



WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Providing an empowering environment for life-long learning



Newsletter, 17 June 2020

Welcome Parents and Carers

Celebrating our Cleaners

On Monday, 15 June, schools and central services staff honoured and celebrated their cleaners with a morning tea as part of International Cleaners Day. On any given week our cleaners do an amazing job helping to keep the school humming along. This past few months has been particularly busy with COVID-19. We appreciate our 8 cleaning staff members for all that they do!

Student Leaders

Congratulations to our Student Leaders (Student Councillors and Faction Captains) for organising and running their first set of lunchtime activities. The COVID restrictions have put a halt to many of the activities a student body might have organised earlier, but we are getting back on track. On Friday, 12 June, they hosted a Year 4-7 soccer game where 40 students participated. On Monday, 15 June, similar numbers of Year 1-3's enjoyed their soccer game. This Friday, the Secondary's will partake in a lunchtime volleyball game. The Student Leaders have also supported the running of Breakfast Club as well as other in school tasks.

Reports

Semester One Reports will be emailed home on Thursday, 2 July. Further to my [email of 4 June](#), due to a break in traditional schooling as a result of COVID, the reporting structure will not be as comprehensive as normal. A-E grades will not be shown. Attributes, behaviour and effort will be indicated as well as comments outlining your child's strengths and areas for improvement. Please note, this applies to all public schools in WA. **Please ensure you contact the school this week if your email address has changed.**

Administration upgrade

The Administration upgrade is coming along well with an estimated completion date of 10 July 2020, in time for the start of Term 3. In addition, the Secondary doors have all been replaced and should be painted before the end of the term. Additional works in the Cluster area are planned to take place during Term 3.

Parent Opinion Survey

Please note that a Parent Opinion Survey will be emailed to families along with our next newsletter. Parents will have until the end of Week 1 Term 3 to complete the survey. Results will be presented to the School Council at the next meeting. We encourage all families to complete the survey so that we may have a true indication of parent satisfaction across K-10. Staff and Students (Year 5-10) will also be asked to complete a survey.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

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Learning from Play

The value of play is often underestimated. Children learn and develop so many different skills through play. The Early Years Learning teachers have set up intentional play while the students have been immersing themselves in learning without even realising.

Check out these [photos](#) of them learning.

Through play, children develop dispositions for learning such as curiosity, cooperation, confidence, creativity, commitment, enthusiasm, persistence and imagination.

Cognitive skills – maths and problem solving in the mud kitchen.

Physical abilities – digging for fossils, climbing and balancing.

Oral Language Skills – creating recipes for special potions and mapping our environment.

Social skills – working collaboratively and problem solving to create cubbies and puppet shows.

Literacy skills – like creating a menu for a pretend restaurant.



Enrolments

KINDY ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN FOR 2021! Is your child excited to start their first day of school? Now's the time to get your child school ready and enrol them in Kindy for 2021! If your child is four years old by 30 June 2021, you can enrol them in our school.

We have enrolment packs available from our front office or you can download an [enrolment form](#) from our website.

You will need to return it to us together with a copy of your child's **birth certificate** and an **up to date AIR immunisation history statement**.



Parents on School Grounds

Please remember that while you are able to drop off & pick up your children at the classroom door for the start and end of the school day, we would ask that parents use the office for any messages or deliveries **during the school day** to minimise class disruption.



Certificate Recipients

Whilst we are currently not able to hold assemblies, it is important that we continue to celebrate the success of our students. As such, classrooms will be holding their own presentations. Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates.

Merit Certificates

PP - Lilly and Trey

Yr 1 - John and Joshua

Year 1/2 - Ria and Alexis

Year 2/3 - Jakob and Henare

Year 3/4 - Mia and Joaquin

Year 4 - Jack, Bert and Rohan

Year 5/6S - Ruby and Zane

Year 5/6KW - Latika and Sara

Year 7 - Gemma, Francine and Toby

Year 8 - Ruana

Year 9 - E-Rua, Keira, Ambah, Tepora and Adia

Year 10 - Teegan, Billie



Dental Therapy Centre

The Dental Therapy Centre are proceeding with dental treatment. If you have any questions, please phone them direct on 0428 984 100. To ensure classrooms are not disrupted, **please meet your child at the Dental Van** out the front of the school.



Book Fair

Book Fair is back but looking a little different due to COVID-19. It will be held in Week 8 and 9 with all sales being driven predominantly online.

Book Fair is a valuable event as it not only provides students access to books, but it also raises money that is then distributed back into the Library. Book Fair will

therefore still run this year. The Library will be open each **lunch time** from **Monday, 15 June, through to Wednesday, 24 June, for the purposes of book selection**.

As you are aware, the school has had to alter a number of usual arrangements this term due to COVID 19. Whilst restrictions have eased, **parents will not be able to enter the Library** to select books with their child.

Students will be able to browse books during lunch and library class times and fill out their wish lists to communicate with you. While we are still accepting cash, we encourage parents to fill out the **online payment form on the back of the wish list, record the receipt number** and have their child **return the slip** to the Library. Once received, your child will be given his/her purchased books to take home.

Please feel free to contact Julie on 9861 3200 if you have any queries.



Event Quick View

Mon 29th June

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Fri 3rd July

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Sun 5th July to Sat 11th July

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