

WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

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Newsletter, 6 November 2019

Welcome families and community to our latest newsletter, Term 4 is always busy and exciting with lots of interesting activities and opportunities for students to showcase their talents.

Mobile Phones: Please note that we are currently reviewing our Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Policy. On the 30th October the State Government announced the new Student Mobile Phones in Public Schools policy which requires no mobile phones to be used during the school day. Letters were emailed home to parents last week. We are therefore requesting students not use electronic devices during school hours. Students are encouraged to hand them in at the beginning of the day or keep them in their bags at all times. We would appreciate it if parents can support us in this request. Copies of the updated ICT Policy will be sent home once finalised.

End of Year Events: The end of term is fast approaching. Incursions, assemblies, camps, transition days, awards days and concerts are amongst the events.

- Scitech Incursion: Thursday, 7 November. Please ensure you have sent in the \$6 payment for your child to attend this valuable Science incursion.
- Year 6 Transition: Tuesday, 26 November. Year 6 students will receive more information next week.
- Year 6 Camp: Monday 2 Friday, 6 December. Mr Mullin & Mrs Pocock have arranged an action packed week. Letters go out this week.
- End of Year Concert: Thursday, 12 December, 6pm start. Venue to be finalised this week. Information will be sent home and placed on the website in the coming weeks.
- Awards Presentation: Tuesday, 17 December, 9.15am start. This is to be held at Wagin DHS. Information will be sent home as well as put on the website in the coming weeks.

Class structures and parent requests: The class structures for 2020 will be finalised over the next couple of weeks. Parents may make a request for placement in writing or via email based on academic and social needs that best support your child. Please see our Class Placement Policy <u>here.</u>

Tennis: Wagin DHS were successful in obtaining a 'Sporting Schools' grant for term four. We have been very lucky to have Mr Keith O'Brien in the school weekly, providing coaching and skill development to a group of students. We thank Mr O'Brien for his time and look forward to providing more opportunities like this in 2020.



Uniforms: Just a reminder 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.

Kind regards Tracy Pickering Principal Tracy.Pickering@education.wa.edu.au





Assembly

The next whole school assembly will be held on **Friday**, **8 November**, **starting at 9am** and will be run by Miss Smith's 3/4 class. We hope you can make it.



Book Fair

Book Fair is OPEN! The fair is being held in the library from Wednesday, 6 November until Thursday, 14 November (excluding Monday) and will be open before school (8.30-8.50am), lunchtimes (12.40-1.20pm) and after school until 3.45pm.

This book extravaganza will have even more new release titles, completely different from the last fair on offer. Why not pop in and pick up some amazing books for all your loved ones and sort your Christmas shopping out early. The ever popular posters and novelty items will also be making an appearance. Online payments can be made using the information on the pamphlets, just follow the instructions. Otherwise, cash, cheque or EFTPOS will also be accepted on the day.

We look forward to you coming and supporting our "Dino-mite" fair - each sale goes towards the school receiving more books for our students to continue their love of reading. So please make sure you come along and sink your teeth into a great book. Stomp, Chomp and read!!



Scitech

The Scitech Regional Tour is coming to WDHS on **Thursday**, **7 November**. Pre-Primary - Year 6 will attend a show followed by individual class workshops. Parents are welcome to attend the shows and Kindergarten students can attend the 9am show if parents wish to bring them.



EMUS Awards

Congratulations to these students who have received a prize for their efforts to "Aim High". ENGAGED - Hunter. MANNERS - Sara. UNDERSTANDING - Tom. STRIVE - Oscar.

The EMUS card count at the Whole School Assembly on Friday, 25 October was: ENGAGED - 198; MANNERS - 226; UNDERSTANDING - 112; and STRIVE - 196. Making a total of **732** EMUS cards awarded so far this year.



Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates at our last Whole School Assembly on Friday, 25 October.

Merit Certificates

PP - Alexis and Christina PP/Yr 1 - Sophie and Daniel Year 1/2 - Liam and Nate Year 2 - Blake and Indiana Year 3/4P - Rohan and Muana Year 3/4S - Ella and Kaaliha Year 5/6P - Pheghan and Memphis Year 5/6M - Maverick, Toby and Tabitha Year 7 - Te Ariki and Narridy Year 8 - Tepora and Mariana



Interschool Athletics Carnival

The Interschool Athletics Carnival was due to run last week, however, impending bad weather has seen it rescheduled to **Tuesday**, **12 November** in Lake Grace. 38 students from Years 4 - 10 will be competing against schools in our catchment. We wish all our competitors the best of luck. Go Wagin!



Uniform Shop

XS and M Legend Jackets have been reduced to **\$35**. The Uniform Shop is open Fridays between 8.30–10.00am.



School Photos

On photo day, speciality group images were taken at school - Student Council and Country Week Teams. These images can be viewed and purchased at a unique website, which is DIFFERENT to where you order the portraits and class photos online.

- 1. To place your Order online simply go to https://mspphotography.shootproof.com/
- 2. Click Specials 2019, then select the album titled: Wagin DHS Specials 2019.
- You will then be required to enter a password to view the Album. Please contact the school office for this password.
- 4. Please ensure that you use your child's name at the checkout
- 5. The images you are viewing are uncropped and will be cropped to fit to a 10x8 print (as per the first image in your gallery, a sample of layout & colour)
- The online orders will be open until midnight on Monday, 18 November for the Bulk Pricing Offer
- The Bulk Pricing Offer is \$20 per print and these will be delivered to the school BY CLASS GROUP
- After the \$20 pricing expires, the photos will remain available online, but the photos will then be at a cost of \$35 per image and will be delivered to a preferred address.

If you have any queries please contact MSP Photography on 9240 8000 or via email on ordering.perth@msp.com.au



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 <u>here</u>.

Event Quick View

Wed 6th Novemberto Fri 8th November Book Fair Thu 7th November

<u>Scitech</u>

Tue 12th Novemberto Thu 14th November Book Fair Tue 19th November

PPP Presentation

Tue 26th November

School Council

Mon 2nd Decemberto Fri 6th December

Year 6 Camp

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