continually improve our teaching and learning programs. Assessment results will be sent home later this year.

YEAR 10 CAMP
Our Year 10 students will be in Perth from Tuesday May 10 to Friday May 13. The purpose of this camp is to give them opportunities to explore future career options. They will visit Universities, TAFE campuses and attend the Careers Expo.

LEARNING AREA GRADE REPORT
Parents/caregivers wishing this additional report to be included as part of your child’s Semester One Reporting to Parents package, please complete the attached slip.

Cass Harris-Moroney
Secondary News

Interim reports have been provided for all secondary students. These reports were sent home at the end of Term 1. If you wish to discuss your child’s progress, please arrange a meeting with the relevant teacher by contacting the school.

This Thursday Miss Bennison will take selected students to the Bendigo Bank Netball carnival. We wish them good luck!

Next week the year 7 and 9 students will sit the national NAPLAN tests. The language conventions, writing and reading sections are to be completed on Tuesday and Wednesday. The numeracy sections are on Thursday. All students that have missed tests on any of these days will be able to sit catch up tests on Friday.

Next week the year 10 students will be attending the career camp in Perth with Mr vandenBerg. The aim of the camp is to help the students gain a better understanding of career pathways.

With the current weather being cold in the mornings, students need to make sure they are coming to school with the appropriate level of warm clothing. Jumper and jackets that are not the school uniform are not appropriate for school. The uniform shop is opening Friday mornings from 8.30 to 10.30am.

It has been a pleasure to see so many of the high school students being commended by receiving EMUS cards. These cards are given to students who are engaged, show manners, are understanding or are striving to do their best. Well done to those students.

Joelene Abbott

Career and Development News

ACTU Worksite
This website aims to provide information to young people about their rights at work. The site contains videos, articles, quizzes and more on what your rights are at work.
http://worksite.actu.org.au/

Australian College of Applied Education Open Day
Experience the facilities, speak with staff and students and discuss which course will suit you. Open days take place from 10am to 1pm at the Australian College of Applied Education - 641 Wellington Street, Perth.
Saturday 21st May
Ph: (08) 9322 3202, Email: info@acae.edu.au
http://www.acae.edu.au/

Australian School of Management Open Day
Experience the facilities, speak with staff and students and discuss which course will suit you. Open days take place from 10am to 1pm at the Australian School of Management: 641 Wellington Street, Perth.
Saturday 21st May. Ph: (08) 9322 3202, Email: info@asm.edu.au
http://www.asm.edu.au/

Cultural Care Au Pair Information Sessions
• Online: Monday 9th May @ Online
• Perth: Saturday 14th May, 10am @ Curtin University Perth
Offers work placements as au pairs/nannies in the US. Past au pairs will share their experiences and advice.
Find out more by checking out their website: http://culturalcare.com.au/join-info-meeting/

Becomeapilot.com.au

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LEARN TO FLY SEMINARS
DISCOUNTED TRIAL FLIGHTS
AIRCRAFT STATIC DISPLAY
SPEAK TO PILOTS OF INDUSTRY
EXPLORE OUR FACILITIES
FIND OUT WHAT IT TAKES TO
BECOME A PROFESSIONAL PILOT
FREE ENTRY

11 - 4pm
41 Eagle Drive
Jandakot Airport
Register online
www.becomeapilot.com.au

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

Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their teachers and received this award in Week 2:

Year 2P – Penny Scott, Lily Suriani-Castle & Riley Hunter
Year 5M – Paige Kirk & Olivia Clifton

 Defence Jobs Australia: Aviation Work Experience
3, 9, 16 & 23 June @ RAAF Base Pearce, Bullsbrook, WA
Participants will experience what a career in Aviation is like within the Air Force. Activities may include; observing unit flying training; desk operations; air traffic control; physical training; ground defence and more.
There are eight positions available, with applications closing on 27th May at 5pm.
Find out more by searching Work Experience jobs in WA on the following website: https://defencecareers.nga.net.au/cp/

 DG Student Design Competition 2016
Entries close: 3rd October 2016
The competition presents the chance to design a magazine cover for DG. The competition encourages students to think practically about the appeal of designs in real life.

 How Facebook Can Help (or Hurt) A Student’s Job Prospects

 Local Government Careers
This website aims to help you understand about the diverse range of careers on offer at Local Government (also known as Councils) and provides information on the training required.

 MoneySmart
The Australian Securities and Investment Commission have developed a website to assist with all areas of financial planning, including saving, budgeting, spending, personal tax, superannuation, debt management and insurance, with special sections for young people, including apprentices, trainees and students in vocational education.

 TAFE Institute Re-organisation
From 11 April 2016, the current 11 TAFE colleges and their 70 campus locations will be managed by a new network of five colleges:
  - North Metropolitan TAFE
  - South Metropolitan TAFE
  - Central Regional TAFE
  - North Regional TAFE
  - South Regional TAFE
For all future students enquires and to find out more, visit: http://tafechoices.com/

 Tim Winton Award for Young Writers
All school students aged between five and eighteen years in Western Australia are encouraged to put pen to paper and submit an original piece of creative writing of no more than 2000 words.
Start writing now because entries open Monday 13th June and close at 5pm on Monday 4th July.

 Primary News
We have had a great start to Term 2. The students are all working very hard and producing some great work.

 Hats: Students are required to wear a hat during recess and lunch breaks. Please encourage your child to bring their hat to school as we have a No Hat, No Play policy at Wagin.

 Whole School Assembly: Next Monday we have our first Whole School Assembly for the term. Mrs Little’s Year 1s will present the assembly item.

 Behavioural Issues: Please encourage your child to tell an adult if they are hurt or involved in any issues at school. The teachers will always follow up these if they know that they have happened.

 Super Readers: Congratulations to the following students who have reached milestones of 25 nights or more in their Home Reading: Charlotte, Tamzin, Angus, Simeon, Hunter, Maddison K and Maddison S.

 Robyn Willey - Primary Deputy

Phone: 9861 1877 / Fax 9861 1835
Email: wagin.dhs@education.wa.edu.au
Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au
The Kindy/Pre-Primary class have been busy working on some wonderful surprises for Mums this Mother’s Day. Students have also invited their Mums into the classroom this Friday to be pampered, powered and painted!!

Students are proudly showing off their finished work in the below photo.
Term Two Diary

WEEK 2
Thursday, May 5 - Bendigo Bank Netball Carnival (Katanning)

WEEK 3
Monday, May 9 - Year 1L Assembly
Tuesday, May 10–Thursday, May 12 - NAPLAN
Tuesday, May 10–Friday, May 13 - Year 10 Careers Camp
Wednesday, May 11 - Year 6 Growth & Development Session

WEEK 4
Monday, May 16 - RAC Visit for Secondary Students
Wednesday, May 18 - Year 8 Immunisation

WEEK 5
Tuesday, May 24 - School Council Meeting, 4pm

WEEK 6
Monday, May 30 - P&C Meeting, 12.30pm
Monday, May 30 - Year 2/3M Assembly
Friday, June 3 - Staff Development Day (Students DO NOT attend)

WEEK 7
Monday, June 6 - WA Day Holiday

WEEK 8

WEEK 9
Monday, June 20 - NAIDOC Year 6M Assembly
Friday, June 24 - Winter Carnival Years 3-6 (Katanning)

WEEK 10
Monday, June 27 - Reports home to parents

Whole School Assemblies Term 2 2016
Assemblies are held on Mondays starting at 1.50pm
Family & Friends Welcome!
Week 3: May 9 - Year 1 Little
Week 6: May 30 - Year 2/3 Moffatt
Week 9: June 20 - NAIDOC Yr 6M

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 Dates for 2016
School Development Days & Public Holidays

Term 2: Wednesday April 27 - Friday July 1
PH Monday April 25 ANZAC Day
SDD Tuesday April 26
SDD Friday June 3
PH Monday June 6 WA Day

Term 3: Monday July 18 - Friday Sept 23
SDD Monday August 22

Term 4: Tuesday October 11 - Thursday Dec 15
SDD Monday October 10
HOOK IN2 HOCKEY

The Wagin Hockey Club will be starting our 4 weeks of Term 2 hockey action this Saturday. For those that registered last term please join us at 8:30am at the clubrooms to collect your pack after which we’ll head to the oval to begin. Please could parents arrange payment as soon as possible by either bringing $30 cash on the day or transferring the money into the following account:
Wagin Hockey Club Inc
BSB: 306-033
Acc: 0107724

CONTACT: Cath Painter 0404 007 609 or dalecath@westnet.com.au

WAGIN Netball Club invites any 5-10 year olds interested in learning Netball to join us for

Net-Set-Go!

When: Wednesday Afternoons at Rec Centre
Duration: 6 weeks starting 11th May 2016
Time: 3.30pm, 30/45min lesson
Price: $20.00 - includes entry to Rec Centre
Wear/Bring: Sandshoes/Water bottle
Register Interest/Enquiries: Jess Clifton 0448612022

WANSLEA GREAT SOUTHERN FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

Children all over WA need foster carers for a period of nights, weeks, months or years. Foster carers can be married, single, working or not working, with or without children.

Do you have room in your heart and home for a child in need? Come along to one of our Foster Care Information Sessions.

Tuesday 17th May 2016

Arts and Crafts Building Cnr of Dore and Baker Streets, Katanning

The Information Session will run from 7.00pm – 9.00pm, Please RSVP by 11th May for catering purposes. For more information and to RSVP to Sally call 9843 0077 or email fostercare@wanslea.asn.au  www.fosternow.com.au

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

This letter is to advise you of the availability of the Learning Area Grade Report which provides you with written information that clearly shows your child’s achievement in the subjects studied compared to that of other children in the child’s peer group at Wagin District High School. This information shows you the number of students in each of the achievement levels A – E.

If you would like this additional report to be included as part of your child’s Semester One Reporting to Parents package please sign the return slip below. Slips must be returned to the office by no later than June 10 2016.

Cassandra Harris-Moroney
Principal

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I would like to request the inclusion of the Learning Area Grade Report as part of the Semester One Reporting to Parents package for the following students (only your own children’s names can be included, this report can only be generated for PP-Yr 10 students with classes greater than 10 students).

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Signed: ___________________________    Date: ___________