



WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Providing an empowering environment for life-long learning



Newsletter, 4 December 2019

Welcome families and community to our second last newsletter for the year.

This fortnight has been very busy, with the following fortnight in the lead up to end of year expected to be just as busy.

Volunteers Morning Tea: On Monday, 25 November Wagin DHS hosted a morning tea to say thank you to the parents and community members who graciously give up their time to support the various ventures that occur in our school throughout the year.

Year 6 Transition was held on Tuesday, 26 November. The students were introduced to the staff, rooms and curriculum they will cover in Year 7 including Design & Technology and Home Economics.

Year 6 Camp: the students are currently enjoying the incredible array of activities Mr Mullin & Mrs Pocock organised for them including Archery, Outback Splash, Rock Climbing, Bowling, the Army Museum, Fremantle Prison, Perth Mint, Lazer Tag, Supa Golf and SciTech. Some photos of their adventures can be seen below.

Positive Behaviour Schools focus areas: The PBS committee has developed an excellent sequence of lessons which staff teach on a fortnightly basis. The focus lessons are derived from the PBS Behaviour Matrix and aim to reinforce the EMUS values that underpin Wagin DHS's behaviour expectations. We would appreciate it if you can discuss with your child what the lessons' catch phrases are that they are taught. This will help to reinforce the messages.

- Week 7&8: Manners 'Walk through the school quietly'.

Over the next two weeks students and staff will be involved in the:

Senior Citizens' Luncheon: a small group of staff and students will support the annual Senior Citizens' Luncheon. Whilst we are not organising it this year, we are more than happy to provide our hospitality support.

Year 10 Farewell Luncheon: Mrs Marlin and the Secondary staff are pleased to support the Year 10 Farewell Luncheon. Parents and family members are invited to attend the function on Tuesday, 10 December. Invitations have been sent home.

Year 6 Parent/Guardian Afternoon Tea: The Year 6 Parents have been invited to join the students in an afternoon tea in the Library on Tuesday, 10 December. Invitations have been sent home.

End of Year concert will be held on Thursday, 12 December at Wagin DHS, front grassed area near flags, 6pm start. We appreciate that this is a new format and venue, with a diversion from the usual Christmas theme. We look forward to seeking your feedback regarding the event. The classes have been working very hard and we hope you will appreciate the efforts they have put in.

The Awards Presentation will be on Tuesday, 17 December at Wagin DHS, 9.15am start. All students will be in attendance and any parents/guardian or community members are welcome to attend. Guardians of award recipients will be notified in advance to ensure attendance.

Uniforms – Get ready now for 2020: Just a reminder that the uniform shop is open on Friday mornings 8.30 - 10.00am. It is important that students show pride in the school and wearing full school uniform helps to achieve that. Parents have the option of buying new or second hand for as little as \$5 an item. If you have any good quality second hand items please feel free to bring them in.

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Kind regards
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End of Year Concert

Our End of Year Concert will be held on **Thursday, 12 December** at Wagin DHS's front grassed area near the flags. The event will start at 6pm. Students will need to be in attendance by **5:45pm**.



Awards Presentations

The culmination of all the hard work completed by students throughout the year is to be celebrated! Come and join us for our Awards Presentations on **Tuesday, 17 December, 9.15am** at Wagin DHS.



Year 6 Camp

The Year 6 students are having a wonderful time so far on camp. They have enjoyed testing their climbing skills at Aloha Surfhouse and refining their aiming skills at Archery WA. Click [here](#) to see more photos.



Christmas Cakes

Year 7 students have had fun decorating their Christmas cakes. There were some fantastic displays and the whole school got to vote on their favourite. The winner was...



1st Place
Trinity and Caris



2nd Place
Zoe and Payten



3rd Place
Max and Ryan



National Anthem

You may have noticed that we now sing the second verse of the [Australian National Anthem](#) at our assemblies. If you would like to learn it, check out these lyrics, maybe even have a run through with your child.



Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates at our last Whole School Assembly on **Friday, 22 November**.

Merit Certificates

PP - Matilda and Robbie

PP/Yr 1 - Whareki and Cooper

Year 1/2 - Ondrei and Kayleigh

Year 2 - Jakob and Hunter

Year 3/4P - Katie and Mia

Year 3/4S - Zane and Chad

Year 5/6P - Luke, Tamzin and Carter

Year 5/6M - Penny and Logan

Year 7 - Caris, Max and Hannah

Year 8 - Tyson



EMUS Awards

Congratulations to these students who have received a prize for their efforts to "Aim High". **ENGAGED** - Mackirra. **MANNERS** - Kobie. **UNDERSTANDING** - Klaudia. **STRIVE** - J-Jay.

The EMUS card count at the Whole School Assembly on Friday, 8 November was:

ENGAGED - 294;

MANNERS - 233;

UNDERSTANDING - 182; and

STRIVE - 256.

Making a total of **965** EMUS cards awarded so far this year.



Assembly

The next whole school assembly will be held on **Friday, 6 December, starting at 9am**. We hope you can make it.



Vacswim

Enrol now in VacSwim summer holiday swimming lessons!

All children should know how to be safe when swimming at the beach, pool, water holes or rivers.

There are over 180 VacSwim locations around Western Australia. If you are travelling during the summer school holidays, there may be VacSwim programs available.

VacSwim is for all children - from beginners through to advanced survival, rescue and resuscitation. Your children can start as young as five years old.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming.



Homework/Chill Out Session

The Wagin CRC will be running two 1 hour sessions per week each term for children in Year 4 and up . This is for kids to complete homework or simply just wind down after school! Check it out [here](#).



Book Club

Scholastic Book Club LOOP is a great way to access some fantastic, well priced books. **Order your books online!**

When you order via LOOP, you do not need to return anything to school. Your order will be electronically linked to the rest of the school's order. Visit

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or you can even download the app.



WAAPA Summer Holiday Programs

Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts - Edith Cowan have some Summer School Holiday Programs your child might be interested in. Check them out [here](#).

Event Quick View

Tue 10th December

[Year 6 Celebration](#)

<p>Tue 10th December</p> <p><u>Year 10 Farewell Luncheon</u></p>
<p>Thu 12th December</p> <p><u>End of Year Concert</u></p>
<p>Tue 17th December</p> <p><u>Awards Presentations</u></p>
<p>Thu 19th December</p> <p><u>Students last day of 2019</u></p>

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