



WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

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Newsletter, 19 February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Whilst we are only in our third week of school a lot has happened. Our school census day was last Friday. It is pleasing to see our student's numbers increase from 239 at census in Term 3 last year to 249 this year with the secondary student numbers having had the largest increase.

We have welcomed new staff members, students and families to our school. Staff have invited parents into their classrooms to share their teaching practices, outline key focus areas for the term and discuss preferred lines of communication to ensure information is regularly shared. I was able to sit in on a few classes and was really pleased that so many parents attended the information sessions.

For the secondary area it has been pleasing to see a number of parents meet with staff or communicate via email so early in the term. We would encourage any parent who was unable to touch base with staff in the first few weeks to please contact the school to arrange a time over the next few weeks.

Thankyou to our Wagin DHS families for helping to ensure that the start of 2020 has been a smooth one. It is always a joy at the end of the day, when I ask a student how their day was, that they respond positively and are keen to share what they have learnt.

Kind regards
Tracy Pickering
Principal
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Swimming Lessons

Swimming Lessons have now started for students in Years 3 -6. Students have made a terrific start and are to be complimented for their behaviour walking to and from the school. Whilst sunscreen is available at the pool, it is preferable that parents apply this at home before school.

There were some challenges in trying to staff swimming lessons this year hence the late start. Thank you to parents for returning the permission slips so promptly.

Our Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday, 4 March.



Community Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Lana Grznic and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school. Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential.

A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on **9881 0385** or via **email** on лана.grznic@health.wa.gov.au

I will be visiting Wagin District High school on a **Wednesday** weekly. I will be available for parents at a drop in clinic on **Wednesdays** from **9.00 - 9:30am**. I look forward to working together with the school and families in 2020.



Start of Day Arrival Time



We would ask that students do not arrive at school until **8.30am**. Classrooms will be open from 8.30am to allow students to get prepared for the day. Students are more than welcome to attend Breakfast Club which is available from 8.30am.



Hospitality

The High School Hospitality class have been cooking up a storm with Mrs King and Mrs Kirk.



School Council Parent Nomination

Wagin DHS has a proactive and supportive School Council. The role of a School Council Representative is to be the voice of the parent body. This year there is a parent position available.

If you are wanting to nominate please head to our [website](#) to download and complete a nomination form by Friday, 28 February.

We meet twice a term on a Tuesday afternoon 5.30-7.30pm. The role is ideally for a 3 year tenure 2020 - 2022.

Any queries, please contact Tracy Pickering or Anita Longmuir via school on 9861 3200.



Student Leadership

It has been terrific to see so many students apply for Leadership positions. Nominations have now closed for Student Council and Faction Captain positions. Students will be given the opportunity to present their speeches to their peers on Monday, 24 February with elections being held on Tuesday, 25 February.

Successful student leaders will be notified and encouraged to support with the upcoming Swimming Carnival and the Week 6 assembly. Parents will be invited and badges will be formally presented at our first Assembly on 13 March.



FREE 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching Workshop

FREE 123 Magic and Emotion coaching workshop to be delivered in Wagin 18th and 25th March, and 1st April. Click [here](#) to read more



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