



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of another year. We are into Week Three and yet again we have had a very smooth start. It was lovely to see everyone's smiling faces on the first day back and to hear all of the holiday stories. Students are settled with their new teachers in their new classes and we are prepared for another successful year.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new families to both the school and the community. Waroona District High School aims to develop students who are Considerate, Aspiring, Responsible and Engaged in a Safe environment. We aim to develop a strong community culture which provides a quality education for all students. We strive to build the capacity of the "whole child" to meet their academic, emotional and developmental needs to enable our students through a caring and supportive approach. We refer to this as the Waroona Way and have as our motto Waroona CARES.

We are starting the term with 241 students which is almost the same number that we finished with last year. This is really good for our school as it means that we are not declining in size. It is great to see that we have large numbers of Kindy and Pre Primary students this year, as this ensures the sustainability of our school. In fact, the numbers are so large that we will probably have to juggle our classes in this area to ensure that we are not exceeding our recommended class sizes. Parents who have children in these classes will be receiving letters regarding these arrangements today.

I had the wonderful opportunity of spending the day with three of my School Council members on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Annette Mason; our School Council Chair, Grace Pisconeri, Brad Vitale and myself travelled to Perth to attend professional learning to support School Councils in their valuable work. We found the day to be very beneficial and will be utilising the guidelines and procedures throughout the year to grow and develop our School Council.

I also had the pleasure of attending the AGM and first meeting of the P & C on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February. It was terrific to see so many parents at the meeting and willing to take on the various roles. Bronwyn Lawson is our new President and she has been very proactive in getting things up and running this year. At Waroona DHS we are extremely fortunate to have a very proactive community who engage readily and frequently with our school. I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank everyone who makes a contribution to our school community. It takes a village to raise and educate a child and the



community certainly takes this approach. If you feel that you would like to be involved in some way, please make contact.

I look forward to working with your children and yourselves throughout the year. Please feel free to make an appointment to come in and talk to me or my staff if there is something that you wish to discuss. We are here to work in collaboration with you to ensure that your child's educational journey is a happy and successful one.

**Mrs Cathy de Thierry**  
**PRINCIPAL**

## PRIMARY NEWS

Hi Waroona



Welcome to the 2019 school year! Our primary classes have settled very quickly into their learning routines and it is obvious in these early weeks that these classes appear to have a good balance. Welcome to our two new teachers in the Primary School, Mrs Kimberley Webber (Year 3/4 Fridays) and Ms Rebecca Dalton (Music Term 1). Their professional attitude has ensured a smooth start in their classes.

Thank you to all the parents who took the time to come in to meet their child's teacher and gain information about the year ahead. This 30 minute **Meet & Greet** session also acts as an opportunity to put a face to parent names making communication that much easier! I would like to thank Bronwyn Lawson and the P&C for their assistance with the sausage sizzle.

**Swimming Lessons** begin next week for students in the middle/upper primary and high school, Year 7. Please remind your child to include their swimming gear each day. Below are the lesson times for swimming lessons between 25<sup>th</sup> February and 8<sup>th</sup> March:

9:00am – 9:40am	Year 2/3 Mrs Ellis
9:50am - 10:30am	Year 3/4 Mrs Sutton/Mrs Webber
10:40am - 11:20am	Year 4/5 Ms Powell
11:50am - 12:30pm	Year 6 Mrs Gwatkin
12:40pm - 1:20pm	Year 7 Mrs Fee

**School Photographs** have been brought forward this year in an attempt to ensure better weather for the outside photo sessions. These photos will take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of March. More information about ordering will be sent home shortly.

I hope your family has a great 2019!

**Mr Carl Carulli**  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (Primary)**





## SECONDARY NEWS



Welcome to all students and families to the 2019 school year at Waroona DHS. We hope you have all had an enjoyable break over the Christmas holiday, and are refreshed and ready to do your very best for 2019.

Last year we changed the format for the Year 7 students, where they complete most of their core classes with one teacher in one room. This has once again continued with Mrs Fee agreeing to follow her Year 6 into Year 7. We are seeing a number of High Schools use models similar to this, ensuring a smoother transition from primary to secondary. I am pleased to report that all students have transitioned very well and have also welcomed our new students to the group. I thank the students for making them feel welcome.

We have straight classes this year from 8-10 in the core subjects which makes it easier for teachers to delivery their curriculum programs.

Bush Rangers are busy planning for their first set of excursions and camp so please look out for the communication regarding those. The Year 10's will be off to Rottneest in the first week of Term 2. The Year 7-9 camp will be at Woodman Point during Wweek 10 of Term 2 whilst the Year 10's are on work placement. Other groups are mammal trapping and working at bandicoot reserve on the edge of town.

I encourage students to work hard to get themselves organised and set themselves some achievable improvement targets for this term. Students will be setting these in their SenseAbility classes on Fridays.

All High School students will sit some form of standardised test before the middle of Term 2. The data received from this testing will help guide curriculum planning to best suit the needs of each student. Our Years 7 & 9 students will complete NAPLAN, OLNA for our Year 10's and our Year 8's will have ANA testing.

Mr Peck and I have a team of Year 6 and 7 students working on building a Pedal car to compete in the annual Busselton Pedal Prix competition. Keep an eye out for the developments with this new program.

Have a safe and rewarding term.

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



## Positive Behaviour Support (PBS)

During Weeks 1-2 this term we focused on **Considerate: We greet people positively.**

It was fantastic to see so many staff and students making an effort to greet others with a hello or even just a smile. Lots of students found out how contagious a smile can be and how it makes both you and the receiver feel better. It makes Waroona District High School a more wonderful place to be!

This fortnight we are introducing **Responsible: We follow staff instructions.**

It is important to follow instructions in and out of the classroom. It makes it safer when playing sport, being in the playground or working in the science lab so you are less likely to hurt yourself. Also the students who follow staff instructions in class are not only being responsible and safe but are also usually the ones who do well in tests and assignments.

Weeks 5-6 we will be focusing on **Aspire: We set goals and work to achieve them.**

**The PBS Team**



## Chaplain's Chat

Daniel and I have had a busy start to the school year. It has been lovely to have students pop in and let us know what they were up to over the holidays!

At present Waroona District High School is focussing on **BEING RESPONSIBLE**. Being responsible means that we do the things expected of us (**like listening to our teachers**) and accepting the consequences (**results**) of our actions.

Being **RESPONSIBLE** is very important. When we act responsibly and do the things we are responsible for doing (like brushing our teeth twice a day and completing our Maths homework our teacher has asked us to do) we have positive consequences (clean healthy teeth and practise and understanding of Maths concepts).

Being responsible leads to more trust and freedom because people know that they can count on us to do the things we are expected to do!

Both Daniel and I are very aware that Waroona District High School consists of a wonderfully diverse tapestry of people who, together, form a very special community. As we continue through the year, let us be mindful that each of us, students, staff, parents and/or guardians, contributes to the success of this school when we act responsibly. It is our hope, and prayer, that 2019 is a year of learning, perseverance, friendship and fun!

Blessings,

**Karen Burke**  
**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN**



## Waroona Junior Netball

Nomination forms for netball this year are available in our School Administration.

Alternatively if you would like a form emailed through to you, please email [waroonajuniornetball@outlook.com](mailto:waroonajuniornetball@outlook.com)



Nomination forms are due back by  
**29<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

## Chaplain Availability

YouthCARE provides Chaplains in schools to assist students, parents and staff with pastoral care and support. Our job is to encourage everyone in the school community to be the best they can be. We are part of the Student Services Team and can help with grief/loss issues, peer/friendship relationships, practical life skills (such as cooking and gardening), social and values education, and referrals to other agencies of help within the community. If you'd like to have a chat with Daniel or Karen, our office hours are:

**Daniel:** Mondays and Thursdays

**Karen:** Tuesdays - 11am-2:45pm, Wednesdays, Fridays in Weeks 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

Please note:

Breakfast Club runs Monday and Thursday mornings with Daniel in the Canteen.

Hot Lunch Tuesday runs on Tuesdays in the Moortidj Miya Room at lunch time with Karen.

Cooking Club runs on Wednesdays in the Moortidj Miya Room at recess with Karen.

## Stay WaterWise WA

Brush your teeth with the tap off.

## 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.

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



## 2019 Registrations

Please register by 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019

The 2019 football registrations are now open from Years 3 to 11. If you have a son or daughter that may be interested in playing for Waroona Junior Football Club, please registrar using the following link:

<https://membership.sportstg.com/regoforum.cgi?aID=7&pKey=36bd065bc3e41d235feaf52849a0ba0d&cID=201&formID=36056>

or get in contact with either our Club Registrar, Rob Deleo via email: [wjfcregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:wjfcregistrar@gmail.com) or our Assisting Registrar Natalie Parker on 0418 939 806.



## SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEARS 7 TO 12  
YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO:

**\$350**

towards school expenses

DO YOU HOLD A: ● CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD  
(OR) ● CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD  
(OR) ● VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

Applications Close  
**Friday 12 April 2019**

**Ask School Reception for More Information**



## ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merits at the last assemblies:

Year 1	Tyler Butler		
Year 2	Ashley Lund	Chad Paterson	
Year 3	Summer-Apple Thomas	Sophie Gordon	
Year 4	Jacob McWilliams	Steven Unwin	
Year 5	Ryan Grant		
Year 6	Ryan Evans	Emma Fry	
Year 7	Cianne Griffiths	Makkiah Dittmann	
Year 8	Ethan Look	Xanthea Salkilld	Deacon Wheeler
Year 9			
Year 10	Jade Grey		

### Book Quote of the Week

"Any book that helps a child to form a habit of reading, to make reading one of her deep and continuing needs, is good for her."

- Maya Angelou

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BOOKS & MORE



## Maths Tutoring

*Secondary Students of Waroona District High School are invited to attend Maths Tutoring in Term 1 every Tuesday afternoon at 3:00pm in Room 1 with Mrs Vogler.*

## HATS

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

Hats are also essential during Phys Ed and Bush Ranger classes.



## SCHOOL PHOTOS

**Our School Photos will be taken on  
Tuesday 12th of March 2019 and  
Wednesday 13th of March 2019**

### Class Photos/Portraits:

- Every Student will have their photo taken, whether they are purchasing photos or not.
- The school has chosen to use the online ordering system. Your child will be given an online ordering instruction slip and a unique student shootkey. Log onto [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au) and follow the prompts to place your order.
- If you lose your shootkey the school reception will have a copy to quote back to you.
- The expiry date for online ordering is the **19 March 2019**. Any orders received after this date will incur a \$30.00 archive fee. You can email your order request through to [reorders.perth@msp.com.au](mailto:reorders.perth@msp.com.au) or call our office on 08 9240 8000

### Family Photos:

- Envelopes can be obtained from Administration.
- Family photos are taken each morning before school.
- Please ensure that your family envelope and payment are handed to the Photographers on photo day.
- If you do not have the correct money we will provide any change needed when photos are delivered to school.
- Family photos **cannot** be ordered online.

### Special/Sports Group Photos:

- If your child is in a Special/Sports photo you will receive a link and password to the online gallery after photo day. You can then view and order if required. Photos will be delivered with the school's bulk order.

**Please Note:** Class Groups, Individuals and Family Photos are **not** available to view online