BANK DETAILS TO PAY FEES
You may prefer to pay school accounts through Direct Debit.
The school bank account details are as follows:
Account Name: Wagin District High School
BSB Number: 036 153
Account Number: 139315
(Westpac - Katanning)
Please ensure that the student’s name is used as the reference for all Direct Deposits

WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL
10 Ranford Street Wagin WA 6315
Principal: Mrs Cassandra Harris-Moroney
Primary Deputy: Mrs Robyn Willey
Secondary Deputy: Mrs Jolene Abbott
Registrar: Mrs Ann Ward
Phone: 9861 1877 / Fax 9861 1835
Email: wagin.dhs@education.wa.edu.au
Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au
Canteen: 9861 1348

CANTEEN CLOSED FOR LUNCH
Friday, February 20
Food will be available for Recess only on the day.
NO LUNCH ORDERS

In-Term Swimming
In-Term swimming lessons have been a refreshing relief from the recent hot weather. Students have enjoyed the opportunity to get wet, have some fun and above all learn important skills to keep them safe in the water. The lessons draw to an end this week and normal class times will resume on Friday. (Pictured is Mrs Halliday’s class returning from the pool)

Our school Faction Swimming Carnival has had a change of date and will now be held on Wednesday, February 25th. The students are very excited about the day and we would love to see as many family and friends there, to cheer them on, as possible. Thankyou to all who have volunteered their time to help out, it is sincerely appreciated.
From the Principal

CONDOLENCES
We are very sorry to hear of the death of Graeme Painter. Our thoughts are with his family; particularly his children during this very sad time.

SUPPORTING EACH OTHER
I am always in awe of how supportive and caring small communities are when sad or traumatic events happen. This has been the case with Graeme’s death, our students have been very respectful and mature when supporting each other and Graeme’s children. Our school chaplains are available to talk to students, staff and families. If you would like further assistance in supporting your child/ren during this time please phone or call into the school.

THANK YOU
Thank you to everyone who has attended the information sessions primary teachers have run over the past two and a half weeks. It was great to see so many parents and carers at these meetings and being involved in the education of their children. Secondary parents will receive a letter outlining important information for 2015 by the end of next week. Children thrive when families and school work together.

SWIMMING
In-term swimming is almost finished for this year; our students have enjoyed their lessons. Thank you to the parents and carers who have assisted with walking students to and from the pool, we greatly appreciate your time. Also extra thanks to our wonderful swimming instructors Penny Anguin, Mandy Harrington, Leanne Storer, Rachel Pedrick, Rachel Martin and Carly Fazioli, also Lyn Lucas and Robin Webster for filling in. We look forward to our swimming carnival on Wednesday February 25th and hope to see families cheering on their children or helping out.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
We welcome families to our first Assembly for 2015, held on Monday, February 23rd from 1.50pm. This year’s newest school counsellors will be announced at the Assembly and presented with their badges.

Cass Harris-Moroney

PRIMARY NEWS

Bikes
Please ensure that your children have a chain with a lock on it to secure their bikes on the bike racks.

Sip and Crunch
Our school is committed to improving children’s health through education and by supporting the Department of Health’s Crunch&Sip® initiative. Crunch&Sip® is a set break for students to eat fruit or salad vegetables and drink water in the classroom. We invite you to support your child to participate in Crunch&Sip® by providing a clean water bottle to sit on the desk and a piece of fruit or vegetable each day for Crunch&Sip®. Research has shown that drinking water and eating fruit and vegetables is essential for good health and can help concentration throughout the day.

Hats
Please ensure that your Primary child has a bucket hat or legionnaire type hat. Primary students are not permitted to wear caps. If students do not have a hat they are able to play in the shaded areas or attend Lunch Club.

Robyn Willey
With the school year well under way, it is timely to remind our community of the specific areas of focus that we will be undertaking in 2015, as we continually strive to provide positive and productive learning experiences for every student.

At Wagin DHS, our pastoral care philosophy is to create a nurturing and positive environment where each student is valued. This forms part of the curriculum where students explore their strengths and talents and investigate where these may take them in the future.

Some of the key events this term to support this include;
- Student council elections
- The Hawaiian Bike Ride – Youth Connections
- Swimming lessons (for the year 7’s) and faction carnival
- Leadership camp
- Woolorama displays and entries
- OLNA assessments for year 10 students
- Year 8 immunisations on March 4

Our goals for the year are determined by both external compliance and our desire to provide experiences and opportunities for our students that engage, inspire and challenge. Our external compliance goals include continued implementation of the Australian Curriculum so that the school will have implemented the Australian Curriculum across the Secondary School in accordance with the Schools’ Curriculum and Standards Authority timeframe. Staff will also be working on making the intentions of their lessons visible to students by articulating the knowledge, understandings and skills that will be addressed. Students will therefore be able to articulate what they are learning and why they are learning it.

**Career News**

**Police Entry Information Session**
Wednesday 11th March, 6pm - 9pm @ WA Police Academy, Joondalup.
Session includes a presentation from police recruiting about entry pathways followed by an opportunity to speak informally with presenters. Registration is essential.
T: (08) 9301 9607 or E: Police.recruiting@police.wa.gov.au

**University of Notre Dame Public Tours**
University of Notre Dame, Fremantle Campus, conducts guided public tours of the campus every Friday at 11am (excluding public holidays). This is an opportunity to get to know the campus as well as hear its history.
To book your place, visit the University’s reception or Ph: 9433 0555

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me any time at the school.
I look forward to sharing the next part of your child’s journey in 2015.

Jo Abbott
Canteen Roster
Please attend by 9am. Children are not allowed in the canteen, due to insurance requirements. Any queries; ring the canteen on 9861 1348. Thankyou for your time and support.

Term One Diary

WEEK 3
Monday, February 16 - Thursday, February 19:
In-Term Swimming Lessons

WEEK 4
Monday, February 23 - Whole School Assembly
Wednesday, February 25 - Faction Swimming Carnival

WEEK 5
Monday, March 2 - Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday, March 4 - Year 8 Immunisation
Friday, March 6 - Woolorama
(School Development Day - Students do not attend)

WEEK 6
Monday, March 9 - Whole School Assembly
Wednesday, March 11: Youth Focus Yrs 9 &10
Thursday & Friday - March 12 & 13: Leadership Camp

WEEK 7
Thursday, March 19 - Inter-School Swimming Carnival

WEEK 8

WEEK 9
Monday, March 30 - Whole School Assembly

FINAL DAY FOR STUDENTS TERM 1 -
Thursday, April 2

STUDENTS RETURN TERM 2 -
Monday, April 20

School Development Days - Students do not attend
Term 1: Friday, March 6
Term 3: Monday, August 24
Term 4: Monday, October 12

Whole School Assemblies 2015
Assemblies are held on Mondays starting at 1.50pm
Family & Friends Welcome!

Term 1
Week 4: February 23 - School Counsellors
Week 6: March 9 - Year 3 Hall
Week 9: March 30 - Year 6 Hogg
Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health

Year 8 School Vaccination Program

In 2015, Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough), Varicella (chickenpox) and Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccinations are being offered free of charge to all students at school in Year 8.

Community Nurses from Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health Service will be visiting Wagin District High School on Wednesday the 4th of March 2015 to give Year 8 students their first dose of Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine and Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine.

Immunisation Consent forms were sent home with students last week and should have been returned by today, Wednesday, February 18.

Parents/carers are asked to complete, sign and return the form, even if not consenting to the vaccination/s. No student will be vaccinated without your consent.

If you have any concerns or queries about these vaccinations please contact Pia Lambert, School Health Nurse for WDHS, on 9861-1224.

Wagin District High School
UNDERSTANDING MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Location: Wagin District High School Library
Date: Wednesday 11th March
Time: 6-7.30pm
RSVP: Mica Lanzini <mica.lanzini@youthfocus.com.au>

This information session is designed for parents/carers of adolescents, to increase awareness around common mental health issues young people face, focusing on depression and anxiety.

Aimed at helping parents/carers of young people to understand more about mental health and mental illness in their children and other family members, and assist them to find appropriate help.

It also provides participants with the confidence to seek help if they are struggling with a mental illness.

We thank you for recognising that this is an adults-only session.

Youth Focus is a unique not for profit WA organisation that supports vulnerable young people and their families across Western Australia by offering free non time limited professional counselling in schools and offices throughout the state. Youth Focus’s mission is to put a stop to youth suicide and a key strategy in this is the provision of mental health training across the broad spectrum.

Youth Focus counsellors help young people build resilience and empower them with the tools to navigate periods of mental health issues now and in the future.

For more information on Youth Focus’ services, phone 6266 4333 or visit youthfocus.com.au
Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their teachers for this award in Week 3:

Year 2/3P - Rory Hamersley, Lucas McInnes, Toby Anthony
Year 3H - Rico Roberts, Zoe Smith
Year 5H – Kayden Lilly, Nahla Staveley

Faction Swimming Carnival
Wednesday, February 25
Wagin Memorial Swimming Pool

FOOD AVAILABLE

The P&C will be operating a stall selling morning teas, tea & coffee as well as lunch salads.

NO HAT – NO PLAY
Students are reminded of our no hat no play policy at recess and lunchtime. Broad rimmed and buckets are the only acceptable types. Bucket hats can be purchased from the Uniform Shop.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop will open between 8.30 and 10.30am each Friday. The shop, run by volunteers, is located near the front office.

UnitingCare

PANCAKE DAY

February 2015

Tuesday, February 24th
Undercover Area
Second Lunchtime Siren

Proceeds to TEAR Australia - funding school packs to third world countries

GOLD COIN DONATION

Phone: 9861 1877 / Fax 9861 1835
Email: wagin.dhs@education.wa.edu.au
Website: www.wagindhs.wa.edu.au

Applications Close Thursday 2nd April 2015. More information is available from the front office.
AUSTRALIAN MOUTHGUARDS are coming to Narrogin.
ONE DAY ONLY, NO SECOND CHANCES!!
When : Sat Feb 21st
Where: Hockey Club Rooms
Time : 11am - 3pm
Cost: Start at $95.00 (When claimed thru medical fund, you pay about $30)
Payment: CASH or CHEQUE ONLY (No EFTPOS)
Enquiries please phone Karen Fazey on 9881 4785 after 7pm.

BABAKIN PRIMARY SCHOOL
1915 - 2015
All past & present students, staff, parents and community members are invited to join us to celebrate 100 YEARS of history and quality education at Babakin Primary School.

SATURDAY 28TH MARCH 2015
Please direct all enquiries to Sharon Crombie on 0429 652 032 or email babakinsps100@yahoo.com.au

GARAGE SALE
HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
GREAT BARGAINS TO BE HAD
FURNITURE
KITCHENWARE
PRODUCE
AND MUCH MUCH MORE
ON
SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 28TH
8 THORNTON STREET, WAGIN

ALL PROFITS GOING TO PLATFORM KIDS FUND INC
CARING FOR CHILDREN FOUND BEGGING ON RAILWAY STATION PLATFORMS
STRICTLY 8.30 – NO EARLY BIRDS!
Upcoming events at The University of Notre Dame

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
Parents of students in Year 10, 11 and 12 are invited to attend Notre Dame’s Parent Information Evening to discuss subject selection, course information, the transition from high school to university, and how to apply to Notre Dame. Guest speaker, Robyn Smith (Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Moderation at SCSA) will present on how changes to the WACE curriculum will impact students applying to university from 2017.
Tuesday March 10, 6:30pm
19 Mouat Street, Fremantle

MEDICINE INFORMATION SESSION
Students interested in studying Medicine at Notre Dame are invited to attend a Medicine Information Session. Learn about the Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery, the Pre-Medicine Certificate and speak with current Medicine students.
Sunday March 22, 10:30am
School of Medicine, 38 Henry Street, Fremantle

To RSVP, visit www.nd.edu.au or contact the Prospective Students Office on 9433 0533

Australia’s Healthy Weight Week

February 16 – 22 is Australia’s Healthy Weight Week (AHWW), developed by the Dietitian’s Association of Australia to kick start healthy eating habits.

Being a healthy weight gives you more energy to keep up with your kids, and be their healthy role-model. It is also important to reduce your risk of Type 2 Diabetes, some cancers, heart disease and can have a positive effect on your mental health.

This year’s focus is on home cooking. When you make meals and snacks at home you are in control of the ingredients and the portion sizes, and can change recipes to make them healthier for your family.

Why not visit the website http://healthyweightweek.com.au/get-involved/ and get involved in Healthy Weigh week? See the range of free nutrition fact sheets with tips on budget eating, smart food swaps, and healthy meal plans to name a few.

There are also tips on eating better, moving more, understanding food packaging and how to assess your body weight. Why not try the Cooking Challenge or the AHWW 10 week challenge too?

Everyday Healthy: Seasonal, fresh and tasty is a recipe book that has been developed for the AHWW Cooking Challenge and can be downloaded free at: http://healthyweightweek.com.au/australias-healthy-weight-week-cookbook/