



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very good start to this, the final term of the year. It is probably our busiest term by far with many special events and presentations, Thank You's, finalisations for 2018 and preparations for the following year. It is also the term that final student reports for the year are compiled and sent home.

We have begun working on our projected planning for 2019 and have started to configure class groupings. We are working on our staffing and are basing our classes on a 7 group model for the Primary and similar in the Secondary (as those teachers provide DOTT across the entire school). We are still maintaining the same option choices for our secondary students thanks to the wonderful and quite diverse skill sets of our staff. These will comprise Music/Media/Performing Arts, Design and Technology, Visual Arts, Home Economics, Physical Education/Specialised Sport and a continuing strong Bush Rangers Cadets program. Despite our small size we are still offering a more diverse range of subject choices than many District High Schools. If we are able to maintain our numbers in the secondary school this will continue to be the case. We need to work together to encourage our community to have faith in our school and keep their children here with us until they complete Year 10. Maintaining good numbers in our Secondary will ensure further growth in subject choices.

Today we held our Noongar 6 Seasons Garden opening on the grass tiered Koort area. The ceremony went well and was well attended. The students, in conjunction with our willing staff and our fantastic School Gardener Lisa Fry, have worked really hard to develop and build a garden which has really lived up to and exceeded expectations. Not only does it contain a number of plants from each of the 6 seasons, it also provides information about the seasons and incorporates a number of other culturally significant items such as the Waggy! which is, according to Noongar (local aboriginal) culture, a snakelike dreamtime creature responsible for the creation of the waterways and landforms of the south-west of Western Australia. The opening included a smoking ceremony and Welcome to Country by Mr Robert Jetta; presentations by our students regarding the 6 seasons and the creation of the garden itself, followed by the cutting of a ribbon to officially open the garden. A morning tea was held afterwards for special guests and attendees.

The End of Year preparations for the Presentation and Graduation ceremonies are in full swing. The dates have been placed in the planner and are as follows: **Presentation Day:** whole school Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. **Year 6 Graduation:** Primary only Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

We also have our annual Thank You morning tea on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November for invited guests. This is our opportunity as a school to show our appreciation to all of those people who contribute to the running of our wonderful school, whether it be coming in as relief when staff are unavailable, volunteering

their time around the school in classes or around the grounds or donating to our prizes at the end of the year.

Preparations are forging ahead for the Secondary School Dance. Miss Rotheram and the Student Council are working really hard to ensure that it is a fantastic night and many tickets have been sold. I am really looking forward to attending again this year as it is always a lot of fun and so lovely to see all of the students dressed up and enjoying themselves.

We were fortunate to be selected as one of the first schools in WA to undertake the new School Review using the ESAT (Electronic Self Assessment Tool). This process is different in the sense that schools are required to make judgements about their own progress in 6 key areas and back up these judgements with data. A team, comprising a Director from the Public School Accountability Directorate and a Principal from another similar school then come out to meet members of the school community and discuss these judgements. They then compile a report which either validates the judgements and evidence or refutes it. The school is then deemed to be effective or needing improvement. Last week I was asked to be the Principal on two reviews in another Region and feel that the process is one of the most refreshing and valid review processes to be utilised across schools. I have faith that it will validate our judgements and provide a fair and unbiased review which will be available to the community before the end of the term.

Have a safe and happy remainder of the term. We hope to see as many of you as possible at the various functions throughout the next few weeks.

**Mrs Cathy de Thierry**  
PRINCIPAL

## PRIMARY NEWS

Welcome



The Primary School has had a great start to Term 4, with some changes in the Administration Team as well as in the Year 6 class! I am very excited to be working alongside Mrs de Thierry and Mr Mattin, who have welcomed me and shown me the ropes in the office! Miss Grout has taken over my Physical Education role and is working one day a week in the Year 6 classroom. I am envious that I have had to put my beloved joggers and sports clothing away to accommodate for the formal wear I am now wearing.

As we all know, Term 4 is a very busy time of year! We have several important dates to remember across the board...

Town Remembrance Day Service – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
STEM Challenge (Yr 4-6 Students) – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November  
School Development Day – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
Presentation Assembly – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
Year 6 Graduation Assembly – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
End of Year Fun Day – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

As you can see, we have a busy term ahead!





**STEM Challenge** – Our Term 4 STEM Challenge is for our Year 4-6 students in Mrs Fee, Mrs Perrott and Miss Miller's class. The challenge will be given to students on the Thursday. All students involved will be placed into small groups (they will find out their groups at the time of the challenge) and will need to work collaboratively to establish a solution! If you have any spare recyclable materials, could you please send them in with your child to help with the challenge.

**PEAC Results** – Last term, our Year 4 students completed a Primary Extension and Challenge test. A letter has been sent to parents to let them know how their child went.

**Presentation Assembly** – Parents/Guardians please keep Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> of December free! This is our annual assembly where we recognise those students who have achieved outstanding results throughout the year.

**Year 6 Graduation** - Mrs Fee has sent out a reminder to parents to lock in the Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December for the Year 6 Graduation. The Graduation will begin at 11:45am sharp and will go through until lunch, parents have been asked to provide a small plate to share with students.

Our Year 4/5 class is lucky enough to have Miss Dayna Jacob complete her teacher practicums in our classroom this term. Miss Jacob is a competent teacher who has organised several interesting and engaging lessons. We wish Miss Jacob all the best for this year and the remainder of her teaching career.

A reminder to parents that Term 4 is a 'no hat, no play' term; if students are not wearing a hat they will be asked to sit in the shade.

I hope you enjoy Term 4! Please don't hesitate to contact me and arrange a meeting if you have any queries throughout the term!

**Miss Taneika Handley**  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (Primary)**



## SECONDARY NEWS

In the last newsletter I explained the OLNA process and its purpose. The Online Literacy and Numeracy test or OLNA is a multi-choice computer based test designed to assess students for a minimum standard required for higher education and the workforce. There are three different components of the OLNA test; Reading, Writing and Numeracy.

The school is extremely pleased with our student results with nearly 60% passing Numeracy, 80% passing Reading and 90% passing Writing and congratulate all the students for their hard work.

**Social Experiment** - Since the beginning of the term our cleaners, gardener and teaching staff did not pick up rubbish in the high school area. Teaching staff did not request students to pick up their rubbish. As you can imagine waste started to build

up. After about a week a few students took it upon themselves to pick up rubbish and clean areas. It became obvious that the wind would move the rubbish around and build up in a few areas making them look particularly dirty. The students started to notice their environment and started asking questions like; are the cleaners on strike, what's happening about the rubbish.

On Tuesday morning all the students discussed the events and their thought on what happened over the past 2 weeks. All were in agreement that they could do more to keep their school environment cleaner.

Waste stations are being set up across the school and extra bins have been funded from Bushrangers. Signage has been created at the 3 bin stations to assist with the correct separation of the waste. All staff are now looking forward to a cleaner school and a more effective recycling and waste management within the school.

**Mr David Mattin**  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (Secondary)**

## Positive Behaviour Support (PBS)

During Weeks 1-2 this term we focused on ***Aspiring: We set goals and work to achieve them.***

Many students were setting goals to help them achieve their best at school for Term 4. They learnt that goals need to be SMART- that is specific, measurable, attainable, relevant and time bound. It is also important to write them down and make an action plan to help achieve them. Goal setting needs to be ongoing so you should make it part of your daily or weekly routine.

During Weeks 3 and 4 we are focusing on:

***Engaged: We submit our own work.***

If you copy someone else's work and call it your own then you are denying yourself the opportunity to learn and practice skills as well as receiving feedback from teachers to help you improve. You are also disrespecting your peers who have done their own work.

Remember to always put things into your own words and don't copy and paste from the internet! It's your work that the teacher values and so should you. 😊

During Weeks 5 and 6 we will focus on

***Engaged – We ask questions if we are unsure.***

**The PBS Team**



### Maths Tutoring

for Secondary Students during Term 4  
Room 1, every Tuesday  
3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

### Stay WaterWise WA

Check your irrigation system to ensure you  
are not watering paths and buildings!





**Makuru**  
June July



## Opening of our 6 Seasons Garden



**Birak**

**December,  
January**



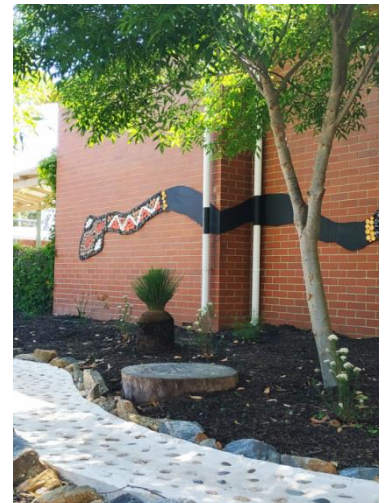
**Djeran**  
April, May



**Bunuru**  
February, March



**Djilba**  
August, September



**Kambarang**  
October, November



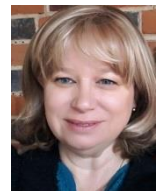


A special thank you to Mrs Margaret Farmer and family for cooking some fabulous Kangaroo Stew and Damper and to Bindjareh Middars dance group for making our day special!



## CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

By: Karen Burke



Each fortnight, Waroona DHS concentrates on a specific virtue. This week and next, our school is looking at the virtue: **ENGAGEMENT** and the behaviour: **We are engaged when we submit our own work.**

As we know, a virtue is a stable part of one's character that allows a person to perform well and to give his/ her best.

In school, student engagement refers to the degree of attention, curiosity, interest, optimism and passion that students show when learning and completing their school work. It is intricately related to self-motivation and connection.

Here are some ideas that parents may choose to use to help keep their children engaged in their school and personal learning:

**1) ENCOURAGE OPEN AND SINCERE COMMUNICATION-**

*Create an open environment where your child can express his/ her opinions about their learning. This reassures children that their ideas matter.*

**2) FOCUS ON YOUR CHILD'S INTERESTS**

*Encourage your child to explore topics that peak his/her fascination.*

**3) SHARE YOUR ENTHUSIASM FOR LEARNING**

*Help your child see that learning is making new, exciting discoveries.*

**4) HELP YOUR CHILD STAY ORGANISED**

*Help your child organise the supplies that they need for class and keep a calendar with due dates. This helps students to become less overwhelmed and learn time management skills.*

**5) RECOGNISE AND CELEBRATE YOUR CHILD'S ACHIEVEMENTS**

*Finishing a project or doing well on a test or simply putting a lot of effort into doing one's best may call for a small treat or a trip to the ice cream shop! Primary students, especially, respond to positive rewards.*

**6) MAKE EVERY DAY A LEARNING DAY**

*Encourage your child to explore the world around him/her and ask questions and make connections!*



## Outstanding Sports Achievements

Congratulations to **Hannah Jenkins** who competed at the 2018 Marcus Oldham National Interschools competition in Werribee Victoria with her horse Hoffman's Vintage (Vinnie).

Representing not only our school but our whole state, Hannah placed 6<sup>th</sup> in her Working Hunter Class and also received 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> in other classes.

This is an amazing and fantastic achievement! Well done Hannah.



*If your child has achieved above and beyond outside of school, we would love to learn more about their successes, please let us know!*

## P & C Uniform Shop

**Open every Tuesday  
between 8:30 am and 9:00 am**

School Uniform and Factions Shirts for 2019 are now available in the uniform shop for all years.

Secondary students have a separate uniform to our Primary and Kindy/Pre-Primary. All uniforms are available at our Uniform Shop.

The lost property box is *overflowing* with uniforms, drink bottles, containers and odd items; if your children are missing items, please encourage them to look in the Lost Property Box.

Any items not removed by close of school in 2018 will be donated to the Uniform Shop or our local Opportunity Shops

We encourage parents/carers to label your children's belongings to enable their quick return.

**SATURDAY 3RD NOVEMBER**



WAROONA REC CENTRE & YAC  
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# SPOOKY DISCO

4 - 10 YEARS :: 4-6PM

11+ 6:30 - 8:30PM

WAROONA RECREATION & AQUATIC  
CENTRE

WEAR YOUR BEST HALLOWEEN COSTUME!

TICKETS: \$5 PER CHILD OR \$12 FAMILY



## JOIN THE FUN

PLAY CRICKET AT YOUR LOCAL CLUB AND LEARN NEW  
SKILLS WHILE PLAYING AUSTRALIA'S FAVOURITE SPORT



### JUNIOR BLASTERS AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS

- Learn new skills including catching, throwing and teamwork
- Make new friends or organise a group to learn together
- Wear the colours of your favourite Big Bash heroes in a personalised t-shirt
- All equipment supplied, parents join in the fun

#### SIGN UP NOW TO GET YOUR JUNIOR BLASTERS PACK!

Includes t-shirt with your name on it and a bucket hat in your choice of Big Bash team colours. Not \$2.99! Personalised bat sticker. Short & progressive cricket.



### MASTER BLASTERS AGES 7-10 | 90 MINS

- For kids with basic cricket skills
- Every kid gets a chance to bat, bowl and field
- Wear the colours of your favourite Big Bash heroes in your choice of coloured player cap
- Make new friends or organise a group to play together
- All equipment supplied, parents join the fun

#### SIGN UP NOW TO GET YOUR MASTER BLASTERS PACK!

Includes player cap in your choice of Big Bash team colour & progressive cricket.



### JUNIOR CRICKET AGES 9-17 | 2-4 HOURS

- Play junior cricket at your local club
- Short, action-packed games
- Enhanced game formats allowing for greater skill development
- Develop teamwork in a fun and competitive environment
- Join an existing team or join with a group of friends

#### SIGN UP NOW TO ALL-GIRLS LEAGUES

**\*\* Waroona Junior Cricket Club registrations are open \*\***

Contact : Tony Ashton

Mobile : 0407 175 952

DAYS : Friday

START DATE : 2nd November 2018

COST : \$65

TIME : 4:30pm - 5:30pm

\*\*\* Go to [PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU](http://PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU) to register today \*\*\*

JOIN THE FUN AT YOUR LOCAL CLUB  
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On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November the Student Council are hosting the End of Year Celebration Dance for secondary students at the Town Memorial Hall. This annual event is a great opportunity for High School students to dress up and hit the dancefloor with their classmates and friends to mark the end of another great year. There will be a light supper provided and soft drinks and lollies on sale throughout the night. In addition to the usual photo wall to record the memories of the night, there will also be Polaroid pictures to purchase.

We are looking forward to a night of dancing and judging best dancers, belle & beau and best couple of the ball.

Mr D has agreed to be the DJ and has distributed a form asking for music requests to get everyone out on the dancefloor. Make sure you get yours back so the event has the playlist that you want!

Tickets cost \$15 and are available for purchase from the Front Office outside of class times. Make sure you get yours and start planning a great night.

## End of Year Celebration Dance for Secondary Students Tickets on Sale



### Talking kids Parenting Workshop

A FREE FIVE SESSION PARENTING PROGRAM FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN HOW TO:

- Building a good relationship with your child in a positive way,
- Exploring ideas and strategies to find positive solutions for morning routines, bedtime and sleep issues, back chat, sibling rivalry and much more.

Where: 10 Henning St, Waroona

When: Every Thursday 15, 22, 29 November & 6, 13 December 2018

Time: 9.30am to 12.00pm

Facilitator: Janette Merendino

Crèche: Available

Bookings Essential

Phone: 9581 0581 or Email: [peel.pcwa@anglicarewa.org.au](mailto:peel.pcwa@anglicarewa.org.au)

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### TODDLER DROWNING PREVENTION PRESENTATION



**Did you know that drowning is the leading cause of preventable death in children aged 0-4 years old?**

Attend a free Keep Watch toddler drowning prevention presentation to find out why children are at risk, what you can do to keep kids safe around water and how to respond in an emergency. The presentation covers:

- Drowning statistics
- Where and why toddlers drown
- How to keep your children safe around water
- Demonstration of infant & child CPR

**9.00am, Friday 26th October**

Waroona Recreation & Aquatic Centre

**Registrations essential** - please contact the centre on

9733 2389 or [wrcr@waroona.wa.gov.au](mailto:wrcr@waroona.wa.gov.au)

light morning tea provided

Partner:





## Term 4 Planner 2018

WEEK	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
3	21 Oct	22 Oct ☼	23 Oct	24 Oct B/Rangers - Weir	25 Oct Immunizations Year 8	26 Oct NAIDOC Garden Opening  B/Rangers - Munda Bidli	27 Oct
4	28 Oct	29 Oct ☼  Scitech Years 7 - 10	30 Oct  Safe talk for Year 10	31 Oct  B/Rangers - Weir	1 Nov	2 Nov Assembly K/PP B/Rangers - Munda Bidli	3 Nov
5	4 Nov	5 Nov ☼	6 Nov	7 Nov  B/Rangers - Weir	8 Nov	9 Nov	10 Nov
6	11 Nov	12 Nov ☼	13 Nov	14 Nov	15 Nov  School Dance	16 Nov PD Day  No School for students	17 Nov
7	18 Nov	19 Nov ☼	20 Nov	21 Nov	22 Nov  S/C Beach Bash Fundraiser	23 Nov	24 Nov
8	25 Nov	26 Nov ☼	27 Nov	28 Nov  B/Rangers - Weir	29 Nov	30 Nov  Assembly	1 Dec
9	2 Dec	3 Dec ☼	4 Dec	5 Dec	6 Dec	7 Dec Presentation Day	8 Dec
10	9 Dec	10 Dec ☼  Year 6 Graduation	11 Dec	12 Dec  Fun Day	13 Dec  Last day of School for 2018	14 Dec	15 Dec

☼ Indicates Early Close 2.20 pm

Our webpage is up and running please take the time to have a look, it is fantastic!

**[www.waroonadhs.wa.edu.au](http://www.waroonadhs.wa.edu.au)**



## ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merits at the last assemblies:

Year PP	Emily Stone	Evelyn Woodley	
Year 1	Kaisha Lloyd	Savanna-Marie Hopps	Mackenzie Stokes
Year 2	Jacob Edmunds Sophie Gordon	Jessica Stone	Kaiden Simpson
Year 3	Jacob McWilliams Ashlyn Clements	Lachlan Hemopo Jasmine Edmunds	Sianna Dittmann
Year 4	Declan Clements	Shaye Wright	Jordon Bennell
Year 5	Jake Paterson Emma Beales	Jared McConnachy Jack Bevan (x2)	Quinton Woods Libbie Gaston
Year 6	Madison Hemopo	Ashton Parker	
Year 7	Jazmyne Birch	Jacinta Cross	
Year 8	Damien Dodds	Abby Simpson	
Year 9	Ryleigh Scott Jessica Ackerly	Zane Dennis Ella-Mary Stickney	Chelsea Spence
Year 10	Nickietta Van der Zwan	Sam Campbell	

## HATS

Students **MUST** have a hat this term if they want to be in the sun during break times!

Hats are also essential during Physical Education and Bush Ranger classes.



## LOOK



**Thank you P&C!** - Next time you're visiting the Kindy/ Pre Primary class, have a look at the beautiful new blinds in both classrooms. In combination with the new flooring they have really given the place a face lift. Thank you K/PP Subcommittee for raising the funds to enable this to happen.

**Thank you Bunnings!** - Have you seen the Junior Garden? Some busy little green thumbs have been planting a range of plants in the new raised garden beds. Some are edible and some are adding gorgeous colour to the area. Thank you Bunnings, Halls Head for donating \$120 worth of plants!

**Breakfast Club** - We would like to offer a warm welcome to Mr and Mrs Nigel and Margie Hume. They are our new volunteers in Breakfast Club on Wednesday mornings. You wouldn't even guess they were new faces at Breakfast Club either. They have come in and joined the rest of the crew and enjoyed chats with many of our students. Thank you for making them feel so welcome. They are amazed at how fantastic everyone's manners are!

**New volunteers welcome! Please see Mrs Sutton our friendly office staff.**

**Earbus Foundation** - Earbus is a children's charity that works to reduce the incidence of middle ear disease in Aboriginal and at-risk children in WA. They came for a Meet and Greet and initial screening session on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October. A total of 22 students were seen! They will be back to see the remaining students and for their official launch on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November.



Public Transport  
Authority

**SBS** SchoolBus  
Services

## Log On before you Hop On

Students who require bus transport from Waroona to Pinjarra/Harvey in 2019 for Year 11 are required to apply for Student Transport Assistance.

For more information please visit

[www.schoolbuses.wa.gov.au](http://www.schoolbuses.wa.gov.au)

or telephone 9326 2625