NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Today, all classes enjoyed listening to the book “Hickory, Dickory, Dash” being read to them as part of the National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS). NSS is an annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. To celebrate NSS, students also had fun coming to school dressed up as their favourite animal.
From the Principal

REPORTS
Student reports will be available electronically on Monday, 25 June. If you have not already updated your email address with the front office please do.

Wagin DHS will be reporting using the Western Australian Curriculum across all learning areas. Students from Pre-Primary to Year 10 will receive an A-E grade according to their achievement. Kindy student reports will also be on the Department of Education template; however this template is specific to Kindy covering the learning areas of identity, connecting and contributing, wellbeing, learning and thinking and communicating. In Semester 1, teachers will report on Identity and Communicating with other areas being reported in Semester 2.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
Our School Council had a training session last Thursday with Matt Osborne, the Principal Advisor; Innovation and Governance from the Department of Education. It was informative and gave council members a comprehensive overview of the roles and functions of School Councils. It has provided the platform from which we can continue to work collaboratively to meet school targets and improve outcomes for all students.

FACEBOOK and THE WAGIN WOOL PRESS
We are very excited to be sharing the excellent academic, sporting and social pursuits of students, staff and the school community via social media and through the CRC. We have already received a lot of positive comments from families and community members about the increased opportunities they have to see what is happening at school.

Wagin District High School is now on Facebook, we will provide updates and information about what is happening at school [https://www.facebook.com/WaginDHS/](https://www.facebook.com/WaginDHS/)

We will also be sharing all the great things we are doing in the Wool Press, published by our very supportive and active CRC.

PARENT SURVEY
A short survey is attached at the end of this newsletter for families to complete. Or, if you would rather a hard copy please collect one from the front office. We are using the 3 Stars and a Wish format to give you the opportunity to tell us about 3 things you feel are going well or like about school and 1 thing you would like us to do differently or change. Family responses will be combined with staff and student responses to give a ‘big picture’ overview of current issues.

The purpose of the survey is for us to gather information about how families are feeling and work towards finding better ways of celebrating the positives and seeking solutions to things you feel need addressing. Please return surveys to school by Wednesday, 30 May.

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES
Many of you will be aware of the recent tragic events that have affected our community. If you or your children require assistance with this please remember we have our wonderful Chaplain, Jill Pilkington, here Monday-Thursday. Or you may wish to contact one of the following support services available: [https://www.beyondblue.org.au/](https://www.beyondblue.org.au/) [https://www.lifeline.org.au/](https://www.lifeline.org.au/) [https://kidshelpline.com.au/](https://kidshelpline.com.au/)

Cass Harris-Moroney
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EMUS IMPACT IN OUR CLASSES
Term 2 has seen students rise to the challenge of improved behaviour expectations. Across all classrooms, it has been pleasing to see the increased effort being put in to class work and our whole school EMUS values being displayed more frequently, especially during break times. We have started a competition across classes where we collect EMUS cards weekly and tally the total handed out to students. The class who receive the most EMUS cards for the week enjoy a special reward. It is fabulous to see the positive impact this has had to our class climates that in turn, impacts education outcomes. So far, Primary students have earned a total of 843 cards showing the totals below and Year 4 and Year 3/4 have both received a class reward for being weekly winners:

- Engaged: 372
- Manners: 156
- Understanding: 82
- Strive: 233

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME
Today, to celebrate reading across Australia, schools are invited to read the same book on the same day. This year, we had the delight of hosting the Wagin Early Years Network (WEYN) event whereas families and community members with children younger than school age came to our school library and together with our Kindy students, listened to the story being read by the marvellous Mrs Mangalavite. After the story, children enjoyed animal games with Sarah Madson, the Occupational Therapist from Primary Health, then shared morning tea and did a craft activity based on the book. It has been a fabulous morning and one that was enjoyed by all.

OTHER DATES FOR YOUR CALENDARS
Friday, 25 May    Cross Country for students in Year 3 and above
Monday, 4 June   WA Day – no school
Friday, 8 June    Dumbleyung Speech and Drama Festival
Friday, 15 June   Interschool Cross Country
Friday, 22 June   Winter Carnival
Monday, 25 June   Reports emailed
Friday, 29 June   Last day of Term 2

Regards,

Emma Kirk
Deputy Principal
Emma.Lemon@education.wa.edu.au
STUDY
In the lead up to assessments and the need for revision for school there are five tips for students staying calm and promoting personal best. These are:

- Get as organised as possible, it is not too late for a study timetable. By adding structure to your revision you can work towards your goals and develop time-management skills. Outlining short-term goals that you are regularly working towards in 40 minute blocks can make your study more efficient than longer stints of study.
- Take regular revision breaks by, for example, patting the dog, complete a household chore, burst bubble wrap or take a quick walk. These brain breaks can boost brain activity and improve memory when returning to your study.
- Work on your concentration, you won’t always be able to study in absolute silence or be able to spend as much time as you would like on a particular subject. Focus on overcoming distractions and seek help as it is important to address the problem area as soon as possible.
- Maintain sleep patterns of ideally 7-8 hours per night, turning off all electronic devices at least a half hour before bedtime. Being well rested is essential for doing your best.
- Stay positive, keep the glass half full, don’t let negative people impact the progress you have made. Everyone is different and thus it is about your personal best.

IMMUNISATIONS
Thank you to families who supported the immunisation program last year. We had 100% of forms returned and the table below shows our percentages in comparison to other WA schools. We hope to achieve the same results in 2018.

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COUNTRY WEEK
Country Week teams have been selected. This is both an honour and a privilege which comes with responsibility and high expectations. We have nominated 2 mixed basketball teams. A letter is being sent home today to those students who have made the team. Dates to remember:

- Parent Meeting: Tuesday, 29 May 2018 at 4.00 - 4.30pm
- Training commencing: Tuesday, 5 June 2018 after school
- Country Week 2018: Sunday, 16 September to Friday, 21 September

Enjoy your fortnight.

Trish Hewitt
Deputy Principal
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Canteen Roster

Please attend by 9am.
Please note that children are not allowed in the canteen due to insurance requirements.
Any queries, please ring the canteen on 0459 064 160.

Thursday, 24 May
Jenny Forrest

Friday, 25 May
Ashleigh Boundy

Monday, 28 May
Kelly Edwards

Tuesday, 29 May
Sue Piesse

Wednesday, 30 May
Jess Clifton

Thursday, 31 May
Jo Fawkes

Friday, 1 June
Sarah Whiteford

Monday, 4 June
Public Holiday

Tuesday, 5 June
Julie Stott

Wednesday, 6 June
Calista van Schalkwyk
Congratulations to these students who have received prizes for their efforts to “Aim High”.

ENGAGED: Imogen and Tabitha
MANNERS: Luke and Spencer
UNDERSTANDING: Vincent and Sarah
STRIVE: Danielle and Riley

At Wagin DHS we use a positive behaviour matrix known as the EMUS – Engaged, Manners, Understanding and Strive. These positive behaviours are a guide for us to know how we can Aim High. Students receive EMUS cards when showing these behaviours and then put these cards in for the prize draw at Assemblies.
P & C GENERAL MEETING
Our next P & C General Meeting will take place on Monday, 18 June at 1.30pm in the Meeting Room. Please forward any agenda items and apologies to paulnicole@activ8.net.au

BOOK FAIR
Book Fair is well under way with students already taking advantage of the great books and other novelty items that are on offer. Be sure to check out the great range down in the library either before or after school.

Tuesday, 22 May - Thursday, 31 May (excluding Friday).

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER

Every membership we sell raises $14 for our school so we encourage you to not only consider purchasing for yourself, but forward the link to friends and family so they can purchase and also enjoy the benefits. A hardcopy version of the book is available to be viewed at the front office.

Any questions or queries to Nicole Ward at paulnicole@activ8.net.au
BORN TO MOVE

For children aged 2 - 4 years, this is a 30 minute class in which a parent or caregiver also takes part. The music is written for the class with lyrics that act as sung instructions, leading children through simple moves that build body awareness and balance. The class draws on the latest research, but your child won’t notice - they’ll be too busy having fun!

9.30am - 10:00am Friday mornings at the Katanning Leisure Centre
$3.30 or free for gold members
For any further information, please contact the KLC on 9821 4399.

MINDFULNESS

We can often spend time with full and tangled thoughts constantly whirling around our minds and then we miss the joy of the present moment. When you’re mindful, you’re able to pay attention to the present moment, and not get swept up thinking about the past or worrying about the future.

Mindfulness has been shown to help manage stress, build resilience and compassion, improve focus at work or in the classroom and can help with creativity and collaboration. Adults and children can benefit from mindfulness, especially those who have a busy or restless mind or are experiencing stress, anxiety or other mental health issues.

To learn about mindfulness for children and young people go to: https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au or http://au.reachout.com.

If you would like to try an online mindfulness meditation program for yourself or your child check out www.smilingmind.com.au.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Help the Department of Health to improve school-aged health services. Do you have a child aged between three and 18? Child and Adolescent Community Health and WA Country Health Service are reviewing the community health services provided to school-aged children and across Western Australia. You are invited to complete a short survey to help them understand what is important to you, what is working well and what could be made better.

For more information and to complete the survey, visit http://healthywa.wa.gov.au/School-health-services. The survey closes on Friday, 8 June 2018.
BETTY TERRY THEATRE

6 TREN'T STREET, WAGIN

FRIDAY 1st 6:30PM
SATURDAY 2nd JUNE 6:30PM  MATINEE 2:00PM
MONDAY 4th JUNE 6:30PM

KIDS - $8  ADULTS - $13  CONCESSION - $11

KIOSK AVAILABLE  NO EFTPOS  DOORS OPEN 30 MINUTES EARLIER

 Yeah. It's a little epic.

IN THEATERS  FEBRUARY 16

CHICKEN RUN & WALLACE & GROMIT
Wagin District High School P&C Association Inc.
Minutes of the general meeting held on Monday 14th May 2018 at 12:30pm in the meeting room.

1. Welcome
   
   In attendance

   Apologies
   T Spooner, N Kirk, A Longmuir, L Hutton-Storer, J Clifton, L Finlayson, M Harrington.

2. Confirmation of previous minutes
   
   Minutes to be amended to include discussions held during presentation of Principal's Report. C Harris-Moroney reported that parents will be surveyed via a '3 stars and a wish' process. A discussion was also held regarding school and families working together to build a positive relationship.

   Resolution: That the minutes of the meeting of Wagin District High School P&C Association held on 8th April 2018 at 12:30pm be taken as read and confirmed as true and accurate. Carried

3. Business arising from previous minutes:
   3.1 Wishlist requests - A Ward reported that adding additional 'whirlybirds' to the Brenda O'Neill Courtyard has been recommended to attempt to improve the internal conditions. A Ward to determine cost before we decide on an amount to contribute towards this using our previously discussed wishlist funding.
   3.2 Entertainment book fundraiser - N Ward has setup this fundraiser with advertising happening on social media, notes home to families and staff. It will also be advertised in coming Newsletters. A sample book is on display at the front office. To date we have sold 9 memberships. This will be a fundraiser that we can run for as long as we decide.
   3.3 Staff shirts - N Ward still researching this.

4. Correspondence
   4.1 Correspondence In: Various invoices.

   Resolution: That correspondence be received as per above list. Carried

   4.2 Correspondence out: Letter home to families and staff regarding entertainment book fundraiser, CBH and BankWest funding requests.

   Resolution: That correspondence be received as per above list. Carried

5. Treasurers Report (attached)

   Resolution: That the Treasurers Report be adopted. Carried

6. Reports
   6.1 President’s Report: N Ward read T Spooner's report in her absence. T Spooner thanked N Ward for setting up the entertainment book fundraiser,
has written to BankWest and CBH to obtain funding to go towards the Year 4-7 shade sails and has initiated communication with the Great Southern Cart Club regarding our breakfast fundraiser in September. We are awaiting a response regarding this fundraiser.

Resolution: That the President’s report be adopted. Carried

6.2 Principal’s Report: Attached.

In addition to this report, C Harris-Moroney acknowledged and thanked a student who has fundraised and donated all proceeds toward Canberra Camp fundraising. Book Fair was also discussed with J Mangalavite requesting parent volunteers to assist during lunch time on Book Fair days. Parents are also requested to ensure correct email addresses are held on record in preparation for school reports being delivered electronically.

Resolution: That the Principal’s report be adopted. Carried

6.3 School Council Report - N Ward reported that at the most recent council meeting we reviewed the composition of council. We will be welcoming several parent representatives to council. Our next meeting will be an opportunity for council to engage in training regarding the roles and responsibilities of council.

Resolution: That the School Council report be adopted. Carried

7. General Business

7.1 M Pascoe queried whether plants can be added to the planter boxes which run the length of the Brenda O’Neill Courtyard. Discussion was held regarding the difficulty in finding plants suited to this position with the close proximity to a brick wall. Any suggestions for plantings in this space are welcome.

7.2 A Howell suggested the need for suitable girls sports shorts to become available through the uniform shop. M Pascoe to investigate.

Action by: M Pascoe Carried

8. Other Business

NIL

9. Date of Next Meeting

The date for the next general meeting will be Monday 18th June at 1:30pm.

10. Closure

The meeting was closed at 1:16pm.
HOW ARE WE GOING?

3 STARS- list three things you feel are going well

and a WISH- tell us about 1 thing you would like to see us do differently or change.

Our Vision: to provide an empowering environment for life-long learning.