



FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Term 1 has really flown by. It is really hard to believe that we are now in Week 9; approaching the Easter Break and only 2½ away from the end of the term. We have had a busy but very settled and smooth term and we are hopeful that this has set the tone for the remainder of the year.

This is our second newsletter for the year. We have been trialling other communication methods; in particular Dojo and Facebook. It was felt that these are more instantaneous and there was less likelihood of important events being missed by using these forums. Judging by the number of followers on our Facebook page in particular I can only assume that you are all happy with this. I certainly enjoy seeing all of the news that comes to me through Dojo and Facebook.

Our PBS program that is in operation at the school has certainly taken off this term. As you are aware we have a fortnightly focus based upon the 5 "Waroona CARES" values of Consideration, Aspiring, Responsible, Engaged and Safe. The students are taking these values on board and it is easy to see the focus for the fortnight by the behaviours that they are exhibiting daily. We are very fortunate to have a great team of staff on the PBS Committee led by Chelsea Rotheram and Tania Powell. Keep an eye out around the school over the next term for our new PBS signage. Our focus for the last fortnight of the term is '*We are Responsible and wear our school uniform with pride*'. Staff will be keeping their eyes out for students who are doing this daily.

This term saw Mrs Robyn Garwood retire from Waroona DHS after a very lengthy career here. A special morning tea was held so that the staff were able to say their farewells and present some gifts. Robyn was a fantastic and dedicated teacher and Student Services Coordinator. She is certainly missed around our school. However, we have been extremely fortunate in finding a superb replacement. Mrs Rebecca Sutton has stepped into the role of Student Services and has already started to do a wonderful job. I would like to publicly welcome her to the role and to our school Leadership Team. Mrs Sutton is the person to contact if you have any queries regarding your child's welfare or concerns of a social/emotional nature.

The new P&C Committee have taken up their roles with a huge amount of enthusiasm. I feel very confident that they will continue to be an asset to our school in the years to come.

They have met very regularly over the last few weeks and are already working on some great fundraising plans. This week they were at the school undertaking the "Nits Blitz" which is extremely helpful to both the school and the local community and I would like to thank them for providing this voluntary service. They are always keen to welcome new members as the bigger the P&C group is, the more activities they are able to organise and staff. Keep an eye out on their Facebook page for events they are coordinating and meeting dates. If you have some time on your hands please come along and help these enthusiastic parents.

Yesterday we all headed up to the Waroona Recreation Centre for our annual Swimming Carnival. The students had been busily perfecting their swimming strokes and trialling for the events. It was, as always, a terrific day which brought the primary and secondary students together and encouraged healthy competition between the factions. The levels of support and sportsmanship amongst the students made us all so proud to be associated with the school. Miss Taneika Handley did a fantastic job of organising this year's event and I know that everyone involved enjoyed the day. We had so much help and support from parents and the community yet again. It is this level of assistance which helps us to continue to run these events so successfully. On behalf of everyone involved I would like to say a huge thank you to you all.

Have a wonderful Easter break with friends and family. Remember that our school is also taking Easter Tuesday as well, so we have a lengthy 5 day break. We look forward to seeing everyone back safe and happy on **Wednesday 4th April**. We then start the downhill run towards the holidays which begin at the conclusion of school on **Friday 13th April**. This is an 11 week term which is unusual but has arisen due to the Easter break falling within the term.

Mrs Cathy de Thierry
PRINCIPAL



PRIMARY NEWS

As this term nears its conclusion I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the staff and our fabulous parent community for all their efforts to date. This term we have seen a late surge in enrolments in Weeks 3-5 which has made classroom structure planning extremely difficult. We therefore thank parents for showing understanding with our recent restructure in Week 5. These new class make ups have settled in well, thanks to the good work of our teachers.





Last Friday 16 March was the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. As a registered school we have made a commitment to support this initiative every year. This year we were able to bring an anti-bullying show to the school called 'Too Cool for Bullies!' Also, class teachers ensured that their students were exposed to curriculum activities aimed at giving students the skills to combat this societal problem. All students and staff also came together on the oval to map out a human message that could read: *Bullying No Way!* Look out for the photo of this project on Class Dojo and in the local papers. Research is telling us that the best way to reduce bullying is through the empowerment of the 'bystander'. When those observing bullying behaviour are prepared to support the victim or notify authorities then the bully becomes more isolated and less likely to repeat their behaviours.

The colder months are not far away and students will soon require jumpers and jackets. We ask that parents and carers support the school by ensuring students are sent to school in the correct school uniform jackets/jumpers. The school tracksuit style jacket is available from the Uniform Shop which looks fantastic. Students are also able to wear plain black or bottle green jumpers and jackets. Students attending school in bright coloured jumpers and those with large logos will be asked to remove them.

Finally, congratulations to all the students who competed in Wednesday's Faction Swimming Carnival. It was a very successful event and great to see students supporting each other. Thanks also to the junior P&C for supplying a delicious hotdog lunch. The primary school now turns its attention to the Interschool Swimming Carnival against St Josephs Primary School and Carcoola Primary School on Wednesday 11th April.

Have a terrific Week 9 and enjoy the upcoming Easter break with your families!

Mr Carl Carulli

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (Primary)



SECONDARY NEWS

Once again the school year appears to be disappearing fast. I have been extremely impressed with our High School students and how they are taking their education seriously. It has been a very consistent theme when I have visited their classrooms; students are listening, engaging in the activities and working hard to do their very best. This positive attitude when applied in this consistent manner will only result in better grades for the students. Well done and now the **challenge** is to keep up the

effort for the rest of the year and continue to **aspire** to do your very best.

Interim reports will be provided for the High School students on Friday 6th April. Please feel free to make an appointment with our staff in Week 10 if you wish to discuss your child's progress. Dojo is a great way to make contact with individual staff to arrange a suitable time. If you are not a Dojo member please call the school on 9782 7000 and a message will be passed on to staff.

Some of our Year 10's have just completed their OLNA testing. The OLNA is an online literacy and numeracy assessment. It is designed to enable students to successfully meet the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) requirement of demonstrating the minimum standard of literacy and numeracy. Students who have achieved Band 8 or higher in any of the three components of reading, writing and numeracy in their Year 9 NAPLAN are acknowledged as having demonstrated proficiency in using a range of skills in that component and will not be required to sit the corresponding OLNA test.

As the Year 7's and 9's will be completing their NAPLAN early next term it is important they do their very best as it may mean that they will prequalify for the OLNA and thus not have to sit the tests in Year 10, 11 or 12. A great reason for them to do their very best now!

We have a busy end to the term for the Year 7-10 group with a number of incursions and excursions planned. The "Bridging the Gap" career bus was on site on Tuesday working with our Year 10's to help them profile themselves. This enabled them to select some possible future career pathways. This has been a great free service to our students over the past few years offering them an interactive space to identify their interests and provide a starting point for their career development exploration.

Our Year 10's will be off to Rottneest in Week 11. Mrs O'Meara and Mr Donaldson have a range of fun educational activities planned, so the week will be a great way for them to finish the term.

Our Year 7-10 students will be working hard right up to the siren on the last day of this term to ensure they get their 200 plus Dojo points. Those that achieve 200 points will get to enjoy a reward day early next term.

As this is the last Newsletter for the term, I would like to wish all our school community an enjoyable and safe Easter and mid-semester break.

Mr David Mattin

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (Secondary)



WATERWISE

Encourage children to empty water bottles onto the garden or pot plants instead of tipping water down the sink.

WDHS P&C Uniform Shop

Open Tuesday mornings

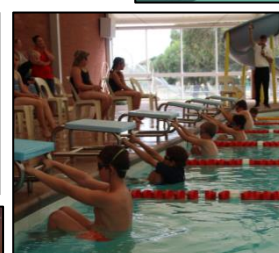
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2018 Swimming Carnival

CONGRATULATIONS RED FACTION

Year	Boys	Girls
Yr 4 Champion	Thomas Stone	Jasmine Aitken
Yr 4 Runner Up Champion	Ryan Grant	Kaylee McKenzie
Yr 5 Champion	Jake Pich	Emma Beales
Yr 5 Runner Up Champion	Jack Bevan	Emma Fry
Yr 6 Champion	Jesse Grant	Tess Purcell
Yr 6 Runner Up Champion	Siah Waller	Makkiah Dittmann
Yr 7 Champion	Joshua Ingram	Rachel Smith
Yr 7 Runner Up Champion	Nicholas Deleo	Jazmyne Birch
Yr 8 Champion	Taj Parker	Eve Hornby & Kylaiah Jetta
Yr 8 Runner Up Champion	Jack Grant	Gypsy Presdee
Yr 9 Champion	Benjiman Grant	Maya Bykerk
Yr 9 Runner Up Champion	Riley Seubert	Bailey Peters
Yr 10 Champion	Jai Thomas	Sophia Bykerk
Yr 10 Runner Up Champion	Kane Parker	Amber Smith



HARVEY HOCKEY CLUB
Junior Hockey Registration Day
for Girls & Boys aged 4 and over

Saturday, 7th April 2018
11:00 am to 1:00 pm
at the Harvey Hockey Field
(behind the Harvey Recreation & Culture
Centre)

For more information email:
harveyhockeyclub@gmail.com





Positive Behaviour Support (PBS)

During Weeks 5-6 this term we focussed on **Aspiring: We set goals and work towards them.**

Weeks 7-8 **Considerate: We allow others to learn.**

Well done to all those students who set small, medium and long term goals, with many Year 10's setting a goal of passing OLNA testing. Students were allowing others to learn but working quietly and sharing their teacher's time. Well done!

This fortnight we are introducing **Responsible: We wear school uniform with pride.**

Wearing a uniform brings a sense of belonging and respect. It is not about who can afford the smartest clothes or the newest

fashions, but about bringing a feeling of equality. Uniforms create an identity for the school in the community and you should wear it with pride.

A big congratulations to our recent DOJO Wheel of Fortune winners in the secondary school:

Jazmyne Birch, Sarah Darlington, Bethany Ingram, Caprice Franco, Amber Smith, Sophie Tyler, Jim Thomas, Abby Simpson, Kylie Dennis, Kylaiah Jetta, Lily Della Franca, Jessica Ackerly and Angela Stampone.

The PBS Team



ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merits at the last assemblies:

Year PP	Chloe Lunamaria Rico	Kingston Thomas		
Year 1	Hayley Clarke Savanna-Marie Hopps	Blake Day Sienna Pisconeri	Ryan Freebody Rebekah Thomas	Bay Tieleman-French
Year 2	Te Ata Milne	Summer-Apple Thomas	Charlie de Bont	
Year 3	Chase Dillon Riley Racco	Sienna Dittmann x 2 Lilah Sander	Jack Freebody Bonnie Winmar	James Woods
Year 4	Jasmine Aitken Emily Ingram x 2	Jordan Bennell Kaylee McKenzie	Rebel Dillon	
Year 5	Sarah Bykerk Ryan Evans	Charlie Darby Libbie Gaston	Dylan Edmunds Cayley MacKay	Sian Wright
Year 6	Lachlan Birch Tess Purcell	Madison Hemopo Jake Waterman	Saverio Jetta	
Year 7	Jacinta Cross Jim Thomas	Joshua Ingram Sophie Tyler	Rachel Smith	
Year 8	Krystal Dillon			
Year 9	Maya Bykerk Ryleigh Scott x2	Benjiman Grant Kade Thomas	Shannon Hewitt	
Year 10	Jamie-Lee Bennell Kylie Dennis	Sophia Bykerk Maverick Dodds	Sam Campbell Rick Jetta	Jai Thomas Chayli White

LOOK – Acceptance Month!

March has been Acceptance Month at Waroona District High School. Look at all the awesome activities we have been up to!

- Too Cool for Bullies Incursion for Primary Students.
- Year 10 Heath Black Incursion with Gail Frater and guest speaker Amy Coombe.
- Bullying No Way drone photo of students on the school oval
- Harmony Day – class activities and lunch time activities organised by the Student Council, Miss Rotheram and Karen Burke (our Chaplain).
- Career Bus for Year 10 students came to Waroona DHS
- **Easter is Here** - Primary classes have been making Easter presents and treats. Karen has also been working with several primary classes to make some delicious Easter chocolates. The students are well prepared for Easter now. Happy Easter everyone!
- **Caught on Camera** - The Easter bunny was caught on the CCTV in Year 3/4. Look what he got up to!

