

WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

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Newsletter, 20 November 2019

Welcome families and community to our latest November newsletter.

It is amazing to think that we are already more than half way through Term 4. Since our last newsletter, primary students enjoyed a very interesting Scitech incursion, (noted in The West Australian, Narrogin Observer article on Thursday, 14 November). Thank you to Mrs Ward for organising the incursion. On 12 November, students from primary and secondary participated in the Interschool Carnival held at Lake Grace. They did extremely well and should all be proud of themselves. See links below.

Positive Parenting Program: On Tuesday, 19 November, Yvette Harrison, Coordinator Regional Service (Regional Education Office), hosted a Triple P Information Session. The session provides insightful and upto-date information and resources to support parents of young children with regards to behavioural concerns. We would like to thank Yvette for her expertise and time.

Positive Behaviour Schools focus areas: The PBS committee has developed an excellent sequence of lessons of 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 if you can discuss with your child what the lesson catch phrases are that they are taught. This will help to reinforce the messages.

- Week 3&4: Understanding 'Communicate positively'.
- Week 5&6: Engaged 'Be aware of others and play safe'.
- Week 7&8: Manners 'Walk through the school quietly'.

Other events this term include:

Volunteers Morning Tea invitations have gone out to those who have supported the school as mentors or helpers throughout the year. Parental and community assistance is highly valued and greatly appreciated at Wagin DHS and as a token of our appreciation a Thank You morning tea will be held at 10am on Monday, 25 November in the School Library.

Year 6 Transition will occur next Tuesday, 26 November. Year 6 students received transition letters today. Please contact Mrs Marlin if you have any queries.

Year 6 Camp will run through Week 8 - 2 to 6 December. Mr Mullin & Mrs Pocock have arranged an action packed week.

End of Year Concert will be held on 12 December at Wagin DHS, front grassed area near flags. The event will start at 6pm.

Awards Presentations will be held on 17 December with a 9.15am start. This will also be held at Wagin DHS.

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. Class Placement Policy.

Mobile Phones: On 30 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 in regards to this new policy at the start of the term. Students in breach of this request will have their phones confiscated and the parent notified. We would appreciate you supporting the school with this matter.

Uniforms: Get ready now for 2020. 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
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World Outdoor Classroom Day

Last week saw our Kindy and Pre Primary students participate in World Outdoor Classroom Day with an afternoon of Messy Play. Students rotated through activities in the morning and in the afternoon they had free messy play! Everybody involved had an absolute blast! Photos



Scitech

The Scitech Regional Tour wowed students from Pre-Primary - Year 6 with a science show followed by individual class workshops. <u>Narrogin Observer Article</u>. <u>Photos</u>



Interschool Athletics Carnival

The Interschool Athletics Carnival was held on Tuesday, 12 November in Lake Grace. 38 students from Years 4 - 10 competed against schools in our catchment. We had a lovely sunny day and took out both the handicap and overall trophies! Well done to all competitors.

Photos

Wagin Results

800m Boys 12yo + Under Angus 800m Girls 12yo + Under Beatrice 9 Yr Champion Girl Latika

10 Yr Runner Up Boy Taylor & Ronald
11 Yr Runner Up Girl Shawnnese
11 Yr Champion Girl Beatrice
11 Yr Champion Boy Angus
12 Yr Runner Up Boy Lucas
13Yr Champion Girl Gaige
14Yr Runner Up Boy Jahmol

Record Breaker 13yr Girl High Jump - Gaige @ 1.40m

All Results



Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates at our last Whole School Assembly on **Friday, 8 November**.

Merit Certificates

PP - Max and Christina

PP/Yr 1 - Evan and David

Year 1/2 - Ruby and Mason

Year 2 - Chaise and Carter

Year 3/4P - Cooper and Ruby

Year 3/4S - Malachai, Latika and Kaaliha

Year 5/6P - Cole and Marijki

Year 5/6M - Devon, Millie and Tabitha

Year 7 - Caris, Te Ariki, Deizel and Rico

Year 8 - Xavier, Jessica and Tepora



EMUS Awards

Congratulations to these students who have received a prize for their efforts to "Aim High". ENGAGED - Ethan. MANNERS - Indiana. UNDERSTANDING - Tom. STRIVE - Blake.

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

ENGAGED - 152;

MANNERS - 175;

UNDERSTANDING - 107; and

Making a total of 629 EMUS cards awarded so far this year.



Assembly

The next whole school assembly will be held on Friday, 22 November, starting at 9am. We hope you can make it.



Jobs WA

We currently have a position available for a Cleaner. To learn more about this position or to apply visit Jobs WA.



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 Acadamy of Performing Arts - Edith Cowan have some Summer School Holiday Programs your child might be interested in. Check them out here.

Event Quick View

Mon 25th November

Volunteers Morning Tea

Tue 26th November

School Council

Tue 26th November Year 6 Transition

Mon 2nd Decemberto Fri 6th December

Year 6 Camp

Thu 12th December

End of Year Concert

Mon 16th December
Year 6 Celebration

Tue 17th December

<u>Awards Presentations</u>

Thu 19th December
Students last day of 2019

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